



## ***CALL for the SUBMISSION of INNOVATIVE PROJECTS PRESENTED BY STUDENTS YEAR 2026***

### **Article 1 - SCOPE**

With this Call, the University of Padova ("the University") intends to promote innovative projects proposed by students, in accordance with the provisions of the Regulations for the Financing of Cultural and Leisure Initiatives Proposed by Students, Innovative Projects and Projects for the Improvement of Teaching issued by Regional Decree no. 4767/2022.

### **Article 2 - AIMS**

The projects must feature innovative content (ability to come up with and develop original ideas) and/or be innovative in the way they are implemented and students contribute (tools, methods of delivery and innovative teaching).

Two types of projects are planned:

A) Challenges: projects aimed at national or international competitions, contests or initiatives that also involve other universities/institutions. These projects can be of one-year or multi-year duration (up to a maximum of three years) and can also be submitted as an extension of those presented in previous years.

B) Student Centred: annual projects for initiatives at University of Padova level that involve students from the same or different degree courses.

### **Article 3 - RECIPIENTS**

Students wishing to apply for such funding must not be behind with their studies and must be regularly enrolled in Bachelor's, Master's, Single-cycle Master's degree courses, specialisation schools or research doctorate courses of the University of Padova in A.Y. 2025/2026.

Projects may be submitted by individuals or groups of students.

Only one name may be put in the project form sheet under "student contact person", otherwise the project will be excluded.

For the purposes of this Call, each student may join only one group or association, under penalty of having his or her name removed from all lists in which he or she appears. For both types of projects, the proposals must be coordinated by a faculty member from the University who will be "Project Manager".

The Project Manager's department of affiliation is the recipient of the funding and manages it from an administrative point of view.

In declared instances of collaborations with associations participating in any capacity in carrying out initiatives or parts thereof, the University reserves the right to request copy of their statutes or articles of association. All collaborations, whether with organised groups, associations, institutions or University facilities, must be declared at the time of application. Any contributions received (whether financial, or in resources, equipment, etc.) must then be specified in the final report/statement of accounts.

### **Article 4 - HOW TO SUBMIT PROJECTS**

Each applicant (individual student or group/association) may submit only one project to be chosen among only one of the types provided in the Call.



Projects must be submitted by 11.59pm of **15th December 2025** at the latest following the instructions on the following page <https://www.unipd.it/progetti-innovativi-didattica> and by filling in the relevant form (<https://forms.gle/R18kmbxZPLSTHog9>). The project sheet for one-year projects (Annex 1) or, for the Challenges type only, the Project Sheet for multi-year projects (Annex 2) duly completed and signed by hand or digitally by the project contact person (student) and the lecturer in charge of the project, must be attached to the form.

Applications received after the deadline or which are not signed, with missing attachments or missing statements required for the application will not be considered.

### **Article 5 - COMMISSION**

A special Commission appointed by the Rector will be set up to evaluate the projects received and the relevant funding applications.

### **Article 6 - EVALUATION CRITERIA**

When evaluating projects, special emphasis will be placed on the following aspects:

- Level of innovation of the project;
- Proposals in line with the Call aims;
- Interdisciplinarity measured as the degree of involvement of students from different degree courses;
- Soft skills development, especially team project activities;
- Results achieved in previous years (only for projects extending those from previous years);
- The actions proposed are clearly stated;
- Definition of the budget;
- Description of the relevance of the project in terms of improving learning (impact) and impact measurement indicators;
- Results expected in the short and medium term;
- Extent of student involvement;
- Collaborations outside the University, including those with co-financing from external organisations.

In order for the resources available to be distributed fairly, a maximum of 5 projects per department may be funded.

In the case of multi-year projects, based on the financial resources available, the Commission may also approve proposals by reducing their duration and limiting funding to the 2026 quota only. In this case, the project contact people may resubmit the project in subsequent years.

