

Project "Rethinking climate risk: the Venice paradigm"

I am a first-year student in a Bachelor course (Laurea Triennale): am I eligible to participate in the Project?

Unfortunately, you are not. Participation is restricted to BA students enrolled in the final year, and to master's students.

I plan to graduate in April 2021: am I still eligible for admission to the Project?

Unfortunately, you are not. The Call for Applications states that participants must be enrolled in the University of Padova for the entire duration of the activities, i.e. until May 15, 2021 (art. 2, let. b).

Are Padova University PhD candidates eligible for participation in the Project?

Unfortunately, they are not. The Arqus Alliance however includes several specific initiatives for PhD students. Please check at <https://www.arqus-alliance.eu/>.

I am enrolled in a master's course taught in English and I have used English for my work in the past few years, but I do not possess any certificate of linguistic proficiency: am I an eligible candidate?

As the Call for Applications states (Art. 2, let. c), if you are enrolled in a master's course taught in English, you don't need to provide a certificate of English language proficiency. To prove that you are enrolled in such a course (or that you have completed a BA course in English), the enrolment certificate is enough.

Can the B2 TAL certificate issued by the University of Padova replace the B2 certificate "awarded by a recognized institution" mentioned in the Call for applications?

This is an issue the Commission will look into. The suggestion is to proceed with the application and wait for the response of the Commission.

Another option may be to get a IELTS certificate via the UNIPD Language Centre (CLA): information at <http://cla.unipd.it/certificazione-di-inglese-ielts/>.

I do not possess a certificate of English Proficiency, but I have passed the exam of English language during my BA degree: am I eligible for admission?

Unfortunately, you are not. The requisites are either an international certificate (at this link you find a list of certifying institutes and relative proficiency levels generally accepted at the University of Padova:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1WMC1OBxwORCYH1f5qBS2A_RRS9e13OUt/view), or evidence that you have completed or are attending a university course entirely taught in English (art. 2, let. c).

Is the project associated to any specific disciplinary area according to the Italian SSD system?

The project is an interdisciplinary in character but, from a strictly formal point of view, involved lecturers are in scientific/disciplinary areas ICAR/02 (Hydraulic structures, maritime engineering and hydrology) and IUS/13 (International Law).

May the 6 ECTS credits of the Spring School qualify as “stage/internship”?

According to the Call for Applications, participation in the Winter School is counted as “Stage” for 3 credits (Art. 1.6). As regards the Spring School, the recognition of the relative 6 credits as “curricular internship” (without a mark) or as ordinary teaching credits (with marks) depends on any single BA or Master course’s policy.

I am only interested in one of the two segments of the project: may I apply separately to them?

The main component of the Project is the Spring School. If you apply for participating in the Project, you can specify that you are interested also in the Winter School. You cannot apply exclusively for the Winter School.

When exactly the classes of the Winter and Spring Schools are delivered?

The Winter School takes place from the 22nd to the 26th of February, and is a full-time experience, meaning that the six participants attend lectures and perform teamwork activities both in the morning and in the afternoon, from Monday to Friday.

The Spring School runs for five weeks, from April 12th to May 15th, and includes lectures, supervised teamwork and individual study/research. A detailed timetable is still to be finalized, but it will not exceed the ordinary workload of a 6-credit class and will be in principle compatible with the attendance of other classes in the semester.

Are videolectures delivered in the Winter and Spring Schools recorded?

Yes. They will be accessible for enrolled students on an Arqus Alliance’s dedicated Moodle platform. Students attending the Winter School are required to attend videolectures “live”, but can later review them on Moodle. Moreover, selected materials from the Winter School and other courses carried out in the Arqus Universities will be made publicly available at the completion of the respective programmes, most likely, in Summer 2021.