Globalization Program Internships in Italy – 1st semester 2025-2026



Call for Applications

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 brings together talented, motivated students from VIU's member universities, in a multicultural, international and interdisciplinary environment. The program provides a powerful learning experience in which students develop their capacity for critical thinking and creative problem solving. Students of the Globalization Program are thus more prepared for graduate and professional study and for careers in new and emerging fields.

VIU promotes international mobility by providing internship opportunities and scholarships to students of the member universities. The internships offered through this call are at research centers, universities, cultural organizations and companies in Italy.

Internship Program

The internships will be two to four months long (full-time), and must be completed by December 31, 2026. The exact dates will be determined according to the needs of the host organization and considering the students' justified preferences.

The internship opportunities in Italy will be in research centers, companies and organizations whose activities are connected to Globalization, Cultural Heritage and/or Sustainable Development. Most of the opportunities will be in the Venice area although some may be in other regions in Italy.

Host Organizations:

Consult the list of possible host organizations and watch video interviews of previous interns on the VIU website:

https://www.univiu.org/study/globalization-program/internships/in-italy

Depending on the profile of the shortlisted candidate, and subject to the compatible availability of the potential host organization, opportunities with one of these organizations could be offered to each shortlisted candidate. We will continue to work with the partner organizations in building *ad hoc* projects tailored to the interests and needs of the successful candidates, a feature of the VIU Internships in Italy program since it began in 2008.



Final confirmation of a curricular internship is nevertheless contingent upon acceptance by the host institution.

Eligibility

<u>All students</u> currently attending the 1st semester 2025-2026 of the VIU Globalization Program are invited to apply for an Internships in Italy scholarship:

- Applicants must be registered for the 1st semester 2025-2026 of the Globalization Program, and taking <u>at least three</u> courses.
- Regular, active participation in the co-curricular program is expected.
- The internship must be undertaken while the intern is still registered at their home university.

Scholarships

- Up to five internships will be supported with a € 700 scholarship each.
- Further internship placements without scholarships may be offered to qualified candidates.

All decisions related to the allocation of scholarships will be taken by the selection committee.

How to Apply

Applications must be submitted via the candidate's profile page on the VIU website by **Sunday, October 26, 2025, midnight (CEST).** It is recommended to apply no later than 6 hours before the deadline to minimize technical issues.

The following documents must be attached to the application:

- 1. Curriculum Vitae in English (max. 2 pages)
- 2. Motivation letter in English (no longer than one A4 page)

The candidates will be invited for an interview after mid-term break.

Evaluation and Selection

The successful candidates shortlisted for a scholarship will be selected by the end of the 1st semester 2025-2026 at VIU by a Selection Committee composed of the following members:



- 1. Dean of Venice International University, Prof. Carmelo Marabello
- 2. Vice Dean of Venice International University, Prof. Luca Pes
- 3. Academic Advisor of the Mobility Program, Venice International University, Prof. Ilda Mannino

The selection of the candidates and the award of the scholarships will be based on a ranking. The score achieved by each student will be the result of the sum of the following:

1. Quality of the candidate (40%)

The candidate's CV, motivation letter and interview will be evaluated. Language skills and compatibility of candidate with opportunities at host organizations are also considered.

2. Academic performance (40%)

Based on the mid-term evaluation of the professors teaching the courses in the Globalization Program.

3. Participation in co-curricular activities (20%)

Participation in at least five co-curricular activities is a prerequisite. Active participation in the VIU Plenary workshop will be considered equal to three co-curricular activities.

Requirements for confirmation of placement:

- Successful completion of all courses at VIU
- The curricular internship must be undertaken while the intern is still registered in a degree program at the home university.
- Acceptance by a host institution

An internship placement and scholarship award are conditional on the host institution accepting the shortlisted candidate.

Students who are awarded a scholarship will receive it in two installments.

70% will be paid before the internship commences to allow students to pay for travel and/or accommodation costs.

The remaining 30% will be paid after the internship, and on condition that:

- the host organization confirms the satisfactory completion of the internship by the student
- the start and end dates of the internship were respected, as stated in the curricular internship learning agreement, signed by the host organization, VIU and the student
- the student submits a final internship report as described in the Internship Acceptance form
- the student completes an online questionnaire

Venice, September 30, 2025

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