

Facts and Figures

Date of foundation: 1240
Departments: 15
Undergraduate programmes: 31
+ 4 Long Cycle Degree Programmes
Graduate programmes: 29
Doctoral programmes: 15
Third cycle specialisation programmes: 28
Special shorter programmes: 76
Students: about 19000
Research and teaching staff: 843
Technical and administrative staff: 1054

Rankings and accreditations

National ranking:
1st among Italian medium-sized Universities for structures, study grants, internet and internationalization (Censis classification 2012)

5th out of 58 for attractiveness to students from other regions or abroad
(Il Sole 24 Ore – Classification of Italian Universities 2012)

QS World University Ranking 2012:
Overall: between 501 and 550, Arts and Humanities 355

Student Timeline

May-June:
pre-enrolment at the Italian Diplomatic Representation for non-EU citizens

30th of October:
deadline application for enrolment

September:
Italian Language test for non-EU citizens

Mid September:
deadline application for DSU

End September/December:
classes - first semester

January/February:
examinations - first semester

March/May:
classes - second semester

June/July:
examinations - second semester

Siena

Siena is located in the heart of Tuscany amid a wide hilly landscape. Built on three steep hills and encircled by ancient walls, the medieval city of Siena welcomes its visitors with a Latin motto at the Porta Camollia entrance to the centre "Cor Magis Tibi Saena Pandit" (Siena opens its heart to you wider than this gate).

It is a unique city, where students can spend a quiet study period, full of opportunities for personal enrichment. The climate in Siena is generally mild, with cool summers and mild winters. Rates of criminality are very low. Overall Siena is a very friendly and safe city, well attuned to students' and researchers' needs.

The cost of living in Siena

The average cost of living for a student in Siena, even if depending on individual needs, may amount to approximately € 500.00 per month, the main expense being accommodation.

University accommodation

- Double room: € 230.00

Private accommodation

- Single room in centre: € 400.00
- Single room on the outskirts: € 350.00
- Double room in centre (per person): € 300.00
- Single room on the outskirts: € 250.00
- Studio/bedsit: € 700.00/750.00

Costs of living in Siena

- Full meal at the canteen € 4.00
- Meal in a pizzeria € 20.00
- Breakfast in a bar € 2.00
- Bus ticket (valid for 1 hour) € 1.00
- Student season (three-month) ticket/bus pass € 56.00
- Specialist medical visit € 36.00
- Cinema € 8.00
- Newspaper € 1.00

Student Services and Facilities

Accommodation

The University of Siena as such has no students' residences, but can use of a few places in dormitories owned by the DSU (Regional "Right to Study" Programme). Of these, approximately 100 beds are available for international exchange students. Almost all of the rooms are doubles and the price per person is 230 euros per month.

The International Relations Office deals with the allocation of these rooms, taking into account: the income of the student's family, the kind of scholarship awarded (Erasmus, bilateral agreement, etc.), the length of stay in Siena, the student's country of origin. To request such accommodation students should send the Accommodation Form to the International Relations Office by 30 June (for students arriving in the first semester) and by 30 November (for students arriving in the second semester). Incomplete accommodation requests or sent after deadlines and/or lacking a statement on family income cannot be accepted.

Info at <http://en.unisi.it/international/general-information-students/accommodation>

Student Restaurants

The University Canteens are run by the DSU-Toscana which offers students low cost (from 1.80 to 4 Euro), full meals, with a varied menu. In order to have access to university canteens students need a smart card issued upon enrolment.

For exchange students the card is issued by the International Relations Office upon registration at the University.

Info at <http://en.unisi.it/international/general-information-students/university-canteens>

Sport Centre

In cooperation with the Regional (ARDSU) and Town (CUS) authorities, the University promotes sports for students by offering courses for free or at reduced rates in: basketball, football, volleyball, rugby, judo, weight training, fencing and tennis. Competitive sporting events recognised by the respective national federations are also organised.

To participate in these events, students must carry an DSU-Toscana/CUS membership card.

