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## Laurea Magistrale in Banking and Finance (Master of Science)

Milan campus



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## Study Banking and Finance in Italy's financial capital

Every student who comes to Cattolica soon discovers his or her favorite place. From lawns and cloisters to cafés, gardens and laneways, Cattolica offers an environment where lifelong memories are forged.

Cattolica is one of those great European universities which has become part of the city landscape. It is a complete University within a prized central location. Cattolica has a strong academic profile, one that is reflected by its ranking, reputation, and global network. Cattolica students enjoy high levels of interaction with academic staff. They have numerous course choices and access to excellent facilities, not least our extensive library.

Our main campus in Milan is an integral part of the local community. The bustling streets around our campus are full of cafés, restaurants, and shops. Our students mingle with tourists, business people, and the local population. Yet hidden discreetly within our perimeter are picturesque gardens and courtyards, all of which add to the unique ambience and conducive study environment.

Many of the city's premier attractions, including *Il Duomo*, *Castello Sforzesco*, *Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II*, *Via della Spiga*, and the *Navigli* canal district, are located just a few-minutes walk away. Some are even within the University neighborhood, such as *La Basilica di Sant'Ambrogio*.

To study at Cattolica is to become one with the city. Our students are part of the spirit of Milan, described by a group of International Students as surreal, magical, cosmopolitan, gracious, fashionable, and Bohemian.

## Footsteps around Milan

Milan is a city of movement. People walk everywhere. Their sense of style ranges from casual sophistication to elegant design.

Milan is a modern and progressive city, the commercial heartland of Italy, and headquarter to many of Italy's multinational corporations and world famous brands.

Milan is a city of people. A city full of life. The menus of Milanese restaurants have influenced the world's finest cuisines. And the creations of Italian designers have placed Milan alongside New York, Paris, and London as a home of global fashion.

Milan is the undisputed financial, commercial and industrial capital of the country and has a driving economy that makes it the only gate to international capital markets. It has over 8,600 registered active national and international financial and insurance businesses.

The Italian Stock Exchange, *la Borsa Italiana*, which lists over 220 companies, is located ten minutes away from our campus, a prime vicinity for those students studying in the fields of Economics, and Banking and Finance.

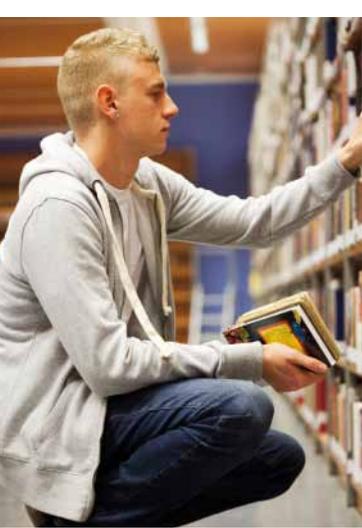
Being headquarter to many of Italy's multinational corporations and world famous brands, Cattolica students can breathe and live the energy of a business-centered city life right outside the central campus doorstep, and are in the ideal position to put to practice the knowledge gained in the course whilst using their own language abilities and cultural competencies that are so valued and sought-after.

Milan is also hosting the Expo 2015 World Fair with the central theme of "Feeding the Planet, Energy for Life," providing companies operating in a wide range of fields (from food and food biotechnologies to renewable energies and logistics) the chance to network, discuss trends, and encourage business and growth. Cattolica students are in an excellent position to closely observe and discuss the planning of this key event.

Yet despite the opportunities which accompany a busy and successful city, the essence of Milan is as true today as in centuries past. With the world-famous opera theatre, *La Scala*, the imposing *Duomo Cathedral*, the stunning *Castello Sforzesco*, and the young and trendy *Colonne di San Lorenzo* all close by, Milan marks its presence on the global cultural scene too.

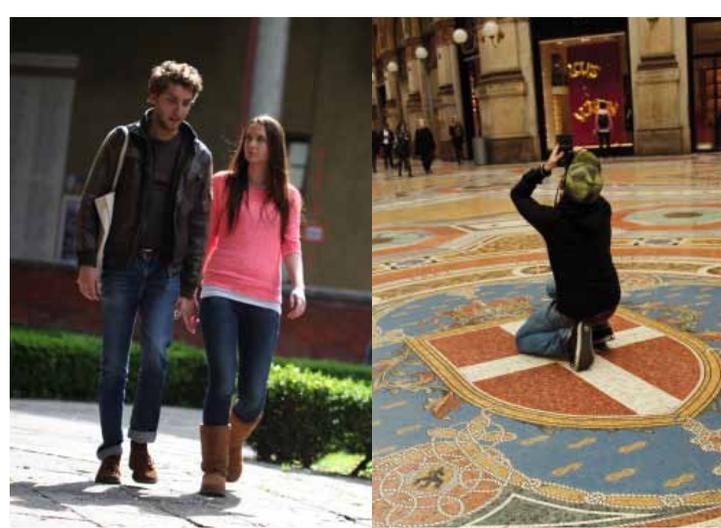
In short, Milan is a beautiful, cultured and dramatic city, offering a multitude of features that tourists rarely discover and an equal number of opportunities for International Students to develop their academic and professional careers.





## Why choose Banking and Finance at Cattolica?

*A genuine experience*  
Cattolica is a renowned international catholic institution, distinguished by its sense of welcome, engagement with students and, above all, its recognition of the individual. Cattolica takes great pride preparing its students with the adequate knowledge, skills, and great motivation for a global context, with prospects to become global leaders through its Banking and Finance program.



*Scholarships*  
Each year Università Cattolica awards many hundreds of need and merit based scholarships to eligible undergraduate and graduate students. Individual awards can either consist of a reduction of the annual tuition amount, or a full scholarship covering tuition and additional benefits, depending on the student's eligibility for scholarship assistance.

