



# *Overview of the Management Engineering Exchange and Double Degree Programmes*



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# Today's Agenda

- Introduction: achieving the right frame of mind
- To know more: useful materials & Info Sessions
- Exchange, Double Degree Programs, and International Alliances within the Polimi Mobility Call/s
- The *Free Mover* Experience
- The MSc **UIC** Double Degree Programme
- How to support International Mobility

# Interested in Studying Abroad?

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POLIMI offers many types of study abroad opportunities: brief study abroad exchanges, semester long exchanges, dual and double degrees, alliances, one year programs...

The most updated set of information for POLIMI offerings can be found on the POLIMI International Mobility webpage at: <https://www.polimi.it/en/campuses-and-services/international-mobility/study-abroad>

# Studying Abroad?

International agreements and exchanges at a glance



## MOBILITY AND AGREEMENTS

Strong commitment towards offering **ME** students diverse experiences abroad

### STUDENTS MOBILITY PER YEAR

- ▶ 450 Outgoing students
- ▶ 400 Incoming students

### AGREEMENTS

- ▶ 220 Exchange Agreements
- ▶ 44 Double Degree Agreements



# Studying Abroad?

A guideline to choose your mobility experience

- ❖ **What am I seeking from this experience?**
- ❖ **How long can I stay abroad?**
- ❖ **Where can I go to?**
- ❖ **How much can I be flexible?**



# Studying Abroad?

A guideline to choose your mobility experience



*When you're curious,  
you find lots of  
interesting things to do.*

# Studying Abroad?

A guideline to choose your mobility experience

Freedom and happiness are found in the flexibility and ease with which we move through change.

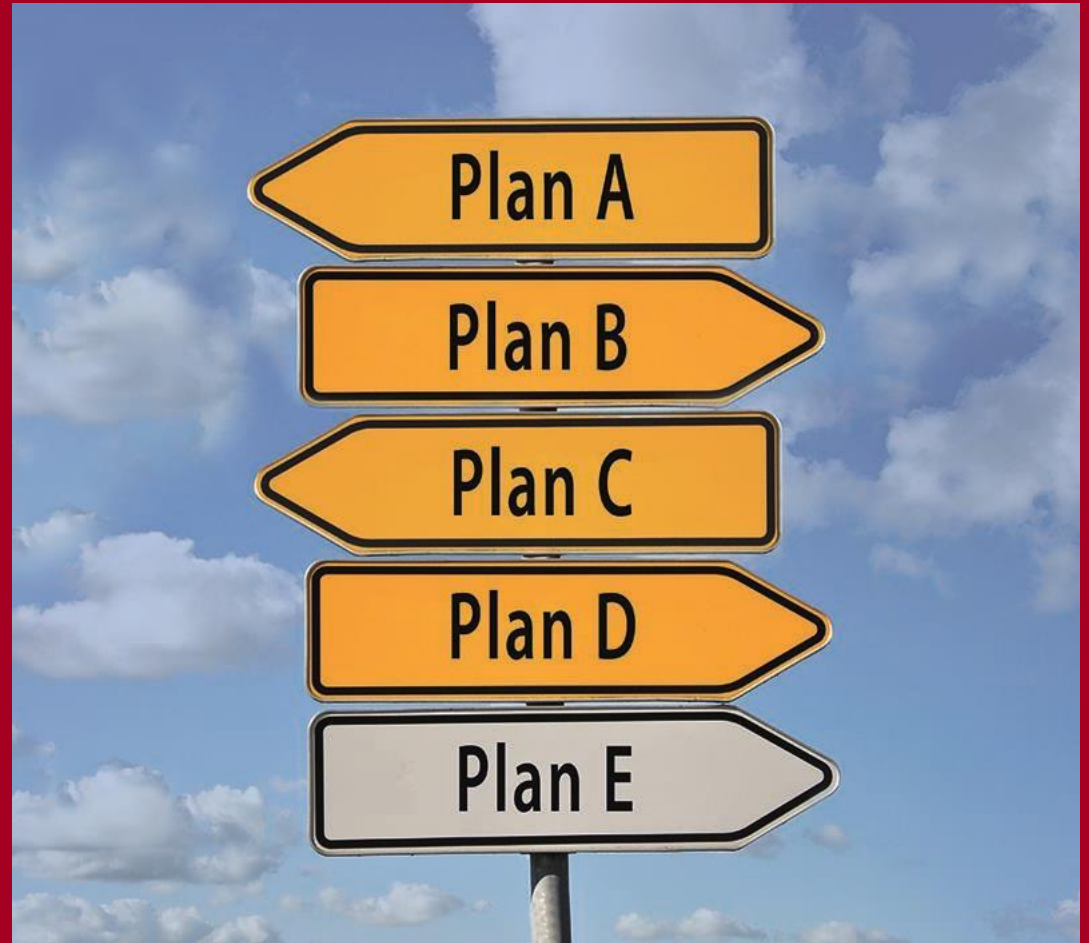




# Studying Abroad?

A guideline to choose your mobility experience

*Have you got  
any plans?*



# Studying Abroad?

A guideline to choose your mobility experience

## Standard “Erasmus” exchanges

Normally **1 semester** abroad (on average 30 ECTS credits)

