



UNIVERSITÀ
CATTOLICA
del Sacro Cuore

MEDICINE & SURGERY

6-year English-taught Single-Cycle Degree programme

AY 2026/2027

Rome | Bolzano

Facts and Figures: School of Medicine and Surgery

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about Cattolica



Founded in
1921, Università
Cattolica is
the largest
**non-state
university** in
Europe

Gemelli



Fondazione Policlinico Universitario Agostino Gemelli IRCCS
Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

Recognised
and **fully-
accredited
research
university**

**Exceptional
faculty-student ratio** 
(Only 110 students in Rome and 60 in Bolzano)

The School in the
Rome campus is
fully embedded
within
**Gemelli Hospital
- Università
Cattolica**
founded in 1964

402

**International
degree-seeking students**
currently enrolled in the Faculty
of Medicine and Surgery

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**Highly cited researchers
in 2024:**
Gasbarrini, Landi, Scaldaferri
(according to Clarivate)

59

**Doctors ranked in the World's
Top 2% Scientists 2024**
(list by Stanford & Elsevier for
career-long citation impact)

19

Study abroad destinations.
Options vary by campus—Rome
and Bolzano offer different choices.
Visit the website for details.

53

**Nationalities on
the Medicine and
Surgery programme**

44

**Faculty members
listed among the TOP
ITALIAN SCIENTISTS**

Rankings

Gemelli Hospital -
Università Cattolica
ranks as

#2 hospital

in Italy and

#44

in the world

**Newsweek's World's Best
Hospital Ranking 2025**

Medicine

ranks in the

Top 200

**QS World University
Rankings by
Subject 2025**

Gemelli Hospital -
Università Cattolica ranks

#1

in Italy for

**Gastroenterology,
Obstetrics and
Gynecology, and
Pulmonology**

**Newsweek and Statista
World's Best Specialised
Hospitals 2025 Ranking**

Location highlights

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campuses

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1 - ROME

**The Eternal City, a cultural hub,
home to iconic art and film, from the
Sistine Chapel to “La Dolce Vita.”**

The daily life of Università Cattolica's School of Medicine and Surgery in Rome unfolds within the Gemelli Hospital, which opened in 1964. It is ranked #2 hospital in Italy and #44 worldwide based on the World's Best Hospital 2025 Ranking by Newsweek.

**A vibrant, multilingual
city in the Alps**

Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore and Claudiana University Centre for Health Professions in Bolzano offer a groundbreaking Medicine and Surgery programme. This collaboration combines Claudiana's healthcare expertise with Università Cattolica and Gemelli Hospital's innovation, featuring advanced research, top-notch facilities, and a commitment to excellence.

2 - BOLZANO



Medicine and Surgery (Rome)

Single-Cycle Degree in Medicine and Surgery

School: Medicine and Surgery

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Campus: Rome, Italy
Next Intake: September 2026

Duration: 6 years
Total ECTS: 360
Edition #: 14



YEAR 1

- Basic sciences (14 ECTS)
- Functional architecture of the human body 1 (msk/heart/vascular system) (12 ECTS)
- Gene regulation and cell metabolism (11 ECTS)
- Italian language 1 (3 ECTS)
- Life of cells, tissues and microbes (10 ECTS)
- Scientific English (2 ECTS)
- Theology 1*: introduction to christology and scriptures

YEAR 2

- Cellular and molecular pathology (8 ECTS)
- Epidemiology and biostatistics (6 ECTS)
- Functional architecture of the human body 2 (respiratory/digestive/urinary/reproductive) (15 ECTS)
- Functional architecture of the human body 3 (endocrine/nervous system) (12 ECTS)
- history of medicine and antropology (2 ECTS)
- Italian language 2 (2 ECTS)
- Italian language 3 (2 ECTS)
- Microbe - host interaction (10 ECTS)
- Theology 2*: introduction to theological anthropology and ecclesiology

