

MASTER'S DEGREE IN APPLIED EXPERIMENTAL PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCES (LM-51 – D.M. 270/2004)

A.A. 2021/2022

| ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/2022 | 1st YEAR | 2 nd YEAR |
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| F5105P – Applied experimental | | |
| psychological sciences (Classe LM-51 – | Active | Active |
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The Master's degree in Applied Experimental Psychological Sciences (AEPS) is an international degree program that lasts 2 years, for a total of 120 university credits, from here on called CFUs (Italian equivalent of ECTS credits). The program consists of 10 courses for a total of 80 CFUs. The remaining CFUs will be gained by the students through other activities, such as labs, internship, and the Master's thesis. Students will attend 6 courses during the first year and 4 courses during the second year. All courses will be taught in English, which is the official language of the program.

Upon completion of the program, after the acquisition of 120 CFUs, the student is awarded the title of Laurea Magistrale in Applied Experimental Psychological Sciences, with its corresponding legal value. Subsequent to graduation, students may begin a Second-level Master's degree as well as Specialization or PhD programs in Psychology.

The Master's in Applied Experimental Psychological Sciences is an international degree program that aims at attracting students, from Italy and from abroad, with the purpose to create professionals who can compete in the national and international job market. All courses will be taught in English. The program is fully compliant with the standards of psychological master programs (LM-51). Within this framework, in detail, students will acquire state-of-the-art skills and knowledge on the cognitive, social and emotional processes, as well as on the neural basis underlying individual thinking, behavior, language, knowledge and decision making.

The Master's program in Applied Experimental Psychological Sciences requires attendance for at least 70% of the hours of the laboratory classes. For the rest of the courses the attendance is not required but strongly encouraged.

Course regulations for the academic year 2021/2022 are available here: https://www.unimib.it/sites/default/files/regolamenti-didattici/F5105P-2021.pdf.

Lessons will be held in presence, unless further COVID-19 related restrictions are imposed.

APPLICATION RULES

Students with a 3-year Bachelor's degree, or an international equivalent qualification, may apply to the Master's program in Applied Experimental Psychological Sciences. However, it is important to consider that, basic knowledge of General and Physiological Psychology, Educational and Developmental Psychology, Dynamic and Clinical Psychology, and Social and Occupational Psychology is compulsorily required for the admission to the program. Students must have indeed gained 88 CFUs as undergraduate credits (or the international equivalent) earned in courses on various fields of Psychology (MPSI/01, M-PSI/02, MPSI/03, M-PSI/04, M-PSI/05, M-PSI/06, M-PSI/07, MPSI/08). A B2 level in English is also required.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The Master's Degree in Applied Experimental Psychological Sciences has a restricted number of 60 places for first-year students, including 15 places reserved to Extra-EU students. In order to be admitted to the program applicants need to possess the requirements listed below and rank in a useful position in the merit ranking list.

To be eligible for the admission, applicants are required to:

- A. Possess basic knowledge of General and Physiological Psychology, Developmental and Educational Psychology, Dynamic and Clinical Psychology, and Social and Organizational Psychology. This knowledge will be evaluated through the examination of each candidate's curriculum vitae. In particular, the candidate is required to possess at least 88 course credits (CFU/ECTS) covered in at least 6 of the 8 Psychological Italian disciplinary/scientific areas (M-PSI/01, M-PSI/02, M-PSI/03, M-PSI/04, M-PSI/05, M-PSI/06, M-PSI/07, M-PSI/08). To this end, credits earned after obtaining the first-cycle degree (by passing exams related to single courses and/or to previous careers) can also be counted, with the restriction that these single exams cannot be part of the mandatory courses of AEPS. It is important to note that these credits are never considered as a replacement for the 120 CFUs that need to be earned for completing the Master's course. Requirement 'A' is automatically fulfilled by possessing an Italian first-level degree in Psychology (class L-24 ex DM 270/04), or a three-year foreign degree (e.g., BA/BSc comparable to the Italian degree in Psychology), or other foreign academic degrees that are recognized by current legislation and that are consistent with the AEPS degree.
- B. Level B2 English proficiency, with reference to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR). Candidates who do not have English Language Certification but who plan to obtain it by 31 October 2021 must undergo a compulsory interview aimed at confirming whether their knowledge of English is at the required level. In the case of admission to the ranking list, the relevant certification must be produced within the deadline stated above.

