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ANNOUNCEMENT

SUBJECT: Extension of application submission for student catering for the Academic Year 2025-2026

First-year students who wish to receive free meals during the 2025-2026 academic year are informed that they can submit an application for catering at https://merimna.unipi.gr after the identification process by your Department's Secretariat is completed and you have activated your Institutional Account.

Applicants must meet the following prerequisites according to the Ministerial Decision Φ5/68535/B3/18-06-2012 (Government Gazette 1965B' 18-06-2012) and submit an application with the required supporting documents on the electronic platform of the Student Welfare Department (https://merimna.unipi.gr) using their institutional account credentials **from Tuesday, January 27 to Thursday, February 12, 2026.**

During the above period, students with registry numbers 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025 who have not yet applied for the current academic year may submit an application.

The application is submitted **only once** at the beginning of the academic year, and the right to free meals covers the entire current academic year.

ATTENTION! It is necessary to submit your application to activate the process of its evaluation by the competent service (application status: **"Finalized by the student"**). Applications that remain in **"Draft"** status and have not been submitted within the defined dates will not be considered.

In case correction / addition of supporting documents is requested (application status: **"Re-submission with documents in electronic form"**), you must, after attaching the required documents, preview the application and then **SUBMIT**.

The attached files must have a maximum size as indicated next to each field category (up to 2MB or up to 3MB).

In case your files are larger: a) re-scan them in black and white and at a lower resolution (up to 150 dpi) or convert them to lower resolution files (using a corresponding tool on the computer or a mobile app) b) if the problem persists, submit your application using a different browser (e.g., Firefox instead of Chrome).

Free Catering Beneficiaries

Free meals are granted to active students of the University of Piraeus (undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral candidates) provided they do not already hold a degree, master's degree, or doctoral degree respectively, and meet the following prerequisites.

Prerequisites for Free Catering

1. a. **Unmarried students** whose annual family income, as derived from the corresponding tax assessment notes (FEFP) of the competent Public Financial Services (D.O.Y) for the last fiscal year, does not exceed forty-five thousand (€45,000) euros for a family with only one child. For families with two or more children, the above amount is increased by five thousand (€5,000) euros for each child beyond the first.

   The above adjusted amount is further increased by three thousand (€3,000) euros if the sibling of the eligible student is an active first-cycle (undergraduate) student. If more than one sibling falls into this category, this amount is increased by three thousand (€3,000) euros for each one.

   b. **Married students** whose annual family income, as derived from the corresponding tax assessment notes (FEFP) of the competent Public Financial Services (D.O.Y) for the last fiscal year, does not exceed forty-five thousand (€45,000) euros. For families with children, this amount is increased by five thousand (€5,000) euros for each minor child.

   c. **Unmarried students over 25 years old** whose annual individual income, as derived from the corresponding tax assessment note (FEFP) of the competent Public Financial Services (D.O.Y) for the last fiscal year, does not exceed twenty-five thousand (€25,000) euros.

2. **Annual family income** is defined as the total annual taxable, actual or imputed, as well as the exempt or specially taxed income of the student, their parents, and their minor siblings from all sources. For a married student, annual family income is defined as the total taxable, actual or imputed, as well as the exempt or specially taxed income of the student, their spouse, and their minor children from all sources.
3. The respective determined amounts are **reduced by 10%** when the eligible students permanently reside in the Municipality of Piraeus.
4. The amount of the annual family or individual income does **not** constitute a criterion for providing free meals to the student, when the student themselves, regardless of age, or one of their parents if they are unmarried under 25 years old, or their spouse if they are married, **receives an unemployment benefit.**
5. In cases where the eligible student and/or their parents or their spouse, if married, are **not obliged to file a tax declaration**, they must submit a **solemn declaration** of Law 1599/1986 (A75) regarding the non-obligation to file a declaration.
6. The Institution's Student Welfare Committee may request other evidence at its discretion regarding the financial and asset status of the interested party, in order to rule whether or not they are entitled to catering.

For detailed instructions and the supporting documents required for the electronic submission of the application for free meals, **click here** or scan:

From the Student Welfare Department