

SUBJECT: Announcement for the pre-selection for the admission to the curriculum Crop and Soil of the Second-Cycle Degree Course "Sustainable Agriculture" – cohort 2022/23

In the framework of the cooperation agreement with the University of Georgia, Athens (USA), for the implementation of a dual Master of Science Degree programme, the University of Padova - Department of Agronomy, Food, Natural resources, Animals and Environment - DAFNAE, announces a pre-selection for the admission to the curriculum Crop and Soil of the Second-Cycle Degree Course "Sustainable Agriculture".

Up to 5 students may be pre-selected.

Students who will be selected for the curriculum Crop and Soil will attend the second year of the programme at the University of Georgia, Athens (USA). Upon successful completion of the Master programme, they will be awarded two degrees, one from the Home Institution and one from the Host Institution.

In order to be eligible to apply for the pre-selection, students must be enrolled at the University of Padova to the Second-Cycle Degree Course "Sustainable Agriculture" in the 2022/23 cohort and must have passed the course exams with a mark of at least 25/30.

In order to participate in the pre-selection, applicants shall submit the following documentation:

- application form, using the template available on the website <https://www.dafnae.unipd.it/news/termine/2> "Bandi" section
- self-certification of enrolment (to be downloaded from Uniweb: "autocertificazione") which must include the list of exams passed in the first semester a.y. 2022/23;
- updated CV (curriculum vitae et studiorum);
- copy of a valid identity document

The application form and the required documentation shall be delivered by **21 February 2023 at 12.00 p.m. (CET)** to the Department of DAFNAE, Administration Office, University of Padova, Viale dell'Università 16, 35020 Legnaro (Padua - Italy), as follows:

- **hand-delivered** to DAFNAE Department - Administration Office, University of Padova, Viale dell'Università 16, 35020 Legnaro (Padova), Seconda Stecca building, ground floor, **from Monday to Friday, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm**;

- **registered post** to be sent to: Segreteria del Dipartimento DAFNAE - Università degli Studi di Padova, Viale dell'Università 16, 35020 Legnaro (Padua), Italy. **Please note that the date of the postmark will not be accepted as proof of meeting the deadline**

- via **certified electronic email** to the address dipartimento.dafnae@pec.unipd.it

If using this method,

- any documents for which a traditional signature is required must carry the applicant's digital signature or
- the applicant should send a copy of the signed application together with a copy of an identity document. Any documents for which a traditional signature is required must be duly signed, scanned and sent simultaneously with the application or

If using electronic mail, documents must be sent in a fixed and not directly editable format without macros or executable codes, preferably in pdf.

Applications submitted after the deadline will be excluded.

On the application form, applicants shall declare under their own responsibility:

- surname and name, place and date of birth, citizenship, fiscal code, residency and contact address for the purpose of the announcement, specifying zip code, telephone number and e-mail address;
- to be enrolled in the Second-Cycle Degree Course "Sustainable Agriculture" in the 2022/23 cohort;
- to communicate promptly any change of residency or address indicated in the application form;
- to be aware of all the rules contained in the competition announcement.

A board appointed by the Director of the Department and composed of faculty members of University of Padova, shall pre-select the applicants, based on the curriculum vitae et studiorum, on a written exam and an oral interview. The written exam will consist of a written paper on the sustainability of cultivation systems in agriculture. The written examination shall take place, without further notice, on **23 February 2023** at **9.00 a.m.** in room 12P, in Agripolis, viale dell'Università16, Legnaro (PD). The oral interview shall take place on **23 February 2023** at **2.00 p.m.** in room 12P in Agripolis, viale dell'Università16, Legnaro (PD). Applicants who do not participate to any of the parts of the examination will be excluded from the competition.

The results will be published on the following website: <https://www.dafnae.unipd.it/news/termine/2>, "Bandi" section, by 3 March 2023

The score will be assigned by the Board based on:

- Curriculum vitae et studiorum (max 40 points)
- Paper concerning the sustainability of cultivation systems in agriculture (max 30 points)
- Interview (max 30 points)

The maximum score is 100 points.

Up to 5 students shall be pre-selected, based on the ranking. In any case, only the students who achieve at least 80/100 points shall pass the pre-selection. Pre-selected students shall send a motivational letter and the curriculum vitae et studiorum to the University of Georgia (to the attention of Prof. Miguel Cabrera, e-mail: mcabrera@uga.edu), by 15 March 2023. The University of Georgia shall evaluate the candidacy and irrevocably determine the acceptance of the pre-selected students.

In any case, in order to be finally accepted, the students shall obtain the additional requirements expected to be enrolled at the Host Institution within the deadlines foreseen by the University of Georgia. All relevant information is available on the following website: <http://grad.uga.edu/index.php/prospective-students/international-application-information/>

The final acceptance will also determine the final admission to the curriculum Crop and Soil.

In accordance with Article 5 of Law 241 of 7th August 1990 (New rules concerning administrative procedures and the right to access administrative documents) and subsequent amendments, Mrs. Caterina Sigolo, Head of the Administration – DAFNAE Department, is appointed as Head of the Administrative Examination Procedure.

Personal data required by the present announcement are exclusively processed for the activities linked to the pre-selection process. According to art 13 of EU Regulation 2016/679 – General Data Protection Regulation, the information notice is available at the following address: <http://www.unipd.it/privacy>.

The competition announcement and the application template are available on the following website: <http://www.dafnae.unipd.it>, "Bandi" section.

For further information please contact the DAFNAE Department, phone (+39) 049 8272542, e-mail: sustainableagriculture.dafnae@unipd.it

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