## **SUPSI**

# **Information for SEMP Students Exchange Program 2017/2018**





## **University Information**

The University	Scuola Universitaria Professionale della Svizzera Italiana (SUPSI) University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Southern Switzerland
General Information	Website: <a href="https://www.supsi.ch">www.supsi.ch</a> Number of students (Bachelor, Master; Diploma, FC): 12'400 More than 30 Bachelor and Master degree courses.

#### **International Office**

Institution	Scuola Universitaria Professionale della Svizzera Italiana (SUPSI) University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Southern Switzerland				
Erasmus ID code	CH LUGANO02				
Head of International Office	Ms Pamela Valeggia				
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## **Applications**

Deadlines	For Autumn semester and academic year: 30th April / For Spring semester: 31st October		
Application Procedure	In order to apply and be accepted for a study period at SUPSI, applicant students must first be officially nominated, via e-mail, by their home institutions. The International Office will send the link for the online application directly to the student.  The online application form will be available between 1st and 30th of April for the Autumn semester or the academic year, and between 1st and 31th of October for the Spring semester.  Documents requested:  Online application form		
	- Learning agreement - Curriculum Vitae (as per form attached online) - Letter of Motivation - Copy of the Transcript of records - Photocopy of ID o Passport - Photocopy of Insurance Cover - Portfolio (only for DACD)  Confirmation of acceptance will be issued within 4 weeks after the application deadline.		

## **General information on didactics**

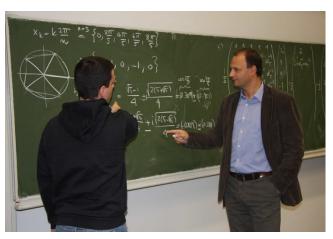
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Academic calendar (each semester lasts 14 weeks)	1 <sup>st</sup> semester (mid-September – late December) Exams (early January – mid-February)  2 <sup>nd</sup> semester (late February – late May) Exams (early June – early July)				
Departments	DACD - Department for Environment Construction and Design DFA - Department of Education and Learning DEASS - Department of Business Economics, Health and Social Care DTI - Department of Innovative Technologies				
Affiliated Schools	CSI - Conservatorio della Svizzera Italiana ATD - Accademia Teatro Dimitri FFHS – Swiss Distance University of Applied Sciences				
Bachelor's degree programs	DACD (Architecture, Interior Design, Conservation, Visual Communication, Civil Engineering) DFA (Pre-primary Education, Primary Education) DEASS-Health (Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy) DEASS-Economy and Social Work (Business Administration, Social Work) DTI (Electrical Engineering, Engineering and Management, Computer Science, Mechanical Engineering) CSI (Music, Music and Movement) ATD (Theatre) FFHS (Business Administration, Engineering and Management, Computer Science, Business Information Technology)				
Master's degree programs	DACD (Conservation-Restoration) DFA (Secondary Education) DEASS (Business Administration, Social Work)				

	DTI (Engineering) CSI (Music Composition and Theory, Music Pedagogy, Music Performance, Specialized Music Performance, Artistic Research) ATD (Theatre, Artistic Research) FFHS (Business Administration)				
Credit System	ECTS European Credit Transfer System				
Grading System	6 5.5 5 4.5 4 3.5	A B C D E F	Excellent Very Good Good Satisfactory Sufficient Insufficient		
Language of didactics	The official language of instruction is Italian. Courses and extra practice sessions may be held in English or German.				
Italian courses	Two-weeks intensive Italian courses at no charge for international students in August and February. Italian courses are also offered free of charge during the academic year.				









### Other information

Accommodation	Student accommodations		
	SUPSI does not have a Student Residence, but manages some flats and rooms for international students.		
	A number of single, furnished rooms within student apartments in Lugano are reserved for exchange students.		
	SUPSI accommodations are located in the city center, close to all kind of facilities and shops.		
	It is strongly recommended to send early the application form. Once accepted, the student will receive further information on room types, rents, locations and the different students 'accommodation organizations.		
	Further accommodations' proposals: <a href="http://www.supsi.ch/international_en/informazioni-utili/studenti-stranieri/alloggio.html">http://www.supsi.ch/international_en/informazioni-utili/studenti-stranieri/alloggio.html</a> <a href="http://www.supsi.ch/orientamento/futuri-studenti/alloggi-e-trasporti.html">http://www.supsi.ch/orientamento/futuri-studenti/alloggi-e-trasporti.html</a>		
	Private Housing		
	Listings of other accommodations available in Lugano can be found at:		
	<ul> <li>www.airbnb.ch</li> <li>www.homegate.ch</li> <li>www.tutti.ch</li> <li>www.immoscout24.ch</li> <li>www.luganoannunci.ch</li> </ul>		
	These websites are really used by students and local population, we recommend to looking for an accommodation well in advance.		
Approximate costs per month in Swiss Francs (CHF)	- Shared single room or one-bedroom apartment 450-800 Food and other household expenses 450 Recreation and travel 150 Health Insurance, in required 160-280 Living in Lugano entails for students a monthly expense of approximately 1500-2300		
Financial Aid	The Swiss Federal Council has decided to give financial aid to all European students as a compensation for the former Erasmus Mobility Grant. A new programme was created, the Swiss-European Mobility Programme (SEMP) which can give subventions to a number of bourse requests.		
What students must absolutely know	Visa and Residence Permit		
absolutely know	Non-EU citizens require a student visa; early application essential (immediately after receiving the letter of acceptance)		
	All exchange students must apply for a residence permit ("L-Permit") upon arrival.		

More information about VISAs, resident permit and health insurance, please visit:

http://www.supsi.ch/international\_en/informazioni-utili.html

#### **Health Insurance**

Basic health insurance is compulsory by law in Switzerland.

Non-EU residents must buy an health insurance in Switzerland (currently ca. CHF 105 per month); any international health insurance obtained in the home country is not sufficient.

EU residents with EHIC cards can waive this obligation by presenting a copy (cards need to be valid for the entire duration of stay in Switzerland)

#### Welcome Guide for international minds

Student and staff guide:

http://www.supsi.ch/international\_en/news-eventi/news/2017/2017-02-17.html

