

DOMPÉ FOUNDATION ETS

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

PREMISE

The knowledge economy, in its broadest sense, is profoundly changing our society in every aspect at an unprecedented speed. Specifically, we are going through a phase of technological transition driven by various factors: the accessibility to shared computational resources that were once unimaginable (Cloud Computing and, in perspective, Quantum Computing); the vast amount of data generated by an increasing number of interconnected smart devices (Big Data and Internet of Things); and the rapid advancement of sophisticated data analysis techniques and methodologies (Machine Learning, Deep Learning), as well as Artificial Intelligence.

In this context, science and the resulting innovation represent the most fruitful sources of the ongoing transformation. This process begins in universities and research centers, eventually expanding and consolidating in the business sector. It represents a *continuum* that draws its value precisely from its inseparable coherence.

The Dompé Foundation ETS has chosen to be an active player in this change by investing in the scientific education and training of promising young individuals in STEM fields. Today, students embarking on the path of science must be able to learn within an environment that combines specialized knowledge with a multidisciplinary approach. Their education should encompass not only biology and life sciences, but also new perspectives offered by technological fields, such as computer science, artificial intelligence, engineering, and nanotechnology. The university programs selected by the Dompé Foundation ETS for its scholarships are guided by these principles. The Foundation's commitment adds up to Dompé farmaceutici s.p.a.'s investments in R&D as well as in innovative businesses.

Without talent, there can be no progress. Without knowledge, there can be no development.

ART. 1 SCOPE

1.1 The Dompé Foundation ETS intends to foster the personal and professional growth of deserving university students, facilitating social mobility through the so-called "social elevator" and removing barriers to university education for the less advantaged social groups. The Foundation specifically focuses on supporting individuals attending graduate and postdoctoral studies characterized by innovation and experimentation.

1.2 In order to achieve the purposes set forth in the previous article, the Foundation has identified, through its Scientific Committee, the MEDTEC School, a six-year degree course in Medicine and Biomedical Engineering run by Humanitas University in partnership with Politecnico di Milano.

1.3 The Foundation has allocated a total of €240.000,00 (two hundred and forty thousand//00 euros) to establish two scholarships, aimed at supporting students throughout their entire university course. Therefore, each scholarship will amount to €20.000,00 (twenty thousand//00 euros) gross per year.

1.4 The Foundation relies on the valuable collaboration and work of Humanitas University and Politecnico di Milano for the administrative activities related to this Call for Applications.

ART. 2 RECIPIENTS' REQUIREMENTS AND ALLOCATION METHODS

2.1 The scholarship recipients shall be identified among students enrolled in the first year of the degree course MEDTEC School. All applicants who have registered for the admission test will be eligible for this Call for Applications, provided they meet all of the following requirements:

Merit-based criteria

- a) applicants must have achieved a minimum score of 90/100 on their upper secondary school diploma. For candidates holding a non-Italian upper secondary school diploma, an equivalent score of 90% or higher of the maximum achievable score is required.
- b) applicants must have successfully passed the interview with the Foundation's Scientific Committee. The evaluation of the candidates will be discretionary and will take into consideration their motivation, qualities, and interests.

Subjective criteria

- c) applicants must not have any employment, collaboration, subordinate or para-subordinate ties with Dompé farmaceutici s.p.a. and/or Dompé Foundation ETS, either personally or indirectly through cohabitants, relatives and/or kin.

Income criteria

- d) their household's Equivalent Economic Situation Indicator for the right to university study (ISEEU) in the year 2025, should not exceed €45,000.00. Foreign students from EU or non-EU countries residing in Italy, Italian students residing abroad, and Italian students with family members holding income and assets abroad must obligatorily provide the certification issued by the consular authority of the country where the income/assets were produced and/or held. Exemption from the payment of university fees is not a cause of incompatibility with the scholarship.

