



**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO THE FIRST LEVEL MASTER'S
PROGRAM IN *"AIRLINE AND AIR INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT – REGULATION
OF THE AVIATION INDUSTRY"***

Academic Year 2026/2027

THE DIRECTOR

- HAVING REGARD TO** Law No. 241 of August 7th, 1990, "New Rules on Administrative Procedure and the Right of Access to Administrative Documents," and subsequent amendments and integrations;
- HAVING REGARD TO** Law No. 341 of November 19th, 1990, "Reform of University Teaching Regulations";
- HAVING REGARD TO** Law No. 104 of February 5th, 1992, as amended by Law No. 17 of January 28th, 1999, "Framework Law for Assistance, Social Integration, and the Rights of Disabled Persons";
- HAVING REGARD TO** Legislative Decree No. 286 of July 25th, 1998, and subsequent amendments, "Consolidated Text of Provisions concerning the Regulation of Immigration and Norms on the Status of Foreigners";
- HAVING REGARD TO** Presidential Decree No. 394 of August 31st, 1999, "Regulation implementing the Consolidated Text of Provisions concerning the Regulation of Immigration and Norms on the Status of Foreigners, pursuant to Article 1, paragraph 6, of Legislative Decree No. 286 of July 25th, 1998";
- HAVING REGARD TO** Ministerial Decree No. 509 of November 3rd, 1999, "Regulation concerning the Teaching Autonomy of Universities," as amended by Ministerial Decree No. 270 of October 22nd, 2004;
- HAVING REGARD TO** Presidential Decree No. 445 of December 28th, 2000, "Consolidated Text of Legislative and Regulatory Provisions on Administrative Documentation";
- HAVING REGARD TO** Legislative Decree No. 196 of June 30th, 2003, "Code regarding the Protection of Personal Data" and subsequent amendments;
- HAVING REGARD TO** Law No. 170 of October 8th, 2010, "Provisions on specific Learning Disorders in the School Context";
- HAVING REGARD TO** Legislative Decree No. 101 of August 10th, 2018, "Provisions for the Adaptation of National Legislation to the Provisions of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of April 27th, 2016, on the Protection of Natural Persons with regard to the Processing of Personal Data and on the Free Movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC



	(General Data Protection Regulation),” which amended Legislative Decree No. 196 of June 30th, 2003, “Code regarding the Protection of Personal Data”;
HAVING REGARD TO	Law No. 33 of April 12nd, 2022, “Provisions on Simultaneous Enrollment in two Higher Education Courses”;
HAVING REGARD TO	Ministerial Decree No. 930 of July 29th, 2022, “Provisions to Allow Simultaneous Enrollment in two University Courses”;
HAVING REGARD TO	the Memorandum of the Ministry of University and Research, containing the Procedures for the Entry, Stay, Enrollment of International Students and for the Recognition of Qualifications in Higher Education Degree Programmes in Italy”;
HAVING REGARD TO	Rectoral Decree No. 1244 of May 14th, 2012, “Statute of the University of Messina” as amended by the Rectoral Decree No. 3429 of December 30th, 2014;
HAVING REGARD TO	Rectoral Decree No. 1636 of July 22nd, 2015, “University Teaching Regulations”;
HAVING REGARD TO	Rectoral Decree No. 1463 of June 7th, 2020, “Regulations for the Discipline of Advanced Training Courses”;
HAVING REGARD TO	the Resolution of the Department of Law of February 23rd, 2026, recorded under the University’s General Protocol No. 28626 of February 27th, 2026, with which the Proposal for the Activation of the First Year of the First Level Master’s Program in “ <i>Airline and Air Infrastructure Management – Regulation of the Aviation Industry</i> ” for the Academic Year 2026/2027 was approved;
HAVING REGARD TO	the Resolutions of the Board of Administration and the Academic Senate, recorded under the University’s General Protocol No. 69875 of May 28th, 2026, and No. 69489 of May 27th, 2026, respectively, with which the activation of Advanced Training Courses for the academic year 2026/2027 and their inclusion in the University’s educational offer were authorized;
GUARANTEED	Equality and equal opportunities between men and women and the absence of any form of direct or indirect discrimination in access to Advanced Training Courses.

