

GENERAL INFORMATION



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📍 Where are we?

Geography division

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EXAM SESSIONS:

WINTER SESSION:

January 22nd – February 23rd 2018

SUMMER SESSION:

June 4th – July 20th 2018

AUTUMN SESSION:

August 20th – September 21st 2018

SUSPENSION OF TEACHING ACTIVITIES:

Christmas holidays:

December 23rd 2017 – January 7th 2018

Easter holidays:

March 30th – April 3rd 2018

Justinian holiday:

April 30th 2018

Summer holidays:

July 30th – August 17th 2018

Holy patron:

June 13th 2018



UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI
DI PADOVA



Dipartimento di Scienze
Storiche, Geografiche e
dell'Antichità-DiSSGeA

Master Degree in

Local Development

ACADEMIC YEAR 2017-2018



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The Local Development master's degree is conducted entirely in **English**.

It provides a thorough understanding of specific forms of social, economic and institutional dynamics that characterize the processes of local development in different contexts and at different levels.

It encourages knowledge aimed at promoting the implementation of sustainability processes.

The program includes activities dedicated to acquiring advanced knowledge in the fields of political, economic, regional and social organization, statistics for the measurement of local and sustainable development, intercultural learning, design and development of group dynamics.

THE PROGRAM

REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCESS

There is no limited number nor admission test. Students can enroll if holding a three-year Degree (Laurea, Ba/BSc, Licence, Licenciatura, a.s.o.) and having English language skills (level B2 certified).

ATTENDANCE

The frequency is generally not required, although recommended. The participation in the Kick-off Seminar is mandatory (except for Erasmus incoming students). The pre-enrolled students can join the Seminar even if they're still unsure about registering.

FEES AND FACILITATION

The fees are divided into three installments:

- The first one must be paid by **September 30th 2017**.
- The second one must be paid by **February 15th 2018**.
- The third fee must be paid by **May 15th 2018**.

For facilitations, scholarships, and tax exemptions, please consult the "exemption announcement" at:

www.unipd.it → Secretariat and Taxes.

For further information about fees and facilitations:

Right to Study and Tutored Service.

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INTERNSHIP AND THESIS

INTERNSHIP

The master includes an on-site internship (compulsory, minimum 200 hours), in Italy or abroad, in conjunction with relevant authorities and NGOs. The case study conducted during the internship will be the starting point for the graduation exam.

The goal of the internship is to train the student in local development issues in an institution, organization or private company. Furthermore it aims to encourage the practice of social & organizational skills, of a critical attitude and results-orientedness.

The student must have a basic knowledge in the area of local development or in a related research field connected to the topic of the internship. She/he has to be able to independently research, process and report scientific information.

THESIS

To graduate, students must have completed and registered all exams involved in their study plans (including work experiences, workshops, seminars, etc.) at least 15 days prior to the start date of the graduation exam session.

The final examination consists in the writing of an original dissertation under the guidance of a supervisor, normally a Faculty Professors, that shall be based on the student's internship. The dissertation shall be written and discussed in English.



OCCUPATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Our degree course prepares students for being experts in local development and more generally in development cooperation in different social and regional contexts; the program forms students to work with non-governmental organizations, government at various levels, international organizations and agencies, professional and neighborhood associations. Potential employment opportunities lie in the broad field of development cooperation -especially decentralized- and in the promotion of community development in terms of context analysis and feasibility studies, activities under the project cycle, participation in the elaboration and evaluation of policies and programs of this sector.

