

**Intensive Graduate Activities at Venice International University  
Addendum to the Call for Proposals 2024  
For activities that will take place in 2025 and 2026.**

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In April 2024, the VIU Board of Directors increased the funding for Intensive Graduate Activities for 2025 and 2026.

A total of €140,000 per year is available to support the organization of PhD Academies and Graduate Seminars, with the budget for each activity increased to €28,000.

- 4 activities have been previously approved for 2025.

This call is now relevant for the following:

- 1 additional activity in 2025, which must be either a PhD Academy or a Graduate Seminar.  
(Priority will be given to proposals that involve the member institutions that have joined VIU in 2024<sup>1</sup>)
- 5 activities in 2026 in the PhD Academy or Graduate Seminar categories.

The Academic Council invites applicants to consider incorporating innovative pedagogical approaches through blended (hybrid) solutions. Applicants may consider utilizing available technologies for preparatory work, group tasks, and team collaboration over an extended period before and/or after the intensive on-campus activity at VIU. For further suggestions on models of blended activities and the integration of a virtual component, please refer to Annexes 5 and 6 in the [guidelines](#).

Applicants should consider that the integration of blended (hybrid) learning activities is NOT a prerequisite for application.

If applicants choose to include blended (hybrid) learning activities, the proposal should explain the rationale and integration of these activities within the proposal, and clearly outline the learning outcomes for the participants.

The deadline for proposals is September 15, 2024.

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<sup>1</sup> [INAF – Italian National Institute for Astrophysics](#);  
[IUSS Pavia](#)  
[Sabanci University](#)