Ca' Foscari School for International Education
Foundation Year

Located in the centre of the unique canal city of Venice, Ca' Foscari University offers a preparatory year of study at its **School for International Education** for international students who are preparing to enrol at a University in Italy or abroad.

The Ca' Foscari Foundation Year programme offers a general curriculum for University preparation, as well as 4 different Study Tracks that aim to provide students a basic background in the subjects they are interested in pursuing during their undergraduate studies. Students also choose a language module from the three options offered. All Study Tracks and the general curriculum are taught in English.

Is it right for me?

YES if at the end of high school you have less than 12 full years of schooling

YES if you want to improve your English or Italian language skills before beginning your undergraduate degree at a university in Italy or abroad

YES if you studied in the American school system and do not have the three Advanced Placement exams required to enrol at an Italian university

YES if you studied in the British school system and have obtained (or will obtain) a General Certificate of Education/A-levels, but do not have the three A-levels required to enrol in your chosen degree programme at an Italian university

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Study programme
- General curriculum for university preparation: modern Italian history, critical thinking, academic skills (200 hours)
- Study Track (210 hours)
- Language module (250 hours)

Duration
October – June

Cost
€ 5,000 (to be paid in three instalments)

Teaching
Face-to-face classes where possible, with online classes where necessary. All students must have a B1 level of the English language.

Scholarships
There are a limited number of scholarships available, awarded through merit and motivation.

Study Tracks

A Economics and Management
Mathematics, Financial Literacy, Business Management and Administration, Introduction to Law, Data analysis

B Humanities and Arts
Italian literature, Art History, Philosophy, Introduction to classics

C Science
Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology

D Architecture, Art & Design
Italian Architecture, Communication, visual and interior Design, Fashion Design, Urban planning (with Iuav University of Venice)

Applications
Applications open in January and are available online on the website. Students are required to provide school records, ID, a letter of motivation, and language certificates where necessary.

Language Modules

International Option
(English language)
A focus on the English language aimed at achieving a B2 or C1 level, together with an Elementary Italian course aimed at promoting the student life in the city and at the university
Who is it for?
It is suitable for students wishing to enrol in a degree programme in English at the end of the Foundation Year.

Bridge Option
(Italian language)
An intensive Italian language course aimed at achieving a B1 language level for students with no prior knowledge of Italian.
Who is it for?
It is suitable for students wishing to enrol in a degree programme in Italian at Ca' Foscari University at the end of the Foundation Year, under a special agreement that allows them to reach a B2 by the end of the first year of enrolment.

Native Speaker Option
(personalised)
A personalised option including extra disciplinary courses in English and courses in formal speaking/writing in English or Italian. Students will also be required to prepare a short thesis in the language of their choice, to be evaluated by the Teaching Committee.
Who is it for?
It is suitable for students who are native speakers of English AND have a certified C1 knowledge of Italian.

About us
Ca' Foscari University was founded in 1868 as a prominent Business School and since then has grown to become a world-class university for its expertise in economics, humanities, modern and ancient languages, as well as science and technology.

At the **School for International Education**, We offer courses all year round to students from all over the world, promoting learning in a cross-cultural environment with the aim of providing an international education, and creating a true international community.

In collaboration with Iuav
Università Iuav di Venezia was established in 1926 as one of the first Architecture Schools in Italy. To this day, it still maintains its status of uniqueness focusing on the design of living spaces and on the design of everyday use objects, of fashion and graphics.

www.unive.it/foundation