

40 scholarships for the first year of Bachelor's programmes for students with legal residence in the German- or French-speaking Switzerland at the time of obtaining their university entrance qualification (high school diploma or equivalent)

For the academic year 2026/27, the Foundation for the Lugano Faculties of USI in collaboration with the Università della Svizzera italiana offers 40 annual scholarships of CHF 4'000.- each for the first year of a Bachelor's programme to students who at the time of obtaining their university entrance qualification (high school diploma or equivalent) had legal residence in the German- or French-speaking part of Switzerland¹.

Conditions for participation

- Applicants must be admitted to the first year of a Bachelor's programme offered by the Faculty of Communication, Culture and Society, Faculty of Economics or Faculty of Informatics of USI starting in September 2026.
- Applicants must have been residing in a canton of the German- or French-speaking part of Switzerland (valid for Swiss citizens or foreign citizens with permit B for family reunification or permit C) at the time of obtaining the certificate giving access to university studies (high school diploma or equivalent). The presentation of the certificate giving access to university studies (high school diploma or equivalent) and of the certificate of residence as proof is required.

Application procedure and deadlines

- Applications must be submitted through the appropriate online form. The link will be provided with the letter of admission to the Bachelor's programme.
- Applications must be submitted by **July 31st, 2026**.
- Applicants will be informed of the outcome of their application by **August 17th, 2026**.
- The scholarships will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis, until all funds are exhausted.
- Late applications will be taken into consideration if there are funds available.

Conditions for the payment of the scholarship

The tuition fees for the academic year 2026/27 are covered by the scholarship.

¹ Canton of the Grisons included.

The scholarship cannot be converted into cash. If the beneficiary decides not to enroll at USI or withdraws after the beginning of the studies, he/she may not request payment of the amount awarded.

This scholarship cannot be combined with other scholarships and/or study contributions grant awarded through the Università della Svizzera italiana, with the exception of those for student mobility for study and internship purposes.

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