Erasmus and other international exchange students can request their at the International relations office:

Info at: <http://en.unisi.it/international/general-information-students/sport>

CLA – University Language Center

The University Language Centre (Centro Linguistico di Ateneo - CLA) is responsible for the teaching of foreign languages to University students and staff, and prepares students for international language certificates (PET, BEC, FCE, CAE, CPE, TOEFL, DELF, DALF, etc.).

The University of Siena has also a specific cooperation agreement with the University for Foreigners of Siena (Università per Stranieri di Siena) to hold intensive Italian language courses (held in two sessions at the beginning of each semester) for International Mobility Programme students with an insufficient knowledge of Italian.

Info at: <http://en.unisi.it/international/general-information-students/language-courses>

<http://en.unisi.it/international/general-information-students/italian-language-courses-0>

Admission

EU students who plan to stay in Italy for longer than three months are not obligated to ask for a permit to stay. After three months the student must register themselves as residents of Siena. In order to do this, the student must present a document that attests to their enrolment at the University of Siena. For stays less than three months students are not required to register as residents.

For stays shorter than three months, non-EU students are not required to apply for a permit to stay but are required to declare their intention stay. Students coming from a country which does not apply to the Schengen Agreement must declare to the border police at the time of entry into Italy. Students coming from a country that applies to the Schengen Agreement must declare at the Siena Police Station within the first 8 days in Italy. Failure to submit a declaration of presence will result in expulsion from Siena. The same penalty is enforced if the student overstays his or her declared time of study.

For stays longer than three months, foreign students must apply for a permit to stay within 8 working days of their entry into Italy.

Further information at <http://en.unisi.it/international/general-information-students/entry-visa-and-temporary-residency-permit>

Fees

The University of Siena issues provisions for the determination of student fees on an annual basis. ACADEMIC YEAR 2012-2013:

Students enrolled in the first year of first, second and single cycle degree courses: First instalment - fixed sum - from 400.00 to 600.00 Euros; second instalment – calculated according to degree course and income bracket, based on ISEE declaration - from 0.00 to 930.00 Euros; third instalment – calculated according to merit, based on credits obtained by 31 October, from the second year onwards - from 0.00 to 720.00 Euros (benefit available with mean score of at least 25/30).

Students enrolled in the first year of second cycle degree courses (laurea magistrale), except single cycle courses: Reduction of fees base on merit, from 0.00 to 720.00 Euros, according to the first cycle degree grade. Students enrolled in subsequent years. Fees and contributions are calculated, as for the academic year 2011/2012, according to family income bracket (based on ISEE declaration) and academic merit (number of credits gained in relation to the mean grade achieved by the students in the same group). First instalment - from 467.00 to 665.00 Euros; second instalment – from 0.00 to 726.00 Euros; third instalment – from 0.00 to 726.00 Euros.

Students enrolled on doctoral research programmes announced from the academic year 2012/2013 pay a single annual contribution of 300.00 Euros (with the exception of research grant holders, as provided for by art. 7, par. 1, letter c of Ministerial Decree no. 224 of 30 April 1999)

Students of postgraduate specialization schools 2.152.00 Euros with a possible reduction based on income.



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DI SIENA
1240

University of Siena

The University of Siena is one of the oldest universities in Europe. The first document testifying its existence dated 26 December 1240.

Over the years it has expanded from the original School of Law, School of Grammar and a School of Medicine to comprise 9 Faculties at present.

The University of Siena in its long lifetime created and spread knowledge in any study fields. Nowadays, the strong results in Research, Didactics and Services keep renewing this inheritance of knowledge.

The University of Siena holds the 1st position of medium-sized Italian Universities in the Censis annual report 2012.

Degree Programmes

FIRST CYCLE (Bachelor, 3 years)

SECOND CYCLE (Master, 2 years)

ECONOMICS, LAW AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

Economics and Business, Economics (Economics and Quantitative Economics and Statistics), Economics and Banking, Economics and Local Development (Grosseto), Counsellor of Labour Law and Labour Relations, Political sciences (History and politics; Politics and administration, International studies, Social studies); Social work

ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Humanities (Siena and Arezzo: specializations in Anthropology (Siena), Archaeology (Siena), Performing arts: cinema, music, theatre (Siena), Philosophy (Siena), Classical literature (Siena), Modern literature (Siena), History (Siena), History of art (Siena), Philosophy, history and social sciences (Arezzo), Literature, arts and performing arts (Arezzo), Communication, Languages and Cultures (Siena, specializations in Communication, Languages and cultures), Languages for Intercultural and Business Communication (Arezzo), Education (Arezzo)