2.2 The Foundation will directly inform applicants about the outcome of the selection process.

ART. 3 DEADLINE AND APPLICATION PROCEDURE

All participants in the admission test are considered eligible for this Call for Applications according to the criteria and procedures set forth in art. 2. Eligible applicants should submit the following documents to info@hunimed.eu by January 31st, 2025, as specified in the Attachment A:

- a) copy of valid identification document;
- b) the curriculum vitae in European format with handwritten date and signature;
- c) the final grade of the upper secondary school diploma;
- d) a presentation letter that includes information regarding current universities studies, personality, hobbies and interests. The letter should be written using Times New Roman font, size 12 and 1.5 line spacing and should not exceed two pages in length. It must also include a header and be signed by the candidate;
- e) valid ISEE 2025 for the right to university study;
- f) foreign students coming from EU or non-EU countries, residing in Italy, Italian students residing abroad and Italian students with family members holding income and assets abroad must compulsorily attach the certification issued by the consular authority of the country where the income/assets were

produced and/or held.

ART. 4 REQUIREMENTS FOR RENEWAL OF SCHOLARSHIP DISBURSEMENT

The scholarship recipients for the academic year 2025-26 may be eligible for scholarship renewal for the subsequent years of study until the completion of their degree, provided that they meet the following requirements at the end of each academic year:

- a) achieve and maintain a weighted average grade of 27/30 or higher;
- b) complete the University Educational Credits (CFUs) required by the study plan for the corresponding academic year;
- c) complete the necessary CFUs by the September exam session, which marks the conclusion of the academic year. Each year in September, failure to meet the CFUs required by the study plan for the corresponding academic year or maintain a weighted average grade of 27/30 or higher will result in the revocation of the scholarship;
- d) meet the income criteria as specified in art. 2.

ART. 5 PROHIBITION OF CUMULATION

5.1 The scholarship cannot be combined with other scholarships, grants or study support funding provided by other entities, whether public or private. Exceptions to this rule apply to awards granted for merit in specific disciplines or arts.

5.2 In the scholarship application (see Attachment A), the person concerned must indicate, under his or her direct responsibility, that he or she is not a beneficiary of other scholarships, grants or study support funding provided by other entities, whether public or private.

5.3 If the candidate receives any additional scholarship, grant, or funding for the same academic year after being awarded the Foundation's scholarship under these regulations, he/she shall promptly inform the Foundation stating whether he/she intends to maintain the Foundation's scholarship or opt for another scholarship, grant, or funding. The right of option may be exercised by the date set for the scholarship award included in the email addressed to the winners.

5.4 Based on this option, the Foundation will reassign the scholarship to another candidate on the ranking list. Any waivers, received after the scholarship delivery date, will result in the recovery of the scholarship already disbursed and in the reallocation to another student for the current academic year.

ART. 6 REVOCATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

6.1 The Foundation will verify that each scholarship recipient maintains the requirements set forth in articles 2 and 4 throughout the entire scholarship period. This assessment will occur annually in November, with the support of Humanitas University and Politecnico di Milano, who will send to the Foundation the information specified in the articles 2 and 4 by the same month.

6.2. The grant will be permanently revoked under the following circumstances:

- (a) if any discrepancies are found between the student's declarations and his/her actual academic, economic, financial or family situation. Additionally, the scholarship will be revoked if it emerges, at any time, even after the disbursement of funds, that the student does not meet the criteria outlined in articles 2.1 and 4 (for example, if the student no longer possesses an average grade of 27/30 and/or is no longer on track with his/her studies according to university regulations, and/or has an ISEE income exceeding €45,000.00, except as provided in article 2.1);
- (b) if the student receives, for the same academic year, other scholarships, grants, or funding as specified in art. 5.1.

6.3 The Foundation will recover the disbursed amounts through the procedures established by law.

ART. 7 DELIVERY AND PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIPS TO WINNERS

7.1 The Foundation will disburse the annual scholarship payment (equal to €20,000.00 gross), net of any legal withholdings, in a lump sum upon completion of all administrative formalities, via a bank transfer to the account specified by the scholarship recipient.

ART. 8 PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA

8.1 The personal data provided in the documents required for the present Call for Applications will be processed in compliance with the current legislation on the protection of personal data (EU Regulation 2016/679 and subsequent implementing measures).

8.2 The Foundation, represented by the President *pro tempore*, will process the personal data as an autonomous data controller, exclusively for the purpose of fulfilling the obligations related to the implementation of these regulations.

Milan, July 4th 2025

Dompé Foundation ETS

The President


Sergio Dompé