



**Politecnico
di Torino**



DOUBLE DEGREE AGREEMENT

between

**POLITECNICO DI TORINO
Torino, Italy**

and

LA UNIVERSIDAD CENTRAL DE VENEZUELA

The **Politecnico di Torino** (hereinafter referred to as "Politecnico"), Tax Code no. 00518460019, with legal domicile at 24 Corso Duca degli Abruzzi, Torino, Italy, represented by the Vice Rector for International Affairs pro-tempore Prof. Alberto Giuseppe Sapora, delegated to the signature of this act, on the base of the Rector's Decree no. 618 of 19/06/2018

and

Universidad Central de Venezuela, National Autonomous University, which hereafter and for the purposes of this Agreement will be called the UCV, a legal entity under public law, created by Royal Decree in Lerma, Spain, on December 22, 1721, with legal headquarters in Caracas, DC, represented by its Rector, Dr. Víctor Enrique Rago Albuja.

taking into consideration:

- the existing links between Venezuela and Italy in the field of research as well as in training and education;
- the equivalence of their research and educational missions;
- the equivalent dimensions and means for achieving these goals
- their mutual willingness in further intensifying these ties and especially encouraging the exchanges between European and Venezuelan universities
- the double degree agreement signed on 2019

Agree

to enter into this Double Degree Agreement that is aimed in encouraging students to follow a defined study path that leads to two recognized Master's degree certificates, one from the student's home institution and one from the host institution.

Article 1 - Aim of the Agreement

This Agreement specifies the rights and responsibilities of both parties and the terms under which students from the Universidad Central de Venezuela and from Politecnico di Torino may be granted, upon successful fulfilment of the programme and any other requirement for graduation at each institution, to obtain the academic degrees and diplomas of equal academic levels from both Universities.

Both parties agree to the following general forms of cooperation and general requirements for all students participating under this Agreement.

This document is a General Double Degree Agreement that will be implemented with dedicated separate documents attached as Addenda that will specify the names of the degrees that can be obtained, the curriculum, the students' mobility path, and any other regulation of the relevant Programme.

This Double Degree Agreement does not affect the existing Agreements defined before this documents was signed.

The Addenda, that shall be issued for each involved programme/initiatives, can be signed by the appointed authorities or the equivalent representatives.

Article 2 - Number of Exchange Students

The number of students each institution may send and/or accept under this program is stated in the addenda and it can be yearly modified by mutual consultation.

Article 3 – Student Admission

The admission of students to the programme will be conducted in accordance with the following principles.

- (i) The parties shall agree on the application procedure, including application deadlines, selection criteria and student quota as defined in the Addenda.
- (ii) Students must meet the admission criteria of both institutions.
- (iii) Students shall have a home institution and a host institution defined.
- (iv) Students apply to the programme at their home institution, that is responsible for screening the applications and providing the host institution with a list of selected and eligible candidates. The institution will examine the provided documents and will assess their suitability to the educational and training course students are applying for. The final decision on students admission or refusal, will then be sent to the partner university within the deadline stated in the Addendum.
- (v) Students are selected and admitted to the programmes according to their academic results, and prerequisite requirements and motivations.
- (vi) Prerequisites for the mobility include that students have successfully completed a necessary number of credits at the home institution. Details are specified in the Addenda.
- (vii) Polito's language knowledge requirements for admission and graduation:

According to the academic year of first enrolment Incoming students who are going to apply to PoliTO are required to meet English and Italian language knowledge level as stated in:

<https://www.polito.it/en/education/international-students/exchange-students/doublejoint-degree/language-requirements>

This level has to be proved through a specific and limited list of official certificates available at this link: <https://didattica.polito.it/cla/en/certificates/>

As an example, by the A.Y. 2025/26:

	Entry requirements	Graduation requirements
Students who will attend a degree programme entirely taught in Italian language	B2 certificate of Italian language + B2 certificate of English language	
Students who will attend a degree programme entirely taught in English language	B2 certificate of English language	A2 certificate of Italian language
Students who will attend a degree programme taught partially in Italian or English language	B2 certificate of Italian language + B2 certificate of English language	

(viii) Universidad Central de Venezuela language knowledge requirements:

Students who enter and are going to apply for admission to the UCV must meet the level of knowledge of English and Spanish.

