

COMPETITION ANNOUNCEMENT

INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS
MASTERS OF ARTS AND ACADEMIC MASTERS

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In order to promote excellence in academic disciplines, NABA, Nuova Accademia di Belle Arti intends to support highly motivated and talented young people, by offering scholarships that partially cover the tuition fees to attend Two-year Masters of Arts and One-year Academic Masters starting in October 2026.

Scholarships will be awarded based on the evaluation of the candidate's portfolio, motivation letter and curriculum vitae.

1. WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

→ Students having a University Degree Certificate or a First-Level Academic Diploma or equivalent title, earning that qualification within the last term of Academic Year 2025/26.

→ The selection will be also open to applicants having a proven professional experience in relevant fields for the chosen educational path.

2. HOW CAN I SUBSCRIBE TO THIS INITIATIVE?

All interested students can submit their application by filling in the Application form, and uploading complete digital documentation to the following URL: <http://competition.naba.it> Otherwise, materials can be sent by e-mail to: int.info@naba.it

After submitting their applications, candidates will receive a confirmation e-mail within 48 hours. If candidates do not receive a confirmation, they should write to: int.info@naba.it The deadline for sending applications is February 26th, 2026.

3. WHAT TO SUBMIT

→ Application Form (downloadable at the link <https://go.naba.it/4q5jtOU>);

→ Curriculum Vitae;

→ Artistic/professional portfolio of projects*;

→ Motivation letter;

→ Previous transcripts/mark sheet and University Degree Certificate or First Level Academic Diploma (if already earned when making the application);

→ Valid Passport copy;

→ Certificate of knowledge of English or Italian – level B1.2 (according to the chosen programme).

Candidates are asked to send their materials in English or Italian and in two files in PDF format: one including the portfolio and one including the remaining materials.

4. WHO WILL BE AWARDED THE SCHOLARSHIP?

Applications will be evaluated and selected by the Faculty of the pertaining Postgraduate Programme and by the Admissions Jury.

In case of equal assessment, the highest position in the list will be graded according to the weighted average of the exams passed during the Undergraduate Degree/ First Level University Diploma until the date of application for admission.

***Specific for the Master of Arts in Social Design, and for the Academic Masters in Fashion Digital Marketing and in Contemporary Art Markets:** applicants, who do not have an artistic/professional portfolio relevant to the subject, are required to present an additional essay/project or analysis related to a topic of the relative programme field (in PDF format).

5. PRIZES

The best projects will be awarded one of the scholarships that partially covers the tuition fees to attend the first year of the selected Master of Arts or Academic Master Programme starting in October 2026.

Prizes will be calculated on the standard tuition fee amounting to:

→ €22.250 for EU and non-EU passport holders (Regional Tax for Academic Studies and Graduation Thesis Fee are not included) for one of the NABA Master of Arts Programmes;

→ €19.300 for EU passport holders (Graduation Thesis Fee is not included) for one of the NABA Academic Master Programmes;

→ €23.800 for non-EU passport holders (Graduation Thesis Fee is not included) for one of the NABA Academic Master Programmes;

The tuition fees are partially covered as follows:

→ For students with residence within the EU from at least 3 years for Master of Arts Programmes:

Income bracket	Amount (€)
■ 1 st income bracket	2.200
■ 2 nd income bracket	2.400
■ 3 rd income bracket	2.600
■ 4 th income bracket	2.800
■ 5 th income bracket	3.000
■ 6 th income bracket	up to 7.000

→ For students with residence outside EU for Master of Arts Programmes: up to €7.000;

→ For NON-EU passport holders for Academic Master Programmes: up to €7.000;

→ For EU passport holders for Academic Master Programmes: €3.000.

6. HOW DO I ACCEPT MY SCHOLARSHIP?

Candidates who have been awarded a scholarship must enrol within 7 days after the official communication, otherwise the scholarship will be cancelled.

Scholarships which are awarded but not accepted will be transferred to the following candidate in the list, provided that the latter is deemed eligible.

7. GENERAL CONDITIONS

→ Every moral or paternity right as to the project remains property of the author.

→ The projects/portfolios sent to NABA will not be returned.

→ NABA is entitled not to award the scholarship if the projects are deemed not to meet the suitable standards defined by the jury. The jury will judge at its own discretion and its decision is final.

→ The scholarships referred to in this competition announcement cannot be combined with DSU scholarships or other economic grants offered by NABA.

→ Policy for renewal to the 2nd Academic Year in case of Master of Arts Programmes:

- Achievement of at least 40 credits by the end of the 3rd exams session - Fall/ September;
 - Weighted average not lower than 27/30 by the end of the 3rd exams session - Fall/ September.
- In order to obtain the renewal of the scholarship for the 2nd Academic Year, the recipient should comply with NABA re-enrolment procedure and meet the requirements mentioned here above. At the end of the third exam session (Fall/ September), the Registration Office will check whether the recipient meets the requirements to renew the scholarship. Scholarship confirmation will be communicated to the student by October 31st.
- For Masters of Arts all scholarship amounts will be deducted for every Academic Year from the last instalment of Tuition Fees.
- In case of Academic Master Programmes, the scholarship will be deducted from the balance of the tuition fee.
- Scholarship amounts for Two-year Master of Arts Degrees are calculated out of the yearly total cost net of the Regional Tax for the Right to University Education equal to €190.
- The scholarship will be no longer applicable in case the student: does not enrol to NABA within the deadline set out by the competition announcement; renounces to attend university or demands to be transferred to another Academy/ University; incurs in more serious disciplinary penalties than written reprimand for infractions against NABA.
- Awarded prizes cannot be deferred to future intakes of the programme or to a different programme.
- Selected participants accept that part of their work will be published on websites and/or social media channels of the institutions involved.

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