



# ADMISSION NOTICE FOR THE IV INTERNATIONAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL SCHOOL MONTICCHIO 2026

## IASM 2026

### Art. 1 – Announcement.

A competition notice is announced for admission to the Fourth Edition of the International Archaeological School Monticchio 2026 (hereinafter **IASM 2026**), an activity planned within the MIC Project "Borgo Monticchio Bagni" (NATIONAL RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE PLAN (PNRR) MISSION 1 - DIGITALIZATION, INNOVATION, COMPETITIVENESS AND CULTURE COMPONENT 3 - CULTURE 4.0 (M1C3) MEASURE 2 "REGENERATION OF SMALL CULTURAL SITES, CULTURAL, RELIGIOUS AND RURAL HERITAGE INVESTMENT 2.1. "ATTRACTIVENESS OF HISTORICAL VILLAGES" PROJECT BORGO MONTICCHIO BAGNI - CUP B64H22000860006).

**IASM 2026** is intended for 25 young students, graduates, postgraduates, specialists, PhD candidates, and PhDs, both Italian and foreign, who have preferably already acquired basic training related to the themes of IASM 2026. At the discretion of the Commission, an additional 5 candidates may be admitted. IASM 2026 is organized in collaboration with the University of Basilicata (Department for Humanistic, Scientific and Social Innovation DIUSS- Post-graduate School of Specialization in Archaeological Heritage), the Superintendency of Archaeology, Fine Arts and Landscape of Basilicata, and the Municipality of Rionero in Vulture, and is directed by Prof. Francesca Sogliani (Unibas).

**IASM 2026** will be held in the locality of Laghi di Monticchio (Municipality of Rionero in Vulture, PZ) from **May, 4<sup>th</sup> to June, 21<sup>st</sup> 2026**.

### Art. 2 - Educational Objectives and Program of the School.

**IASM 2026** offers an immersive training experience in the archaeology and landscape of Vulture, at the site of the so-called S. Ippolito monastic complex, located on the isthmus between the two Monticchio lakes. The initiative aims to carry out a series of interventions to promote the knowledge, enhancement, and development of the archaeological heritage of the Monticchio area, from antiquity to the Middle Ages, within the framework of a territorial network with the Monticchio Bagni area. To achieve this goal, the initiative will focus on three lines: specialized training in the field of archaeology, research conducted through the use of modern technologies and global archaeology methods, and the enhancement, communication, and management of the heritage, which, through the creation of an open-air museum in the isthmus area, thematic routes, and spaces accessible to students, citizens, and tourists, aims at the shared participation of the civil community for the knowledge and enjoyment of the regional archaeological and historical heritage. **IASM 2026** is conceived as a



laboratory for experimentation and research for the advanced training of archaeology students and related disciplines from the University of Basilicata and other Italian and foreign universities, postgraduates, specialists, PhD candidates, and PhDs. **IASM 2026** is an extraordinary opportunity for students to gain practical experience in archaeological excavation, working side by side with leading researchers in the field, which includes practical field activities (archaeological excavation, experimentation with new survey and documentation technologies applied to archaeology, study and cataloguing of archaeological artifacts), classroom lessons integrated with seminar and laboratory activities on multidisciplinary research topics and methodologies, conducted by Italian and foreign experts. In this edition, after an introductory lesson on the archaeological area and the excavation context, activities will focus, under the guidance of archaeologists/tutors, on archaeological investigation activities that will generally take place from Monday to Friday and on seminar and laboratory activities in the afternoons during the week and on Saturdays; Sundays will be dedicated to educational visits and/or rest.

### **Art. 3 - Admission Requirements.**

**IASM 2026** is aimed at:

- Italian students and graduates of bachelor's/master's/specialization/PhD courses, preferably with a study path in archaeology;
- Foreign students and graduates of bachelor's/master's/specialization/PhD courses, preferably with a study path in archaeology;
- Students of lower levels of education, provided they are deserving and motivated.

A master's degree in Class LM 2 - Archaeology is considered a preferential qualification, but other degrees related to related or relevant disciplinary fields are also accepted.

In specific cases, equivalent experience may also be considered as a qualification.