The required certifications of students who are going to be enrolled in a degree program offered partially in Spanish and with a partially or totally Spanish curriculum are IELTS 5.0 or its equivalent and the DELE B1 level of Spanish for admission.

Article 4 – Rights and Status of the Students

Students participating under this Agreement shall be enrolled as degree students, they will have the rights and obligations as degree students in the respective institutions and will be entitled to participate in any introductory programme that may customarily be arranged for international students at the host institution.

Article 5 - Rights and obligations of the parties

The host institution will assist the incoming students in finding appropriate accommodation.

The host institution has the right to interrupt the double degree programme in case of unsatisfactory academic results. The student will then have to return to his/her university of origin, where the accumulated ECTS credits will be transferred in order to allow him/her to solely achieve the local diploma.

In case of partially or completely unsuccessful results at the end of the last semester in the host institution, the student will be allowed to extend their stay for a further year.

During the first year of extension, the financial conditions will be the same as those provided in the Article relevant to tuition fees and other costs of the agreement. After the first year, and for all following years of extension, students will pay tuition fees at the host university.

Article 6 – Study Plan and Course of Study

Each student will propose an individual study plan prepared according to the agreed curriculum for the total duration of the programme. This study plan will be reviewed and, if needed modified, prior to final admission. A written study contract (learning agreement) must be established and signed by both institutions prior to the student arrival at the host institution. This contract may be revised at any time in written form with seal of approval from the academic representatives of the two institutions.

Detailed conditions regarding the study programme, mobility programme as well as individual student agreements (learning agreements), shall be specified in the related Addenda.

Article 7 – Control of results

Partner institutions agree to operate along the principle of "mutual recognition" of exam results and each other's rules and regulations. Students registered in an institution will follow rules prescribed in the institution for a given year.

At the end of the academic year, the host institution shall send the home institution a copy of each student's transcript of records issued in English. The parties agree that exams/courses will be graded and credits will be awarded, according to the rules of the institution where the exam/course are carried out. Each institution grants the students credits transfer to the other institution according to the applicable rules, laws and regulations indicated in the relevant addendum.

Credit and Grading system

Politecnico di Torino:

At the Politecnico di Torino and in the Italian University System in general, grades of single exams are expressed as fractions of 30. The maximum grade is 30, the lowest is 18 out of 30. Exceptionally brilliant exams are graded as 30 "con lode" (cum laude), and marked 30-L.

The evaluation is based upon a credit system. One credit is equivalent to 25 hours of lectures, practical work, seminars, tutorials, fieldwork, individual study and examinations or other assessment activities (50% should be individual learning or other individual educational and training activities).

The ECTS statistical distribution of grades for each degree course is processed and updated yearly and made available at: https://didattica.polito.it/outgoing/it/sistema_ects

Universidad Central de Venezuela:

At UCV grades of single exams are expressed as fractions of 20. The minimum passing grade is 10 out of 20.

The credit system at UCV is as followed:

One credit is awarded for each hour of theoretical class per week.

One credit is awarded for every two hours of theoretical-practical class per week.

One credit is awarded for every four hours of practical or laboratory class per week.

Article 8 - Final Degree Project

The Final Degree Project shall be performed according to the rules and regulations of the host institution. Co-supervision of the project is preferred. The subject of the Final Degree Project must always receive an advance approval in writing from a member of the host as well as the home institution. The Final Degree Project can be carried out in the host Institution as well as in other institutions except those located in the country of the home institution. Details are defined in the Addenda.

Article 9 - Delivery of the academic degrees

Students successfully completing their studies of the Double degree programme obtain two degrees, one issued by the home institution and one issued by the host institution.

