



## **DOUBLE DEGREE PROGRAMME**

**University of Siena - Master in *Public and Cultural Diplomacy***  
**Jagiellonian University Krakow - Master in *International Relations and Public Diplomacy***

**ANNEX 9 - A.Y. 2025/2026**

### **1 - Subject**

The present annex contains the specifications relating to a cooperation programme with the Jagiellonian University in Krakow (Poland), which allows students of the Master's Degree programme in *Public and Cultural Diplomacy* to obtain a double degree.

Students who successfully complete the programme will be awarded both the Master in *Public and Cultural Diplomacy* of the University of Siena and the Master in *International Relations and Public Diplomacy* of the Jagiellonian University Krakow.

### **2 - Applicants and admission requirements**

The selection procedure is open to those enrolled in their first year of the Master of Science in Public and Cultural Diplomacy at the University of Siena with a weighted average of 27/30 or higher.

Candidates must have certified knowledge of the English language at level B2.

During the period abroad that forms part of the exchange programme, participants must remain fully enrolled at the University of Siena.

### **3 - Programme description and available positions**

The programme provides 12 available spots. To obtain the double degree students will be required to spend the second year of their Master's programme at the Jagiellonian University in Krakow.

Students participating in the double degree programme must have completed all university credits (CFU) as provided in their respective 1<sup>st</sup> year study plan before the start of courses at Jagiellonian University in Krakow. In the case of failure in meeting this requirement, the case will be submitted to the Didactic Committee, which will evaluate whether the student may participate in the programme.

The programme provides:

- The attainment at the Jagiellonian University in Krakow of the university credits provided for in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year programme of Public and Cultural Diplomacy;
- Preparation of Master's degree thesis, which will be valid in both universities, according to the respective educational regulations, as foreseen by the agreement;
- Defence of the degree thesis, which will be held at the home University with the presence of the host University supervisor or at both Institutions.

Double degree students follow a set study plan, and do not therefore need to prepare a Learning Agreement (LA), except in cases where variations in the academic offer of the two universities has to be managed or a choice has to be made within a group of modules, or when requested by the host university.



When a LA is required, the programme coordinator shall sign it in the section dedicated to his/her University.

At the end of their study period at the Jagiellonian University in Krakow, students who have not succeeded in obtaining all of the 60 university credits (CFU) as provided in their 2<sup>nd</sup> year study plan but who have gained at least 40 university credits:

- A- will spend an additional semester at the Jagiellonian University in Krakow in order to complete the programme and gain the double degree;
- B- gain only their home university degree.

Subject to the approval of the Host University, students who have not met all the requirements they need to gain the double degree may apply to the host university for recognition of Exchange student status and the Transcript of Records.

#### **4 - Selection of candidates and formation of list in order of merit**

The Programme coordinator will consider the applications and select candidates on the basis of their submitted documentation. Applications will be ranked by the sum of their points from the following:

1. Academic Merit (max 30 points)

$0.15 \times \text{average grades of the student} + 0.15 \times (30 \times \text{credits received by the deadline}) + 0.7 \times \text{mark on the degree (marks out of thirty)}$

2. Language skills, academic fit of the proposed exchange and candidate's motivation (max 30 points) will be evaluated by the Programme coordinator during an interview which will be conducted in English.

Regarding point 1, the deadline to be considered is 31/05/2025.

Regarding the allocation of the score based on the bachelor's degree grade, students with foreign qualifications enrolled in the 1st year of master's degrees must ensure that the bachelor's degree grade converted on a scale of 110 is entered into the online secretariat by the deadline of this notice. For insertion, it is necessary to send to the Admission Office - [admissionoffice@unisi.it](mailto:admissionoffice@unisi.it) - a certification issued by the University where the bachelor's degree was obtained, stating, according to the respective evaluation scale, the achieved grade as well as the minimum and maximum grade for obtaining the degree (e.g., Achieved Grade: 4; Evaluation scale: minimum grade 3, maximum grade 10).

The absence of the converted degree grade will not allow the attribution of the percentage score related to the degree grade, according to the calculation formula outlined in this article.

The interview will be held online. Candidates will receive more details from the Programme coordinator soon after the application deadline. Those who cannot attend will be considered not assessable for the purposes of the selection procedure.

For more details regarding the ranking formation, please refer to point 3 of the Selection Notice.

#### **5 - Applications**

Candidates must upload the following documents with the application form:

- Self-certification of enrolment at the University of Siena and exams taken;
- Self-certification regarding attainment of the Bachelor's Degree, the final grade awarded and all exams taken, with respective grades;
- Motivational letter in English;



- Curriculum Vitae in English;
- Certificate of English language competence and any other document deemed useful.

If any documents are missing the candidate will be informed of his/her exclusion from the selection process.