DECREES

ARTICLE 1. ACTIVATION OF THE FIRST LEVEL MASTER’S PROGRAM IN “*AIRLINE AND AIR INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT – REGULATION OF THE AVIATION INDUSTRY*” (A.Y. 2026-27)

1.1 GENERAL PROVISIONS

The University of Messina officially decrees the establishment of the 1st-Level Master’s Program in “*Airline and Air Infrastructure Management – Regulation of the Aviation Industry*” for the academic year 2026/2027, offering a maximum of 60 available positions.



The Master's Program is administratively based at the 'Euromed' University Center for Transport Studies (CUST) and educationally hosted by the affiliated Department of Law.

The activation of the Master's Program is subject to reaching a minimum enrollment of 10 students in accordance with the University Regulations governing advanced training courses.

1.2 OBJECTIVES AND STUDY REGULATIONS OF THE MASTER'S PROGRAM

Master's courses aim to provide specific knowledge and cultural insights into high-profile professional sectors, ensuring an optimal connection with the labor market and territorial realities.

The overall duration of the Master's Program and the total number of university credits (CFU) required for graduation are set forth in the attached annex.

To obtain the Master's degree, the student must have acquired 60 University Credits (CFU).

The acquisition of credits corresponding to the articulation of the various perfection and training activities is subject to periodic and final assessments of the competencies acquired in relation to the areas followed.

The achievement of the Master's degree is subject to passing a final exam to assess the overall competencies acquired, also taking into account the internship (stage) activities.

The achievement of the Master's degree is subject to the verification of actual attendance at the teaching modules.

The objectives and regulations of the Master's Program are described in the sheet attached to this Call for Applications.

For any further information, please refer to the Regulations for advanced training courses mentioned above, as well as the section dedicated to the Master's Program on the web page:

<https://www.unime.it/didattica/post-laurea/corsi-di-alta-formazione-master-e-corsi-di-perfezionamento>.

1.3 ATTENDANCE AND INTERMEDIATE ASSESSMENTS AND FINAL EXAMS

The training of students will be carried out through face-to-face lessons, also using the Teams platform and/or other telematic methods, and internship activities, articulated according to the indications provided in the attached sheet.

Attendance at the courses is mandatory for **80%** of the individual disciplines, both in the theoretical and practical parts. Every training and assistance activity must be carried out under the direct control of tutors, designated by the Scientific-Technical Committee, upon proposal of the Director.

The Scientific-Technical Committee may decide to suspend or exclude a participant if nonattendance, irregularity in payments, or failure to pass intermediate and final assessments are found.

ARTICLE. 2. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

2.1 REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

Admission to the Master's Program is subject to holding one of the following academic qualifications:

- A university degree of at least three years' duration (according to the regulations prior to D.M. 509/99); obtained under D.M. 509/99; obtained under D.M. 270/04;
- a qualification of equal value issued abroad, deemed suitable by the Scientific-Technical Committee (CTS) of the course solely for the purpose of enrollment in the Master's Program;
- any other academic qualification provided for by current regulations that allows access to university Master's programs.



For the First Level Master's Program in "Airline and Air Infrastructure Management – Regulation of the Aviation Industry", the specific requirements are indicated in the attached annex to this Call for Applications.

The candidate must, under penalty of exclusion, certify possession of the aforementioned admission requirements, in accordance with D.P.R. 445/2000 and subsequent amendments and integrations, as prescribed by the following Article 6.

All candidates are admitted with reservation. The Administration will subsequently and at every stage of the procedure exclude those who do not possess the titles and admission requirements provided for in this Call for Applications and/or declared.

2.2 ADMISSION OF CANDIDATES AWAITING DEGREE COMPLETION

Candidates awaiting to obtain of the required degree may also participate in the selection and be admitted with reservation to the Master's Program.

Given the need to start the courses by the date indicated in the table in Article 3.1, the deadline by which the degree must be obtained is set for December 2026.

For the purpose of reaching the minimum number of participants, priority in the ranking will be given to those who already hold the degree.

A course cannot be activated if all students are candidates awaiting degree completion. Interested parties must attach to the application a self-certification detailing their university career, as provided for in Article 3.2 of this Call for Applications.

It is understood that, if the degree is not obtained by the previously mentioned date, any enrollment will be annulled without the right to a refund of the registration fee paid.

2.3 PROVISIONS FOR CASES OF SIMULTANEOUS ENROLLMENT IN TWO COURSES OF STUDY

Simultaneous enrollment in a Master's Program and another course of study activated at this or other universities is permitted within the limits established by D.M. No. 930 of July 29th, 2022.

