

## **CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: Selection of 58 students for the *International Summer Schools 2019***

### **CA' FOSCARI – HARVARD SUMMER SCHOOL, 14<sup>th</sup> EDITION CA' FOSCARI COLUMBIA SUMMER PROGRAMME, 7<sup>th</sup> EDITION**

#### **Art. 1 – Presentation**

Ca' Foscari University of Venice has established Joint International Summer Schools in collaboration with *Harvard University* and *Columbia University of New York* so as to offer its students English-taught courses of excellence in an international context which allow for credit recognition. Selected students can benefit from the *Ca' Foscari – Harvard Summer School* and the *Ca' Foscari Columbia Summer Programme*:

- a) to complete their studies at Ca' Foscari University through recognition of the credits acquired;
- b) to access postgraduate studies at Harvard University or at Columbia University of New York, or at any other tertiary education institution;
- c) to develop their curriculum vitae in preparation for entering the workforce;
- d) to come into contact with different teaching methods and styles;
- e) to enrich their personal development through an academic experience set within an intercultural context.

#### **Art. 2 – Ca' Foscari – Harvard Summer School: courses, structure and credit recognition**

1. A total of 100 students will be accepted for the *Ca' Foscari – Harvard Summer School* (CFHSS) in 2019, of which 50 from Ca' Foscari and 50 from Harvard.
2. Courses are taught by instructors from both Harvard and Ca' Foscari Universities in the areas of economics, environmental science and the humanities, and are held in English (the official language of the programme).
3. Students attending the CFHSS can participate in supplementary extra-curricular activities such as creative workshops, guided visits, sporting and recreational activities, which will be published online before the programme begins.
4. In 2019 the CFHSS will hold the following courses:

##### **SOCIAL SCIENCES**

- o **An Introduction to Complexity in Social Sciences**  
*Paolo Pellizzari* – Professor of Economics, Ca' Foscari University
- o **International Business Law**  
*Fabrizio Marrella* – Professor of International Law, Ca' Foscari University
- o **Math 1B**  
*Robin Gottlieb* – Professor of Mathematics, Harvard University

##### **ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**

- o **The Earth's Climate: past, present and future**  
*Carlo Barbante* – Professor of Analytical Chemistry, Ca' Foscari University

## HUMANITIES

### o **Nature**

*Joyce Chaplin* – Professor of Early American History, Harvard University

### o **American Literary Expatriates in Europe**

*Glenda Carpio* – Professor of English and of African and American Studies, Harvard University

### o **The Ethics of Identity**

*Jay Harris* – Harry Austryn Wolfson Professor of Jewish Studies, Harvard University

### o **Shakespeare's Venice: Jews, Blacks, Muslims and Christians at the Origin of the Modern World**

*Shaul Bassi* – Associate Professor of English Language and Literature, Ca' Foscari University

### o **Ancient Rome and Venice: the classical past and its legacy**

*Lorenzo Calvelli* – Tenured lecturer in Ancient History, Ca' Foscari University

### o **Venetian Art and the Bible**

*Gordon Teskey* – Professor of English, Harvard University

### o **Italian Art and Archaeology in the Renaissance and Beyond**

*Myriam Pilutti Namer* – Lecturer in Archaeology and Art History, Ca' Foscari University

5. *Tutorial sections* ("sections") are held by graduate students so as to assist and support the students in their studies. Sections are generally mandatory and will contribute to a student's final grade.

6. The programme runs for 8 weeks, from June 17<sup>th</sup> until August 8<sup>th</sup>. Classes are held at Polo Didattico di San Basilio.

7. All courses except for Math 1B (see art. 2.8) run for a total of 30 hours plus sections (see art. 2.5). Attendance is mandatory. If a student is unable to attend any of the sessions (classes, sections, field trips), the course instructor, the course tutor and the CFHSS office must all be notified, and valid motivation must be provided. All courses will assign a percentage of the total grade to participation and any unjustified absence will affect the student's final grade. If valid motivation is not provided, or if a student accumulates too many absences, the student may be required to withdraw from the course (see art. 2.20). Please note that only in exceptional circumstances will a student be given permission to attend their classes via Skype.

8. Math 1B runs for a total of 50 hours plus sections, plus exams.

9. Students are expected to meet the prerequisites for each course as listed on the programme website, and to take them into consideration when selecting their courses. A brief refresh course, "An Introduction to Trigonometry for Math 1B" can be offered to Ca' Foscari students who wish to enrol in Math 1B. This course will be held at no additional cost to students whose applications are successful if it is deemed useful or necessary by the program Director.