Article 10 – Tuition fees and other costs

The host institution will not require any tuition fees to students selected to participate in this programme, they will keep on paying tuition fees at their institution of origin only, in compliance with local rules.

Living and travel expenses, other costs related to academic facilities delivered by external bodies (State, Region, etc.) and possible further costs related to the management of the individual academic files will be charged directly to the students.

Article 11 - Academic and administrative representatives

Each institution will appoint an academic and an administrative representative for the programme. These representatives will be responsible for following the programme and for ensuring that rules stated in this agreement are observed. The representatives will provide advices and other academic and administrative services to students participating under this Agreement. The addenda to this agreement shall state names and contact details of these representatives.

Article 12 - Amendments or changes

Amendments or changes to this Agreement shall be made in writing and signed by the duly authorised representatives of the institutions.

Article 13 – Dispute resolution

Should any doubt or dispute arise from the interpretation or implementation of the present agreement, the Parties will strive to achieve a solution by mutual consent. Should this solution not be possible, the Parties will choose a third person to act as a mediator or judge.

Article 14- Use of trademarks by the parties

The content of this contract does not confer either party the right to use names, trademarks or other designations of the other party (including abbreviations) for advertising for commercial purposes or any other type of promotional activity.

The parties in development of this agreement have mutually granted authorizations for the use of their distinctive signs, which may only be used for the purposes stipulated herein and under the conditions indicated in the Identity Manual of the Parties as a consequence of the work of promotion and accreditation of the academic programs that may be offered in execution of this agreement.

The use of distinctive features of the Politecnico for reasons unrelated to the execution of the agreement can only be conferred by written authorization, signed by its legal representative, according to the rules and regulation in force at that time.

Art. 15 – Processing of personal data - Non-EU countries not included in the GDPR framework

1. Personal data shall be processed by Politecnico di Torino solely for the purposes set forth in this Agreement and in order to achieve its institutional mission, in compliance with EU Regulation 2016/679 (GDPR) and national data protection law.
2. The non-EU partner organisation, provided that no adequacy decisions nor appropriate safeguards have been adopted respectively under art. 45 and art. 46 of the GDPR and whereas the transfer of personal data is necessary in the public interest, undertakes to comply with the national data protection law in force in the country where the organisation's registered office is located or in the country where collaboration activities are carried out with the utmost diligence.
3. The contact details of the parties for the purposes of this article are as follows:
 - for Politecnico di Torino: the Data Controller is Politecnico di Torino, represented by the Rector, with statutory seat in C.so Duca degli Abruzzi, n. 24, 10129 Turin.

The contact details of the Data Controller are:

- politecnicoditorino@pec.polito.it (certified e-mail);
- for information and inquiries: privacy@polito.it ;
- the Data Protection Officer of Politecnico di Torino can be contacted at: dpo@polito.it.

- for the UCV: the Data Controller is Universidad Central de Venezuela, represented by Prof. Arturo Alvarado, Director of the Department of Cooperation and Interinstitutional Relations (DICORI).

The contact details of the Data Controller are: alvaradoa@med.ucv.ve

4. Both the Parties are allowed to publish any information related to this Agreement on their official websites.

Article 16 - Terms of Agreement

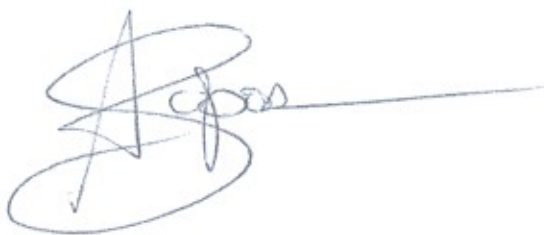
This Agreement shall come into effect on the day of signature by both institutions, and it is valid for 5 (five years). Should the Agreement be signed in two different dates, the into effect will refer to the latest date.

Both institutions may terminate this Agreement before its expiry, provided that written notice of the intent is given at least six months prior to termination. Commitments already in progress shall be fulfilled and students enlisted in the programme will at that time be allowed to complete it.

