Università della Svizzera italiana

Directives on admission requirements for Bachelor's and Master's programmes and on enrolment procedures[1]

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The Rectorate, having consulted the Management Committee, adopts the following:

Title I – General Principles

Art. 1
Purpose

1 These Directives establish the admission requirements and administrative procedures applicable to enrolment on the Bachelor's and Master's programmes offered by USI.

2 References to persons expressed in the masculine gender in these Directives shall be understood as applying to persons of any gender.

Art. 2
Definitions

1 For the purposes of these Directives, the following definitions apply:

a. "Student Administration": USI Student Administration;

b. "Applicant": a person applying for admission to a study programme offered by USI;

c. "Consecutive Master's programme": a study programme that constitutes the natural continuation of a Bachelor's programme in the same field or a closely related discipline, ensuring continuity and further development of previously acquired knowledge and skills;

d. "Specialised Master's programme": a study programme following a Bachelor's degree and characterised by a specific thematic orientation and/or an interdisciplinary approach, possibly offered in cooperation with partner universities;

e. "swissuniversities"[2]: the umbrella organisation of Swiss universities.

[1] Disclaimer: This is a courtesy translation. The original Italian version shall prevail.
[2] https://www.swissuniversities.ch

Art. 3

General Principles Governing the Assessment of Qualifications Required for Admission

1 Decisions regarding admission to study programmes offered by USI are based on relevant, consistent, and reliable information concerning the qualifications (educational credentials) presented by the applicant.

2 The responsibility for providing the necessary documentation in a complete and timely manner rests with the candidate, who is required to act in good faith.

3 As a general rule, admission shall be granted where the qualifications (educational credentials) awarded in a given State satisfy the general requirements for access to higher education in that State, unless a substantial difference is demonstrated between the qualifications obtained in that State and those required for admission to study programmes offered by USI, particularly with regard to the content and duration of studies. Compliance with any additional admission requirements established by USI remains reserved.

4 For the purpose of assessing the substantial equivalence of the qualifications referred to in the preceding paragraph, USI shall rely in particular on the following parameters and legal instruments:

a. European Convention on the Equivalence of Diplomas Leading to Admission to Universities;[3]
b. Convention on the Recognition of Qualifications concerning Higher Education in the European Region (Lisbon Recognition Convention)[4] and its Explanatory Report;
c. Recommendations of swissuniversities (Recommendations for the Evaluation of Foreign Secondary School Leaving Certificates);
d. Any applicable bilateral agreements concluded between the Swiss Confederation and third States;[5]
e. Other guidance issued by swissuniversities, including country-specific admission requirements[6] and concordance lists between different types of higher education institutions;[7]
f. Federal Act on Funding and Coordination of the Swiss Higher Education Sector;[8]
g. Ordinance of the Higher Education Council on the Coordination of Teaching at Swiss Higher Education Institutions.[9]

5 Qualifications awarded within the framework of continuing education programmes (for example MAS, DAS, CAS, EMBA), postgraduate diplomas, or equivalent qualifications shall not be recognised for admission to study programmes offered by USI, even where they have been awarded by a recognised higher education institution.

[3] European Convention of 11 December 1953 on the Equivalence of Diplomas leading to Admission to Universities (SR 0.414.1).
[4] Convention No. 165 of 11 April 1997 on the Recognition of Qualifications concerning Higher Education in the European Region (SR 0.414.8).
[5] In particular, the Agreement of 20 June 1994 between the Government of the Swiss Confederation and the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany on the Mutual Recognition of Equivalences in the Higher Education Sector (SR 0.414.991.361); the Agreement of 10 November 1993 between the Swiss Confederation and the Republic of Austria on the Mutual Recognition of Equivalences in the Higher Education Sector (SR 0.414.991.631); the Agreement of 7 December 2000 between the Swiss Federal Council and the Government of the Italian Republic on the Mutual Recognition of Equivalences in the Higher Education Sector (SR 0.414.994.541).
[6] www.swissuniversities.ch > Topics > Admission > Admission requirements by country.
[7] www.swissuniversities.ch > Topics > Admission > Permeability between types of higher education institutions.
[8] Federal Act on Funding and Coordination of the Swiss Higher Education Sector (SR 414.20).
[9] Ordinance of the Higher Education Council on the Coordination of Teaching at Swiss Higher Education Institutions (SR 414.205.1).