The compatibility cases are described on the page:

<https://www.unime.it/didattica/immatricolazioni-e-iscrizioni/contemporanea-iscrizione-duecorsi-di-istruzione-superiore>.

In the event that one of the two courses of study has mandatory attendance, enrollment in a second course of study that does not require attendance is permitted, except for courses for which mandatory attendance is provided only for laboratory and internship activities, subject to authorization from the Collegial Bodies of both courses of study.

At the time of application for the competition, the candidate must attach a self-certification regarding attendance at the first course of study, also attaching the study plan.

Following enrollment, and during the admission procedure, the candidate must obtain a nullum obstat from the first course of study.

2.4 PROVISIONS FOR FOREIGN CITIZENS

Citizens of the European Union and citizens of non-EU states holding a degree obtained from foreign universities may submit an application, provided they possess an academic qualification equivalent, in terms of duration and content, to the Italian academic qualification required for access. The qualification must be held within the previously mentioned deadlines.



RECOGNITION OF ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION

If the degree obtained abroad has not already been recognized, admission is subject to the assessment, exclusively for these purposes, of the suitability of the qualification by the Judging Commission.

In this case, the aforementioned candidates must attach to the application the documents useful for the School Council to rule on the request for suitability:

The application for admission must be accompanied by the following documentation:

- Original degree certificate. EU citizens may self-certify it;
- Official translation into Italian, only if the degree is not issued in English, French, or Spanish.

Interested parties may turn to local translators and subsequently request the Italian Representation competent for the territory to certify the conformity of the translation (see: <https://www.esteri.it/mae/it/servizi/italiani-all-estero/traduzione-e-legalizzazionedocumenti.html>);

- Legalization, issued by the competent authority to legalize the document attesting the possession of the academic qualification. Legalization is not required if the country where the degree was obtained adheres to the Hague Convention (1961). In this case, legalization is replaced by the Apostille, which validates the authenticity of the act. No legalization is required if the degree is issued by an institution in Belgium, Denmark, France, Ireland, Latvia (Brussels Convention 1987), Germany (Rome Convention 1969), Austria (Vienna Convention 1975).

or

- Declaration of Value in loco, issued by the competent Italian Consular Representation in the foreign country to which the institution that issued the degree belongs.

In cases where the degree was issued by a country whose legislation provides for its legalization, Italian Embassies issue the Declaration of Value only after the degree has been legalized by the competent authority of that country.

The Declaration of Value must include:

The date and grade of the degree,

Information on the grading system of the academic qualification obtained in the foreign country (minimum and maximum grade achievable).

The conversion of the final exam grade (if applicable) will be carried out by the Judging Commission based on the information provided by the Italian Representation in the Declaration of Value regarding the grading system of the country where the degree was obtained and the scale of values to which the grades refer. If it is not possible to infer such data from the documentation submitted, the Judging Commission will automatically assign the lowest possible grade.

The Declaration of Value may be replaced by the Diploma Supplement, drawn up according to the European Commission model, for academic qualifications issued by institutions in countries adhering to the European Higher Education Area.

The Declaration of Value may also be replaced by certifications issued by CIMEA (as the Italian ENIC-NARIC center), which contain all the information reported in the Declaration of Value, necessary for the evaluation of the academic qualification (see: <https://www.cimea.it/>).

For anything not expressly provided for, refer to the website: <http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri>

EU citizens residing anywhere and non-EU citizens regularly residing in Italy for at least one year (pursuant to Article 39, paragraph 5, of Legislative Decree No. 286 of July 25, 1998, as amended by



Article 26 of Law No. 189 of July 30, 2002) holding a degree obtained abroad access under the same conditions and with the same requirements as Italian citizens.

NON-RESIDENT CANDIDATES IN ITALY

For non-EU candidates, the provisions established by current legislation and indicated by the Ministry of University and Research apply.

The pre-enrollment application must also be submitted via the University Portal (<https://university-private.cineca.it/index.php/registration/firststep>) and will be validated following admission to the advanced training course.

Once the application is validated, the candidate must apply for a visa at the competent diplomatic-consular representations, following the procedure described on the website: <https://www.university.it/>.