More than **200** destinations worldwide

Both at **BSc** and **MSc** level

**+400** outgoing students every year

## International Alliances

Normally **1 year** abroad (depending on the programs), possibly in more sites

**Alliance4Tech**  
**UNITECH**

**MSc level**

## International Double Degrees

**1,5-2 years** abroad

- International Double Degrees promoted by POLIMI (**40+ programs**), at BSc and MSc level
- International Dual Degrees promoted by SoM-POLIMI (**Audencia, Solvay, Tongjii, Tsinghua**), **only MSc level**

# Studying Abroad?

## The “International Mobility” process @ POLIMI



<b>Student</b>	<b>International Mobility Offices</b>	<b>CCS Mgt. Engineering Intl Commission</b>
2) Participates in the Mobility Call (demand)	1) Launch the Mobility Call (offer)	
4) Accepts the location assigned to them	3) Evaluate the candidates and define a merit list	

# Studying Abroad?

## Polimi “International Mobility” Calls

### **First International Mobility Call\***

<https://www.polimi.it/en/campuses-and-services/international-mobility/study-abroad/the-call>

**Deadline January 10, 2024 at Midday**

### **UNITECH Call**

<https://www.polimi.it/en/campuses-and-services/international-mobility/study-abroad/special-projects/unitech>

**Deadline January 10, 2024**

**It is NOT *first come first serve*. Take your time to make an informed decision**

**\*The second International Mobility Call will be published on April 2024**



# International Mobility Call

## «Exchange your Mind» Experience

The *International Mobility Unit* is holding several **info sessions** to explain all procedures, rules and requirements related to the **2024/25 International Mobility Call**

It is **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED** to attend

For a **full list of the sessions**, please see:

<https://www.polimi.it/en/campuses-and-services/international-mobility/study-abroad/the-call>

Don't forget to sign up to the Instagram @polimi\_exchange and listen to the [Podcast Polimi Explorers!](#)

# The POLIMI Map of Partner Universities

Look at the [Map of Partner Universities And Mobility Agreements](#)

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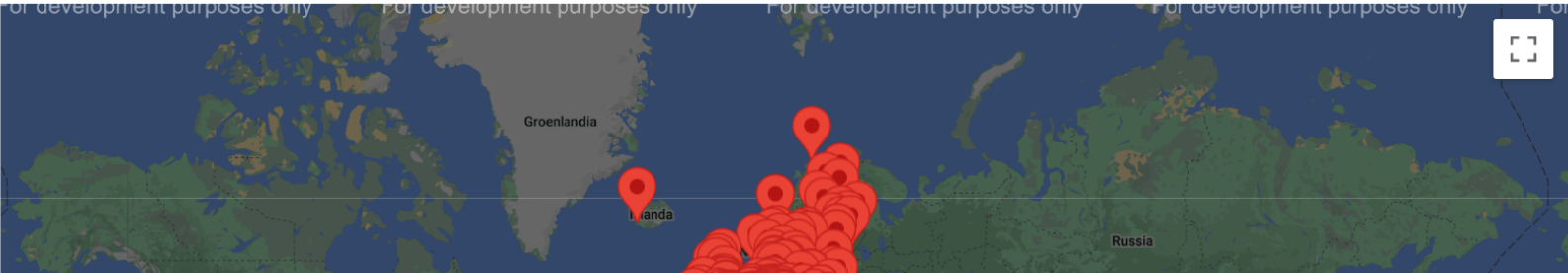
## MAP OF PARTNER UNIVERSITIES AND MOBILITY AGREEMENTS

DISCOVER THE EXCHANGE PARTNER UNIVERSITIES OF POLITECNICO DI MILANO

Map  List

Filter locations by:

SCHOOL  TYPE OF AGREEMENT



(Select «list» view and filter by Nation, School or by study programme)

