

**Competition announcement
for the award of two study prizes
“Francesco Canella - Italian Food and Wine”
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Introduction

The Department of Agronomy Food Natural Resources Animals and Environment (DAFNAE), basing on a funding donation from the Canella family, is announcing a competition for the award of **two study prizes, valued at € 6,000 and € 4,000 respectively**, to support deserving students enrolled in the Master's Degree in Italian Food and Wine – Alimenti e Vini d'Italia.

The awards are established to honor and remember **Francesco Canella**, founder of Ali S.p.A., who received an honorary degree in "Italian Food and Wine" at the University of Padua for his economic and social contributions.

Francesco Canella was a pioneer in promoting local food products within the large-scale retail distribution sector. Committed to quality in both products and service, he forged his entrepreneurial path based on enduring values, such as family, caring for his employees, and instilling in them a passion for quality and a sense of responsibility for the future. Several initiatives in social promotion and environmental responsibility were launched under his enlightened leadership and are still carried out today in Ali supermarkets.

His wife Rossella and the entire Canella family, in collaboration with Ali, wish to remember him with his own words, dedicating these awards to deserving students who, like Francesco, wish to contribute with their passion to the appreciation of our beautiful Italy and its distinctive products.

"I hope that my life example can serve as guidance to all those young people who believe in the future of our beautiful Italy. We must always rise to the challenge, facing difficulties with courage, working with passion without ever losing the enthusiasm and desire to innovate."

Art. 1 Eligibility requirements for the competition

The awards are reserved for students regularly enrolled in the academic year 2024/2025 in the second year of the Master's Degree in Italian Food and Wine at the University of Padua.

Candidates are required to have earned at least 40 credits (CFU) by September 30, 2024, and to possess an ISEE 2024 (Indicator of Economic Situation for university financial aid) not exceeding € 50,000 (also using the current ISEE as defined by Article 9 of DPCM 159/2013, valid at the time of the deadline of this call, on November 29, 2024).

The awards are not intended to cover ongoing study expenses and are therefore compatible with any regional scholarships awarded for the academic year 2024/2025, as well as other benefits such as exemptions and other scholarships.

Art. 2 Terms of participation

The Department of Agronomy Animals Food Natural Resources and Environment (DAFNAE) will pre-select candidates who meet the requirements stated in Article 1 of this call, as of **November 30, 2024**.

Regarding the ISEE 2024 requirement, the value used for the determination of the University contribution for the academic year 2024/2025, as indicated in the Financial Aid Request completed by the candidate in Uniweb, will be considered.

Art. 3 Award procedure

The prizes will be awarded based on the final decision of a Committee appointed by the Director of the DAFNAE Department, consisting of three professors from the DAFNAE Department, a representative from the Canella family, an administrative staff unit.

In evaluating the candidates and creating the final ranking, the Committee will consider the following criteria:

- Academic merit: weighted average of exam grades and number of credits earned by September 30, 2024 (credits recognized from previous studies or external training activities are excluded);
- Income: the candidate's household economic situation, based on the declared ISEE.

The two highest-ranking students on the final list will be selected as award winners, contingent on their signing of the commitments outlined below.

Winners must sign a declaration of commitment to participate in the award ceremony, which will be held privately on December 28, 2024, in a location within the Province of Padua, and must sign a release form for the use of their photographs taken during this event by Ali S.p.A., particularly for publication on web and social channels. Failure to sign the declaration and release by the deadline communicated by the DAFNAE Department will result in exclusion from the ranking and reassignment to the next eligible candidate.

Winners will be notified of the award via their institutional email address provided at enrollment. The selection results will be published on the DAFNAE Department website: <https://www.dafnae.unipd.it/news/termine/2>, and on the University of Padua's website <https://www.unipd.it/archivio-borse-premi-studio-studenti>.

Art. 4 Awards amounts and disbursement

The gross amounts are **€ 6,000 for the top-ranked winner and € 4,000 for the second-ranked winner**, including employer obligations (I.R.A.P.). The prizes will be disbursed by the DAFNAE Department in March 2025.

Art. 5 Administrative procedure manager

According to article 4 of Law no. 241, August 7, 1990, (New provisions on administrative procedure and access rights to administrative documents), the Administrative Procedure Manager is the Director of the DAFNAE Department, prof. Gianni Barcaccia.

Candidates have the right to access the documents of the competition procedure following the procedures set out in Presidential Decree No. 184, April 12, 2006 (Regulation on access to administrative documents in accordance with Chapter V of Law 241/90).

Art. 6 Data protection

The processing of personal data collected for the purposes outlined in this call is in accordance with the provisions of Regulation (EU) No. 679 of April 27, 2016 (General Data Protection Regulation, GDPR).

The data controller is the University of Padua, located at Via 8 Febbraio, 2 - 35122 Padua. The complete privacy notice is available from the data controller or at www.unipd.it/privacy.

Art. 7 General Information

This call is available on the DAFNAE Department website at <https://www.dafnae.unipd.it/> under the “Bandi” section (<https://www.dafnae.unipd.it/news/termine/2>) and on the University of Padua website <https://www.unipd.it/premi-studio-studenti>.

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Legnaro (Padua), *date of registration*

The Director
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