

ANNEX VIII: Draft of the BIOPHAM Student Agreement



STUDENT AGREEMENT ERASMUS MUNDUS JOINT MASTER 'BIOPHAM' Student recipient of an Erasmus+ Joint Master Course scholarship Academic Year 2026-2027

Between the Coordinating institution, the University of Lille, France, represented by its President,
Prof. Régis BORDET
represented by **Prof. Frédéric Affouard**

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On behalf of the BIOPHAM Consortium by the following universities:

- the University of Pisa, Italy
- the Polytechnic University of Catalunya, Spain
- the University of Silesia in Katowice, Poland

And the Student

Surname (ex. SMITH): _____

First name (ex. John): _____

Date of birth (day/month/year): _____ Place of birth: _____

Nationality: _____ Passport number: _____

Agree in this contract under the following terms and conditions:

General Conditions

The Student commits himself/herself to attend the academic programme of the Bio & Pharmaceutical Materials Science European Master. Course starting on 1st September 2026, approved by the European Commission under Convention Number 101241095 having a duration of 2 academic years. The student declares to meet the requirements to follow the proposed academic programme, particularly that he/she holds a Bachelor (or equivalent) degree in ... and that he/she commits himself/herself to reach a minimum level of English language equivalent to B2 according to the levels defined by the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) before the starting of the programme. The universities will endeavor their best to provide the Student with tuition, supervision, assessment and support services of a professional standard. Relevant information concerning the structure and organization of the Master is published on the BIOPHAM website (<http://master-biopham.eu>).

The study tracks will have to be confirmed by the student and validated by the Educational Committee at the beginning of the 1st semester. During the two Master years, the Student must attend a minimum 30 ECTS in (at least) three (03) Degree-Awarding-Partner institutions:

- University of Lille, FRANCE
- University of Pisa, ITALY
- University of Silesia in Katowice, POLAND
- Polytechnic University of Catalunya, SPAIN

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under the condition that the rule mentioned above is respected. At the end of the programme, the Student will receive multiple diplomas (national degree) each student will receive a common Joint Multilingual Diploma Supplement. This Diploma Supplement will mention the course units attended by the Student during the two BIOPHAM Master years and the ECTS grades obtained for each one.

Tuition and Scholarship conditions

Tuition fees are: 9 000 € per year for both students from EU Member States or third countries associated to the programme and third countries not associated to the programme.

Selected students (scholarship holders and non-scholarship holders) will not be charged tuition fees or other mandatory costs related to student participation during the two BIOPHAM Master years.

For fully granted students, the scholarship will be as follows:

- **1 400 € /month** for the entire period of the Master programme, including study, research, placement activities, thesis preparation and defence. This amount shall cover travel, visas, installation and subsistence costs.
- The maximum scholarship amount for the entire duration of the programme is 33 600 €.

The total allowances are **not a monthly unit**, meaning that they may be adjusted on a **pro-rata/per diem basis** of the actual number of presence days throughout the duration of the program.

The scholarship will be transferred to the bank account which the student will be requested to open after his/her arrival in Europe; consequently he/she will communicate to the BIOPHAM office in Lille the account's coordinates. The student is responsible for submitting the correct data regarding his/her bank account. In case of wrong communication, the relevant bank costs will be charged to the student. The scholarship does not create or entitle an employer-employee relationship between the University and the Student and therefore is not subject to direct taxation.

Management of the scholarship funds in case of course interruption

In the eventual case of termination of the course:

the Student did not reach the minimum requirements to continue:

- lack of active participation (in the lectures, practical sessions, field trips, informative official meetings, internship, evaluation activities, etc.) due to personal reasons/choices that the Student cannot justify with medical certificates
- for which permission has not been granted by the BIOPHAM staff
- exclusion from the BIOPHAM due to serious infringement of the ethical code, etc.

The Student has to reimburse the portion of the amount he/she has received and that exceeds his/her actual insofar incurred expenditure, based on the number of months/days he/she attended and a copy of his/her 'return ticket'.

The amount to be reimbursed will be decided by the Programme Board of the BIOPHAM Master.

Health insurance coverage

All students (scholarship holders and self-funded students) will be provided with health insurance during the whole period of the studies. This comprehensive insurance policy meets the specific regulations of the EACEA for EMJM students (health, travel, and civil responsibility and repatriation cost towards the country of the student, etc.). The student will be provided with the necessary documentation and information (e.g. coverage conditions, restrictions, helpdesk contacts, etc.) before the start of BIOPHAM and as soon as the final list of selected students is approved.

Complaints and amendments

In case of complaints, the student may appeal to the BIOPHAM Programme Board. The student may initiate the complaint through the student representative, selected by and amongst BIOPHAM students, who is member of the BIOPHAM Advisory Board (advisory function for student related issues). The Programme Board aims to deal with all complaints in a fair and consistent manner and as quickly as the circumstances allow. However, for specific complaints about a specific service or facility provided by a Partner Institution, the student shall invoke the complaints procedure of that institution.

Any complaints arising in relation to BIOPHAM, or termination of studies, must be raised without delay and addressed to the attention of the Coordinator. The Secretariat will amend the agreement on an ad hoc basis in case of temporary termination, e.g. on the grounds of health reasons.

In case of scholarship interruption, the Programme Board will address the situation on a case by case basis. Any amendment or update to the current agreement shall be communicated in writing and signed by the parties.