Title II – Admission Requirements for Bachelor's Programmes

Art. 4
Holders of Swiss Qualifications

1 Holders of the following Swiss qualifications are admitted as students to a Bachelor's programme offered by USI:

a. Cantonal upper-secondary school leaving certificate (Maturitätsausweise/Certificat de maturité) recognised throughout Switzerland pursuant to the Ordinance on the Recognition of Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificates[10];

b. Swiss Maturity Certificate obtained through the Swiss Federal Maturity Examination;

c. Cantonal Commercial Maturity Certificate awarded by the *Scuola Cantonale di Commercio* (Cantonal School of Commerce);

d. Federal Vocational Baccalaureate Certificate and nationally recognised Specialised Baccalaureate Certificate, provided that the holder has passed the supplementary examination pursuant to the Ordinance on the Supplementary Examination for Admission of Holders of a Federal Vocational Baccalaureate Certificate or a Nationally Recognised Specialised Baccalaureate Certificate to Cantonal Universities and Federal Institutes of Technology ("bridge programme")[11];

e. Bachelor's degree awarded by a cantonal university, a federal institute of technology, a university of applied sciences, or a university of teacher education accredited pursuant to the Federal Act on Funding and Coordination of the Swiss Higher Education Sector.

2 For admission to the Medicine programme offered by the Faculty of Biomedical Sciences, only the qualifications referred to in paragraph 1(a), (b), (d), and (e) shall be recognised.

Art. 5
Holders of Foreign Qualifications – General Requirements

1. Holders of a foreign upper-secondary school leaving qualification deemed substantially equivalent to a Swiss upper-secondary school leaving certificate in terms of general education, learning outcomes, academic content, and duration of studies may be admitted as students to Bachelor's programmes offered by USI.

2. The qualification referred to in paragraph 1 must:

a. be awarded by a recognised institution of general education representing the highest level of secondary education in the State where the qualification is issued;

b. be awarded upon completion of an upper-secondary programme of a general, balanced, and non-vocational nature. In particular, at least 90% of the curriculum must consist of general education subjects corresponding to those offered in Swiss upper-secondary schools (core subjects, other compulsory subjects, specific options, and complementary options);

c. provide access to university studies in the State where the qualification was obtained;

d. be obtained following completion of a full course of study. In particular, the total duration of primary and secondary education must be at least twelve years and include general education in languages, mathematics, natural

[10] Ordinance on the Recognition of Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificates (Maturity Ordinance; SR 413.11).
[11] Ordinance on the Supplementary Examination for Admission of Holders of a Federal Vocational Baccalaureate Certificate or a Nationally Recognised Specialised Baccalaureate Certificate to Cantonal Universities and Federal Institutes of Technology (SR 413.14).

sciences, and humanities. The final three years of study must be at upper-secondary level and must include the following subject areas:

1: First Language: Main language

2: Second Language: Foreign language

3: Mathematics: Mathematics

4: Natural Sciences: Biology, Chemistry, or Physics

5: Humanities and Social Sciences: History, Geography, or Economics/Law

6: Additional Category/Free Choice: Computer Science, Philosophy, or a subject from categories 2, 4, or 5.

3. In specific cases, USI may establish minimum quality requirements and additional admission conditions, such as:

   a. attainment of a qualifying grade average or distinction;

   b. acquisition of a specific certificate, such as an admission, study, or other certification issued by a faculty, university, or public authority in the State where the qualification relied upon by the applicant was awarded;

   c. proof that a study certificate has been issued by an institution officially recognised by the national authorities of the State in which the qualification was obtained for access to the desired university programme; as a general rule, admission certificates for distance-learning programmes shall not be accepted;

   d. successful completion of a language examination or other requirements established by USI as admission conditions for individual study programmes;

   e. successful completion of the Swiss University Complementary Examination (ECUS).