MEDICAL AND BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

Audioprosthetics (Siena-Pisa), Biomedical laboratory techniques (Siena-Arezzo), Biotechnologies, Cardiacirculatory physiopathology and cardiovascular perfusion techniques, Dental hygiene (Siena-Florence), Diagnostic Imaging and Radiotherapy, Dietetics, Midwifery, Nursing (Siena-Arezzo-Grosseto), Orthoptics and Ophthalmologic Assistance, Physiotherapy, Prevention in the environment and the workplace, Speech therapy, Techniques in Neurophysiopathology (Siena-Pisa-Florence)

EXPERIMENTAL SCIENCES

Management engineering, Computer and information engineering, Biology, Chemistry, Physics and advanced technologies, Natural and environmental sciences, Geology, Mathematics

Finance (in English), Economics (specializations: Economics (in English), Economics for the environment and development), Economics and management of financial institutions, Management and governance (specializations: Accounting and management (in English), Management and control of administration), Statistics for sample surveys, International studies, (specializations: International and diplomatic studies, International development and cooperation, European studies), Public administration and complex organizations (specializations: Administration, economics and business, Social and institutional communication)

Anthropology and visual studies (Siena), Archaeology (Siena), Modern literature (Siena; specializations: Philology, linguistics and literature, Foreign literature), Classical literature (Siena), Linguistics and persuasive communication, technologies and cognitive studies (Siena), History and philosophy (Siena; specializations: History, Philosophy), History of art (Siena), Literary, visual and performing arts (Arezzo), Philosophy and history: sources, texts and theories (Arezzo), Education and educational consultancy in organizations (Arezzo)

Medical Biotechnologies (in English), Nursing and midwifery, Rehabilitation

Electronics and communications engineering (in English), Management engineering, Computer and automation engineering (in English), Molecular and cell biology, Health biology, Mathematics, Chemistry, Geology (specializations: Applied geology and geotechnology, Geological sciences and applications), Ecotoxicology and environmental sustainability



Long Cycle Degree Programmes

ECONOMICS, LAW AND POLITICAL SCIENCE
Law (5 years)

MEDICAL AND BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES
under EU regulations
Medicine and Surgery (6 years),
School of dental medicine (6 years – Siena-Florence)

EXPERIMENTAL SCIENCES
under EU regulations
Pharmaceutical chemistry and technology, Pharmacy (5 years)

Doctoral Programmes

AREA

PROGRAMME

ECONOMICS, LAW AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

European and Transnational Law
Political Economy
Law and Economics
Political Science – Comparative and European Politics
Contemporary Historical Sciences

ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Cultural Heritage and Medieval History
Philology and Criticism

MEDICAL AND BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

Medical Biotechnologies
Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Genetics, Oncology and Clinical
Medicine
Molecular Medicine

EXPERIMENTAL SCIENCES

Experimental Physics
Engineering and Information Science
Environmental, Polar and Earth Sciences
Life Sciences

Information on Classes and Courses Held in English

<http://en.unisi.it/international/information-institution/studying-university-siena>

<http://en.unisi.it/teaching/degree-courses-held-entirely-english>

MSC IN FINANCE

<http://msc.economia.unisi.it/finance.html> <http://toscanaper.me/wp-content/uploads/2011/05/duomo-siena.jpg>

MSC IN ECONOMICS

<http://msc.economia.unisi.it/econ.html>

MSC IN MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE - (Curriculum Accounting and Management)

<http://msc.economia.unisi.it/accounting.html>

MSC IN COMPUTER AND AUTOMATION ENGINEERING

<http://msc.ing.unisi.it/index.php?bodyinc=homecae.php&mnusx=2>

MSC IN ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERING

<http://msc.ing.unisi.it/index.php?bodyinc=homeece.php&mnusx=3>

MSC IN MEDICAL BIOTECHNOLOGIES

<http://www3.unisi.it/v0/minisito2.html?fld=2981>

