



**CALL FOR SELF-FUNDED APPLICATIONS
FOR GARGNANO 2022- "CHIARA E GIUSEPPE FELTRINELLI" INTERNATIONAL
COURSES OF ITALIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE**

DESCRIPTION

SLAM - University of Milan Language Centre has made available up to 50 seats (please note that this number may vary according to the evolution of the pandemic near the beginning of the courses) on a self-funded basis to attend the 65th International Courses of Italian Language and Culture which are being held in Gargnano (BS) on Lake Garda, in the following periods:

- 1st round from Monday, 27th June to Saturday, 16th July 2022;
- 2nd round from Monday, 18th July to Saturday, 6th August 2022.

Each round lasts three weeks and includes 90-hour teaching of Italian language and culture, which will give participants the right to earn 3 ECTS university credits.

Daily activities are organised as follows:

- 4 hours of Italian language classes;
- 2 hours of conferences on topics related to Italian literature, history and culture, held by lecturers or experts in those fields.

The programme also includes cultural and didactic activities, among which an opera performance at the Arena of Verona, a visit to the ancient lemon house 'La Malora' as well as a tour of the *Vittoriale degli Italiani*, home to poet Gabriele D'Annunzio.

REQUIREMENTS, TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Foreign citizens aged between 18 and 40 are eligible to apply for the aforementioned *Gargnano 2022* self-funded seats.

All applicants must prove a level of Italian language proficiency equal to B1 at the least in accordance with the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) so as to be able to regularly attend classes and conferences, which will be held in Italian. Applicants must provide relevant evidence by attaching their Italian language certificate or statement to their application. Applications by applicants proving a C2 language proficiency level or by applicants who teach Italian as a second language will be rejected.

PARTICIPATION FEE

There are up to 50 seats available on a self-funded basis by paying a participation fee which is equal to EUR 550.00 and covers the following expenses:

- 90-hour course of Italian language and culture;
- Three meals per day: breakfast, lunch and dinner;
- Roundtrip transportation by bus from Milan Central Station to Gargnano, plus a stop at the Orio al Serio Airport in Bergamo;
- Cultural activities.



It does not cover:

- Travel expenses from place of residence to Italy.

ACCOMMODATION

The top 17 ranked applicants for each course round will be accommodated at the university residence in Palazzo Feltrinelli or Casa Bertolini in single or double bedrooms with no further costs; applicants ranked 18 and below for each course round will have to look for and pay for their accommodation by themselves. The Course Administrative Office will support participants and provide them with useful contacts to look for their accommodation.

All winners have to inquire about the procedures required to obtain/renew a visa or the residence permit by themselves, as well as arrange health insurance for their stay.

RANKING CRITERIA

Eligible applicants are ranked based on their curriculum vitae, education/working career, and motivation letter.

Applicants with B1, B2 and C1 language proficiency levels will be selected in order to form different learning groups. For ranking purposes, priority is given to enhancing interculturality by preferring applicants who hail from different countries.

Points are distributed as follows:

Curriculum vitae (learning experiences related to Italian language and culture)	Points: up to 20
Education/working career	Points: up to 15
Motivation letter	Points: up to 10
Previous attendance of Italian courses	Points: up to 5

Candidates who score less than 30/50 will not be considered eligible.

EQUAL MERIT

Should two or more applicants be considered of equal merit, priority will be given to the younger candidate or accorded to the country of origin.

SELECTION

A dedicated Committee, made up of Professor Marina Brambilla, Ms. Michela Argenti, and Ms. Stefania Scarpetta, shall allocate points and draft the ranking of winners to either the first or the second course round, in accordance with the preference expressed by each applicant.

The list of winners will be published online by 9th May 2022 on the following webpage:

<https://www.unimi.it/en/study/language-proficiency/international-courses-italian-language-and-culture-garda-lake>



APPLICATION PROCEDURE AND DEADLINE

Applicants must submit their application **by and no later than 20th April 2022** at 12:00 noon, by filling in the following online form:

When applying, applicants can indicate their preferred round of participation.

https://elixforms.unimi.it/rwe2/module_preview.jsp?MODULE_TAG=Gargnano2022_contributo&IATL=it&ELANG=en

The following documents must be attached to your application:

- curriculum vitae in Italian;
- education/working career;
- motivation letter;
- language proficiency certificate or statement at B1 level or higher;
- one photograph;
- scanned copy of your identification document.

Under the provisions laid down in Legislative Decree No. 196/2003, the University undertakes to respect the confidentiality of all information provided by the candidate. All the data provided are processed for the relevant purposes connected to the call exclusively and for entering into and managing a potential cooperation with the University, according to the legislation in force.

Please note that class attendance is compulsory from Monday to Friday and no early departures are allowed, under penalty of losing your position in the ranking. Any such requests shall be examined and authorised by the SLAM Centre.

FINALISING YOUR REGISTRATION

The selected applicants shall confirm their participation by **17th May 2022** by paying the 550-euro participation fee, according to modalities which will be communicated in due time.

WITHDRAWAL AND REFUND

Should one of the winners withdraw or not pay the participation fee within the deadline, the applicant following them in the ranking will be contacted.

Participants unable to attend the course are entitled to a refund of the participation fee only in the event of serious and documented impediments. Refunds can be claimed from 1st to 30th September 2022.

STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE

At the end of the course, participants will receive a statement of attendance provided they will have attended at least 90% of the course on a regular basis. Such statement will also report the attainment of 3 ECTS university credits whose validation for university career purposes is at the discretion of the University or Institution each participant refers to.



FURTHER INFORMATION

In compliance with the legislation in force, all applicants included in the ranking shall hold the Covid-19 certificate, i.e. green pass, as laid down in the legislation in force.

The courses will be held in compliance with the legislation governing the Covid-19 emergency control and management which will be in force as of the start date of the courses.

For further information, please contact SLAM - University of Milan Language Centre, by sending an email to gargnano@unimi.it.

Milan, 11th February 2022

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