4. Upper-secondary school qualifications issued by a State Party to the Lisbon Recognition Convention that do not fully satisfy the requirements relating to the duration and content of studies may be partially recognised. Applicants may compensate for such partial recognition by demonstrating successful completion of at least two years of university studies (120 ECTS credits or equivalent) at a recognised university in a State Party to the Lisbon Recognition Convention. Partial recognition shall not be granted for upper-secondary school qualifications issued by States that are not parties to the Convention.

5. Qualifications obtained through evening classes, correspondence education, distance learning, adult education, or private candidacy shall be assessed according to the same requirements set out above. Applicants may be required to provide additional documentation demonstrating that the qualification is equivalent to a programme delivered in person.

6. Qualifications obtained through attendance at institutions belonging to different educational systems shall be recognised only where each of the final three years of education has been completed successfully at recognised institutions representing the highest level of upper-secondary education. During that period, the applicant must also have followed a curriculum including the subjects listed in paragraph 2. For recognition purposes, the specific admission requirements applicable in the country where the studies were undertaken, as well as the requirements relating to the final qualification obtained, must likewise be satisfied for each academic year.

Art. 6

Holders of Foreign Qualifications – Country-Specific Requirements and Conditions

1 Foreign qualifications recognised for admission to a Bachelor's programme offered by USI, as well as the specific admission requirements and conditions applicable to applicants from individual countries, are published on the swissuniversities website (see the list of country-specific admission requirements[12]).

2 Admission requirements and conditions apply exclusively to the academic year for which the application is submitted. No exceptions shall be granted based on requirements applicable in previous academic years; applicants must therefore fully satisfy the requirements in force for the relevant academic year.

3 In cases of doubtful equivalence concerning secondary school leaving certificates issued by a State that is not a Party to the Lisbon Recognition Convention, applicants are required to obtain a qualifying minimum grade average in accordance with these Directives. Furthermore, suitability may be assessed through an interview and/or examinations.

Art. 7

Holders of Foreign Qualifications – Italy

1 For admission to a Bachelor's programme offered by USI, the following Italian upper-secondary education diplomas are recognised as equivalent:

a. Upper-secondary education diploma in the classical curriculum awarded by a *Liceo Classico* (*Classical Lyceum)*);

b. Upper-secondary education diploma in the scientific curriculum awarded by a *Liceo Scientifico* (*Scientific Lyceum*), including the Applied Sciences option;

c. Upper-secondary education diploma in the language curriculum awarded by a *Liceo Linguistico* (*Language Lyceum*);

d. Upper-secondary education diploma in the humanities curriculum awarded by a *Liceo delle Scienze Umane* (*Human Sciences High School Diploma*), including the Economic and Social Sciences option.

2 The following upper-secondary education diplomas shall also be recognised as equivalent:

a. Upper-secondary education diploma in the artistic curriculum awarded by a *Liceo Artistico* (*Arts Lyceum*), solely for admission to the Bachelor's programmes in Architecture and Italian Language, Literature and Civilization;

b. Upper-secondary education diploma in "Administration, Finance and Marketing" awarded by a Technical Institute in the Economic Sector, solely for admission to the Bachelor's programmes in Economics, Communication, and Informatics;

c. Upper-secondary education diploma in "Information Technology and Telecommunications" awarded by a Technical Institute in the Technological Sector, solely for admission to the Bachelor's programme in Informatics.

3 For qualifications awarded under laws and regulations in force prior to the reform of the Italian education system (Gelmini Reform), reference shall be made to the official correspondence tables linking previous upper-secondary education programmes to the current academic and technical tracks. Teacher-training diplomas, diplomas awarded by vocational art institutes, and all four-year upper-secondary education diplomas shall not be recognised as equivalent. Exceptions apply to the experimental four-year secondary education programmes authorised by the “Ministero dell’Istruzione e del Merito (Ministry of Education and Merit)”.

[12] www.swissuniversities.ch > Topics > Admission > Admission requirements by country.

