

# Practical information for mobility students

Welcome to the University of Pisa!

Before you leave:

Please make sure you get in touch with the [Italian Erasmus coordinator](#) (otherwise known as CAI, "Coordinatore di Area per l'Internazionalizzazione), especially for Erasmus Placement, to:

- Find out how the department is organized and what courses you should take as well as when to take Italian lessons
- Learn about all the administrative steps necessary in order to start
- While you are still abroad you could register online through the **Alice portal** in order to obtain the credentials useful to complete the enrollment procedure at the University of Pisa
- Fill in and submit the "[Application form incoming students](#)" in which you will be asked to upload the **Learning Agreement before the mobility** and obtain the validation from the CAI

**In order to be as prepared as possible for this new experience, please keep in mind a few logistical aspects:**

- **Visa and residency permit: Compulsory steps** if you are an incoming **Non-EU Erasmus** student.
- **Entry and residency rights** for **EU citizens**.
- **Cost of living**: although living in Pisa can be quite inexpensive, please do keep in mind that the cost of living is greater than the regular monthly stipend received by the Erasmus programme
- **Health insurance**: learn how the health system works in Italy and what steps you need to follow before departure
- **Accommodation**: find a few links to get you started with your apartment search
- **Opening a Bank account**: find out if your bank at home has a branch in Italy or any agreements with an Italian bank in Pisa.

Please make sure to read our **International Student Guide** with a summary on each of these aspects.

## What to do once you arrive in Pisa?

Sometimes students may feel a bit overwhelmed by the novelty of a new city. This is absolutely normal. Following are a few steps that will help you feel more confident as you head into this new adventure:

### **Necessary steps:**

1. E-mail your **CAI** representative to set up an appointment so you can meet
2. If you have not yet registered through the **Alice portal**, this is the time to do so
3. If you are an incoming **Non-EU Erasmus student**, apply for the **Residency permit**. You need the post office receipt that you applied for the **Residency permit**, before making an appointment (next step)
4. Please fill in and submit the [Application form incoming students](#), if you have not do it yet
5. Make an **appointment** with the International Office to:
  - receive your University booklet as well as your student card
  - activate your computer access to the University virtual network.

### **Note:**

**1 Choose a date when you will be in Pisa and remember to write it in your planner**

**2 It is possible to make an appointment only after you have completed the application form and you have received the email with the validation of your application from the CAI**

All of these steps, will finally make your "Erasmus student" status official!

For more useful information, please go to the **following link** where you will learn more about living in Pisa.

### **Allegati:**

- International Student Guide  
*Living Studying Thriving at Unipi*
- Guide for Incoming Erasmus Students  
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