### **Article 7 - EXCLUSIONS**

None of the following projects will be funded:

- A. projects not in line with the Call aims;
- B. projects with teaching content that replaces and/or overlaps with curricular training courses;
- C. projects with a clear political propaganda slant;
- D. projects related to the University's calls for cultural initiatives and projects for the improvement of teaching;
- E. multi-year projects already funded under the previous Call (2025);
- F. projects connected to individual projects and/or initiatives;
- G. projects to which other University funding has already been allocated.

In case of multi-year Challenges type projects, it must be noted that the funding granted annually will be subject to the achievement of the results expected in the previous years as indicated in the project.

#### **Article 8 - IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD AND DEADLINES**

The initiatives shall take place in calendar year 2026, in the period from 1st January 2026 to 31st December 2026.

At the end of the activities, and in any case no later than 31st January 2027, the Project Manager and the contact person, assisted by the administrative contact person, must submit a final report on the activities carried out, the related expenses and the results achieved, following the instructions that will be provided by the Educational Offer Office.

#### **Article 9 - AMOUNT OF FUNDING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING**

The total funds allocated for the year 2026, amounting to € 200,000, are intended to cover new projects related to this Call and the 2026 instalments of multi-year projects approved in 2025, subject to verification of the achievement of the expected results.

This verification will be carried out by the Commission, based on the "2025 results sheets (Annex 3)", before proceeding with the allocation of funding to new projects.

Funding requests for new projects may be:

- a) no more than € 14,000 per year for the Challenges line;
- b) no more than € 8,000 in total for the Student Centred line

Funds allocated annually and not used by the funding deadline referred to in Article 8 will not remain available to individual projects but will return to the University budget.

The grants allocated to the Department the lecturer responsible for the project belongs to will be made available by the Finance and Planning Area Offices by February 2026.

#### **Article 10 - RULES FOR USING THE CONTRIBUTION AND EXCLUSIONS**

The project manager and the student contact person for the project funded, in collaboration with the administrative contact person for the department, shall, in accordance with the internal procedures of each facility (methods and timelines), manage supplies, acquiring regular documentation relating to expenses and scrupulously complying with the instructions provided below.

The following expenditure items are excluded from funding:

- a. cash prizes/awards;
- b. expenses for travel undertaken by private means (fuel, motorway tolls, mileage reimbursements);
- c. remuneration for services provided by the student contact person or by the other students signatories of the initiative and/or participants, as well as by university teaching and technical-administrative staff.

#### **Article 11 - PUBLICATION OF THE RANKING LIST**

Following evaluation by the Commission and decree issued by the Rector, a ranking list with the allocation of the funds granted will be published at <https://www.unipd.it/progetti-innovativi-didattica>.

Once issued, it will be valid for all legal purposes as notification to all parties receiving the allocation.

#### **Article 12 - LIABILITY AND WITHDRAWAL**

All activities take place under the full and direct responsibility of the lecturer in charge. Ascertained violations or conduct that does not comply with the provisions of this Call shall entitle the University to suspend funding at any time.

#### **Article 13 - PERSON IN CHARGE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESS**

Pursuant to art. 4 of law 241 of 7th August 1990 (New norms on administrative procedures and right to access administrative documents) and subsequent amendments, Dr. Cristina Stocco, Head of the Educational Offer Office is appointed to oversee the administrative procedure. Candidates may exercise their right to access the competition records following the procedures set forth by Presidential Decree no. 184 of 12 April 2006 (Regulation on accessing administrative documents in compliance with item V of law 241/90).

#### **Article 14 - PERSONAL DATA PROCESSING**

The personal data collected for the purposes outlined in this notice is treated in compliance with EU Regulation no. 679 of 27 April 2016 (General Data Protection Regulation, GDPR). The "data controller" is the University of Padua with registered office in Via 8 Febbraio, 2 - 35122 Padova. The full text of the privacy statement is held by the data controller and it is available at [www.unipd.it/privacy](http://www.unipd.it/privacy).