	4	For admission to the Bachelor's programme in Medicine, the diplomas referred to in paragraph 1 shall be recognised as equivalent, provided that applicants fall within the categories defined in Art. 2 of the Sectoral Regulations for limitation of admission to medical studies at USI and satisfy the specific programme admission requirements.
Art. 8 European Baccalaureate	1	The European Baccalaureate shall be considered an equivalent qualification for admission to a Bachelor's programme offered by USI, provided that the final diploma includes six subjects corresponding to the list set out in Art. 5, paragraph 2(d).
	2	For details concerning accepted subjects, reference shall be made to the directives issued by swissuniversities.
Art. 9 International Baccalaureate	1	The International Baccalaureate is considered an equivalent qualification for admission to a Bachelor's programme offered by USI, provided that it certifies a score of at least 32 points (excluding bonus points) out of 42 and includes six subjects corresponding to the list set out in Art. 5, paragraph 2(d). At least three subjects must be taken at Higher Level, one of which must be Mathematics or a Natural Science.
	2	For details concerning accepted subjects and the minimum score required, reference shall be made to the directives issued by swissuniversities.
Art. 10 Conditional Admission (Bachelor)	1	Admission to Bachelor's programmes offered by USI may be granted conditionally where applicants do not fully satisfy all admission requirements at the time of admission.
	2	Conditional admission is subject to fulfilment of all admission requirements within the deadlines established by the Student Administration. Such deadlines and conditions shall be specified in the admission letter.
	3	Compliance with all admission requirements within the prescribed deadlines result in the definitive confirmation of admission to the Bachelor's programme. In the event of failure to meet all requirements by the deadline, admission is revoked.
	4	Conditional admission shall be granted exclusively for the Autumn Semester.
	5	Conditional admission shall not entail any derogation from the deadlines or conditions governing reimbursement of the semester tuition fee, as provided in the Provisions on university fees.
Art. 11 Sur Dossier Admission (Bachelor)	1	Applicants who do not satisfy the admission requirements may be admitted based on their application, according to criteria and procedures established by the Directors of the individual Bachelor's programmes.
	2	Access to the ‘sur dossier’ admission procedure is generally reserved for applicants who will have reached the age of 25 by the beginning of the semester in which they intend to start their studies and who: a. are Swiss citizens, citizens of the Principality of Liechtenstein, or residents of Campione d'Italia; b. have domicile in Switzerland with a residence permit type C or type B for family reunification; c. holders of a residence permit for gainful employment held for at least three years; d. belong to the field of asylum and hold a permit issued by the competent Swiss authorities.

	3 Exceptions may be granted in duly justified individual cases. 4 Programme Directors may require applicants to submit additional documentation demonstrating significant educational and professional experience. 5 'Sur dossier' admission is not available for the Medicine programme offered by the Faculty of Biomedical Sciences.
Art. 12 Language Requirements (Bachelor)	1 Adequate knowledge of the language of instruction is required for admission to individual Bachelor's programmes. Language requirements are indicated on the relevant programme webpages and may include the submission of language certificates. 2 Where no language certificate is required for admission, applicants are responsible for ensuring that they possess adequate proficiency in the language in which the programme is taught. 3 Holders of the Swiss qualifications referred to in Art. 4 are exempt from the requirement to submit an official certificate of Italian language proficiency for admission to Bachelor's programmes taught in Italian. The same exemption shall apply to holders of: a. the upper-secondary education diplomas referred to in Art. 7; b. four-year or five-year upper-secondary education diplomas obtained at Italian state schools or officially recognised Italian schools abroad; c. upper-secondary State diplomas issued by schools in the Republic of San Marino; d. a certificate demonstrating the completion of 120 ECTS credits (Major) taught in Italian within a Bachelor's programme offered by a recognised university.