### **Art. 4 - Terms and Methods of Application Submission.**

The application for admission must be sent by email by **23:59 PM on April 20th, 2026**, to the University of Basilicata, Department for Humanistic, Scientific and Social Innovation, Via Lanera 20, 75100 Matera (mailto:diuss.didattica@unibas.it). The email must have the subject "APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE IV INTERNATIONAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL SCHOOL MONTICCHIO 2026". The application must be written on plain paper using the model attached to this notice (Attachment 1) and sent in non-editable PDF format. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered. In the application, the candidate must declare, clearly and legibly (in electronic format or block letters), under their own responsibility:

- Surname and first name;
- Tax code;
- Place and date of birth;
- Place of residence;



- Citizenship;
- The contact address for receiving any communication related to this notice (address with postal code, telephone number, ordinary email address (PEO) and/or certified email address (PEC)). The application must explicitly contain all the above declarations. The application must be accompanied by:
  1. A copy of a valid identification document;
  2. The *curriculum vitae et studiorum*, provided pursuant to art. 47 of D.P.R. no. 445/2000. The application, *curriculum*, and any substitute declarations must bear the handwritten or digital signature. In the case of a handwritten signature, it does not require authentication, pursuant to art. 39 of D.P.R. 445/2000.
  3. A motivation letter.

#### **Art. 5 - Automatic Exclusion.**

The following constitute grounds for automatic exclusion:

- Receipt of the application after the deadline referred to in art. 4;
- Failure to sign the application in handwritten or digital form;
- Failure to sign the curriculum in handwritten or digital form;
- Lack of the admission requirements specified in art. 3;
- Applications without a photocopy of a valid identification document of the signatory.

#### **Art. 6 – Ranking.**

Applications will be evaluated by a Commission composed of three members identified among the Scientific Referents of the IASM 2026. The evaluation will consider:

- The candidate's curriculum;
- The motivation letter.

The Commission may adopt specific evaluation criteria and will formulate a reasoned admission proposal, indicating the evaluation expressed for each candidate and will draw up an admission ranking for the **IASM 2026**. The Commission reserves the right not to evaluate applications if the number of applications is equal to or less than the available places.

#### **Art. 7 – Results.**

The Commission will present the list of admitted candidates by publishing it online on the DIUSS website ([<https://diuss.unibas.it/site/home.html>])(<https://diuss.unibas.it/site/home.html>) by **April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026**. Candidates will be invited to confirm their enrolment by the deadline indicated in the Notice itself. In case of failure to enrol by the deadline indicated in the Notice or subsequent withdrawal, provided it is before the start date of the School, the ranking will be scrolled until the expected number of enrolled participants is reached.



## **Art. 8 - Registration Fee and Accommodation Conditions.**

**The participation to the IASM 2026 is free of charge.** Participants will be provided with free board and lodging for the duration of the activities by the Project. Participants will have to cover travel expenses. Participants enrolled in a course of study at the University of Basilicata in possession of the Certificate of Participation in the Safety Course, for which the activity has been recognized for curricular or voluntary excavation purposes are automatically insured for the activity to be carried out at the **IASM 2026**; all participants who do not fall into the previously indicated condition are required to take out personal insurance; the subscription of the insurance is a condition for participation; in its absence, participants will not be able to participate in the activity.

## **Art. 9 - Certificate of Participation.**

At the end of the **IASM 2026**, a certificate of participation will be issued to those who have attended all the activities. For students of the University of Basilicata, the usual ECTS for the performance of excavation activities related to the study courses to which the student is enrolled will be recognized.

**Art. 10 - Personal Data Processing** The personal data requested from candidates are necessary for participation in this notice and will be processed in compliance with current regulations. The personal data contained in the application and the attached curriculum will be processed for the purposes of managing this notice and in accordance with the provisions of current legislation on the processing of personal data. The data will be processed - by authorized subjects - with manual, IT, and telematic tools within and for the purposes of the same notice, in compliance with the security measures adopted by the University and in accordance with the provisions of EU Regulation no. 2016/679 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and the free movement of such data, as well as the legislative decrees adapting national legislation to the provisions of the aforementioned Regulation. The Data Protection Officer (DPO) can be reached at the following email address: [rdp@unibas.it](mailto:rdp@unibas.it). More detailed information is available at:

[<http://portale.unibas.it/site/home/linkutili/protezionedati.html>](<http://portale.unibas.it/site/home/link-utili/protezione-dati.html>).

**Art. 11 - Publicity** This notice is published on the institutional website of the Department for Humanistic, Scientific and Social Innovation, at the address [<https://diuss.unibas.it/site/home.html>](<https://diuss.unibas.it/site/home.html>) - NEWS AREA

**Contacts** For further information on programs, participation methods, and logistics, you can contact the Scientific Director of IASM 2026, Prof. Francesca Sogliani, at the following email address: [francesca.sogliani@unibas.it](mailto:francesca.sogliani@unibas.it)