For information, including regarding pre-enrollment in the competition, interested candidates may contact the Welcome Point (located at Via dei Verdi, 98122 – Messina;

email: welcompoint@unime.it; phone: +39 090 6768300;

website: <https://www.unime.it/didattica/servizi-e-agevolazioni/orientamento/welcome-point/> / <https://international.unime.it/services/contact-us/welcome-point/>).

2.3 CANDIDATES WITH DISABILITIES AND CANDIDATES WITH SPECIFIC LEARNING DISORDERS (SLD)

Candidates with disabilities, pursuant to Law No. 104 of February 5, 1992, and subsequent amendments and integrations, and candidates with specific learning disorders, pursuant to Law No. 170 of October 8, 2010, may benefit from special aids or compensatory measures, as well as additional time for access to teaching locations and/or for taking intermediate and final exams, upon submission of the medical certification they possess during the enrollment phase.

Candidates with disabilities or SLD residing abroad, who intend to use adaptations, must submit a legalized certification attesting to the disability or SLD status issued in their country of residence, accompanied by an official translation exclusively in Italian or English.

The University Bodies responsible for examining the aforementioned certifications verify that the foreign documentation certifies a condition of disability or specific learning disorder recognized by Italian legislation.

For further information, you may contact the Disability/SLD Services Unit, Dr. Marisa Currao, email: servizi.dd@unime.it, phone: +39 090 6765066.

ARTICLE 3. PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION TO THE COMPETITION

3.1 TIMELINE FOR ADMISSION PROCEDURES

Interested parties in the Master's Program referred to in this Call for Applications may submit their applications starting from the date of publication of this call. The updated list of admitted candidates will be published every 15 days from the closing date for applications.

The training activities will begin on November 1, 2026, without exception.

It will be the responsibility of the Scientific-Technical Committee to coordinate with the lecturers the video-recording methods of frontal lessons and/or other training events, in order to ensure recovery for those who enroll subsequently.



Once admitted, enrollment must be completed **within 15 days from the date of publication of the list referred to in Article 5 on the University website.**

FULFILLMENT	LINE
application for admission to the competition	September 30, 2026
Publication of the list of admitted candidates	Within 15 days from the deadline of the Call
enrollment	Within 15 days from the publication of the list of admitted candidates
Payment of the first instalment	At the time of enrollment
Payment of the second instalment	Within 6 months from the date of enrollment
Start of course	November 1, 2026

3.2 APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR THE COMPETITION

To participate in the admission competition for the Master's Program, candidates must:

1. Fill out the participation application, using **exclusively** the **online pre-registration** procedure at the link: <https://unime.esse3.cineca.it/Home.do>, accessible from any computer with an internet connection, **by and no later than the deadline indicated in paragraph 3.1**, under penalty of exclusion. After this time, the procedure will be deactivated.

Applications submitted by hand, mail, email, or PEC will not be accepted.

2. During the compilation of the participation application, make the **payment of the fee for the organization of the competition procedure amounting to €50.00 (fifty/00)**, using the PagoPA system, under penalty of exclusion. The previously mentioned payment is refundable **only** if the Course is not activated.

3. Once the procedure is completed, it is advisable to **print the participation application**.

The documentation listed below must be attached in .pdf format, in the spaces indicated on the Esse3 platform, to the participation application referred to in point 1:

Self-certification of possession of the degree, with indication of the date of achievement, degree grade, and exams taken, from which the denomination of the individual disciplines, the relevant SSD (Scientific-Disciplinary Sector), the number of CFU, the exam date, and the relative grade can be inferred, made pursuant to D.P.R. No. 445/2000 (MODULE A);

Photocopy of a valid identification document, duly signed by the candidate;

Self-certification of simultaneous attendance of another course of study for those who intend to follow the Master's Program as a second course, made pursuant to D.P.R. No. 445/2000 (MODULE B);

Self-certification of employee status at public administrations for those who intend to take advantage of the benefits provided by the PA 110 e Lode Agreement, made pursuant to D.P.R. No. 445/2000 (MODULE C), with reference to the Master's Programs for which the benefit is provided for the academic year 2026/2027;

Updated and detailed curriculum vitae;



For candidates awaiting degree completion, self-certification of the university career from which enrollment in the final year of the course results;

For those who intend to use the aids referred to in paragraph 2.3, a copy of the disability certificate or Law 104/92 certificate issued in accordance with the law;

IBAN in the specially dedicated section of the Esse3 platform.