Title III – Admission Requirements for Master's Programmes

Art. 13 General Principles Governing Admission to Master's Programmes	1 Admission to Master's programmes offered by USI requires a Bachelor's degree awarded by a Swiss higher education institution or another Swiss academic institution, or a Bachelor's degree awarded by an equivalent foreign higher education institution recognised or accredited in its country of origin, in the same or a related field as the chosen Master's programme. 2 The qualification referred to in paragraph 1 must: a. be awarded by a higher education institution recognised in the country where the applicant pursued their studies; b. certify a programme of study lasting at least three years (minimum 180 ECTS credits); c. provide that at least 80% of the credits were earned at recognised higher education institutions; d. provide that at least 50% of the credits were earned at the university awarding the degree. 3 Faculty Study Regulations, Sectoral Regulations, and/or study plans for individual Master's programmes may specify the essential theoretical and practical foundations required and establish minimum qualitative admission requirements concerning the knowledge and competencies acquired by applicants (including minimum grades, course content and formats, and additional coursework).

Art. 14
Recognised Universities

1 Swiss academic institutions are considered recognised where they are officially recognised or accredited pursuant to the Federal Act on Funding and Coordination of the Swiss Higher Education Sector.[13]

2 Foreign academic institutions are considered recognised if they are officially authorised by the competent authorities of their State or accredited within the relevant educational system and are entitled to award nationally recognised qualifications.

3 Universities located abroad are also considered recognised where their recognition is governed by an international agreement concluded between the relevant State and the Swiss Confederation.

Art. 15
Holders of a Bachelor's Degree Awarded by a Recognised University

1 Holders of a Bachelor's degree awarded by a recognised university shall be admitted to a Master's programme offered by USI, provided that all programme-specific admission requirements are satisfied. These requirements are specified on the webpage or in the regulations for the respective programme, as found on the USI website.

2 Holders of a Bachelor's degree awarded by a Cantonal University or a Federal Institute of Technology may access consecutive Master's programmes in the corresponding field of study without additional requirements, in accordance with the list established by the Swiss Higher Education Chamber.[14]

3 Admission for candidates holding a Bachelor’s degree from a Cantonal University or a Federal Institute of Technology in a field of study different from that of the chosen Master’s programme, as well as for candidates holding a Bachelor’s degree from a foreign university, is assessed on a case-by-case basis by the management of the individual Master’s programmes. They reserve the right to supplement the study plan with courses deemed fundamental if these are missing from the candidate’s academic background. In particular, they may require the acquisition and demonstration of additional knowledge and skills either prior to the start of the programme (prerequisites) or during the course of study within specified timeframes (supplementary requirements).

4 The total amount of prerequisite or supplementary requirements may not exceed 60 ECTS credits. Beyond this threshold, admission shall not be granted.

5 Holders of a Bachelor’s degree from a recognised university may be admitted to specialised Master’s programmes offered by USI following a selection process. To this end, additional knowledge and skills may be required of all candidates. The selection process may take into account, among other factors, the grade point average, previous academic background, grades obtained in specific subjects, and/or additional qualifications relevant to the study programme. Where stipulated by the study programme, selection is based on a comparative evaluation of the applications received. The number of available places is generally limited.

6 Admission may be contingent upon verification that foreign qualifications satisfy minimum qualitative requirements. Such assessment is aimed at ascertaining the equivalence of the foreign qualification submitted by the applicant and may concern, in particular, the structure and duration of the study plan and the course content, as well as the minimum grade obtained in

[13] Federal Act of 30 September 2011 on Funding and Coordination of the Swiss Higher Education Sector (SR 414.20).
[14] www.swissuniversities.ch > Topics > Admission > Fields of study.

