RULES FOR COMPILING THE ON LINE STUDY PLAN

MASTER'S DEGREE IN FOOD SAFETY AND FOOD RISK MANAGEMENT

Academic Year 2026/27

Dear students,
please take note of these guidelines to submit your study plan for **the A.Y. 2026-2027**: the submission of the study plan is mandatory for all students. The plan must be compiled online using the ESSE3 system. To access the ESSE3 system please use your University credentials (such as name.surname@studenti.unipr.it and relative password) issued at the time of enrollment.

The plan must be presented within the following time frame:

Start date: October 01st, 2026
Deadline: December 10, 2026

After the deadline, changes to the plan are possible, but they must be introduced using the ESSE3 system **ONLY** within the following time frame:

Firt years students
Start date: January 07, 2027
Deadline: April 16, 2027

Second years students
Start date: January 07, 2027
Deadline: February 12, 2027

Please take care that the online submission of the study plan is mandatory and preparatory to all the subsequent career activities or acts (including registration for exams, minutes of exams, survey of students' opinion).
Study plans must comply with the didactic regulation: if they meet the regulatory requirements, they will be automatically approved.

Exceptions to the online presentation of the study plan: students enrolled in a supplementary year ("fuori-corso") who wish to change their study plan must submit a **request of modification to the Degree Program Council by sending an e-mail to the Student Registry Office** (servicedesk.unipr.it) **within the above-mentioned time frame:**

- **Starting date: October 01, 2026 - Deadline: December 10, 2026 and then**
- **Start second date: January 07, 2027 - February 12, 2027**

if the plan is approved by the Council, the individual study plan will be uploaded on the Esse3 system directly by the Student Registry Office.

students enrolled in the first year

For **students enrolled in the first year of the course** the study plan is the standard one available on the website of the Master's Degree in "Food Safety and Food Risk Management" (https://corsi.unipr.it/it/cdlm-fsafrm/insegnamenti-e-piano-degli-studi). Thus, students of the 1st year have **to approve and confirm the courses of the 1st year (which are all compulsory courses).**

We remember the **possibility reserved for foreign students (who are not native Italian speakers) enrolled in the first year of the course in the academic year 26/27** to include a course of "Italian language for foreigners" among their courses. This course can be included in the student training course as free choice exam by **selecting it at the first year** among the courses activated at the University **1014092 Lingua Italiana per stranieri (MOD. A) or 1014096 Lingua Italiana per stranieri (MOD. B)** and available already at the first year in comparison to the other optional courses scheduled for the second year. The course may be considered even supernumerary, taking into account the minimum of 180 ECTS of the training course. **This solution is strongly recommended.**

The provision within the framework of the training activities of an Italian language course for foreigners responds to the need to comply with the suggestions of the legislation but above all to the primary purpose of providing foreign students, from the first year of the course, with suitable linguistic tools useful for dealing with their experience in the academic context as well as in the socio-cultural context of the host country and to be more profitable and independent.

students enrolled in the 2nd year

In addition to the confirmation of the compulsory courses, **students enrolled in the 2nd year must select free choice courses** (for a total of 20 ECTS) and **to declare the type of Internship (at external structure, at University Structure or within the international Mobility Program).**

As far as free choice training activities, second year students can include exams from a compulsory minimum of **9 TAF D ECTS in their study plan (as required by the standard study plan), up to a maximum of 15 ECTS (6 ECTS in addition to the minimum required).**

These ECTS in addition (supernumerary credits) contribute to the calculation of the average.

The student will be able to change the plan **ONLY within the established deadlines**,

Students will not be allowed to change their study plan if they intend to graduate in the extraordinary graduation sessions of the academic year of reference (a.a. 25/26)
The supernumerary credits contribute to the calculation of the average

Within the aforementioned range **(9 ECTS minimum - 15 ECTS maximum),** students may choose activities as follows:

1. Optional courses offered within the 3 curriculum: a list is reported below.

List of free-choice activities proposed by the Course Council for the A.Y. 2026/2027.

Curriculum: Agri-food Safety (University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Location: Reggio Emilia)

Students' free choice		TAF	CFU		Professor
First semester					
Ethnobotany: The role of plants in our life	1009233	D	2	BIOS-01/B (BIO/02)	Mercuri Anna Maria
Insects as food and feed in a circular economy"	1013108	D	4	AGRI-05/A (AGR/11)	Maistrello Lara
Post-harvest losses and their management	1010017	D	6	AGRI-05/B (AGR/12)	Stefani Emilio

Curriculum: Risk Mitigation (Catholic University of the Sacred Heart and University of Parma, Location: Piacenza)

Students' free choice		TAF	CFU		Professor
Second semester					
Psychology Of Risk Perception And Behavioural Change	1014173	D	6	PSIC-03/B (M-PSI/06)	Graffigna Guendalina
Agri- Food Authenticity and fraud	1009235	D	6	AGRI-06/B (AGR/13)	Suman Michele

Curriculum: Risk Management (University of Bologna "Alma Mater" University of Ferrara, Location: Bologna)

Students' free choice		TAF	CFU		Professor
First semester					
Microbial Genomics for Risk Analysis in the Food Chain	1009238	D	3	MVET-02/B (VET/04)	Pasquali Frederique
Sustainable processing for the valorization of food Agro-industrial waste and by-products	1013109	D	3	AGRI-07/A (AGR/15)	Rocculi Pietro
Microbial Biotechnology in food processing	1013110	D	3	AGRI-08/A (AGR/16)	Tabanelli Giulia