10. The programme is structured as follows:

- a. during the first week (from June 17<sup>th</sup>– 22<sup>nd</sup>) students can take part in non-mandatory extra-curricular activities. To enrol in these activities students will need to fill in a request form which will be available on the website at a later date;

- b. A mandatory orientation session will be held June 17<sup>th</sup>, during which all students will receive a general introduction to the programme, and information on its contents;
- c. lessons for Math 1B start on June 17<sup>th</sup> and go through until August 7<sup>th</sup> (8 weeks);
- d. teaching for all other courses takes place from June 24<sup>th</sup> until August 1<sup>st</sup> (6 weeks): 5 weeks of lessons and 1 week of assessment;
- e. during the final week (August 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>) students will have the chance to participate in extra-curricular cultural and social activities, and in the closing events.

11. Students enrol in two courses and must indicate a total of four courses they are interested in, ranked in order of preference. It is not always possible to assign the first two preferences to every student. Requests to take one course only are not automatically accepted, must be approved by the Selection Committee and typically result in lower admission rates (see also art. 8.3).

12. Students applying for Math 1B can request to take Math 1B only, and may receive 12 credits (CFU), pending approval by the Head of Studies.

13. The CFHSS Board of Directors reserves the right to cancel any course which does not reach the minimum number of course enrolments.

14. Students who have attended previous editions of the CFHSS cannot repeat the same courses.

15. Upon successful completion of each course, students will obtain 6 credits (CFU) per course in accordance with the indications provided by the Head of Studies for their respective degree programmes (“Collegio Didattico”).

16. Selected students will be required to enrol at the Harvard Summer School also. In doing so, they will receive a PIN through which they can access the electronic resources at Harvard University.

17. Final grades will be accessed exclusively through the PIN provided by the Harvard Summer School (see art. 2.16).

18. Credits are mandatorily recognised at both institutions, hence students **cannot refuse their grade** (see also art. 4.6 and art. 9).

19. Students wishing to withdraw from their course(s) during the CFHSS must withdraw officially by July 26<sup>th</sup>. Refunds are not provided under any circumstances (see also art. 8.4).

20. If a student does not respect the program rules and regulations (in particular in terms of attendance and ethical behaviour), a disciplinary meeting will be called with the Program Directors to allow the student the opportunity to defend his/her actions. The student may be required to withdraw from one or both courses, at the discretion of the Program Directors. Credits will not be awarded to withdrawn students.

21. For all information on courses, schedule, extra-curricular activities and credit recognition students can visit the CFHSS website: [www.unive.it/cafoscari-harvard](http://www.unive.it/cafoscari-harvard).

22. An information session will be held on **March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2:30pm**, Sala Berengo.

### **Art. 3 – Ca’ Foscari Columbia Summer Programme: courses, structure and credit recognition**

1. A total of 38 students will be accepted for the *Ca’ Foscari – Columbia Summer Programme* (CSP) in 2019, of which 8 from Ca’ Foscari and 30 from Columbia.

2. The courses are taught by instructors from Columbia University of New York in the area of humanities and are held in English.

3. Students attending the CSP can participate in a range of non-mandatory supplementary extra-curricular activities which will be organised weekly.

4. In 2019 the CSP will hold the following courses:

- **Art in Venice**  
*Caroline Wamsler* – University lecturer in Italian Renaissance Art, Columbia University
- **Venice and Modernity: screening Venice**  
*Elizabeth Leake* – Professor of Italian Studies, Columbia University
- **Mediterranean Venice: Living and Losing a Maritime Empire**  
*Konstantina Zanou* – Assistant Professor of Italian, Columbia University
- **Contemporary Art & the Biennale**  
*Alexander Alberro* – Virginia Bloedel Wright Professor of Art History, Barnard College
- **Conservation of Venice and its Built Heritage**  
*Mieke van Molle* – Lecturer, Columbia Summer Programme
- **Venice and its Musical Identity**  
*Giuseppe Gerbino* – Professor of Music and Historical Musicology, Columbia University

5. The programme runs for 6 weeks, from June 7<sup>th</sup> until July 19<sup>th</sup>. Classes are held at Polo Didattico di San Basilio.

6. A mandatory orientation session will be held on June 8<sup>th</sup>, during which all students will receive a general introduction to the programme, and information on its contents. Classes start on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

7. Each course runs for a total of 42 hours. Attendance is mandatory. If a student is unable to attend any of the sessions (classes, tutorials, field trips), the course instructor and the International Summer Schools office must be notified, and valid motivation must be provided.

8. Students can enrol in one or two courses (but see art. 8.3), indicating their preferences and one other option: students taking one course will provide two course preferences; students taking two courses will provide three course preferences. It is not always possible to assign the first preferences to every student.

9. Upon successful completion of each course, students will obtain 6 credits (CFU) in accordance with the indications provided by the Head of Studies for their respective degree programme (“Collegio didattico”).