		the applicant's academic record. Any specific agreements concluded with partner institutions remain reserved.
Art. 16 **Other Institutions of the Higher Education Sector**	1	Holders of a Bachelor's degree awarded by another type of Swiss higher education institution (Universities of Applied Sciences and Universities of Teacher Education) may be admitted to a Master's programme in a related field of study, in accordance with the concordance list prepared by the Swiss Conference of Rectors of Higher Education Institutions.[15]
	2	Admission is subject to compliance with all programme-specific admission requirements applicable to the chosen Master's programme.
	3	Holders of a Bachelor's degree awarded by other institutions within the Swiss higher education sector may be admitted to a Master's programme offered by USI. Admission may be made subject to completion of supplementary educational requirements.[16]
	4	For applicants holding a Bachelor's degree awarded by a foreign institution of another type of higher education institution, the content of the Bachelor's programme shall be assessed in order to determine its equivalence to the corresponding study programme within the Swiss educational system. In particular, in countries whose educational systems do not provide for an institutional distinction between universities, universities of applied sciences, and universities of teacher education, the qualification shall be assigned to a specific category of higher education institution based on its correspondence to the equivalent educational pathway within the Swiss system.
	5	Applicants, whether holders of Swiss or foreign qualifications, may be required to acquire additional knowledge and competencies amounting to a maximum of 60 ECTS credits, according to a study plan established by the Master's Director. Applications shall be assessed on a case-by-case basis. Admission shall be denied if the additional requirements exceed 60 ECTS credits in total.
	6	Minimum qualitative requirements concerning study plans, course content, or minimum grades may also be established.
Art. 17 **Recognition of Bachelor's Degrees Awarded Following Distance-Learning Programmes**	1	Degrees obtained online or through distance-learning programmes shall be recognised for admission to a Master's programme offered by USI only if the applicant demonstrates that the degree: a. certifies learning outcomes comparable to those of a corresponding programme delivered in person within the relevant educational system, including with regard to admission requirements and examination procedures; b. grants access to an in-person Master's programme at a recognised university in the country where the degree was awarded; c. is awarded by a recognised university (see Art. 14) in the country issuing the degree.
	2	It shall be the responsibility of the applicant to provide the documentation necessary to demonstrate compliance with the requirements set out in letters a-c.
	3	Paragraph 1 shall not apply to admission to the Master's programmes in Architecture and Medicine; degrees obtained online or through distance learning shall not be considered valid qualifications for admission to such programmes.

[15] https://www.swissuniversities.ch/en/konkordanzliste
[16] https://www.swissuniversities.ch/en/topics/studying/accredited-swiss-higher-education-institutions

Art. 18 Conditional Admission (Master)

1 Admission to Master's programmes offered by USI may be granted conditionally where the applicant does not fully satisfy all admission requirements at the time of admission.

2 Conditional admission shall be subject to fulfilment of all admission requirements within the deadlines established by the Student Administration. Such deadlines and conditions shall be specified in the admission letter.

3 Conditional admission shall be granted exclusively for the Autumn Semester.

4 Conditional admission shall not entail any derogation from the deadlines and conditions governing possible reimbursement of the tuition fee for the semester, as set out in the Provisions on university fees.

5 Students admitted conditionally shall be permitted to sit examinations during the intermediate examination session of the current academic year. Grades obtained during that session shall be formally validated only upon fulfilment of all admission requirements.

6 Fulfilment of all admission requirements within the prescribed deadlines shall result in the definitive confirmation of admission to the Master's programme. Should such requirements not be fulfilled, admission shall be revoked, enrolment in the winter examination session shall be cancelled, any examinations taken during the intermediate session shall be declared invalid, and the student shall be exmatriculated ex officio.

7 Paragraphs 5 and 6 of this Article shall not apply to the Master's programmes in Architecture and Medicine.

Art. 19 Language Requirements (Master)

1 Adequate knowledge of the language of instruction is required for admission to individual study programmes. The language requirements are indicated on the webpages dedicated to the respective programmes and may include the submission of language proficiency certificates.

2 Where a study programme does not require the submission of a language certificate for admission purposes, it shall be the applicant's responsibility to ensure that they possess sufficient proficiency in the language in which the programme is taught.

Title IV – Application, Admission Procedure, and Deadlines

Art. 20 Application Procedure

1 Applications for admission to Bachelor's and Master's programmes shall be submitted by completing the designated application form through the online platform provided by USI.

2 The formal review of admission applications falls within the competence of the Student Administration, whereas the assessment of programme-specific admission requirements is carried out by the Directors of the individual study programmes. Upon completion of the assessment procedure, the admission decision is communicated to the applicant in writing.

