



4EU+ Biodiversity, sustainability in the agro-food system 4EU+ Microcredentials (MicroBS) – a.a. 2024/25

Call for applications for students enrolled at the University of Milan in the BA programmes in Biotechnology (K06) and Food Science and Technology (STAL)

The project aims to set up a dynamic and multidisciplinary new curriculum that will offer specific micro-credentials to students in each university partner. The topics addressed will be biodiversity and sustainability of the food systems and their implication in the society. The biodiversity of crops, animals, pests, microbes etc. that contribute to food production, is a valuable component in the global push towards circular & sustainable — more efficient, resilient and less wasteful — agro-food- farming systems.

The selected students will attend an **onsite workshop** at **Charles University (Prague)** on **26-30 May 2025**.

Credit award:

Four (4 CFU) credits will be awarded as internship credits for students enrolled in Food Science and Technology (STAL).

Six (6 CFU) credits as elective courses for students enrolled Biotechnology (K06).

Mobility grants: The mobility grant is provided as a lump sum according to the following rates:

- Return travel to and from Prague: 275 euros,
- Accommodation allowance per night: 79 euros.

Who can apply

Applicants must be regularly enrolled in the programmes Food Science and Technology (**Scienze e Tecnologie Alimentari, STAL**) or Biotechnology (**Biotechnologia, K06**) at the University of Milan until the end of the educational activity (July 2025).

In order to receive the 4EU+ travel and accommodation allowance, participants cannot be a recipient of any other EU grant for stays abroad that overlap, even partially, with the physical mobility period.

Study Content

The course is organized into three main blocks:

- 1) Remote Teaching (April – May 2025) –30 hrs, online course (moodle platform)
- 2) Practical activities/visits (last week of May 2025) – 35 hrs, in one of the partner universities (12 University of Milan's students to Charles University)
- 3) Remote Preparation of presentation on a covered topic– 2 weeks

The project is also organized into 3 pillars:

- 1-Biodiversity, Sustainability & Resource-saving



2-Innovative solutions and mitigation strategies

3-Economy and society

All seminars will be recorded and stored in the Moodle platform. Students can watch them at any time.

For further information, the candidates should contact 4euplusmobility@unimi.it.

Application

Send your curriculum studiorum and your motivation letter (1-page max) to both: michele.manoni@unimi.it; carlotta.giromini@unimi.it **by March 31st 2025**.

Object of the message: **candidacy to 4EU+MICROBS**.

Selection process

Up to 12 students from the University of Milan can be selected for the 2024/2025 edition of the Programme.

Candidates will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- Letter of motivation: up to 30 points
- Curriculum vitae: up to 70 points

Selected candidates will be informed by email by the coordinator of the 4EU+ Joint educational activity (Prof. Luciano Pinotti/ by a person appointed for support activities) The selection outcome will be posted to <https://www.unimi.it/en/international/study-abroad/international-opportunities>.

Personal data processing

Pursuant to EU Regulation 2016/679 ("General Data Protection Regulation - GDPR") and Legislative Decree no. 196/2003, as amended and supplemented, the University undertakes to keep the information provided by the applicant confidential. All data will be processed only for the purposes of participation in the programme. Information on the enforcement of the GDPR is available on the University website at <http://www.unimi.it/ateneo/73613.htm> - pathway: www.unimi.it > University > Privacy.

Signed

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