TERM DATES:
Fall Term: Mid-September - End of December
Exams: January and February (special exam sessions are organized before Christmas for exchange students)

Spring Term: Mid February - End of May
Exams: June and July

EXPECTED ARRIVAL DATE:
Students are expected to be at Bocconi, at the latest, the first day of classes of each term. We also strongly recommend that student be present for the Orientation Meeting which is usually held at least one week before the first week of class. Students attending the Italian Language Course are expected to be in Milan by the starting date of the course.

ORIENTATION PROGRAM:
An orientation Program is organized each term during the Italian Language Courses period. It is usually organized in four sessions with the main purpose to give the students a first general overview on cultural, political and social characters of Italy and Italians. A special session about rules and regulations organized by the International Relations Office is mandatory.

EXCHANGE APPLICATION DEADLINE:
Fall Term: End of June
Spring Term: End of November:

HOUSING DEADLINE:
Fall Term: End of June
Spring Term: End of November

APPROXIMATE LIVING COSTS (as of February 2006): (1 US$ = €0.8369)

- On-Campus Room and Board: around 650 EURO per month
- Food (if not living on campus): a meal in the university canteen is 4 EURO
- Books and Necessary Class Materials: 50-100 EURO per course
- Local Transportation: around 20 EURO per month for the bus pass
- Health Insurance: 40 - 120 EURO for six months coverage (obligatory only for non-EU citizens)
LEARNING EXPECTATIONS:
Class Format: Lectures are taught in the general format for 90% of the classes. Depending on the subject, also case discussions and presentations in class are used.

Attendance: Class attendance is not mandatory, but it’s highly recommended, because of the importance of the notes taken during the lessons for the final exam.

Participation: Active participation in class is part of the final evaluation only for some classes.

Grading: Grading is essentially based on the result of the final exam, even if, more and more often, it is the sum of different elements like team-work, research projects, essays, and class participation.

Class Size: Depending on the popularity of the courses, third and fourth year courses have from 20 up to 100 people per class.

Course Load: Exchange students are expected to attend min. 4 up to max. 5 courses per term. Undergraduate students can decide to make a research project under the mentorship of a Bocconi professor, which will be evaluated as the equivalent of one course.

Examinations: Exams are 90% oral, but, depending on the subject, can also be written. In any case, exchange students have to comply with professors’ requirements. For courses in English exams are usually written.

LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION:
Italian and English (we offer a around 45 courses in English per semester)

COURSE AVAILABILITY AND DESCRIPTIONS:
All the courses:
http://www.ir.unibocconi.it/guide

Links:
Courses offered
Courses in English

COURSE REGISTRATION PROCESS AND TIMELINE:
Students have nearly 1 month from the beginning of classes to choose which courses they would like to attend.

AREAS OF CONCENTRATION:
The main functional areas are those offered within the Bocconi Degree Programs:
• Economic, Statistics and Social Sciences
• Business Administration
• Institutions and Financial Markets Management
• Public Administration and International Institutions Management
• Law and Business Administration
• Economics and Management of Arts, Culture and Communication
• Law
• International Economics and Management

STUDENT SERVICES AVAILABLE:

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Buddy System: A Student Association- SEN (Student Exchange Network)- consisting of former exchange students is active to provide tutorship for foreigners and to organize visits to University facilities, parties and leisure time activities.

Reception: A Welcome Cocktail is usually organized each term.

Academic Advising: Two academic advisors, Bocconi young professors, are available all along the terms to give suggestions or help foreign students in their choice of courses.

Student Roster: A "Photo Book" with pictures, addresses and phone numbers is given to each exchange participant, at the end of the period at Bocconi, as a souvenir of his/her experience in Milan and of his/her friends.

Mailboxes: All exchange students have a personal mail-box, located besides the International Relations Office to receive personal mail and all the notes and communications of the International Relations Office.

Computer Services: Computer rooms are available for the students in all University buildings.

Extra-curricular activities: Each term many social and cultural activities are available: such as special tickets for La Scala Theatre, the Auditorium of Milano, conferences with world-class speakers etc…
Each term many cultural visits to Places nearby Milan or ancient palaces in Milan city-centre are organized.

Placement and Internship Office: Reference point to get help in writing the resume, in getting info about Italian and multinational companies, in trying to get an internship or even to apply for a job. The office organizes each term special meetings with graduates, students, companies and consultants. "Companies’ and Careers Presentations" are offered each term to illustrate companies’ training programs and personnel selection processes.