10. If a course does not reach the minimum number of course enrolments Columbia University reserves the right to cancel it.

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12. Students who have attended previous editions of the CSP cannot repeat the same courses.

13. For all information on courses, schedule and credit recognition students can visit the CSP website: [www.unive.it/cafoscari-columbia](http://www.unive.it/cafoscari-columbia).

14. An information session will be held in March, details will be confirmed on the website.

#### **Art. 4 – Admission Requirements**

1. To apply for the CFHSS and the CSP, students must have regularly enrolled at Ca' Foscari for the 2018/2019 academic year in the first, second or third year of an undergraduate degree (Bachelor's / "Corso di Laurea") or in the first or second year of a graduate degree (Master's / "Magistrale") by January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019.
2. Applicants must have a good working knowledge of English (a solid B2 is expected). Students are not required to produce certification but must be able to interact with their peers and instructors. All applicants are required to sit and pass an assessment of their English language skills in the form of an interview at the School for International Education.
3. The following minimum requirements for selection apply:
  - a. students in their first year of an undergraduate degree ("corso di laurea") must have obtained 85/100 in the Italian high school finishing exam, "esame di stato", or the equivalent in a University entrance qualification obtained outside of Italy, as stated on the student's "dichiarazione di valore" and converted into the Italian evaluation system;
  - b. students in their second or third year of an undergraduate degree ("corso di laurea") must have an arithmetic average (GPA) of no less than 26/30 and must have accumulated a minimum of 40 CFU during their first year (second year students) or 90 CFU by their second year (third year students); the relevant exams must have been registered by September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018;
  - c. students enrolled in their first year of a graduate degree ("magistrale") and who completed their undergraduate degree in the subject areas of economics, management, science or mathematics must have obtained a minimum of 100/110 in their Italian undergraduate degree, or the equivalent in an undergraduate educational qualification obtained outside of Italy, as stated on the student's "dichiarazione di valore" and converted into the Italian evaluation system;
  - d. students enrolled in their first year of a graduate degree ("magistrale") and who completed their undergraduate degree in the subject areas of humanities, political science, languages, culture or linguistics must have obtained a minimum of 105/110 in their Italian undergraduate degree, or the equivalent in an undergraduate educational qualification obtained outside of Italy, as stated on the student's "dichiarazione di valore" and converted into the Italian evaluation system;
  - e. Students enrolled in their second year of a graduate degree ("magistrale") must have an arithmetic average (GPA) of no less than 28/30.
4. Students who do not have the minimum requirements may apply nonetheless, but their applications will only be considered for admission if there are places available after all students on the waitlist have been contacted. Approval for admission of students not meeting the minimum requirements is at the discretion of the Selection Committee.
5. Students who have not completed their studies within the regular period of time specified for their degree programme (i.e., are considered "fuori corso") are not eligible for selection.
6. Students who are graduating in the 2018/2019 summer session are not eligible for selection for the CFHSS but may regularly apply for the CSP.
7. Exchange students are not eligible for selection.
8. Students who have attended previous editions of the CFHSS or of the CSP are eligible to apply a second time (but see 6.1.b.iv). Students cannot participate in more than two editions of the same programme.

9. Students can apply for both programmes but if successful for both programmes will only be placed in one of the admissions lists, in accordance with the priority specified in the application form.

#### **Art. 5 –Applications**

1. The application form is available online.

2. Applicants must include the following documents in their application:

- a. curriculum vitae in English in Europass format (<http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/documents/curriculum-vitae>);
- b. passport size photo (it can be included directly in the curriculum vitae, but must then be printed in colour and the photo must be visible).
- c. for students with international qualifications, the “dichiarazione di valore”

3. Applications can be handed in:

- a. directly to the International Summer Schools office (Ca' Foscari School for International Education - San Sebastiano, Dorsoduro 1686, room number 118) from Monday to Thursday between 10am and 1pm;
- b. by fax 041 2347375
- c. by post with tracking (Courier or “Raccomandata”) to Ca' Foscari School for International Education - San Sebastiano, Dorsoduro 1686. On the envelope students must write “CFHSS Application”;
- d. by certified electronic post “PEC” (Posta Elettronica Certificata) to [cfsie@pec.unive.it](mailto:cfsie@pec.unive.it) provided the application is sent from another PEC email address.

5. Applications may be rejected for any of the following reasons:

- a. received after the deadline;
- b. incomplete or incorrect;
- c. incorrect application form;
- d. missing documents;
- e. false information;
- f. sent by standard email.

