



UNIVERSITÀ  
CATTOLICA  
del Sacro Cuore

# MEDICINE & SURGERY

6-year English-taught Single-Cycle Degree programme

AY 2025/2026

Rome | Bolzano

# Facts and Figures: School of Medicine and Surgery

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about Cattolica



# Gemelli



Fondazione Policlinico Universitario Agostino Gemelli IRCCS  
Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

Founded in  
**1921**, Università  
Cattolica is  
the largest  
**non-state  
university** in  
Europe

Recognised  
and **fully-  
accredited  
research**  
university

The School is  
**fully embedded**  
within  
**Policlinico  
Gemelli Hospital  
- Università  
Cattolica**  
founded in 1964

**Exceptional  
faculty-student ratio**   
(Only 110 students in Rome and 60 in Bolzano)

## 462

International  
degree-seeking currently  
enrolled in the Faculty of  
Medicine and Surgery

## 3

Highly cited researchers:  
Gasbarrini, Landi, Scalfaferrì  
(according to Clarivate)

## 33

Doctors ranked in the World's  
**Top 2% Scientists 2023**  
(list by Stanford & Elsevier for  
career-long citation impact)

## 14

Study abroad destinations  
for the Medicine and  
Surgery programme

## 52

Nationalities on the  
Medicine and Surgery  
programme

## 37

Faculty members listed  
among the **TOP ITALIAN  
SCIENTISTS**

## Rankings

Policlinico Gemelli  
Hospital - Università  
Cattolica ranks as  
**#1 hospital**  
in Italy and  
**#35**  
in the world  
Newsweek's  
World's Best Hospital  
2024 Ranking

**Medicine**  
ranks in the  
**Top 200**  
QS World University  
Rankings by  
Subject 2024

Policlinico Gemelli  
Hospital - Università  
Cattolica ranks  
**#1**  
in Italy for  
**Gastroenterology,  
Obstetrics and  
Gynecology, and  
Pulmonology**  
Newsweek and Statista  
World's Best Specialised  
Hospitals 2025 Ranking

# Location highlights

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about the campuses

**1 Rome**  
**2 Bolzano**



**The Eternal City, a cultural hub, home to iconic art and film, from the Sistine Chapel to “La Dolce Vita.”**

Università Cattolica, Rome campus is affiliated with the Policlinico Universitario Agostino Gemelli hospital, which opened in 1964. It is ranked the best hospital in Italy and #35 worldwide based on the World's Best Hospital 2024 Ranking by Newsweek.

**1 - ROME**

**A vibrant, multilingual city in the Alps**

Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore and Polo Universitario Claudiana in Bolzano offer a groundbreaking Medicine and Surgery programme. This collaboration combines Claudiana's healthcare expertise with Università Cattolica and Policlinico Gemelli's innovation, featuring advanced research, top-notch facilities, and a commitment to excellence.

**2 - BOLZANO**



# Medicine and Surgery (Rome)

## Single-Cycle Degree in Medicine and Surgery

School: Medicine and Surgery

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**Campus:** Rome, Italy  
**Next Intake:** September 2025

**Duration:** 6 years  
**Total ECTS:** 360  
**Edition #:** 13

### YEAR 1

- Basic sciences (14 ECTS)
- Functional architecture of the human body 1 (msk/heart/vascular system) (12 ECTS)
- Gene regulation and cell metabolism (11 ECTS)
- Italian language 1 (3 ECTS)
- Life of cells, tissues and microbes (10 ECTS)
- Scientific English (2 ECTS)
- Theology 1: introduction to christology and scriptures

### YEAR 2

- Cellular and molecular pathology (8 ECTS)
- Epidemiology and biostatistics (6 ECTS)
- Functional architecture of the human body 2 (respiratory/digestive/urinary/reproductive) (15 ECTS)
- Functional architecture of the human body 3 (endocrine/nervous system) (12 ECTS)
- history of medicine and antropology (2 ECTS)
- Italian language 2 (2 ECTS)
- Italian language 3 (2 ECTS)
- Microbe - host interaction (10 ECTS)
- Theology 2: introduction to theological anthropology and ecclesiology