YEAR 3

- Approach to diagnosis and treatment (11 ECTS)
- Hematology (8 ECTS)
- Infectious diseases (9 ECTS)
- Introduction to clinical medicine (13 ECTS)
- Italian language 4 (3 ECTS)
- Mechanisms and manifestations of diseases (13 ECTS)
- Theology 3*: introduction to ethics and Christian ethics

YEAR 4

- Endocrinology (6 ECTS)
- Gastroenterology (12 ECTS)
- Gynecology (10 ECTS)
- Liver and biliary tract (6 ECTS)
- Materno-fetal medicine and obstetrics (5 ECTS)
- Metabolism and clinical nutrition (6 ECTS)
- Neurosciences (14 ECTS)
- Comparative religious studies (seminarial course)

YEAR 5

- Cardiac diseases (9 ECTS)
- Dermatology and rheumatology (9 ECTS)
- Emergency and intensive care (9 ECTS)
- Geriatrics and palliative medicine (7 ECTS)
- Kidney and urinary system (8 ECTS)
- Pediatrics (9 ECTS)
- Respiratory diseases (8 ECTS)
- Vascular diseases (6 ECTS)

YEAR 6

- Being a physician (14 ECTS)
- Bones and joints (8 ECTS)
- Eye, ear, nose and throat (10 ECTS)
- Practical-evaluation training general medicine (5 ECTS)
- Public health, occupational medicine and forensic sciences (7 ECTS)
- Thesis dissertation (18 ECTS)

*Theology courses are seminars in religious studies that explore religious and ethical topics from an academic and cultural viewpoint, promoting thoughtful discussion across diverse traditions.

Double Degree option: Thomas Jefferson University (Philadelphia, USA)

Once enrolled, students can refer to Cattolica International for further information



Peculiarities of Medicine and Surgery (Rome)

Campus	Rome, Italy
Hospital	Gemelli Hospital
Teaching language	English
Internship language	English, Italian
Application opening	mid-October 2025
Application deadline	2 nd half of February 2026
Application fee	€210
Entrance exam	2 nd half of March 2026
Places available	110

About both degrees (in Rome and Bolzano)

In order to achieve formative goals, they offer a total of 360 ECTS (European Credit Transfer System), over a 6-year course. 60 credits focus on acquiring professional skills. Each ECTS corresponds to 12 hours of teaching or 17 hours in case of professional training.

Both programmes are designed for aspiring

Medicine and Surgery (Bolzano)

Single-Cycle Degree in Medicine and Surgery

School: Medicine and Surgery

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Campus: Bolzano, Italy

Next Intake: September 2026

Duration: 6 years

Total ECTS: 360

Edition #: 3

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MEDICINE

IN THE TOP

170

2025

YEAR 1

- Basic sciences (14 ECTS)
- Functional architecture of the human body 1 (msk/heart/vascular system) (12 ECTS)
- Gene regulation and cell metabolism (11 ECTS)
- German language 1* (3 ECTS)
- Italian language 1* (3 ECTS)
- Life of cells, tissues and microbes (10 ECTS)
- Scientific English (2 ECTS)
- Theology 1**; introduction to christology and scriptures

YEAR 2

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- history of medicine and anthropology (2 ECTS)
- German language 2* (3 ECTS)
- German language 3* (3 ECTS)
- Italian language 2* (2 ECTS)
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medical practitioners. As a graduate, you'll have a variety of career options, including opportunities in basic and clinical scientific research, thanks to the innovative curriculum.

Both degrees are academically recognised across the EU and many other countries for residency or professional practice, though local licensing regulations must be followed.

Peculiarities of Medicine and Surgery (Bolzano)

Campus	Bolzano, Italy
Hospital	Claudiana University Centre for Health Professions
Teaching language	English
Internship language	English, German, Italian
Application opening	mid-January 2026
Application deadline	mid-April 2026
Application fee	€210
Entrance exam	2 nd half of May 2026
Places available	60

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Admission requirements

General entry requirements:

- Minimum 12 years of previous global schooling
- Final 2 years in the same education system

Your high school diploma needs to satisfy the requirements to access university in the awarding country.