All candidates will be admitted with reservation to the competition procedure.

The Administration may, at any time, with a motivated act, order the exclusion for lack of the prescribed requirements. This act will be communicated to the interested party via PEC (Certified Email).

Similarly, if the documentation submitted by the candidate contains false or mendacious statements, without prejudice to the penalties provided for by the penal code and special laws (Articles 75 and 76 of D.P.R. No. 445/2000), and the exposure of the declarant to compensation actions for damages by the injured parties, the any enrollment in the School will be annulled, any benefits granted will be recovered, and the taxes and university contributions paid will be retained, including the amount of €50.00, paid as a fee for participation in the competition.

ARTICLE 4. SELECTION BOARD

The Selection Board is composed of members of the Scientific-Technical Committee, with the support of the administrative secretariat. The names are indicated in the attached sheets.

ARTICLE 5. LIST OF ADMITTED CANDIDATES

Those who, in relation to the number of available places, are placed in a useful position in the merit ranking based on the total score obtained following the evaluation of qualifications are admitted to the Master's Program.

The general merit ranking will be made known by publication on the University website in the news and notices section of the page dedicated to the Master's Program, accessible at the link: <https://www.unime.it/didattica/post-laurea/corsi-di-alta-formazione-master-e-corsi-di-perfezionamento>

This publication will represent the only official means of publicizing the results of the admission tests.

Candidates ranked in a useful position must enroll in the specialization course within the peremptory deadline and according to the methods referred to in the following Article 6 of this Call for Applications: "ONLINE ENROLLMENT PROCEDURE".

ARTICLE 6. ONLINE ENROLLMENT PROCEDURE

All candidates usefully ranked in the ranking must enroll **by and no later than the deadline indicated in paragraph 3.1**, using exclusively the online procedure, i.e., by connecting to the website: <https://unime.esse3.cineca.it/Home.do>

Through the previously mentioned procedure, the following must be carried out:

Payment of the first instalment of university fees (including Regional Tax for the Right to Study, Virtual Stamp Duty, and Insurance), using the PagoPA payment procedure; Upload of the photocopy of the identity document and tax code of the interested parties;

For residents abroad, upload of a copy of the official Italian tax code and residence permit.



Those who do not fulfill the above within the established deadline will be considered to have renounced.

VERIFICATION OF THE SLIDING OF THE RANKING IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CANDIDATES.

ARTICLE 7. FEES AND CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE ATTENDANCE

7.1 PAYMENT METHODS

Those who enroll in a Master's Program are required to pay the fees and contributions set in the sheet attached to this Call for Applications, which can be paid in the following ways:

- First installment: **€500.00 (five hundred/00)**, to be paid at the time of enrollment. Late payment of this installment is not permitted; failure to pay within the aforementioned deadline will be considered a renunciation of attendance at the Master's Program;
- Second installment: **€2,500.00 (two thousand five hundred/00)**, to be paid within six months from the date of enrollment.

The payment of the first enrollment installment must be made peremptorily at the time of enrollment.

7.2 INSURANCE COVERAGE

All students enrolled at the University are covered by a special insurance policy for accidents connected to training activities in the University premises or in affiliated structures.

ARTICLE 8. TITOLO FINAL EXAM AND DEGREE AWARD

At the end of the teaching activities, a final exam is scheduled, according to the methods indicated in the attached sheet.

For the purpose of admission to the aforementioned exam, the student must:

Have passed the intermediate assessments,

Have regularized the payment of the relevant fees.

Within the twentieth day preceding the one set for the final exam, candidates must complete the degree application procedure by accessing their personal area on the Esse3 platform, following the procedure : https://archivio.unime.it/sites/default/files/guida%20conseguimento%20titolo_0.pdf

The exam takes place in person before a Judging Commission. The grade is awarded out of one hundred and ten (110/110), with the possibility of awarding the maximum grade (110/110) with honors. The minimum grade to pass the exam is 66/110.

The issuance of certificates, attestations, and other documentation related to the attendance of Master's programs, intermediate assessments, and final exams is managed by the Master's University Unit, upon request of the interested parties and after verification of the regularity of the administrative and teaching position.