Date

26/01/26

Date



Prof. Alberto Giuseppe Sapora
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Politecnico di Torino



Prof. Dr. Víctor E. Rago Albuja
Rector
Universidad Central de Venezuela



Addendum
to the
Double Degree Agreement between
Universidad Central de Venezuela (UCV)
And
Politecnico di Torino (Polito)

Duration: Academic Year 2026/27 to 2030/31

Given that

- the Parties have signed a **double degree agreement** in 2026 (hereinafter "General double degree agreement") that is aimed in encouraging students to follow a defined study path that leads to two recognized Master's degree certificates, one from the student's home institution and one from the host institution.

- the Parties intend to implement the General Double Degree Agreement, referred to in the previous point, with this separate dedicated addendum that specifies the names of the degrees that can be obtained, the curriculum, the students' mobility path, and any other regulation of the relevant Program.

with this document, the Parties, as indicated above, agree and specify as follows:

Universidad Central de Venezuela	
Degree programme at UCV University:	Architecture Civil Engineering Electrical Engineering Geodesic Engineering Geophysics Engineering Geological Engineering Hydrometeorology Engineering Mechanical Engineering Metallurgical Engineering Mining Engineering Petroleum Engineering Process (Systems) Engineering Chemical Engineering
Degree awarded:	Architect Civil Engineer Electrical Engineer Geodesic Engineer Geophysics Engineer Geological Engineer Hydrometeorology Engineer Mechanical Engineer Metallurgical Engineer Mining Engineer Petroleum Engineer Process (Systems) Engineer Chemical Engineer
Language of instruction	Spanish

UCV student entrance admission criteria:	1- Having completed the first 8 semester (4 years) of study at UCV. 2- Have a GPA equal or higher to 0.96 3- Two Recommendation Letters (from professors of this University). 4- A letter of application for being considered as a candidate for the double degree Agreement.
Incoming Students Application Period	Application Period could be from April to June
POLITO	
Degree programme at Polito:	Master of Science program in Mechatronic Engineering Master of Science program in Biomedical Engineering Master of Science program in Chemical and Sustainable processes Engineering Master of Science program in Civil Engineering Master of Science program in Energy Engineering Master of Science program in Mechanical Engineering Master of Science program in Environmental and Land Engineering Master of Science program in Communications engineering Master of Science program in Electrical Engineering Master of Science program in Engineering and Management Master of Science program in Georesources and geoenery engineering Master of Science program in Architecture Construction City Master of Science program in Architecture for the Sustainability Master of Science program in Architecture for Heritage Master of science in physics of complex systems Master of science in landscape architecture
Degree awarded:	Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Mechatronic Engineering Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Biomedical Engineering Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Chemical and Sustainable processes Engineering Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Civil Engineering Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Energy Engineering Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Mechanical Engineering Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Environmental and Land Engineering Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Communications engineering Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Electrical Engineering Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Engineering and Management Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Georesources and geoenery engineering Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Architecture Construction City Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Architecture for Sustainability Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Architecture for Heritage

	Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Physics of complex systems Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Landscape architecture		
Language of instruction	English/Italian		
Incoming students Polito's language knowledge requirements for admission and graduation:	According to the academic year of first enrolment Incoming students who are going to apply to Polito are required to meet English and Italian language knowledge level as stated in: https://www.polito.it/en/education/international-students/exchange-students/doublejoint-degree/language-requirements This level has to be proved through a specific and limited list of official certificates available at this link: https://didattica.polito.it/cla/en/certificates/ As an example, by the A.Y. 2025/26:		
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Number of students	Yearly 10 students from UCV to POLITO (not more of 2 students per single area of study and not more than 2 students in total for the three MS courses in Architecture, Landscape architecture excluded). The number of exchange students can be yearly modified by mutual consultation.		
Credit and Grading systems	Politecnico di Torino:		

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Schematic Study Plan

UCV Students	I Year		II Year		III Year		IV Year		V Year		VI Year	
	1°	2°	3°	4°	5°	6°	7°	8°	9°	10°	11°	12°
	sem	sem	sem	sem	sem	sem	sem	sem	sem	sem	sem	sem
	SEP	FEB	SEP	FEB	SEP	FEB	SEP	FEB	SEP	FEB	SEP	FEB
	UCV								POLITO 120 ECTS courses + thesis			