#### **Article 15 - General Provisions**

This Call and the necessary forms are published on the University of Padua website at <https://www.unipd.it/progetti-innovativi-didattica>

Further information and detailed regulations can be requested directly to the Educational Offer Office (email: [offerta.formativa@unipd.it](mailto:offerta.formativa@unipd.it)).

Please note: The present call is translated into English for informational purposes only. For all legal purposes, only the Italian version is valid.



## Project Sheet

### One-year-long Student-centred and Challenges types - Annex 1

Section 1 - Student contact person	
First name and Last Name	
Student ID no.	
Telephone no.	
Email address	
Degree course enrolled in (a.y. 2025/26)	

Section 2 - Lecturer in charge of the project	
First name and Last Name	
Department of affiliation (funding recipient)	
Telephone no.	
Email address	

Section 3 - Administrative contact person	
First name and Last Name	
Telephone no.	
Email address	



Section 4 - Project	
Project name	
Project type (Please specify type of project)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student-centred</li> <li>• Challenges</li> </ul>
Project abstract (200 words max)	Project aims
Has the project been drawn up as extension of projects funded in previous years? (If yes, please state the names of the previous projects and any relevant results achieved)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• YES</li> <li>• NO</li> </ul> <p>If YES</p> <p>Extension of previous projects</p> <p>Relevant results achieved in the previous years</p>

Section 5 - Description of Innovative project	
Specific targets (200 words max)	
Innovative contents	
Innovative methods and tools	
For projects extending those funded in previous years: please highlight innovative and improved aspects compared to previous ones	



<b>Section 6.1 – Activities and timing</b>		
<i>For each phase/activity of the project, please state the timeframe and the related cost</i>		
<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>TIMEFRAME</b>	<b>ACTIVITY COST</b>
1		-
2		
3		
4		

*Use a single line or as many lines as the number of macro activities to be implemented*

<b>Section 6.2 - Expected results and Measurable impact indicators</b>	
Description of the relevance of the project in terms of improving learning (impact) and indicators for measuring the impact of the project (max. 100 words)	
<b>Expected outcomes</b>	<b>Indicators to be used to assess the achievement of project outcomes</b>
1	
2	
3	



<b>Section 7 - Extent of project sharing</b>	
<b>Within UNIPD</b> <i>(Please specify the name of the facilities involved)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Department of ...</li> <li>• Degree course in....</li> <li>• School of ...</li> <li>• Student representatives ...</li> <li>• Other</li> </ul>
<b>Outside UNIPD</b> <i>(Please specify the name of the facilities involved)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organisations</li> <li>• Associations</li> <li>• Companies</li> <li>• Other</li> </ul>
<b>List of names of students (with ID number) actively involved in drawing up the project and their Department and degree course</b> <i>(e.g. Name Surname + student ID number + department initials + degree programme).</i>	

<b>Section 8 - Breakdown of costs by expenditure item</b>	
	<b>Amount in Euro</b>
Travel and mission expenses	
Costs of participation to events	
Consumables	
Durables (can be taken stock of)	
External staff payment	
Purchases of services	
Other (please specify)	
<b>Total cost</b>	

**Place and Date** \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Handwritten e-signature or digital signature of the lecturer in charge of the project</b>	<b>Handwritten e-signature or digital signature of the student contact person for the project</b>





**Project Sheet**  
**Multi-year Challenges type (max 3 years) - Annex 2**

<b>Section 1 - Student contact person</b>	
First name and Last Name	
Student ID no.	
Telephone no.	
Email address	
Degree course enrolled in (a.y. 2025/26)	

<b>Section 2 - Lecturer in charge of the project</b>	
First name and Last Name	
Department of affiliation (funding recipient)	
Telephone no.	
Email address	

<b>Section 3 - Administrative contact person</b>	
First name and Last Name	
Telephone no.	
Email address	



<b>Section 4 - Project</b>	
Project name	
Project abstract (200 words max)	Project aims
Has the project been drawn up as extension of projects funded in previous years? <i>(If yes, please state the names of the previous projects and any relevant results achieved)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>· YES</li> <li>· NO</li> </ul> <p>If YES</p> <p><i>Name of previous projects extended</i></p> <p><i>Relevant results achieved in the previous years</i></p>

