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## **School of Humanities and Social Sciences Globalization Program: Sustainable Development**

**Call for Application for Internships in research centers, universities, cultural organizations and companies in Italy following the semester of courses at VIU.**

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**The Globalization Program** at VIU is an opportunity to bring together talented, motivated students from VIU's member universities, in an international environment, and to motivate them to excel in an original and innovative program and achieve results through scholarship and experience. In the Spring Semester the Globalization Program focuses on Sustainable Development.

VIU promotes international mobility by providing internship opportunities and scholarships to students of the member universities. The internships offered are at research centers, universities, cultural organizations and companies in Italy and abroad. It is the norm for students of the Italian universities to travel abroad for their internship, while students from the non-Venetian students will normally carry out internships in Italy.

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### **Internship Program**

The internships will be two to four months long, and will take place between June and December 2012. The exact dates will be determined according to the needs of the host organization and considering the students' justified preferences.

The internships opportunities in Italy will be in research centers, companies and organizations whose activities are connected to sustainable development. Most of the opportunities will be in the Veneto area although some may be in other regions in Italy.

### **Eligibility**

Students from the following universities are invited to apply for an internship placement in Italy and a mobility scholarship:

- Boston College
- Duke University
- Ludwig Maximilians Universität
- Tel Aviv University
- Tilburg University
- Tongji University
- Tsinghua University
- Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona
- Waseda University
- Exchange students from Università Ca' Foscari Venezia
- Exchange students from Università Iuav di Venezia

Applicants must be registered for the Spring 2012 semester of the Globalization Program on Sustainable Development, and taking at least three courses. Regular, active participation in the co-curricular program is expected and will be considered an advantage for selection.

### **Scholarships**

In order to contribute to the costs of international travel and accommodation, VIU will provide 8 scholarships to the value of €2000 for internships to be carried out in Italy by students of the Spring 2012 semester.

VIU promotes the internships and scholarships of the Globalization Program in collaboration with the Italian National Research Council (CNR) and thanks to the generous contribution of the Italian Ministry for the Environment, Land and Sea.

*Note: VIU has issued a separate call for applications from students from the Venetian Universities for internships and scholarships outside of Italy. In the event that not all scholarships are awarded for internships outside of Italy, VIU may decide to redistribute resources in favor of internships in Italy, and vice-versa.*

### **How to Apply**

The applicant must submit the application form, available for download online [www.univiu.org](http://www.univiu.org) or by requesting it from the offices of the program at VIU, by **April 12, 2012**.

The following documents must be included in the application:

1. Application form
2. *Curriculum Vitae* in English (max. 2 pages)
3. Motivation letter in English (no longer than one A4 page)

Applicants will be invited for an interview following the mid-term break.

### **Selection Committee**

The successful candidates will be selected by a committee, having heard the evaluation of the faculty. The committee is composed of the following members:

1. Dean, Venice International University
2. Director, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Venice International University
3. Academic Advisor of the Globalization Program

### **Conditions**

The internship placement and scholarship will be confirmed on the condition that the student has a good attendance record throughout the semester and completes all examinations and evaluations in all courses for which s/he is registered. Furthermore, selected students are expected to participate in the co-curricular activities of the program throughout the semester.

The scholarship will be paid in two installments: 60% will be paid before the internship commences to allow students pay for travel and/or accommodation costs. The remaining 40% will be paid after the internship, and on condition that the host organization confirms the satisfactory completion of the internship by the student and that the start and end dates of the internship were respected, as stated in the learning agreement, signed by the host organization, VIU and the student.

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