

STUDENT GUIDELINES for the return of in-person teaching activities (effective from September 1 to December 31, 2021)

THE RESUMPTION OF EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

During the session of August 5, 2021, The Council of Ministers approved the Law Decree (DL August 6, 2021, n.111), which contains "*The urgent measures for the safety of educational activities with regards to universities and transportation*", which shall take into effect and remain valid from **September 1 until December 31, 2021**.

Based on the indications contained in this decree, the University has begun organizing the resumption of the educations activities of the first semester of the 2021/2022 academic year. The aim is to guarantee that students will be able to return to the classroom while guaranteeing the safety and health of everyone.

Permission to access classrooms and University spaces (laboratories, libraries, study rooms, offices, departments, etc.) is restricted only to those in possession of a valid COVID 19 Green Certification (Green Pass)¹, or a Certificate of Medical Exemption for COVID-19 Immunization issued by the provisions contained in the August 4, 2021 circular of the Italian Ministry of Health.

Mask wearing shall remain obligated in all university environments, except for those holding a medical certification due to pathological incompatibility.

It is prohibited to access University facilities for those with respiratory symptoms and a body

¹ The COVID 19 Certification attests the occurrence of one of the situations listed below:

[•] Having had the COVID-19 vaccination. In case of one administration out of the two planned, the Green Pass may be requested but will be valid until the second dose. At that point, a second certificate will be issued.

[•] Be negative on the rapid molecular or antigen test within the past 48 hours. The test must be performed by an authorized center, and registered on the centralized platform.

[•] Be cured of COVID-19 within the past six months and must be certified

temperature reading above 37.5°C (99.5°F). Maintaining a social distancing of at least 1 meter inside the buildings is recommended unless the logistical conditions of the buildings and premises does not allow it. Students should sit in assigned classroom seats, unless the number of students do not allow it, in which case, it is possible to use other seating.

Such as last year, all students must fill in an "Access Declaration Form (*dichiarazione di accesso*)" before entering university property. The declaration form and other important information related to safety will be available **starting September 13, 2021**, at the following link, <u>https://accessostrutture.unipd.it</u>

PROCEDURES FOR CARRYING OUT EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Until December 31, 2021, all educational activities held during the first semester, first quarter, and annual courses of the 2021/2022 academic year, for all degree courses, master's degree courses and single-cycle master's degree courses of the University shall be carried out in the following manner:

a. All classroom courses will be delivered in-person and online simultaneously; teachers can recording lessons held in dual-mode using University platforms

b. Courses of experiential learning (for example workshops, exercises, and other experiential activities) will only be held in person.

Shift rotations are not expected to be implemented.

The rules of health and safety regulations must be followed during all lessons.

Student attendance must be taken and tracked using the OrariUnipd app.

According to Law Decree no. 111 of August 6, 2021, access to the classrooms is allowed only to those in possession of the Green Pass or Certificate of Medical Exemption for COVID-19 Immunization. Students wishing to access University facilities are required, upon request, to show a Green Pass to a staff member in charge of random checks by the University. As per ministerial indications, access University buildings includes random checks during the period indicated to verify the possession of a COVID19 green certification or Certificate of Medical Exemption for COVID-19 Immunization. As such, students are obliged to show their certification. Students who fail to show a valid certificate will be denied access to the buildings. Sanctions are provided for in Article 4 of Legislative Decree no. 19, including the amendments

in the May 22, 2020 Law no. 35²

PROCEDURES FOR CARRYING OUT EXAMS

Starting September 1, 2021, all exams (including those for the 2020/2021 autumn session) will be held in person and will be planned and organized in order to ensure compliance with health and safety regulations. Students enrolled in the lists of examiners and present in university structures are required, upon request, to show a valid Green Pass or Certificate of Medical Exemption for COVID-19 Immunization, to the educator carrying out the check at random through the "*VerificaC19*" App., which is downloadable on all mobile devices.

Online written exams sessions may only be held if the number of students does not allow for it to be held in person due to the unavailability of classroom.

Online exam sessions are guaranteed, upon justified request, for students in isolation, students under quarantine, international students, students coming from Regions or areas that national or local legislation have restricted travel, and for students with particular certified medical conditions that require increased safety conditions.

The University has therefore prepared a new form where students can self-certify the condition of objective impossibility to participate in in-person exams; the form is available at the following address: https://www.unipd.it/node/80025.

Failure to possess the Green Pass is not considered a valid reason for submitting a request to take an exam online.

PROCEDURES FOR CARRYING OUT GRADUATION CEREMONIES

Graduation ceremonies for the autumn session will be held in person and shall be organized in order to respect the security protocols related to the COVID - 19 emergency.

Specific arrangements for organizing graduation ceremonies, including the maximum number of participants allowed, will be defined by each educational structure. Students will be given all the necessary information by each relative structure.

Once more, according to Law Decree no. 111 of August 6, 2021, access to classrooms for graduation ceremonies is only permitted to those (students and their families) in possession of

No.19 Art. 4 of Law Decree of March 25, 2020: "Unless the fact constitutes a crime, failure to comply with the containment measures referred to in Article 1, paragraph 2, identified and applied with the measures adopted pursuant to Article 2, paragraphs 1 and 2, or article 3, is punished with the administrative sanction of the payment of a sum from \in 400 to \in 1000 and the contraventions envisaged by article 650 of the criminal code or by any other provision of law conferring powers for reasons are not applied, of health, referred to in article 3, paragraph 3. If failure to comply with the aforementioned measures occurs through the use of a vehicle, the penalty envisaged in the first period is increased up to one third."

a Green Pass or Certificate of Medical Exemption for COVID-19 Immunization. The personnel identified by each structure will carry out the verification of documents.

Online graduation ceremonies are ensured for students in isolation, students under quarantine, international students, students coming from Regions or areas that national or local legislation have restricted travel, and for students with particular certified medical conditions that require increased safety conditions.

CLASSROOMS, STUDY ROOMS, AND LIBRARIES

As with all other University buildings, access to libraries and study rooms will be allowed only to those in possession of a Green Pass or Certificate of Medical Exemption for COVID-19 Immunization. Personnel appointed by the University will carry out sample checks.