3 The application form must be completed truthfully, fully, and in accordance with the instructions provided by USI. False or incomplete statements may result in exclusion from the admission procedure, rejection of the application, or revocation of any admission granted (see Art. 24).

	4	A registration fee may be charged; the amount and payment procedure are foreseen by the Provisions on university fees.
	5	Applicants wishing to change the study programme originally indicated in their application during the admission process must promptly notify the Student Administration. Requests submitted after enrolment shall be governed by the General Regulations for Admission and Matriculation.
Art. 21 **Documentation**	1	Applicants should submit the required documentation, as specified on the webpages of the respective study programmes published on the USI website, within the prescribed deadlines.
	2	Applicants who have previously undertaken studies at another higher education institution must also provide the following documents: a. A certificate of exmatriculation confirming withdrawal from the previous higher education institution. Such document must be submitted no later than the beginning of studies at USI; b. Copies of any decisions concerning permanent exclusion from previous study programmes.
	3	The Student Administration may require that certain documents relevant to admission be submitted in their original form.
Art. 22 **Deadlines**	1	Applications for admission must be completed and submitted within the deadlines established and indicated on the official websites and/or in the regulations governing the respective study programmes.
	2	Studies normally begin in the Autumn Semester. For some study programmes, a start in the Spring semester is also possible, as determined by the respective programme directors. Relevant information is published on the webpages of the individual programmes.
	3	Any amendments or updates concerning admission deadlines shall be published on the official webpages and/or in the regulations of the respective study programmes.
Art. 23 **Duty to Notify and Update Personal Data**	1	Applicants and students shall ensure that the personal information provided is complete, accurate, and kept up to date throughout the duration of their studies.
	2	Applicants and students must promptly notify the Student Administration of any significant changes to their personal data, in particular: a. changes of residential or correspondence address; b. changes to contact details; c. any other information that may be administratively relevant for admission purposes or for the management of the study programme.
	3	USI shall not be liable for any inconvenience, communication failure, or unsuccessful delivery arising from the failure to provide updated information.
Art. 24 **Exclusion from the Admission Procedure and Revocation of Admission**	1	An applicant shall be excluded from the admission procedure, or admission shall be revoked, where it is established that: a. the applicant has submitted forged, falsified, or counterfeit degrees, certificates, or documents; b. the applicant has provided false, incomplete, or misleading information, whether intentionally or negligently, that affected the outcome of the assessment process; c. admission was granted as a result of an error or on the basis of incorrect information.

		d. the applicant has failed to pay the semester tuition fee within the prescribed deadline; e. the applicant has failed to satisfy the requirements imposed under a conditional admission within the prescribed deadlines.
Art. 25 **Withdrawal of Admission by the Applicant**	1 2	An applicant may withdraw from admission at any time. The decision must be communicated promptly and in writing to the Student Administration. The Provisions on university fees shall govern any reimbursement of the semester tuition fee, including the applicable conditions and amounts.
Art. 26 **Refusal of Admission**	1 2 3	Admission to a study programme offered by USI shall be denied where the formal requirements established by the General Regulations for Admission and Matriculation, these Directives, the applicable Sectoral Regulations, or the individual study programme are not satisfied. Admission may be refused, by way of example and without limitation, on the following grounds: a. failure to satisfy the academic requirements for admission, including grade average requirements and any additional criteria established by these Directives or by the Programme Director; b. incomplete or irregular documentation; c. a negative assessment of the application by the Programme Director; d. the outcome of a selection procedure implemented, in particular, due to the limited number of places available; e. failure to pass any ranking, aptitude, or entrance tests; f. failure to comply with application deadlines; g. previous permanent exclusion from the same field of study; h. previous expulsion from USI on serious disciplinary grounds. Refusal of admission shall be communicated formally to the applicant in writing. Such refusal shall not entitle the applicant to reimbursement of the registration fee.

Title IV – Final Provisions

Art. 27 **Entry into Force**	These Directives shall enter into force from the 2027/2028 academic year.