If the number of applications that possess the aforementioned requirements exceeds the number of available positions, a ranking is established according to the specific criteria described in the Admission notice.

Since 2019/20, an extra point is awarded to candidates who fulfill at least one of the following requirements:

- Have earned a B2 English language certificate.
- Have earned a first-level academic degree taught primarily or entirely in English.
- Have earned a school qualification, valid for university admission, in which English is the official teaching language.

Instructions and deadlines for applying can be found in the <u>Admission notice</u>, which is available in the University website (www.unimib.it).

CREDIT RECOGNITION AND TRANSFERS

A specific admission board, appointed by the Department Council, will examine applications of those asking to evaluate their career in other Master's courses or specific exams that are consistent with the educational offer of AEPS. According to the D.M. 270/2004 and L. 240/2010, Universities can recognize as course credits professional skills certified by the applicant according to the Italian law, as well as other skills acquired during post-secondary educational activities to which the University has contributed up to 12 CFU/ECTS. Educational activities that have been already recognized as CFU/ETCS cannot be recognized again as CFU/ECTS in Master courses. Instructions for applying for transfers from other Master's courses, as well as the corresponding deadlines, are available in the Admission notice, which can be found in the University website (www.unimib.it), within the AEPS page https://www.unimib.it/ugov/degree/4956.

ENROLLMENT IN THE SECOND YEAR

The renewal of the enrollment in the Master's degree is scheduled from 15 July to 30 September 2021, in accordance with what is established by the Office of education and student services and reported on the site www.unimib.it (https://www.unimib.it/servizi/segreterie-studenti/rinnova-liscrizione).

CLASS SCHEDULE

Courses' class schedules will be published by the beginning of the academic year at the following link https://gestionespazi.didattica.unimib.it/PortaleStudentiUnimib/ and on the website http://didattica.unimib.it/F5105P. The period for attending lessons and laboratory classes goes from the 1st of October to the 31st of May 2022. According to the University academic calendar, the lectures are spread over two semesters.

Class schedules will be organized as follows:

First semester 2021/2022: Lessons will start on October 4th 2021 Lessons will end by December 22nd 2021

Second semester 2021/2022: Lesson will start on March 1st 2022 Lesson will end by March 31st 2022

OFFICE HOURS

The teachers' office hours are published on their personal page on the Department of Psychology website www.psicologia.unimib.it.

TEACHING PROGRAMS

The detailed programs of the courses will be published by the beginning of the academic on the website https://elearning.unimib.it/. For all information related to the courses, please visit the following web-site: https://didattica.unimib.it/F5105P.

EXAM SESSIONS

There is only one exam for each course. The exams take place in a period of time that begins on October 1st and ends on September 30th. The annual number of exam sessions is distributed in the months of: January-February, June-July, September, in compliance with the minimum number established by the University Academic Regulations. The validity of the exam program is limited to the academic year in which the course was offered. At the end of the last exam session of the fall session the course program is no longer valid. Only for the courses of the second semester the validity of the exam program is extended to the exam session of the winter session of the following academic year.

The exam schedule is normally established at least 180 days in advance of the beginning of the exam sessions and it is published on the website https://gestionespazi.didattica.unimib.it/PortaleStudentiUnimib/. Enrollment is mandatory and must be done online at the following link: www.unimib.it/segreterieonline.

For the first semester 2021/2022 the exam sessions will be scheduled from January 10th to February 28th 2022.

For the second semester 2021/2022 the exam sessions will be scheduled from September 1st to September 30th 2022.

STUDY PLAN

The study plan is the set of mandatory courses, elective courses and chosen activities. A default study plan is automatically assigned to students when they enroll in the 1st year; this represents the statutory study plan that contains only the mandatory activities. Afterwards, students must hand their own individual study plan with all the elective courses they plan to take, as well as their electives. The study plan is approved by a committee designated by the Didactic Coordination Council. The format and deadline of the study plan are outlined by the University regulation. Students' rights to take exams depend on the presence of the courses/laboratories in the most recently approved study plan.

THESIS DISSERTATION

You can find all the information related to the regulations of AEPS (thesis regulations, allocation of a thesis supervisors, conditions and deadlines of the degree application and thesis) at the following link: http://didattica.unimib.it/F5105P.