6. The application deadline is **Monday April 1<sup>st</sup> 2019**.

#### **Art. 6 – Selection and overall ranking**

1. The selection process for both programmes will be carried out by a Selection Committee, to be nominated by the President of the School for International Education. Students will be ranked according to the following criteria:

- a. the overall score will be based on:
  - 40% academic performance as per the students' i) high school finishing exam, ii) arithmetic average (GPA), or iii) undergraduate degree (depending on which year the student is currently enrolled in, see art. 4.3);
  - 60% oral assessment of English language skills. Students will pass the assessment with a minimum grade of 40/60. The interviews are expected to take place on April 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Interview times will be made available on the respective websites following the deadline for applications.

- b. should two or more students attain an equal placing in the ranking, precedence will be given (in this order) to:
- i) students enrolling in Math 1B (CFHSS applicants only)
  - ii) students enrolled in an undergraduate degree “corso di laurea”;
  - iii) students enrolled at the International College;
  - iv) students applying for the first time.
- c. should the above criteria (6.1.b) not result in differentiating tied candidates, the younger student will be given precedence.

2. The rankings will be available on the respective websites within 7 days of the end of the selection process.

3. Students who are ranked within the number of places reserved for each programme will be admitted on condition they accept their place within the specified time frame (see art. 7). The number of places reserved for each programme may be increased if the number of applications received greatly exceeds the number of places available. All places will be confirmed by the end of April, 2019.

4. Students who are ranked lower than the number of places reserved for each programme, but who have met admission requirements, will be placed on a waitlist. Students on the waitlist will be contacted following the final admission deadline (see art. 7) should a place come available.

#### **Art. 7 – Final admission, fees and payment**

1. Students who have been selected for either programme must confirm their place within 14 days following the publication of the overall rankings. Students must:

- a. fill out the online acceptance form;
- b. send receipt of payment (art. 9.4) to the International Summer Schools office by email, or take it to the office in person.

2. Fees are **€ 169.00 per course, and €50.00 application fee (per application)**.

3. Should a student not confirm their place by the specified deadline, students on the waitlist will be contacted.

4. All payments are to be made to:

*Account name:* Ca' Foscari School for International Education

*Bankname:* Banca Popolare Friuladria

*Bankaddress:* San Marco 4121 Salizada San Luca, 30124 Venezia

*IBAN:* IT 96 U 05336 02020 000046603825

*Swift:* BPPNIT2P326

*Reference:*

LAST NAME and NAME of the student – Enrolment CFHSS 2019 OR  
– Enrolment Columbia 2019

#### **Art. 8 – Fee waiver**

1. There are fee waivers available for the 10 highest ranking students selected for the *Ca' Foscari –Harvard Summer School* who have also filed an ISEE declaration to Ca' Foscari University for the 2018/2019 academic year. In particular:

- a. 5 fee waivers for both courses (€338.00) will be awarded to the 5 highest ranking students;

- b. 5 fee waivers one course (€169) will be awarded to the next 5 highest ranking students.
2. There are fee waivers for one course (€169) available for the 2 highest ranking students selected for the *Ca' Foscari Columbia Summer Programmewho have also filed an ISEE declaration* to Ca' Foscari University for the 2018/2019 academic year.
3. Students who are enrolling in one course only, or who have filed an ISEE declaration exceeding €39,999.99, are not eligible for a fee waiver.
4. Students receiving a fee waiver who withdraw from either programme (see art. 9.7) are required to repay the cost of the fee waiver within 14 days of officially withdrawing and in any case no later than the final date of the programme.
5. Students receiving a fee waiver are still required to pay the €50 application fee.

#### **Art. 9 – Credit recognition at Ca' Foscari**

1. Course credit for both programmes will be added to the students' online record book following successful completion of evaluation. Students may also receive bonus points towards their final grade upon graduation in compliance with current University regulation.
2. Students admitted to either programme are required to submit a request for credit recognition to the International Summer Schools office. The credit recognition form will be made available on the respective website. **Students must read the relevant section of the webpage thoroughly** ("Applications" -- Credit Recognition) to ascertain the guidelines for credit recognition issued by each Department.
3. Students can request course changes during the first week of classes but the change cannot be guaranteed.

#### **Art. 10 – Data protection and access**

1. Personal information must be provided by candidates when requested (Italian Legislative Decree 196/2003).
2. In compliance with current legislation (Italian Legislative Decree 196/2003 and Article 13 of EU Regulation 679/2016), personal information will be processed on paper or in electronic form, and will only be shared with external parties where strictly necessary for carrying out institutional activities.
3. Candidates shall be guaranteed access to the records concerned, in accordance with Italian Law (241/1990) and subsequent amendments as well as Article 13 of EU Regulation 679/2016.
4. Further information on data protection in selection procedures at Ca' Foscari University can be found at the following website: <https://www.unive.it/pag/36172/>