<b>Section 5 - Description of Innovative project</b>	
Specific targets (200 words max)	
Innovative contents	
Innovative methods and tools	



<b>Section 6.1 – Activities and timing</b>			
<i>For each phase/activity of the project, please state the timeframe for each project year and the related cost</i>			
<b>YEAR</b>	<b>PLANNED ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>TIMEFRAME</b>	<b>COSTS</b>
2026			
2027			
2028			



<b>Section 6.2- Expected outcomes and Measurable impact indicators</b>		
Description of the relevance of the project in terms of improving learning (impact) and indicators for measuring the impact of the project (max. 100 words)		
<b>Year</b>	<b>Expected outcomes</b> <i>(Please state at least 3 expected outcomes for each year)*</i>	<b>Indicators to be used to assess the achievement of project outcomes</b>
2026		
2027		
2028		

\* PLEASE NOTE At the end of each year, the achievement of the indicated outcomes will be verified in order to confirm the allocation of funds for the following year



### Section 7 - Extent of project sharing

<b>Within UNIPD</b> <i>(Please specify the name of the facilities involved)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Department of ...</li> <li>• Degree course in....</li> <li>• School of ...</li> <li>• Student representatives ...</li> <li>• Other</li> </ul>
<b>Outside UNIPD</b> <i>(Please specify the name of the facilities involved)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organisations</li> <li>• Associations</li> <li>• Companies</li> <li>• Other</li> </ul>
<b>List of names of students (with ID number) actively involved in drawing up the project and their Department and degree course</b> <i>(e.g. Name Surname + student ID number + department initials + degree programme).</i>	

### Section 8 - Breakdown of costs by expenditure item

	Amount in Euro 2026	Amount in Euro 2027	Amount in Euro 2028
Travel and mission expenses			
Costs of participation to events			
Consumables			
Durables (can be taken stock of)			
External staff payment			
Purchases of services			
Other (please specify) _____			
<b>Total cost*</b>			

\* it should be noted that a maximum amount of € 14,000 may be allocated for each year

Place and Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## RESULTS SHEET YEAR 2026 - Annex 3

### Call for the submission of innovative projects presented by students year 2026

<b>Project name</b>
<b>Project line developed</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Student-centred</b></li> <li>• <b>Challenges</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>One year</b></li> <li>○ <b>Many years (please state the relevant Call - first year of fund allocation)</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Name of student contact person</b>  <b>Name of lecturer in charge of the project</b>  <b>Lecturer's department of affiliation</b>

<b>Students involved in the project</b>
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<i>First name and Last Name</i>	<i>Student ID no.</i>	<i>Degree course</i>	<i>Department (acronym)</i>

<b>Specific objectives</b> (from the Project Sheet)
<b>Expected outcomes</b> (from the Project Sheet)
<b>Indicators used to assess whether the outcome has been achieved</b> (from the Project Sheet)



### State of the art of activities realised

***Have all the activities planned in the project been realised?***

Yes

No

Partially (percentage of completion \_\_\_\_\_%)

#### Summary of activities realised

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#### Summary of activities partially realised (in short)

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#### Activities not realised

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#### Project strengths

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#### Project criticalities

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### Results achieved per indicator in the year 2026

#### Indicator 1

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#### Indicator 2

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#### Indicator 3

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### Resources Expenditure and Residuals

Breakdown of costs by expenditure item			
	Total expenses expected in 2026 (from Project Sheet)	Expenses settled by reporting deadline*	Reasons for any changes from the project plan
Travel and mission expenses			
Costs of participation to events			
Consumables			
Durables (can be taken stock of)			
External staff payment			
Purchases of services			
Other (please specify)			
<b>Total costs</b>			
Residuals to be returned			

\*(around the middle of January 2027)

#### Observations and remarks

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Place and Date \_\_\_\_\_

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