ARTICLE 9. APPOINTMENT OF THE PROCEDURE OFFICER

Pursuant to Law 241/90, the officer responsible for the administrative procedure is identified as:

- The Director of the Master's Program for the procedure relating to the admission process up to the publication of the ranking;



- The Head of the Master's Unit, Dr. Maria Franzò, with regard to the issuance of this Call for Applications, the transmission to the Scientific-Technical Committee of the admission applications, and the procedure relating to the enrollment phase.

Candidates have the right to exercise the right of access to the acts of the competition procedure in accordance with the methods provided for by Chapter V of Law No. 241/90 and the Implementing Regulation of D.P.R. No. 184/2006.

For acts of the procedure subject to publication obligations pursuant to Article 19, paragraphs 1 and 2, of Legislative Decree No. 33/2013, the access method is regulated by the aforementioned legislative decree.

ARTICLE 10. PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA

The processing of personal data of candidates will be carried out in compliance with the European Regulation on the protection of personal data 679/2016 (GDPR).

The related information, consultable at the time of application submission, is available in the University's privacy section, accessible at the link: <http://www.unime.it/it/ateneo/privacy>

The provision of personal data indicated in the Call for Applications and in the registration procedure on the Esse3 platform is mandatory for the purpose of participation in the procedure itself and for every consequent operation, including the determination of the score obtained following the admission tests.

The personal data provided on the Esse3 platform may also be processed by the University for the institutional purposes of the University itself.

ARTICLE 11. SAFEGUARD PROVISIONS

For anything not provided for in this Call for Applications, reference is made to the current provisions in force. Administrative information can be requested from the Master's Unit via email (master@unime.it) or phone (+39 090 6768300).

THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW
Prof. Alessio Lo Giudice

THE DIRECTOR OF THE MASTER'S PROGRAM
Prof. Francesca Pellegrino



DESCRIPTIVE SHEET

FIRST LEVEL MASTER'S PROGRAM IN "AIRLINE AND AIR INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT – REGULATION OF THE AVIATION INDUSTRY" (A.Y. 2026-27)

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's degree (at least Level I) in legal, economic, political, social, linguistic, humanistic, engineering, computer science, or related disciplines to the topics covered in the Master's Program.
- Certified or self-declared knowledge of the English language at least at B1 level or equivalent.

Admission will be based on the requirements. In the event that the number of applications exceeds the maximum number of available places (60), a selection based on qualifications will be carried out.

PURPOSE

The aviation industry is constantly evolving in terms of regulations, technologies, strategies, processes, and protocols. Against this backdrop, there is a growing global demand for experts in the management of airlines and airports according to modern criteria of safety, efficiency, costeffectiveness, quality, sustainability, resilience, transparency, and non-discrimination.

The Master's Program aims to meet this need, which is strongly felt in the job market, by providing the skills and technical-legal and economic-managerial tools to optimally manage airlines and airport infrastructures, responding and adapting to the demands and challenges of a sector subject to continuous change

Particular attention will be paid to the regulatory framework at international, supranational, and national levels, studied also in the light of policy documents developed at the European level, as well as sustainable strategies (corporate sustainability), which allow reducing operation costs while maintaining high safety levels and respecting the environment.

The corporate policy, which must observe the specific rules and guidelines for the sector in which the company operates, so that the different departments or branches of the company work as a team to achieve a single objective, will also be a focus. In this context, a module has been dedicated to ethics applied to the sector, which pertains to that set of fundamental activities of supervision and strategic coordination carried out by managerial figures.

The Course also aims to provide detailed information and ensure continuous updates on the current developments in the field of airlines and airports, especially after the devastating impact of COVID19, and, more generally, in the various existing corporate management contexts in the aviation sector. Therefore, the skills acquired during the Master's Program can also be well applied in similar contexts, such as *handling* companies operating in the airport sector.

The approach of the teaching activities will always be of a practical-operational nature to ensure that the case studies covered can be applied to real work contexts. The use of English in the classroom, and in particular technical aviation English, is necessary given that the sector has now elected English as its primary language at a global level.

The training objectives of the Master's Program are functional for entering the world of work, with particular regard to managerial careers in the field of airlines and airport management companies, but also in other companies, businesses, entities, or institutions involved in air transport, as well as in the free profession market.