Study Program

This Study programme is valid for student exchange AA 2025/26.
 In case of changes in the syllabus, the Partner will be promptly informed

UCV students at POLITO: 2 YEARS (120 ECTS)
Master of science programs at Polito:
Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Mechatronic Engineering:

www.polito.it/en/education/master-s-degree-programmes/mechatronic-engineering/programme-curriculum

Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Biomedical Engineering:

www.polito.it/didattica/corsi-di-laurea-magistrale/ingegneria-biomedica/piano-di-studi

Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Chemical and Sustainable processes Engineering:

www.polito.it/en/education/master-s-degree-programmes/chemical-and-sustainable-processes-engineering/programme-curriculum

Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Civil Engineering:

www.polito.it/en/education/master-s-degree-programmes/civil-engineering/programme-curriculum-0

Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Energy and nuclear Engineering:

www.polito.it/en/education/master-s-degree-programmes/energy-and-nuclear-engineering/programme-curriculum

Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Mechanical Engineering:

www.polito.it/en/education/master-s-degree-programmes/mechanical-engineering/programme-curriculum

Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Environmental and Land Engineering:

www.polito.it/en/education/master-s-degree-programmes/environmental-and-land-engineering/programme-curriculum

Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Communications engineering:

www.polito.it/didattica/corsi-di-laurea-magistrale/communications-engineering/piano-di-studi

Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Electrical Engineering:

www.polito.it/didattica/corsi-di-laurea-magistrale/ingegneria-elettrica/piano-di-studi

Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Engineering and Management:

www.polito.it/en/education/master-s-degree-programmes/engineering-and-management/programme-curriculum

Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Georesources and geoenergy engineering:

www.polito.it/en/education/master-s-degree-programmes/georesources-and-geoenergy-engineering/programme-curriculum

Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Architecture Construction City(IT/EN):

www.polito.it/didattica/corsi-di-laurea-magistrale/architettura-costruzione-citta/piano-di-studi

www.polito.it/en/education/master-s-degree-programmes/architecture-construction-city/programme-curriculum

Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Architecture for Sustainability (IT/EN):

www.polito.it/didattica/corsi-di-laurea-magistrale/architettura-per-la-sostenibilita/piano-di-studi

www.polito.it/en/education/master-s-degree-programmes/architecture-for-sustainability/programme-curriculum

Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Architecture for Heritage (IT/EN):

www.polito.it/en/education/master-s-degree-programmes/architecture-for-heritage/programme-curriculum

www.polito.it/didattica/corsi-di-laurea-magistrale/architettura-per-il-patrimonio/piano-di-studi

Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Physics of complex systems (national path):

www.polito.it/en/education/master-s-degree-programmes/physics-of-complex-systems/programme-curriculum

Laurea magistrale/Master of Science program in Landscape Architecture:

www.polito.it/en/education/master-s-degree-programmes/landscape-architecture/programme-curriculum

Note:

1. The graduation thesis will have to be written in the local language or in English, under the supervision of one supervisor from the university of origin and one from the host university. The presentation of the Final project will take place at the host university preferably in front of the two supervisors or at least of one representative of the two universities. A video-conference connection can be allowed.
2. Upon request of the home university, the student may discuss his/her thesis also in the university of origin.
3. Should changes occur on the above they will be promptly notified.

Duration

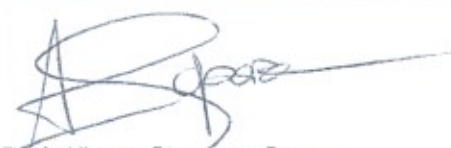
1. The agreement will enter into force on the day of signature by partners, depending on which is later and shall continue until September 30th 2031.
2. The parties agree that all the provisions of the cooperation agreement referred to in the premises apply, even if the validity of this addendum exceeds that stated in the cooperation agreement.

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