“An institution bustling with world-class opportunities.”

*Location*  
Milan is the undisputed financial capital of the country and with a driving economy that makes it the only gate to international capital markets. It has over 8,600 registered active national and international financial and insurance businesses, from almost 200 main banking groups and over 40 foreign banks. The Lombard market for banking and financial services is based on 190 banks.



*Innovative method*  
You will experience an intensive teaching activity with active in-class participation, a direct interaction with the faculty members, and constant relationships with companies and stakeholders of the Banking and Finance sector.



*World-class opportunities*  
The quality of our graduates are known to leading global financial companies as well as *la Borsa Italiana*, which regularly visits the campus to present its work and career opportunities, offering a rare and precious opportunity for the most brilliant graduates of this program to apply for its competitive Graduate Scheme.



*Placement & Career Service*  
Cattolica's Career Service will accompany you through this journey: the dedicated staff will help orientate you along the paths of research, internships and employment, providing highly valued information and support. Over 6,500 internships are undertaken annually, and contacts include 2,000 companies. In 2011 Cattolica was ranked No.1 in employment placement in Italy.



## M.Sc. in Banking and Finance

### Quick facts



**Program type:** Graduate degree/ Master of Science – M.Sc (“Laurea Magistrale”)

**Course duration:** September 2013 – September 2015 (2 years)

**Total ECTS:** 120

**Employment rate:** 95% of Cattolica graduates from the Banking and Finance sector enter into the work force within twelve months of graduating

The Banking and Finance (BF) program is a specialized degree designed for students wishing to concentrate their career in financial markets and institutions. The program provides advanced training in the key areas of securities trading and risk management. A major strength of the program is the combination of strong analytical foundation and applications to real-world issues.

### Learning objectives

Students will learn to integrate financial models, firm-specific as well as industry and economy-wide factors in their decision making process. Banking and Finance students have access to meetings with highly qualified speakers from the financial industry, internship programs in major Italian and international financial institu-

tions, exchange programs in European and US universities.

### Career Opportunities

Graduates from the Banking and Finance program have both the technical knowledge and the methodological tools suited to pursue professional and managerial careers in banks, asset management companies, securities firms, large corporations (particularly in the Treasury and Finance departments), and regulators. Professional consulting positions in all areas of banking and finance represent another option for Banking and Finance graduates.

### Notable Alumni

Cattolica's Faculty of Banking, Finance and Insurance Sciences boasts an impressive list of outstanding graduates that have become CEOs, entrepreneurs and top-level managers of some of the world's leading financial companies and banks.

Distinguished names include:

- Roberto Poli (President Eni S.p.A.)
- Dino Piero Giarda (Professor of Scienze delle Finanze, currently Minister in the Monti Government)
- Giacomo Campora (Chief Executive Officer of Allianz Bank Financial Advisors)

“Cattolica boasts outstanding networks and connections, helping its graduates successfully enter the work force.”

Maria, Argentina



## Curriculum

<i>First Year Credits</i>	<i>(ECTS/CFU)</i>
■ Advanced Financial Accounting	5
■ Advanced Microeconomics	5
■ Applied Statistics for Finance	6
■ Applied Econometrics	8
■ Corporate Finance	8
■ Derivative Securities Pricing	8
■ Monetary Economics	6
■ Principles of Financial Regulation	10
■ Quantitative Methods for Finance	8

<i>Second Year Credits</i>	<i>(ECTS/CFU)</i>
■ Investment Risk Management	4
■ Foreign Language	4
■ Market Microstructure	8
■ Risk Management	8
■ Electives	12
■ Final Dissertation	20

<i>Elective Courses List (in alphabetical order)</i>	<i>(ECTS/CFU)</i>
■ International Corporate Finance	8
■ International Financial Markets	4
■ Project Management	8
■ Real Estate Finance	4

## Entry requirements

Students need to hold an undergraduate degree, obtained after a minimum of 3 years of study (180 ECTS) and in a subject which is relevant to the chosen degree course.

Cattolica will evaluate the student's academic and personal background and decide if the specific conditions for admission to the graduate degree are met.

### *Language prerequisite*

For applicants whose first language is not English they will need to either:

- Have a TOEFL/IBT overall score of at least 80 or an Academic IELTS overall score of at least 6.0, or
- Have successfully completed a degree program taught in the English language in a country where English is the official language.

Cattolica's TOEFL institution code is 2605.

## Fees & Scholarships

EU Students: from € 3,560.00 to € 7,250.00 per annum (varies according to the financial background of the student or student's family if dependent).

EU residents may apply for regular financial aid and additional scholarships provided by EDUcatt. For further information please refer to

› [educatt.unicatt.it](http://educatt.unicatt.it)

Non-EU Students: flat fee € 8,500 per annum

Non-EU residents will have the opportunity to apply for a scholarship depending on their country of residence. For further information please refer to

› [www.ucscinternational.it/ucsc-scholarships](http://www.ucscinternational.it/ucsc-scholarships)

## How to apply

Applicants are required to submit an online application form along with their supporting documents. The online application form, application instructions and admission procedures are available at

› [www.ucscinternational.it/apply-online](http://www.ucscinternational.it/apply-online)

Application outcomes will be communicated 4-6 weeks following the deadline you have applied by.

## Deadlines

- Priority consideration deadline (all applicants): February 1, 2013  
N.B: You are advised to apply by this deadline if you require an early decision regarding your application outcome.
- Final deadline for Non-EU Students only: April 15, 2013
- Final deadline for EU Students: July 30, 2013.

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