LANGUAGE
ITALIAN / ENGLISH

DEPARTMENT - SSD
LAW – GIUR-02/B

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES
This First Level Master's Program "<i>Airline and Air Infrastructure Management – Regulation of the Aviation Industry</i>" (2026-27), building on the experience gained in the three previous editions of the analogous Master's Program "<i>Airline Management and Regulation of the Aviation Industry</i>" (A.Y. 2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-25), aims to offer the knowledge and skills necessary to tackle with mastery the many and delicate issues that concern the air transport sector, airlines, and airport management companies in particular, from a legal, economic, and managerial perspective, but also a technical one. The success of any company, and even more so of a complex organization such as an airline or an airport management company, is strictly associated with the success of corporate organization, as managers have the delicate task of administering, directing, strategically planning, and managing resources in order to achieve corporate objectives (corporate management), in compliance with international, European, and national regulations and professional ethics.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES
The articulation of the teaching plan, as outlined below, aims to enhance the specificities of air navigation law and related litigation, labor law, transport economics and business economics, insurance law, philosophy of law, applied to the aviation sector, while reserving particular attention to the technical-managerial aspects that characterize the management of airlines and airports. The training objectives transposed into the teaching plan, of a theoretical-practical nature, are functional for entering the world of work, according to the specificities provided by the Master's Program, with particular regard to managerial careers in the field of airlines, airport management companies, as well as entities and institutions operating in the sector, and, more generally, structures involved in air transport in various capacities.

TEACHING STRUCTURE



The Master's Program has a duration of 1 academic year and involves a commitment of 1,500 hours, divided as follows: 276 hours of frontal teaching (46 CFU), 224 hours of internship (10 CFU), 150 hours for thesis preparation and discussion (4 CFU), and 850 hours of individual study. It entitles the recognition of a total of 60 CFU.

The teaching plan is divided into 20 modules, of a legal nature (air law and litigation, labor and social security law, commercial/corporate/bankruptcy law, insurance law, philosophy of law), economic nature (transport economics, business economics, corporate organization, applied economics, corporate finance, etc.), technical nature (transport techniques, infrastructures, aerodynamics, safety management, security, flight operations, ground operations, maintenance, etc.).

TOTAL TRAINING HOURS: 1500

FACE-TO-FACE TEACHING HOURS: 276 (46 CFU)

INTERNSHIP/LABORATORY HOURS: 224 (10 CFU)

INDIVIDUAL STUDY HOURS: 850

THESIS PREPARATION/DISCUSSION HOURS: 150 (4CFU)

COURSE AND TRAINING CREDITS

Lesson form	Field	Specific Training Objectives and Contents	SSD (scientific field)	Face-to-face hours	CFU (university credits)
1	Air Law and Litigation	Maritime Law	GIUR-02/B	15	2,5
		Air Law		30	5
2	Labor Law, Industrial Relations, and Social Security	Labour Law	GIUR-04/A	10	1,5
		Social Security Law		3	0,5
		Industrial Relations Law		3	0,5
3	Philosophy and Ethics in Aviation	Philosophy of Law	GIUR-17/A	4	0,5
4	Aeronautical Engineering (Fundamentals)	Mechanics of Flight or Aeronautical Engineering	IIND-01/C	3	0,5
		Mechanical Design and Machine Construction or Industrial Design	IIND-03/A	6	1

5	Transport Economics	Applied economics	ECON-04/A	6	1
		Contract law	GIUR-01/A	3	0,5
		Industrial law	GIUR-02/A	6	1
		Business economics and management	ECON-07/A	6	1
6	Cargo & Business Jet Sector	Economics applied to the cargo sector	ECON-04/A	9	1,5
		Cargo regulations	GIUR- 02/B	3	0,5
7	Licenses, Certifications, Inspections	Aerospace construction and facilities	IIND-01/D	8	1,5
		Aviation Law: Certifications and Licenses	GIUR- 02/B	6	1
8	Bankruptcy of an Airline (Commercial/ Corporate/Bankruptcy Law)	Insolvency Law	GIUR-02/A	9	1,5
9	Business Economics and Accounting	Business and accounting economics	ECON-06/A	6	1
		Company organization	ECON-08/A	6	1
		Aircraft leasing: regulatory aspects	GIUR- 02/B	3	0,5
10	Strategy, Policy, and Finance of Air Transport	Applied economics	ECON-04A	6	1
		Business economics and management	ECON-07/A	6	1
11	Aeronautical Insurance Law	Insurance Law	GIUR-03/A	9	1,5
12	Compliance monitoring	Aviation law	GIUR- 02/B	3	0,5
		Applied economics	ECON-04/A	3	0,5