# Studying abroad?

## The Management Engineering Guides & Support Materials

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WHERE WE ARE COOKIE POLICY (UE) ITALIANO ENGLISH

SCHOOL OF INDUSTRIAL AND INFORMATION ENGINEERING

### Management Engineering

HOME PAGE PRESENTATION ▾ BACHELOR OF SCIENCE ▾ MASTER OF SCIENCE ▾ INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCES ▾ EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES ▾ AFTER GRADUATION ▾ CONTACTS ▾



#### International Experiences

- Short-Term Exchanges (1-2 Weeks)
- Long-Term Exchanges (1-2 Semesters)
- International Double Degrees
- Get Ready



A network of over 200 partners

You will find all the available information regarding Study Abroad programs on the Management Engineering website: <https://management-eng.polimi.it/en/international-experience/>

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# Studying abroad?

## The ME Guides & support materials

WHO

HOW

WHY

WHERE

WHEN

...plan an international experience?

### A CONCISE GUIDE TO INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY

Useful tips for a successful and satisfying international  
mobility experience

International Mobility Commission  
CCS Management Engineering  
Politecnico di Milano



A broad overview  
of the process  
and key factors to  
consider



# Studying abroad?

## The SoM Guides & Support Materials

A detailed guide of the rules that apply to international exchanges within the Department and at the Polimi level.

**USE THIS! Don't refer now to the Faculty advisors – their role is to support you with your Learning Agreement, after you will be assigned a destination**

<https://management-eng.polimi.it/>

**>INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCES>GET  
READY**

### International Exchange Guide for Management Engineering Students

*Document issued by the Management Engineering  
Internationalization Commission*

*Version 2.0 – December 2023<sup>1</sup>*

#### 1 Introduction

Politecnico di Milano – as part of its internationalization strategy – offers students different exchange and international mobility opportunities, from the traditional Erasmus program (recently re-launched as Erasmus+), to Double Degrees in collaboration with prestigious foreign universities, to special programs (e.g. ATHENS, UNITECH, Alliance4Tech, GLOBALES, etc.). The details of all the mobility programs are available on the Polimi [website](#).

The Management Engineering degree program strongly supports the University strategy, by offering exchange and mobility programs to over 350 students per academic year at 200 universities worldwide, resulting as one of the courses with the highest level of exchanges within Politecnico.

Given these relevant numbers, the Course of Study Council (CCS) in Management Engineering has appointed a team (**Internationalization Commission**), in charge of managing the evaluation procedures, as well as planning and validating the mobility programs. The Commission carries out its activities under the mandate received from the CCS, in collaboration with the office in charge of international mobility programs (**International Mobility Unit**) that manage all administrative procedures, in compliance with the guidelines set by the School of Industrial and Information Engineering.

The Commission is comprised of six members, all CCS professors, organized in "Geographical Areas" and in "Subject Areas" of expertise:

- Sergio Terzi, Commission Coordinator, "**Special Programs**" (e.g. Double Degrees, ATHENS, UNITECH, Alliance4Tech, SustainIT, IdeaLeague, etc.) Contact Person, as well as Contact Person for the Geographical area "**Asia**" (China, Japan, Korea, India etc.), **Eastern Europe, Ireland**, and also Discipline Area Contact Person, ✉ [sergio.terzi@polimi.it](mailto:sergio.terzi@polimi.it), t 2803.
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<sup>1</sup> This document is a work in progress. For any feedback, comments, and suggestions on this guide, please email the Internationalization Commission Coordinator, Prof. Sergio Terzi: [sergio.terzi@polimi.it](mailto:sergio.terzi@polimi.it). This guide adapts to the specific context of the CCS of Management Engineering the broader regulations settled by the School of Industrial and Information Engineering, available at the following [link](#) (in Italian only).

# «Info Sheets» (work in progress!)



- «Info Sheets» on the [SoM website](#) for **Management Engineering** Exchange Partners  
Useful information & links

## **INTERNATIONAL NETWORK>EXCHANGE PARTNERS>**

Select the country to get a list of the agreements

- New Info Sheets are posted on an ongoing basis. Check them out regularly!

# Studying abroad?

## A guideline to choose your mobility experience

### Standard “Erasmus” exchanges

- Normally 1 semester abroad (on average 30 credits)
- More than 200 destinations worldwide
- Both at BS and MS level

### International Alliances

- Normally 1 year abroad (depending on programs), possibly in more sites
- Alliance4Tech, UNITECH
- MS level

### International Double Degrees

- 1,5-2 years abroad
- Intl. Double Degrees promoted by POLIMI (more than 40 programs), at BS and MS level
- Intl. Double Degrees promoted by **SoM**-POLIMI (**Audencia, Solvay, Tongjii, Tsinghua**), only at MS level

# Standard “Erasmus” Exchange

More than **200 destinations**,  
worldwide

Students must **define their courses** in  
advance... but don't worry, if necessary,  
you can change them!