### YEAR 3

- Approach to diagnosis and treatment (11 ECTS)
- Hematology (8 ECTS)
- Infectious diseases (9 ECTS)
- Introduction to clinical medicine (13 ECTS)
- Italian language 4 (3 ECTS)
- Mechanisms and manifestations of diseases (13 ECTS)
- Theology 3: introduction to ethics and Christian ethics

### YEAR 4

- Endocrinology (6 ECTS)
- Gastroenterology (12 ECTS)
- Gynecology (10 ECTS)
- Liver and biliary tract (6 ECTS)
- Materno-fetal medicine and obstetrics (5 ECTS)
- Metabolism and clinical nutrition (6 ECTS)
- Neurosciences (14 ECTS)
- Theology (seminarial course)

### YEAR 5

- Cardiac diseases (9 ECTS)
- Dermatology and rheumatology (9 ECTS)
- Emergency and intensive care (9 ECTS)
- Geriatrics and palliative medicine (7 ECTS)
- Kidney and urinary system (8 ECTS)
- Pediatrics (9 ECTS)
- Respiratory diseases (8 ECTS)
- Vascular diseases (6 ECTS)

### YEAR 6

- Being a physician (14 ECTS)
- Bones and joints (8 ECTS)
- Eye, ear, nose and throat (10 ECTS)
- Practical-evaluation training general medicine (5 ECTS)
- Public health, occupational medicine and forensic sciences (7 ECTS)
- Thesis dissertation (18 ECTS)

### Double Degree option: Thomas Jefferson University (Philadelphia, USA)

Once enrolled, students can refer to  
Cattolica International for further information



## Peculiarities of Medicine and Surgery (Rome)

<b>Campus</b>	Rome, Italy
<b>Hospital</b>	Policlinico Gemelli University Hospital
<b>Teaching language</b>	English
<b>Internship language</b>	English, Italian
<b>Application opening</b>	mid-October 2024
<b>Application deadline</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of February 2025
<b>Application fee</b>	€200
<b>Entrance exam</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of March
<b>Places available</b>	110

### About both degrees (in Rome and Bolzano)

In order to achieve formative goals, they offer a total of 360 ECTS (European Credit Transfer System), over a 6-year course. 60 credits focus on acquiring professional skills. Each ECTS corresponds to 12 hours of teaching or 17 hours in case of professional training.

Both programmes are designed for aspiring

# Medicine and Surgery (Bolzano)

## Single-Cycle Degree in Medicine and Surgery

School: Medicine and Surgery

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**Campus:** Bolzano, Italy  
**Next Intake:** September 2025

**Duration:** 6 years  
**Total ECTS:** 360  
**Edition #:** 2

### YEAR 1

- Basic sciences (14 ECTS)
- Functional architecture of the human body 1 (msk/heart/vascular system) (12 ECTS)
- Gene regulation and cell metabolism (11 ECTS)
- German language 1\* (3 ECTS)
- Italian language 1\* (3 ECTS)
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\*Students whose native language is Italian must attend German language courses. Students whose native language is German must attend Italian language courses. Students of other native languages must attend both Italian and German language courses.

medical practitioners. As a graduate, you'll have a variety of career options, including opportunities in basic and clinical scientific research, thanks to the innovative curriculum.

Both degrees are academically recognised across the EU and many other countries for residency or professional practice, though local licensing regulations must be followed.

## Peculiarities of Medicine and Surgery (Bolzano)

<b>Campus</b>	Bolzano, Italy
<b>Hospital</b>	Claudiana Health Professions University Centre
<b>Teaching language</b>	English
<b>Internship language</b>	English, German, Italian
<b>Application opening</b>	mid-January 2025
<b>Application deadline</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of April
<b>Application fee</b>	€200
<b>Entrance exam</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> half of May
<b>Places available</b>	60

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# Admission requirements

## General entry requirements:

- Minimum 12 years of previous global schooling
- Final 2 years in the same education system

Your high school diploma needs to satisfy the requirements in the awarding country to access university.

## Examples of diploma-specific requirements:

- IB Diploma: full IB Diploma by the May 2025 session (results available at the beginning of July 2025).
- American Diploma with additional 3 AP exams with the College Board
- British Diploma: minimum 3 A-levels

## English-language requirements:

- Complete a high school curriculum entirely taught in English
- OR
- Minimum B2 certified level of English

**Science Subjects:** No specific science subjects or grades are required. To be prepared for the entrance exam, we advise you read the "List of topics to study for the scientific questions" document on the website.

