

MODERN LANGUAGES AND CULTURES
Three-year Degree Course

Class 11 Degree
Modern Languages and Cultures

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES



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REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCESS

- Secondary school diploma or any equivalent diploma obtained abroad having the same validity.
- Restricted entry
- Candidates, subject to an interview at the Faculty Careers Office, will be accepted until the closed number is reached, according to the order in which the applications are received by the Students' Office
- Students intending to choose English as the 1st or 2nd language must be in possession of a basic knowledge of the language
- At the beginning of the courses 1st year students will be given an entry test in order to divide them into three groups for the first year of lectures

DEGREE COURSE PROFILE

The degree Course combines the humanistic-literary studies, which accompany language studies, with the technical-professional studies needed for the working world.

The courses are aimed at preparing graduates with expert knowledge of language and intercultural contexts so as to create a flexible professional figure, with the sensitivity needed to deal with the dynamics of intercultural relations and the ability to act as mediator in different social and business areas

PROGRAMMES

- Languages for Intercultural Mediation
- Languages for the Organisation and Promotion of Tourism
- Languages for Companies and Administrations

OBJECTIVES OF THE COURSE

- Competence in Italian language and literature and basic notions of theoretical linguistics
- Good command of two foreign languages and the cultural patrimony of the countries' civilisation
- Basic competence in a third language
- Sociological skills in intercultural communication
- Ability to carry out professional work at various levels in public and private bodies in the cultural services sectors, journalism, tourism, publishing and in cultural organisations of different kinds
- Knowledge of the most important computing language and software referred to specific contexts
- Possession of the basic skills to teach languages, foreign cultures and literature in the secondary school, upon completion of the specialist degree course

OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAMME

Languages for Intercultural Mediation

The acquisition of the skills needed to work in the cultural institutions and/or organisations of the European Union, in European projects regarding the development and diffusion of modern languages and cultures, in publishing and journalism and in the field of intercultural communication.

Languages for the Organisation and Promotion of Tourism

The acquisition of the skills needed to work in the planning and organisation of tourist-cultural events (exhibitions, trade-fairs, tourist-cultural travel and itineraries), in the context of local services for tourism and in the National Heritage and environment organisations.

Languages for Companies and Administrations

The acquisition of the skills needed to work in the economic and administrative sectors in organisations, international bodies and agencies, public administrations, services companies, public and private companies.

CAREER OPENINGS

Publishing, cultural services, tourist boards and agencies, Italian institutes of culture abroad, international organisms, companies and commercial activities, public administration (varying according to the subject area).

PROFESSIONAL PROFILES

Cultural attaché in embassies and Italian institutes of culture abroad, language expert in commercial and economic activity with foreign countries, responsible for support and linguistic assistance in various sectors (journalism, sport, commerce, economy, tourism, culture, art).

SYLLABUSES

As of the **first year**, together with subjects in common, there will be differences in the three courses:

- Basic teaching is foreseen in the scientific-discipline sectors of Italian studies, linguistics, history
- the study of the distinguishing disciplines is decided, relative to language and translation (French language and translation, Spanish language and translation, English language and translation, German language and translation, Russian language and translation), to foreign literature (French literature, Spanish literature, English literature, German literature, Russian literature)
- professional training courses start, in particular the ECDL programme in preparation for the computer license to be taken by the end of the third year

In the **second and third year** the courses are significantly different:

- the study of the distinguishing disciplines continues, particularly that of foreign languages and literature
- by means of a series of differentiated choices in the context of similar and additional disciplines and those relative to the university contexts, the three courses start, integrating the study plan with disciplines attaining to the single areas of study

For the definition of their syllabuses, students can choose, using different modalities, from disciplines pertaining to philosophy, history, history-art, languages, literature, philology, law, sociology, geography, economics and communication science.

Students have the possibility to study abroad with the Socrates-Erasmus project, maintaining the same subjects as those in their study plan and to take advantage of professional training and internships made possible by the Faculty and the University.

Linked as it is to its vocation as much as to its dimension, the LUMSA University is characterised by its commitment to educating the whole person (this is also achieved by conferring some credits to deeply educational disciplines like the theological ones). It is expected that by the end of their university education students have developed a command of themselves and confidence in their own abilities, socially integrated behaviour, attention to cultural and religious differences, sensitivity to the values of solidarity, a strong cultural and deontological motivation with respect to any profession.

LUMSA SPECIALIST DEGREES HAVING DIRECT ACCESS (with no university debits)

- Languages for International Communication (43/S)

The degree course in Languages for International Communication is organised so as to allow full recognition of credits both for students coming from Class 11 (Modern languages and cultures) and for students coming from Class 3 (Language Mediation).

DIDACTICS

The courses are taught through lectures, seminars, practical exercises, laboratory practical sessions (language and computer), internships with external organisations or other experience to gain professional skills.

SERVICES

- Financial aid for students allocated by the LUMSA Board of Directors
- "Giorgio Petrocchi" Faculty Library equipped with computers for on-line bibliographical research
- Computer Centre for University Didactics (CIDA) and possibility of ECDL certificate courses (European Computer Driving License)
- University Language Centre
- Centre for the University Pastoral Mission
- Computing Laboratory
- Masters Degree Office, Postgraduate Courses and School of Specialisation for the Legal Professions
- Assistance for disabled students
- Tutorship: guides and assists students in didactics for the entire duration of their studies
- Office for the Right to Study: gives assistance to students by means of the allocation of services and grants with open competitions financed by the Lazio Region
- Bursar's Office
- Faculty Careers Office: assists and guides students for the entire duration of their studies with meetings, interviews and additional recreational-cultural activities
- International Relations Office: facilitates and promotes mobility of students in EU programmes
- Students' Office
- Traineeship Office
- Universitas – LUMSA Graduates Association

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