Examples of diploma-specific requirements:

- IB Diploma: full IB Diploma by the May 2026 session (results available at the beginning of July 2026).
- American Diploma with additional 3 AP exams with the College Board
- British Diploma: minimum 3 A-levels

English-language requirements:

- Complete a high school curriculum entirely taught in English
- OR
- Minimum B2 certified level of English

Science Subjects: No specific science subjects or grades are required. To be prepared for the entrance exam, we advise you read the "List of topics to study for the scientific questions" document on the website.

More details on entry requirements on international.unicatt.it

How to apply

If you wish to apply to **both** Medicine and Surgery (Rome) and Medicine and Surgery (Bolzano) degree programmes, you have to **submit two separate applications and pay two application fees**.



Visit international.unicatt.it and **start your application**

(Link available as soon as applications open)



Create an account



Fill out the online application form

Upload the following documents:



- Copy of your passport/s
- Official High School transcripts (in English or Italian) scanned as one document only
- High School Diploma (if already graduated)
- Evidence of language proficiency, where needed (if already available)



Pay the €210 application fee to start the evaluation procedure



Submit your application



After submission, Università Cattolica's International Admissions Team will **evaluate eligibility** to access the **Entrance exam**. Only candidates whose eligibility has been confirmed will be officially **assigned to one of the applicant rankings** (EU or non-EU).

Entrance exam

Admission to the Single-Cycle Master's Degree in Medicine and Surgery is subject to the applicant's performance and subsequent ranking in **Università Cattolica's very own entrance exam**.

Exam format: The Entrance Exam will be conducted remotely using a proctoring system, allowing candidates to take the exam from home.

Entrance exam content and preparation

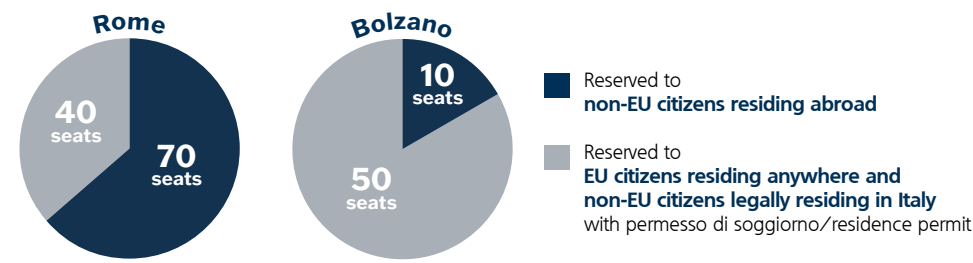
Rome



Bolzano



Programme class size



In the case of students with **double nationality**, if one is of an **EU country**, it **will prevail** for the purpose of the final ranking of the Competition Call (art. 19, comma 2, of L. n. 218/1995).

Application timeline

Mid-Oct 2025	Mid-Jan 2026	2 nd half Feb 2026	2 nd half March 2026	1 st half April 2026	Mid-April 2026	2 nd half May 2026
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Application opening		Final deadline	Entrance exam	Rankings publication		
Medicine and Surgery (Bolzano)						
	Application opening				Final deadline	Entrance exam
						Rankings publication

Tuition fees and financial aid

PROGRAMME	FISCAL RESIDENCY	TUITION FEES PER YEAR	SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
6-year Medicine and Surgery (Rome)	All students	€ 18,000	Financial aid and scholarship opportunities administered by EDUCatt . For details refer to > educatteu
6-year Medicine and Surgery (Bolzano)	All students		Scholarship opportunities administrated by the Province of Bolzano . For details refer to > international.unicatt.it > Admission and tuition > Tuition fees and scholarships

Cost of living

TOTAL LIVING EXPENSES AVERAGE PER YEAR

Rome campus: **€15,000 - €17,000** | Bolzano campus: **€12,000 - 14,000**



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