		Aerospace construction and facilities	IIND-01/D	6	1
13	Communication	Sociology and cultural and communication processes	GSPS-06/A	3	0,5
14	Maintenance	Aviation law	GIUR- 02/B	3	0,5
		Aerospace construction and facilities	IIND-01/D	6	1
15	Flight Operations	Psychology of Work and Organizations	PSIC-03/B	3	0,5
		Applied economics (transport)	ECON-04/A	3	0,5
		Aeronautical engineering	IIND-01/A1	6	1
		Mechanics of flight	IIND-01/C	6	1
16	Ground operations	Roads, railways and airports	CEAR-03/A	9	1,5
		Aviation law	GIUR- 02/B	3	0,5
		Airport construction and facilities	IIND-01/D	3	0,5
17	Airport and Air Infrastructure Management	Business economics and management	ECON-07/A	6	1
		Company organization	ECON-08/A	3	0,5
		Airport construction and facilities	IIND-01/D	3	0,5
		Roads, railways and airports	CEAR-03/A	6	1
18	Training	Aviation law	GIUR-02/B	5	1
		Company organization	ECON-08/A	6	1
		Psychology of Work and Organizations	PSIC-03/B	2	0,5



19	Human Factor and Safety	Psychology of Work and Organizations	PSIC-03/B	6	1
		Aviation law	GIUR-02/B	3	0,5
		Mechanics of flight	IIND-01/C	6	1
20	Security	Roads, railways and airports	CEAR-03/A	6	1
		Aviation law	GIUR-02/B	3	0,5
				276	46
INTERNSHIP/LABORATORY				224	10
INDIVIDUAL STUDY				850	
THESIS EDITORIAL/DISCUSSION				150	4
TOTAL				1500	60



INTERNSHIP

Structure	Specific Training Objectives and contents	Hours	CFU
ENAC	The internship in Rome, at ENAC (Ente Nazionale Aviazione Civile), thanks to the agreement between ENAC and the University of Messina, allows acquiring specific training, of a legal-applicative nature, on the various aspects of regulation of the sector and the aviation industry (pursuant to the ENAC-UniME Agreement of March 3, 2025, prot. 262/2025).	224	10
EUROCONTROL	The internship in Brussels, at EUROCONTROL (European Organisation for the Safety of Air Navigation), aims to specialize interns in common European policy in the field of air transport, and in particular in the management of air traffic in Europe, with particular attention to safety and environmental sustainability profiles (pursuant to the scientific collaboration with CUST and specific collaboration agreements between UniME-EUROCONTROL, see Prot. No. 8649/2026 of January 22, 2026).	224	10
AIRGEST	The internship at "AIRGEST S.p.A.", a management company based at Trapani Civil Airport, aims to teach in the field how an airport management company is managed, with reference to the many activities related to it, including the primary one of organizing airport activity to ensure the efficient and optimal use of resources for the provision of activities and services of adequate qualitative level, also through the planning of interventions in relation to the type of traffic. In this context, the activity of the coordinator of public and private subjects that provide ground assistance services is particularly	224	10



	interesting (pursuant to the AIRGEST UniME Agreement of January 31, 2022, prot. No. 8/22).		
FLYBY	The internship at FlyBy, a renowned aeronautical training center located at Burgos Airport (Spain), will allow students to have a highly formative internship experience, both in the academic and airport fields (pursuant to the Framework Agreement UniME-FLYBY of January 9, 2026, Prot. No. 17/2026).	224	10
STASA	The internship at STASA, a renowned Center for Advanced Transport Studies – Safety and Environment in Rome, allows interns to carry out fruitful research activity in the sector, with particular attention to organizational, legislative, technicaloperational, and managerial aspects (pursuant to the Framework Agreement CUST-STASA of July 19, 2022, ratified by the Academic Senate on November 8, 2022, Prot. 412/2022).	224	10
CUST	The internship at CUST Euromed (University Center for Transport Studies), a research and service center of the University of Messina and promoter of the initiative, allows interns to carry out fruitful research activity on site, under the guidance of teachers (lawyers, economists, transport engineers) affiliated with the Center and using the specialized library with which it is equipped.	224	10
TOTAL		224	10



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