Curriculum: Food safety and product design (University of Ferrara)

Students' free choice		TAF	CFU		Professor
First semester					
Interaction between food products and human microbiota	1013112		6	CHEM-07/A (CHIM/08)	Riccardo Fontana
Geochemical and isotopic food fingerprint	1013114		6	GEOS-01/D (GEO/09)	Elena Marrocchino
Consumer perception and attitudes	1013115		3	AGRI-01/A (AGR/01)	Maria Raimondo (2 CFU) Fabio Bartolini (1 CFU)
Designing functional foods for human health	1014116		3	CHEM-08/A (CHIM/09)	Rita Cortesi
Upcycling for safe and sustainable design of food ingredients	1013113		6	CHIM/11 CHEM-07/C	Gugel Irene

2. **For all students, activities related to the registration of complementary activities for <u>outgoing Erasmus Students</u>**

Subject	Code	ECTS	SSD	Professor
First semester				
Complementary activity for <u>outgoing</u> Erasmus Students A	1010499	3	NN	PRANDI Barbara
Complementary activity for <u>outgoing</u> Erasmus Students B	1010500	3	NN	PRANDI Barbara

3. Activities provided in the context of the Master's degree in Food Sciences For Innovation and Authenticity – curriculum *Nutrition Sciences* activated at UniPR

Subject	Code	ECTS	SSD	Professor
First semester				
Human Nutrition	1008535	6	BIOS-06/A (BIO/09)	Daniele Del Rio
Applied Human nutrition	1008536	6	MEDS-08/C (MED/49)	Pedro Miguel Mena Parreno Claudia Favari
Industrial microbiology for food quality improvement	1008537	6	AGRI-08/A	Alessia Levante

			(AGR/16)	
Novel and Functional Foods	1009251	2	MEDS-08/C (MED/49)	Pedro Miguel Mena Parreno
Bakery and Confectionery Product Development: Nutrition Innovation and Sustainability	1014257	2	AGRI-07/A (AGR/15)	Antoniazzi Franco

4. Other complemetary activities

Subject	**Code**	**ECTS**	**SSD**	**Professor**
First semester				
DAMR PROJECT	1011638	1	NN	Pasquali Frederique
Interplay Diet – Gut Microbiome – Human Health *(LM Scienze della Nutrizione Umana)*	1014159	3	MEDS-08/C (ex MED/49)	Vauzour David

As an alternative, students may select:

1. Compulsory training courses of all the three curricula, independently from the specific one chosen by the student.

2. Other courses delivered in English and activated as part of the training offer of the consortium universities (within the universities of Parma, Piacenza, Modena and Reggio Emilia, Bologna and Ferrara) so long as they are provided by courses of the same level (Master's Degrees).

For the A. Y. 2026/2027 the choice of each course delivered in English and activated as part of the training offer of the consortium universities (within the universities of Parma, Piacenza, Modena and Reggio, Bologna and Ferrara) so long as they are provided by courses of the same level (Master's Degrees) MUST BE PREVENTIVELY submitted to the opinion of the STUDY COURSE COUNCIL.

This means that before completing the online study plan, each student must submit a request of approval for each free-choice course to the Course Council: only after approval, the study plan can be completed.

This evaluation will be obtained as follows:

The student will have to submit a formal request of approval:
1. to the Student Career Service (Student Secretariat) servicedesk.unipr.it a question on plain paper, and at the same time

2. also forward it by e-mail to the address didattica.scienzealimenti@unipr.it **following the template reported below**

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TO THE COURSE COUNCIL of the Master's Degree in Food Safety and Food Risk Management

First name
Last name
Registry number (nr. di matricola)
e-mail

I, the undersigned ……. (Name Surname), propose the following course as a free-choice course to be included in my Study Plan:

Name of the course .....
Offered within the Degree Course in.....
Department of .....
University of … (please choose among the followings: Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore Piacenza, Univesrità di Parma, Università di Modena e Reggio Emilia, Alma Mater Studiorum – Università di Bologna, Università di Ferrara)
SSD:
ECTS:

Course program (a brief summary of about 4-5 lines):

Motivation of the choice: ……

Date ……

Date of reply ..... (by the Degree Program Board)

In faith
(student signature)

IMPORTANT

This application must be completed as soon as possible and submitted as indicated above, at the latest **within November 09, 2026 (deadline)**.
By November 16, 2026, a reply will be given by e-mail (proposal approved or rejected).
Approval or rejection will be appropriately motivated.

THESIS /INTERNSHIP ACTIVITY CHOICHE

In addition to choosing free-choice courses, second-year students will have to choose the thesis/internship activities which will have a weight of 20 credits.

Foreign students **(who are not native Italian speakers)** **who in their first year of study have NOT included the Italian language course for foreigners** **LINGUA ITALIANA PER STRANIERI** as a free-choice course in their study plan, at the time of completing online the study plan, will only see the choice of thesis/internship activities which will have a weight of 17 CFU (instead of 20 CFU). In addition to the type of internship chosen, **they will also have to select the Italian language course for foreign students of 3 CFU credits**