More details on entry requirements on [international.unicatt.it](https://international.unicatt.it)

# How to apply

If you wish to apply to **both** Medicine and Surgery (Rome) and Medicine and Surgery (Bolzano) degree programmes, you have to **submit two separate applications and pay two application fees.**



Visit [international.unicatt.it](https://international.unicatt.it) and **start your application**  
(Link available as soon as applications open)



**Create an account**



**Fill out the online application form**

### Upload the following documents:

- Copy of your **passport/s**
- **Official High School transcripts** (in English or Italian) scanned as one document only
- **High School Diploma** (if already graduated)
- Evidence of **language proficiency**, where needed (if already available)



**Pay the €200 application fee** to start the evaluation procedure



**Submit your application**



**After submission**, Università Cattolica's International Admissions Team will **evaluate eligibility** to access the **Entrance exam**. Only candidates whose eligibility has been confirmed will be officially **assigned to one of the applicant rankings** (EU or non-EU).

# Entrance exam

Admission to the Single-Cycle Master's Degree Programme in Medicine and Surgery is subject to the applicant's performance and subsequent ranking in **Università Cattolica's very own entrance exam.**

**Exam format:** The Entrance Exam will be conducted remotely using a proctoring system, allowing candidates to take the exam from home.

**Please note:** This option is still pending confirmation for EU applicants seeking admission to the Medicine and Surgery degree programme in Bolzano, who might take the exam in person at designated test centres.

## Entrance exam content and preparation

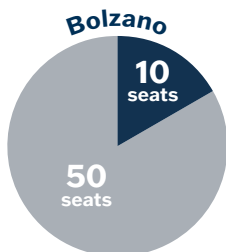
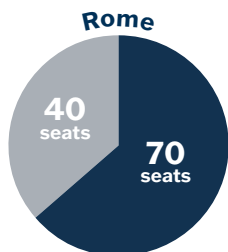
**Rome**



**Bolzano**



# Programme class size



- Reserved to non-EU citizens residing abroad
- Reserved to EU citizens residing anywhere and non-EU citizens legally residing in Italy with permesso di soggiorno/residence permit

In the case of students with **double nationality**, if one is of an **EU country**, it **will prevail** for the purpose of the final ranking of the Competition Call (art. 19, comma 2, of L. n. 218/1995).

## Application timeline

2 <sup>nd</sup> half Oct 2024	2 <sup>nd</sup> half Jan 2025	2 <sup>nd</sup> half Feb 2025	2 <sup>nd</sup> half March 2025	1 <sup>st</sup> half April 2025	2 <sup>nd</sup> half April 2025	2 <sup>nd</sup> half May 2025
<b>Medicine and Surgery (Rome)</b>						
Application opening		Final deadline	Entrance exam	Results publication		
<b>Medicine and Surgery (Bolzano)</b>						
	Application opening				Final deadline	Entrance exam
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## Tuition fees and financial aid

PROGRAMME	FISCAL RESIDENCY	TUITION FEES PER YEAR	SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
6-year Medicine and Surgery (Rome)	All students	€ 18,000	Financial aid and scholarship opportunities administered by <b>EDUCatt</b> . For details refer to > <a href="https://educatteu">educatteu</a>
6-year Medicine and Surgery (Bolzano)	All students		Scholarship opportunities administrated by the <b>Province of Bolzano</b> . For details refer to > <a href="https://international.unicatt.it">international.unicatt.it</a> > <a href="#">Admission and tuition</a> > <a href="#">Tuition fees and scholarships</a>

## Cost of living

TOTAL LIVING EXPENSES AVERAGE PER YEAR

Rome campus: €15,000 - €17,000 | Bolzano campus: €12,000 - 14,000



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## Rome Campus

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## Claudiana Health Professions University Centre Bolzano Campus

Polo Universitario delle Professioni Sanitarie  
Via Lorenz Böhler 13 – 39100 Bolzano, Italy

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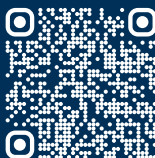
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