

Presentation of Scholarship Requests for Diocesan Priests for 2026-2027 Academic Year

Pontifical Lateran University and Collegium Lateranense “Saint John XXIII”

Applications for new scholarships for 2026-2027 academic year or for renewal of scholarships already awarded in the academic year 2025-2026 may be submitted **by February 28th, 2026** and addressed to

- rettcollegium@pul.it to the attention of the Rector Mons. Giuseppe Pulcinelli - Collegium Lateranense “Saint John XXIII” - Viale Alessandrino, 675 - 00172 Rome.

- scholarship@pul.it to the attention of the Magnificent Rector, His Excellency Monsignor Alfonso V. Amarante, C.Ss.R. - Pontifical Lateran University - 00120 Vatican City.

1) The awarding of the scholarship by the Lateran University is conditional on the acceptance of the application by the Collegium Lateranense “Saint John XXIII”

2) The duration of the scholarship is limited to one academic year (1) and *the Lateran University may grant a reduction in tuition fees only.*

3) Only one request per academic year may be considered if the students belong to the same diocese.

4) Language and advanced training courses are not covered by scholarships.

5) Double grants and scholarships to complete a degree course financed by another organization are not allowed. If the student already receives grants from another organization/university, he/she is requested to report this in order to avoid double subsidies.

6) Out-of-course, guest or auditing students are not eligible for scholarships.

CRITERIA FOR THE SELECTION OF APPLICATIONS:

- Scholarships may be granted to diocesan priests *aged 40 or under* for the *Licentiate and first year Doctorate* study cycles in: Theology, Philosophy, Pastoral Theology, Utroque Iure, Canon Law, Peace Sciences. *For the first year of the Doctorate, scholarships may only be awarded to priest students who have obtained their Licentiate at the Pontifical Lateran University.*

- For the cycle of studies in Peace Sciences and in Ecology and Environment, the latter if active, applications are also permitted for *Bachelors*

- The academic degree previously obtained must have a grade of at least *magna cum laude* (26 - 28.99/30).

For renewal applications:

The Ordinary Bishop must make a specific written request for the renewal of the scholarship in the second year or third year according to the duration of the study cycle, taking into consideration the grade point average of at least 28/30 with reference to the previous semester or academic year.

Requests must include:

- 1) A cover letter by candidate's Ordinary addressed to both the Rector of Collegium Lateranense "Saint John XXIII" and the Magnificent Rector of Pontifical Lateran University and containing:
 - a. candidate's full names, place and date of birth
 - b. his short presentation
 - c. indication of chosen faculty and cycle of study
 - d. his future commitments after the conclusion of his studies;
- 2) candidate's curriculum vitae;
- 3) copy of his valid passport;
- 4) copy of High School certificate allowing registration at university in his country of origin
- 5) copy of degrees necessary for enrolment in the chosen faculty and cycle of study.

All documents anticipated by e-mail should then be sent by regular mail to the Pontificia Università Lateranense

All requests presented with incomplete documentation will not be taken into consideration.

The outcome of the application will be communicated directly by the Magnificent Rector of the University via scholarship@pul.it to the Authority who presented the candidate