The “experience” is more  
important than the credits!

Normally it is based on **one  
semester abroad**; extensions can  
be requested according to interest  
and pending availability

Every year nearly **400 ME** students take  
part in the experience, applying to the  
Mobility Call

See the [Rules of the School](#) for details!



# Standard “Erasmus” Exchange: Internationalization Commission

ME Students will refer to a Faculty advisor (**Internationalization Commission**) **ONLY AFTER** they have been assigned a destination, to:

Fill in the **Online Learning Agreement** for the exchange

Make potential changes to the LA once they are abroad

Validate the credits of the courses taken abroad

For ALL administrative procedures, they MUST refer to the **International Mobility Unit**: [exchange-bovisa@polimi.it](mailto:exchange-bovisa@polimi.it)

# Studying abroad?

## A guideline to choose your mobility experience

### Standard “Erasmus” exchanges

- Normally 1 semester abroad (on average 30 credits)
- More than 160 destinations worldwide
- Both at BS and MS level

### International Alliances

- Normally 1 year abroad (it depends by programs), possibly in more sites
- Alliance4Tech, UNITECH
- MS level

### International Double Degrees

- 1,5-2 years abroad
- International Double Degrees promoted by POLIMI (more than 40 programs), at BS and MS level
- International Double Degrees promoted by **SoM-POLIMI (Audencia, Solvay, Tongjii, Tsinghua)**, only at MS level

# International Double Degrees promoted by POLIMI

More than **40 locations**

Typically based on earning **120 credits abroad (2 years!)**

Approx. 5-10 students from ME every year, based on the internal competition – agreements open to several Course of Studies

Students should define their study plan according to the available course options (which may change every year)

Most of the double degrees have a minimum threshold (generally an average  $> 26/30$ )

**Be prepared to be patient and flexible for such an intensive experience!**

# International Double Degrees promoted by POLIMI-SoM

Dedicated programs for ME  
MSc students

5 positions for each  
institution every year

1,5 years abroad (80-90  
credits)

Suggested Majors  
for each institutions

Only for MSc students

Minimum threshold = average > 26/30

Each program has its specific rules and study  
plans



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# International Double Degrees promoted by POLIMI-SoM

Detailed prospects are available on the [Management Engineering website](#)

Specific mobility programs for Management Engineering



Audencia Nantes School of Management



Solvay Brussels School of Economics and Management



Tongji University



Tsinghua University



# International Double Degree promoted by POLIMI-SoM

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1<sup>st</sup> year of the MSc @  
POLIMI  
(60-70 credits)

2<sup>nd</sup> year of the MSc  
@ the host institution  
(60-70 credits)

Internship and final  
work @ the host  
institution

# Studying abroad?

## A guideline to choose your mobility experience

### Standard “Erasmus” exchanges

- Normally 1 semester abroad (on average 30 credits)
- More than 130 destinations worldwide
- Both at BS and MS level

### International Alliances

- Normally 1 year abroad (depending on the programs), possibly in more sites
- Alliance4Tech, UNITECH
- MS level

### International Double/Dual Degrees

- 1,5-2 years abroad
- International Double Degrees promoted by POLIMI (more than 40 programs), at BS and MS level
- International Dual Degrees promoted by SoM-POLIMI (Audencia, Solvay, Tongjii, Tsinghua), only at MS level

# International Alliances

POLIMI is a proud member of several **international networks and alliances**, which promote **international mobility and multi-cultural experiences**

Alliances give POLIMI students the possibility of becoming part of international networks, broadening their **professional opportunities**

Each Alliance has its rules

**UNITECH**  
(for all POLIMI students)

**ALLIANCE4TECH**  
(for Management, Mechanical &  
Computer Science students)

# International Alliances UNITECH

Up to 1 year abroad, in one site

3 weeks throughout the year of mutual experiences (in 3 other sites)



Approx. **20 extra credits** to be done, on top of the required credits



UNIVERSITAT POLITÈCNICA  
DE CATALUNYA  
BARCELONATECH



UNITECH standard study plans exist, based on partner schools' academic offering



**1 separate call at POLIMI**  
**(deadline 10 January 2024)**

Approx. 1-2 ME students per year, based on internal competition



# International Alliances

## Alliance4Tech

“Free mobility” idea: students can move amongst European campuses, earning credits

