ICPU

Programme	ICPU - INDUSTRY COMMUNITY PROJECT
Overall description	ICPU in a nutshell: • Students **collaborate with industry partners**; an academically rigorous activity led by academics and industry leaders with high-level expertise • Students work on a business opportunity or problem in **interdisciplinary groups** of 5-10 members from 3 different universities <u>Sydney, Padua and Lausanne</u>, supervised by an academic and guided by an external partner • Students will develop and improve soft-skills • Open to students of all programs The project includes a 6 CFU ad-hoc teaching course ('ICPU - Industry Community Project Unit') organised by the University of Padua, in collaboration with the University of Sydney, the University of Lausanne and regional partners (companies, multinationals and service companies). These will present an operational question and/or case study to which students will be asked to respond. The aim of the course is to promote in the participants the development of soft skills and to foster the connection with companies and the business world, developing the ability to relate and collaborate between students from different fields of study and backgrounds, teamwork, problem-solving approach - all skills necessary for professional growth and entry into the world of work. The course will combine an online activity period (30 June to 3 July and 21 to 27 July 2025) with an in-person activity period from 7 to 18 July 2025 at the University of Sydney (Australia).
Contents	The course aims at involving students from all different programs, with a diversified background, with the aim of working in an interdisciplinary environment. Hence, the topic of food and health, described below, should not be considered of interest only to students enrolled in master and bachelor which focus on related subjects. Food is central to family, cultural and community identity and has major repercussion on health. It is essential to sustain life and food-related activities, provide income and livelihoods for billions of people on earth. With the continuing rise in global food production and manufacturing to meet increasing demand and the additional impact on ecosystems and climate, there is a pressing need to rethink our food systems. In this project, student teams representing unique mixes of disciplines will explore questions such as: How can we transform food systems so it can meet the changing needs of consumers in a more sustainable way? What role can consumers, producers, manufacturers, industry leaders and government play to achieve

	ambitious targets? How can we rewrite the narrative of food production and supply to reflect a progressive industry that will engage a diverse future workforce and facilitate a more comprehensive approach to solving complex issues within the sector? Through collaborative research into these areas, students will provide solutions on how we can rethink food systems for better health and sustainability.
Number of places	25
Programme dates	30 June – 3 July 2025 online (4-7pm AEST) 4 – 6 July 2025 for travel/independent study 7 -18 July 2025 in person delivery, Sydney 21-27 July 2025 independent study; completing assessments
Mode	Blended
Host institution (if applicable)	University of Sydney (Australia)
Credits and recognition	6 CFU that can be included in the study plan as INDUSTRY AND COMMUNITY PROJECT (AVP8085478)[1], if the Degree Course Coordinator and the Student Office of the student's degree course agree.
Financial support	The ICPU programme makes use of University funds and the maximum contribution of €1,500 is managed on a mission basis, therefore it is based on the coverage of the costs actually incurred and duly documented (if higher than the contribution, the excess part of the mission cost will be borne by the individual student; if lower, the reimbursement of the mission cost will be limited to the expense incurred) and only in case of actual participation and achievement of the expected educational results. For this reason, it is strongly recommended to take out a travel insurance policy providing for reimbursement in the event of cancellation. Please refer to the Missions Regulations for further information: https://www.unipd.it/missioni
Eligible degree courses	ICPU is open to students of the University of Padua regardless their degree course

Selection criteria and application documents	University selection criteria + motivation
	Documents:
	    1. Language certificate
	    2. Transcript of records/Diploma supplement
	    3. Motivational video (max 2 min)
	    4. Further useful documents

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[1] https://didattica.unipd.it/off/2024/LM/AV/AV2585/000ZZ/AVP8085478/N0

	Students who are not in possession of a language certificate but intend to take the IELTS test at CLA on 14 March can apply by submitting the IELTS session reservation confirmation instead of the language certificate. IELTS results will be sent by CLA directly to the Projects & Mobility Office and will be used for selection purposes.
Application link	https://forms.gle/NWCcXXcHTryJjtKS7
Language requirements	Students must prove their proficiency in English at a B2 level or higher (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages). As required by the University of Sydney, the language requirement is satisfied if and only if the candidate complies with one of the following situations: ❖ in possession of a certificate of English language proficiency from the University of Padua (TAL) with an overall grade of C1 (according to the Common European Framework) ❖ in possession of an "IELTS Academic" certificate with a minimum score of 6,5, of which not less than 6 points in each section.[2] ❖ in possession of a "TOEFL IBT" certificate with a minimum score of 85, of which not less than 20 points for the sections "reading", "speaking" and "listening", and not less than 22 points for the section "writing". ❖ in possession of a "PTE – Pearson Test of English" certificate with a minimum score of 61; ❖ in possession of a "Cambridge" certificate with a minimum score of 176; ❖ have successfully completed in the past 5 years a first-cycle degree course (undergraduate) of at least 3 years fully delivered in English, and submit official supporting documents (e.g. transcript of records); ❖ have successfully completed the first 3 years of a single-cycle degree course fully delivered in English, and submit official supporting documents (e.g. transcript of records); ❖ have successfully completed the first year of a second-cycle degree course (post-graduate) fully delivered in English, and submit official supporting documents (e.g. transcript of records); ❖ have successfully completed secondary education studies in an English-speaking country recognised by the University[3] in

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[2] The student is responsible for obtaining the required certificates. We would like to remind you that the CLA (Centro Linguistico di Ateneo) is an IELTS certification centre and students can access the service with discounts on both certifications (https://cla.unipd.it/certificazione-di-inglese-ielts/) and preparatory courses (https://cla.unipd.it/corsi-certificazione-ielts/)

[3] American Samoa, Australia, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Botswana, Canada (excluding Quebec), Fiji, Gambia, Ghana, Gibraltar, Guyana, Ireland, Jamaica, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, New Zealand, Nigeria, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, South Africa, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, United Kingdom (including Northern Ireland), United States of America, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

	the past 5 years, and submit official supporting documents; ❖ be a citizen of an English-speaking country recognised by the University. Language certificates must be taken within the past 2 years and be valid for the entire duration of the programme. All the above-mentioned conditions must be met at application date. NB: the University Language Centre (CLA) is accredited for IELTS certifications. CLA organises monthly IELTS sessions (see <u>dedicated page</u>). The first available session is on March 14th with enrollment allowed until March 7th. If the places available are not enough, IELTS will allow us to organise another test session the following day. The price for Unipd students is 245 euro instead of 260 euros (price for non Unipd candidates).
Further requirements	A minimum of two years of full-time undergraduate study is required by the time of application. Moreover, The following students cannot apply to this programme: – Students from a partner university currently on exchange the University of Padua – Double / joint degree students