

SUPSI

University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Southern Switzerland (SUPSI) International Exchange information 2025



University information

The University	Scuola universitaria professionale della Svizzera italiana (SUPSI) University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Southern Switzerland
General Information	www.supsi.ch Number of students (BA, MA, Diploma, Continuing Education): 12'400 More than 30 BA and MA degree courses
Erasmus ID code	CH LUGANO02

SUPSI International Office

Head of International Office	Ms. Annick Catella annick.catella@supsi.ch
Incoming and outgoing mobility	international@supsi.ch Student incoming mobility – Ms. Andrea Gallo andrea.gallo@supsi.ch Student outgoing mobility – Ms. Iside Chiara Indelicato iside.chiara@supsi.ch Staff mobility – Ms. Annick Catella annick.catella@supsi.ch
Main address	SUPSI International Office Via Pobiette 11 CH – 6928 Manno
International website	www.supsi.ch/international
Telephone	+41 (0)58 666 6723

SUPSI Departmental coordinators

Department for Environment Constructions and Design (DACD)	Ms. Marta Monti Tel. +41 58 666 63 42 dacd.international@supsi.ch	Via Flora Ruchat-Roncati 15 CH-6850 Mendrisio	Department website Courses overview
Department of Innovative Technologies (DTI)	Ms. Elisabetta Caneva Tel. + 41 58 666 65 64 dti.international@supsi.ch	Campus Est Lugano Via la Santa 1 CH-6962 Lugano	Department website Courses overview
Department of Business Economics, Health and Social care (DEASS) <i>Leisure Area</i>	Ms. Sara Zraggen T. +41 58 666 64 83 sara.zraggen@supsi.ch	Palazzo E CH-6928 Manno	Department website Courses overview
Department of Business Economics, Health and Social care (DEASS) <i>Economics Area</i>	Dr. Michela Ornati T. +41 58 666 61 51 michela.ornati@supsi.ch	Palazzo E CH-6928 Manno	Department website Courses overview
Department of Business Economics, Health and Social Care (DEASS) <i>Social work Area</i>	Ms. Valentina Brugnoli T. +41 58 666 61 86 valentina.brugnoli@supsi.ch	Palazzo E CH-6928 Manno	Department website Courses overview
Department of Business Economics, Health and Social Care (DEASS) <i>Health Area</i>	Ms. Enrica Massardi T. +41 58 666 64 98 intldeass-sanita@supsi.ch	Stabile Piazzetta Via Violino 11, CH-6928 Manno	Department website Courses overview
Department of Business Economics, Health and Social Care (DEASS) <i>Physiotherapy courses in German</i>	Ms. Corina Willi T. +41 81 300 08 81 corina.willi@supsi.ch	Physiotherapie Graubünden Weststrasse 8 CH-7302 Landquart	Courses overview
Department of Education and Learning (DFA(ASP))	Ms. Iside Chiara Indelicato T +41 58 666 60 15 dfa.mobilita@supsi.ch	Piazza San Francesco 19 CH-6600 Locarno	Department website Courses overview

Coordinators of affiliated schools

University of Music of Conservatorio della Svizzera italiana (CSI-SUM)	Mr. Hernando Florez T. + 41 91 960 3047 hernando.florez@conservatorio.ch	Via Soldino 9 CH-6900 Lugano	School website Courses overview
Accademia Teatro Dimitri (ATD)	Ms. Luisa Braga T +41 58 666 67 57 luisa.braga@supsi.ch	Stradòn 28, CH-6653 Verscio	School website Bachelor courses Master courses
Fernfachhochschule Schweiz (FFHS)	Ms. Anja Bouron T. +41 27 922 3941 anja.bouron@ffhs.ch	Überlandstrasse 12 Postfach 689, CH-3900 Brig	School website

Applications and nominations

Nomination deadlines	For all programmes, except for Music programmes, nominations must be done by: – Autumn semester or the academic year: 30 April – Spring semester: 31 October For music programmes, nominations are expected by 15 March
----------------------	--

Application deadlines	For all programmes, except for Music programmes: - Autumn semester and academic year: 15 May - Spring semester: 15 November For Music programmes, the application deadline is 31 March for semester or full year.
Procedure	To apply for a study period at SUPSI, students must be nominated by their home institutions. Applications are only accepted via Mobility Online, with relevant information provided to partner institutions via email. Other submission methods are not considered. Required documents for all programmes: - Learning agreement - Curriculum Vitae - Cover letter Required documents for non-music programmes: - Copy of the Transcript of records - Photocopy of ID o Passport - Photocopy of health insurance coverage (e.g. European Health Insurance Card) Required documents by programme: - Design: Portfolio - Music: link to video audition Confirmation of acceptance will be issued within 4 weeks after the application deadline.

General information

Academic calendar (each semester lasts 14 weeks)	Autumn semester (mid-September – end December/mid-January) Exams (mid-January – mid-February) Spring semester (mid-February – end May/mid-June) Exams (mid-June – early July) Link to SUPSI academic calendar Link to CSI-SUM academic calendar	
Credit system	ECTS European Credit Transfer System	
Grading system	6 5.5 5 4.5 4 3.5 3 2.5 2 1.5 1	Excellent Very Good Good Satisfactory Sufficient Insufficient ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓
Peculiarities	DACD	The use of a personal laptop is required.
	DEASS	BSc in Business Administration: min 15 ECTS required. MSc in Business Administration (MBA): max 15 ECTS Please note that a C1 Italian level is required. For training in <i>health area</i>: - Experiential requirements: minimum of 300 hours of practical training, in the professional field - immunizations and health certificates Criminal record certificate (this document is required only for some specific fields)
	DTI	BSc Engineering and Management: min. 15 ECTS required. MSc in Engineering (MSE): over 10 profiles – not for all profiles 30 ECTS per semester available in Lugano. For some profiles courses are held in Zurich.
Language of instruction	The official language is Italian. However, selected Bachelor courses, workshops and practice sessions, as well as full Master degree courses, may be held in English.	

	Physiotherapy courses at Physiotherapie Graubünden in Landquart are held in German. Courses at the FFHS are taught in German, with some exceptions in English.
Italian courses	An optional two-week intensive Italian course is offered free of charge to European exchange students twice a year before the beginning of classes (in August-September and in February).

Living in Switzerland and Ticino

Accommodation	SUPSI does not have a Student Residence but gives support to international students with private contacts or web links through the Student Portal.
Approximate monthly costs in Swiss Francs (CHF)	Shared single room or one-bedroom apartment (450-800.-) Food and other household expenses (450.-) Recreation and travel (150.-) Health insurance is required (90-280.-)
SEMP program	Since 2014, student mobility in European and Swiss universities under the Erasmus+ programme and Swiss-European Mobility Programme (SEMP) has been regulated. SEMP permits a maximum of 12 months for study and/or internships per study cycle, including mobility within the Erasmus+ programme. Any months utilized in these programs will be subtracted from the remaining eligible funding. Currently, postgraduate incoming mobility is not funded. More information at following link
Visa, permits and health insurance	Non-EU students must ask for a student visa as soon as they receive the letter of acceptance from SUPSI. All exchange students must apply for a residence permit ("L-Permit") upon arrival in Switzerland. More information about student visas and resident permits, please visit here. In Switzerland, private health insurance is compulsory for all residents. We recommend to have also a personal liability insurance coverage. Students who are temporarily resident in Switzerland and have a comparable foreign insurance may be exempted from this rule. For inquiries about visas and permits, please write to international@supsi.ch or Ms. Maria Freti to maria.freti@supsi.ch