VISA AND HEALTH INSURANCE FOR INCOMING STUDENTS:

VISA must be applied before coming to Italy.

Non EU students must apply for a “Study Visa” prior to departure at an Italian Embassy or Consulate. Students are strongly recommended to start this procedure well in advance of their period abroad.

For period of study over 90 days:
Upon arrival in Italy, Non EU students must apply for Residence Permit (Permesso di soggiorno) within 8 working days from arrival in Italy. The cost is approx. € 70,00. More details will be provided by the International Office on arrival.

EU students are allowed to move without restrictions throughout Italy without applying for the Residency Permit. During the first 3 months of stay, they have no requirements to fulfill, provided they have a valid identity document.
For more than 90 days students are required to register for "temporary residency" at Comune di Bergamo (Ufficio Anagrafe) with the following documents:
- Self-declaration of enrolment to the University of Bergamo;
- passport or identity card;
- TEAM Card (= European Health Insurance Card) or a private health insurance;
- proof of adequate economic means for the duration of stay in Italy.

HEALTH INSURANCE

Non EU students have to show that they have a valid health insurance coverage.
First option:
It is highly recommended to subscribe a private health insurance policy in their home country, in order to obtain the Visa from the competent Italian Consulate. Students should even know HOW their medical insurance works and WHERE they should go to see a doctor once in Italy.

Second option:
Subscribe a health insurance policy with the Italian National Health Service. The service is offered at a cost of approx. €150,00, which must be paid through the Post Office. It is valid from January to December regardless of when it is paid. The International office doesn’t offer medical insurance policies for Incoming students.

Please note that medical treatment without coverage is very expensive.
EU students should bring their European Health Insurance Card (in Italian called "TEAM Card" ) valid in Europe for the entire mobility period. Please check: http://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=559&langId=en

INSURANCE COVERAGE

All incoming students involved in an exchange period at the University of Bergamo are required to purchase, at their own expense, suitable travel insurance, accident and liability insurance, as well as health insurance (including temporary or permanent incapacity, serious illness and repatriation in case of death).

An existing University insurance policy covers students in case of accidents and provides third party liability, in case a student causes damage to a third party while on University premises. The insurance is valid for all students, including exchange students, enrolled at the University of Bergamo.