

SUPSI

International exchange information 2021-2023



University information

The University	Scuola universitaria professionale della Svizzera italiana (SUPSI) University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Southern Switzerland
General Information	Website: www.supsi.ch Number of students (Bachelor's, Master's, Diploma and Continuing Education): 12'400 More than 30 Bachelor's and Master's degree courses.
Erasmus ID code	CH LUGANO02

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Applications

Deadlines	<p>For all programmes, with the exception of Music programmes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Autumn semester and academic year: 15 May - Spring semester: 15 November <p>For Music programmes, the application deadline is 31 March for either semester or full academic year.</p>
Nomination and Application procedure	<p>In order to apply and be accepted for a study period at SUPSI, applicant students must first be officially nominated by their home institutions.</p> <p>Nominations and applications for an exchange period are only accepted via <i>Mobility Online</i> (for the University of Music, also applications through EASY are accepted). The Partner institutions will receive all information and the relevant link by e-mail. Applications submitted otherwise will not be taken into account.</p> <p>For all programmes, with the exception of Music programmes, nominations must be done by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Autumn semester or the academic year: 30 April - Spring semester: 31 October <p>For music programmes, nominations are expected by 15 March.</p> <p>Required documents for all programmes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Learning agreement - Curriculum Vitae - Letter of motivation <p>Required documents for non-music programmes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Copy of the Transcript of records - Photocopy of ID o Passport - Photocopy of health insurance coverage (e.g. European Health Insurance Card)

	<p>Required documents by programme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Design: Portfolio - Music: link to video audition <p>Confirmation of acceptance will be issued within 4 weeks after the application deadline.</p>
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General information on didactics

Academic calendar (each semester lasts 14 weeks)	<p>Autumn semester (mid-September – end December/mid-January) Exams (mid-January – mid-February)</p> <p>Spring semester (mid-February – end May/mid-June) Exams (mid-June – early July)</p> <p>Link to SUPSI academic calendar Link to CSI-SUM academic calendar</p>
Departments	<p>DACD - Department for Environment Constructions and Design DFA - Department of Education and Learning DEASS - Department of Business Economics, Health and Social Care DTI - Department of Innovative Technologies</p>
Affiliated schools	<p>CSI-SUM - Conservatorio della Svizzera Italiana ATD - Accademia Teatro Dimitri FFHS – Swiss Distance University of Applied Sciences</p>
<u>Bachelor's degree programs</u>	<p>DACD (Architecture, Interior Design, Conservation, Visual Communication, Civil Engineering) DFA (Pre-primary Education, Primary Education) DEASS-Health (Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy) DEASS-Economy and Social Work (Business Administration, Leisure Management, Social Work) DTI (Electrical Engineering, Engineering and Management, Computer Science, Mechanical Engineering, Data Science and Artificial Intelligence) CSI-SUM (Music, Music and Movement) ATD (Theatre) FFHS (Business Administration, Engineering and Management, Computer Science, Business Information Technology, Nutrition & Dietetics)</p>

<u>Master's degree programs</u>	DACD (Conservation-Restoration, Interaction design, Engineering with specialization in Civil Engineering) DFA (Secondary Education) DEASS (Business Administration, Social Work, Nursing) DTI (Engineering) CSI-SUM (Music Composition and Theory, Music Pedagogy, Music Performance, Specialized Music Performance) ATD (Theatre, Artistic Research) FFHS (Business Administration)		
Credit system	ECTS European Credit Transfer System		
Grading system	6 5.5 5 4.5 4 - -	A B C D E FX F	Excellent Very Good Good Satisfactory Sufficient Insufficient Fail * Some affiliated schools may have a slightly different grading system. Details may be found in their respective websites or in the Inter-institutional agreement.
Peculiarities	DACD		The use of a personal laptop is required.
	DTI		Master of Science in Engineering (MSE) : over 10 profiles – not for all profiles 30 ECTS per semester available in Lugano. For some profiles courses are held in Zurich.
	DEASS		Master in Business Administration (MBA): max 15 ECTS For training in <i>health area</i> : - Experiential requirements: minimum of 300 hours of practical training, in the professional field - immunizations and health certificates - Criminal record certificate (this document is required only for some specific fields.)
Language of instruction	The official language of instruction is Italian. However, selected Bachelor courses, workshops and practice sessions, as well as full Master degree courses, may be held in English. Physiotherapy courses at Physiotherapie Graubünden in Landquart are held in German. Courses at the FFHS are taught in German, with some exceptions in English.		
Italian courses	An optional two-week intensive Italian course is offered free of charge to European exchange students twice a year before the beginning of classes (in August-September and in February).		

Other information

Accommodation	<p><u>Student accommodation</u> SUPSI does not have a Student Residence, but gives support to international students with private contacts or web links. List of accommodation solutions are available here: www.supsi.ch/international_en/students/incoming-students/housing</p>
Approximate monthly costs in Swiss Francs (CHF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Shared single room or one-bedroom apartment 450-800.- - Food and other household expenses 450.- - Recreation and travel 150.- - Health insurance is required 160-280.-
SEMP programme	<p>Since 2014, mobility among students registered in the European universities recognised as a "programme country" within the Erasmus+ programme, that have the Erasmus Charter for Higher Education, and Swiss universities are carried out under the umbrella of the Swiss-European Mobility Programme (SEMP).</p> <p>The SEMP program allows a maximum of 12 months of mobility for study and/or internships per study cycle. Mobility carried out in the same study cycle of a different degree course and mobility already carried out within the Erasmus+ programme are counted within these 12 months. The months taken within these programmes shall be deducted from the remaining months, which are potentially eligible for funding.</p> <p>Postgraduate incoming mobility is currently not financed.</p> <p>More information at following link: www.supsi.ch/international_en/students/incoming-students/sempr</p>
Grants	<p>The SEMP program supports exchange students as follow:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Study: monthly rate of CHF380/CHF440. The amount is assigned based on the country in which the partner institution is located, as indicated in the directives of the Swiss national agency Movetia for academic year 2021-2022. - Traineeship: monthly rate of CHF440 for academic year 2021/2022 <p>Study and traineeship mobility must be at least 2 months long. The program requires the preparation and delivery of certain documents at different times. More information in our link Documentation</p>
What students must absolutely know	<p><u>Welcome Guide for international minds</u> Student and staff guide: www.supsi.ch/international_en/general-information/ticino</p> <p><u>Visa and Residence Permit</u> Non-EU students must ask for a student visa at the nearest Swiss embassy as soon as they receive the letter of acceptance from SUPSI.</p> <p>All exchange students must apply for a residence permit ("L-Permit") upon arrival in Switzerland. More information about student visas and resident permits, please visit: www.supsi.ch/international_en/students/incoming-students/organisation</p>

	<p><u>Health Insurance</u> In Switzerland, private health insurance is compulsory for all residents. We recommend to have also a personal liability insurance coverage.</p> <p>Students who are temporarily resident in Switzerland and have a comparable foreign insurance may be exempted from this rule. In general terms, students who have a valid European Health Insurance Card, or students who have unlimited foreign health insurance coverage for the whole duration of their stay may be exempted. www.supsi.ch/international_en/students/incoming-students/insurance</p>
New SUPSI university campuses	In the spring of 2021, SUPSI inaugurated two new campuses : the SUPSI Campus in Mendrisio-Stazione and the East Campus in Lugano-Viganello, home to the Department of Environment, Construction and Design and the Department of Innovative Technologies, respectively.

