INTERNATIONAL WELCOME WEEK

Fall semester 2023
Welcome to Ca’ Foscari!

Ca’ Foscari’s International Welcome Week takes place at the beginning of September. It consists of a series of orientation initiatives and social activities designed for:

• new international incoming exchange students joining Ca’ Foscari for one or two semesters of study and

• new international degree-seeking students enrolling in a Ca’ Foscari bachelor’s or master’s degree
Online orientation initiatives

These online encounters are fundamental to learning about essential administrative procedures and are designed to help you understand and dive into life as a Ca’ Foscari student. We encourage you to attend the events that are relevant to your status as EITHER an incoming exchange student (someone enrolled at another university who will spend only one or two semesters at Ca’ Foscari) OR a degree-seeking student (someone enrolling in a complete bachelor’s or master’s degree programme at Ca’ Foscari). You will receive the links to connect to these online events via email in August. You will receive the links to connect to these online events via email, so read carefully what you receive from the International Office!

For international **incoming exchange students** coming to Ca’ Foscari for only one or two semesters of study:

- **Learning Agreement workshop for exchange students coming from EU institutions (Erasmus exchange programmes)**  
  September 14, 14:00 - 15:00

- **Learning Agreement workshop for exchange students coming from NON-EU institutions**  
  September 15, 14:00-15:00

- **Immigration workshop: Italian permit of stay, health insurance and Italian fiscal code**  
  September 28, 10:00 - 11:00

- **Workshop for all incoming exchange students on completing your study plan and registering for exams**  
  October 12, 14:00 - 15:00
For international **degree-seeking students** enrolling in a Ca’ Foscari bachelor’s or master’s degree:

- **Enrolment workshop for new degree seekers**  
  July 27, 14:00-15:00  
  August 31, 14:00-15:00

- **Immigration workshop: Italian permit of stay, health insurance and Italian fiscal code**  
  September 28, 10:00 - 11:00

- **General welcome presentation for new degree seekers**  
  October 26, 10:00 - 11:00
In-person orientation initiatives

These events are for **BOTH incoming exchange students AND degree-seeking students** and take place in person and on campus. To join one of the campus tours, you will need to reserve one of the available spots. You will receive the reservation links via email in August.

- **Humanities Campus tour**  
  September 8, 10:00-11:00  
  October 26, 11:00-12:00

- **Economics Campus tour**  
  September 8, 11:30-12:30  
  October 26, 11:00-12:00

- **Linguistic Campus tour**  
  September 8, 14:00-15:00  
  October 26, 15:00-16:00

- **Scientific Campus tour**  
  September 8, 15:00-16:00  
  October 26, 15:00-16:00

One of the best ways to make the most of your university experience at Ca' Foscari is to take advantage of our student services and to get involved in student clubs:

- **General welcome presentation for new incoming exchange students**  
  September 7, 9:30-11:00

- **General welcome presentation for new degree seekers**  
  September 7, 11:30-13:00

- **Student services and clubs fair**  
  September 7, 14:30-16:30
Social events and opportunities

After having learned about the academic and administrative experience you’ll have as a Ca’ Foscari student, you will also want to start creating your social network. To help out with this, the International Office is arranging a host of different activities to help you connect with your future peers in a more casual way. All of these activities require you to reserve one of the available spots in advance. You will receive the finalised event calendar with the reservation links in August. These events will take place from September 2.

Here are just some of the activities we usually organise:

• International Happy Hours with snacks and drinks
• Multilingual breakfasts
• Dragon boat outings
• A tour of the university’s historic buildings
• A team-based treasure hunt across Venice
• Plogging
• A board games room

…and much, much more!
Buddy Programme

There’s nothing better than getting help from experienced students when you are trying to learn the ropes as a new Ca' Foscari student, so you’ll want to take advantage of our **Buddy Programme**. Ca’ Foscari Buddies are volunteers who offer their time, knowledge, and very often lasting friendship to new international students.

As one of our new international incoming or degree-seeking students, you will receive a list of the Buddies participating in the programme about two months before classes begin. The list lets you know the languages the Buddies speak, what they study and even what their hobbies are. Once you have found the person or people you want to reach out to, you can contact them even before you get to Italy by using their university email addresses included in the list.

If you have any questions, be sure to write to **buddy@unive.it**.
STAY CONNECTED!
Start checking out university events and activities via Ca’ Foscari’s official social media accounts:

- cafoscari
- school/cafoscar
- cafoscari
- @cafoscari
- youcafoscar
- wechat cafoscari
- 意大利威尼斯大学

Follow our international-student-run Instagram account @studentlifeinvenice to begin gearing up for your Ca’ Foscari experience!