It is based on a **2-semester abroad** approach

A list of available courses for each university is available

Part of the regular International Mobility Call

ALLIANCE  TECH



For further information: [www.alliance4tech.eu](http://www.alliance4tech.eu)



# International Alliances

## Alliance4Tech

At least 60 credits to  
be taken @ POLIMI  
(only for MSc  
courses)

Semester abroad in  
Berlin, Paris

Semester abroad in  
Berlin, Paris

**A list of available courses for each site is  
available, and it is annually revised**

# International Alliances

## How to candidate to Alliance4Tech

Read the instructions about the programme: [www.alliance4tech.eu](http://www.alliance4tech.eu)



Apply online to the POLIMI “International Mobility Call” (opened on **November 16<sup>th</sup>**) - follow the instructions carefully!



Select “Alliance4Tech” as a preference (you will select your destinations later)

Alliance4Tech

Alliance4Tech is a strategic alliance, formally established in 2015, among 4 prestigious European technical universities:

- Centrale Supélec of Paris
- Politecnico di Milano
- TU-Berlin
- University College London

Alliance4Tech combines four institutions of excellence, different in culture and location, but with the same passion for human and technological evolution, in the economic heart of Europe. Its goal is to create a real **European Campus** without borders for its students and professors. Alliance4Tech offers talented and deserving students an innovative educational path, during which they can carry out their studies in **at least three different countries**.

Students can apply to the programme by participating in the **international mobility call**. The selected students have the opportunity to choose to spend a full semester in Berlin and/or a full semester in Paris. While applications may be submitted during the last year of the Bachelor's Degree, participation in the Alliance4Tech programme will be open to **MSC students only**.

To find out more, please visit the [Alliance4Tech](http://Alliance4Tech) website.

DOWNLOAD:

Alliance4Tech - Presentation      Guida Alliance4Tech

A small [guide](#) to help you getting familiar with the programme and its main characteristics

# Studying Abroad?

## The Free Mover experience

Students may also decide to study abroad independently, as *Free Movers*:

- a) To **take courses for one semester** and transfer credits back to Polimi (only @Universities that are NOT Polimi partners)
- b) To work abroad on their **final thesis research** (while maintaining a Polimi supervisor)

Information can be found on the Polimi website:

<https://www.polimi.it/en/campuses-and-services/international-mobility/study-abroad/the-opportunities/erasmus-and-other-programmes>

# Studying Abroad?

## The Free Mover experience

### *Free Mover* students:

- Will apply to the foreign university **independently**, with no support from Polimi offices, following the host institution's deadlines
- Will be required to pay tuition @ the foreign university and will **not** benefit from a Polimi scholarship
- Will have to submit a request on the Polimi online services and seek approval **PRIOR** to their departure (minimum GPA 24/30)
- When enrolling in courses, they will need to identify a **well-ranked** and suitable university to motivate this choice, discussing their options with Prof. Terzi, Academic Coordinator for International Exchanges @DIG

# Studying Abroad?

## UIC-Polimi Double Degree (MSc) – Free Movers



The Polimi Management Engineering Department offers a Double Degree Program with the **University of Illinois at Chicago, Department of Industrial Engineering and School of Business.**

The program is **not** included in the Polimi International Mobility Call (students will be considered *Free Movers*).



Applications follow UIC deadlines (every October for February intake).  
**Periodic presentations will be held for students**

Please check:

[International Double Degrees – Management Engineering \(polimi.it\)](http://polimi.it)

For further information:

[international-dig@polimi.it](mailto:international-dig@polimi.it)

# Studying Abroad?

## POLIMI “International Mobility Call”

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For students who will be assigned a destination for an exchange or double degree experience, further presentations will be held following admittance to discuss what comes next.

It is however crucial that you **read the guides carefully now**, as they provide an overview of the process and of your reference points throughout.

**Good Luck!**





**WELCOME  
BACK**

# Upon Your Return

## Support International Mobility @ DIG

**SURVEY:** Upon completion of the course validation students will be asked to take part in the **online survey** on their international exchange experience

Thanks to this minor commitment, you will contribute effectively towards **improving the experience** for those who will go abroad after you. **Thank you!** 😊

**TRAVEL STORIES:** Sharing the exchange experience with peers can be of great help to students wishing to study abroad. Returning students will be invited to write a **brief report** or to provide a **video testimonial** of their exchange experience

**Next Session for:  
Management Engineering Students**

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***Tips and Tricks: How to Plan a Successful Mobility Experience + Q&A  
Session***

December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 5 pm

You can attend the meeting via Webex

<https://politecnicomilano.webex.com/meet/sergio.terzi>

***DON'T MISS IT!***