

LA SAPIENZA UNIVERSITY ROME

Founded in 1303 by Pope Boniface VIII, La Sapienza is one of the oldest Italian universities. In the seven centuries since its foundation, it has been at the centre of the history of Rome and the entire country; first as a university linked to the Popes, then as an autonomous Studium Urbis, gradually extending its academic prestige to new disciplines, both scientific and humanistic, and moving from its seat in Trastevere to the Sapienza building in the Sant'Eustachio district and then to current Main Campus. Today, thanks to a large campus just a few steps away from Termini central station and several branches in the metropolitan area, Sapienza is a proper research university where you can research and study in all academic areas, placed among the top Italian universities in the main international rankings.

Why study at the La Sapienza University?

1. Every year, Sapienza University welcomes thousands of foreign students, who come to Rome to study or pursue research on international mobility programmes.
2. Like all Italian State Universities, the La Sapienza offers quality education at an extremely affordable cost.
3. La Sapienza is a place that can make your dreams come true, educate you and provide you with the knowledge, life skills and resources that will give you an edge in the world.
4. Sapienza University is a member of the Erasmus+ Programme, has undersigned bilateral agreements with many prestigious foreign universities, and participates in a wide range of mobility programmes that allow students from around the world to complete part of their university studies or experience a traineeship period in Rome.
5. Thanks to double, multiple and joint degrees agreements students from EU and non-Eu countries can join a study path that allows participating students to complete part of their university career abroad and obtain a degree recognised in two or more countries.
6. **Sapienza promotes and encourages international research by facilitating joint research projects and regularly hosting visiting researchers and professors from leading foreign universities and research centres.**
7. For the fourth consecutive year, Sapienza University of Rome has been ranked at the top of the **Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU)**, published on August 15, 2025 by the independent organisation Shanghai Ranking Consultancy, placing it as **the first and only Italian university in the 101-150 range**.
8. In the 2026 edition of the **QS World University Rankings**, published on June 19, 2025, Sapienza was **ranked first among Italian generalist universities**, 128th in the world, and second in Italy after the Politecnico di Milano. This is **Sapienza's highest ever ranking** in this prestigious international ranking.
9. Sapienza is Italy's top-ranked university for **Employment outcomes** (92nd in the world), which is based on the employment rate and career prospects of its graduates in the labour market. It is also the top-ranked Italian university for **International research networks** (61st in the world), which is based on the rate of scientific publications with international co-authors, and **Academic reputation** (65th in the world), which is based on surveys completed by over 127,000 lecturers and researchers worldwide.
10. Sapienza University of Rome has been confirmed as the **top university in Italy** in the 2025 ranking by the Center for World University Rankings (CWUR). This is the 14th consecutive year that our university has held this position since the introduction of the ranking system in 2012. Sapienza **is also ranked 125th in the world**.

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