

# **UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONALISATION PROGRAMME - 2018**

# **ACTION 1 - VISITING**

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#### Article 1 - AIMS

The University of Verona wishes to form collaborative relations with experts and academics from foreign institutions in a bid to extend and strengthen its ties with international research institutions and increase internationalisation in its own education programmes.

It is possible to apply for entry mobility (for lecturers from foreign institutions) to teach on Bachelor, Masters or combined Bachelor+Masters degree programmes. Candidates who are invited to teach will be responsible for one or more full courses within the teaching programme of the relevant degree for a minimum commitment of 6 university credits ("CFU"). Teaching includes carrying out exams for the relevant course(s). Stays in Verona must be for a minimum of two months. Proposed projects must begin in the 2018-2019 or 2019-2020 academic year.

## Article 2 – GRANT VALUES

Grant requests should be proportionate to the intended duration of stay. For an indication of funding amounts, please refer to the table below:

	Grant amount	
	Category: Junior	Category: Senior
First bimester	€7,500	€10,000
One-off supplement for invited candidates from <u>outside the EU</u>	+ €1,000	+ €1,000
Additional weeks	€750/week	€1000/week
MAXIMUM GRANT For a stay of one full academic year	€30,000	€40,000

The distinction between Junior and Senior categories is based on applicants' academic experience:

- Junior: lecturers and researchers with no more than 7 years' academic experience after having obtained their PhD.
- Senior: university lecturers and scientists of international reputation.

Some deviations from the above amounts may be possible, provided appropriate reasons are outlined in the project proposal accompanying the application.

The total amount available to the Visiting professor is to be considered gross of any withholding tax to be paid by the Entity and the recipient as provided by law. Further details about Italian taxation available <u>here</u>.



Payments to lecturers of **non-EU** nationality must comply with the provisions of law related to their **type of visa to enter Italy**. For further information or assistance, please contact the university's Welcome Office (international@ateneo.univr.it) in due time.

## Article 3 - AVAILABLE FUNDS

The university has a total of **€230,000** in available funds for Action 1 and Action 3 projects. A minimum sum of €130,000 will be reserved to Action 1 projects.

#### **Article 4 - SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS**

Each application must be submitted by the structure (Department) responsible, on the suggestion of the Teaching Board of the related Bachelor, Masters or combined Bachelor+Masters degree, and must include the following documentation:

1	Application form online;		
2	Teaching project (following the form provided) completed by the President of the related		
2	Teaching Board;		
3	Candidate's detailed CV including publications;		
4	References of the institute of origin, in case it is not a University (see Art. 5);		
5	Extract of the minutes of the Department Evaluation Committee, indicating the points given		
5	to each project.		
	Extract of the minutes of the Council of the Department and of the Teachers' Committee		
6	approving the project. If the type of the candidate's institute of origin is not included in the		
	QS World University Rankings, the decision must also state the number of points awarded		
	by the Department, regarding the prestige of the institute.		

The deadline for receiving applications is: **28<sup>th</sup> March 2018** at 12:00 noon.

# Article 5 – EVALUATION CRITERIA

Applications will be judged based on the following criteria:

CRITERIA	POINTS
Amount of teaching work per semester carried out by the invited lecturer	up to 6 credits = 0 points; 7-9 credits = 1 point; more than 10 credits = 2 points
Prestige of the university or institute of origin	0-3 points
Teaching courses entirely in a foreign language	1 point
Strategic importance for the department (e.g. creation or continuation of an agreement with the candidate's institute of origin, long-term projects or returning effects on educational programmes)	0-3 points
Evaluation of the candidate's CV and publications	0-5 points
Evaluation of the teaching project and how well the candidate's academic profile fits the teaching project proposed (for visiting professors already invited in previous editions of the Programme, 0 to 2 points will be referred to the evaluation of the final report of the completed projects, including the students' satisfaction rate)	0-3 points





Co-funding quota in relation to the maximum amount that can be awarded (60% = 3 points; 50% = 2 points; 30% = 1 point)	0-3 points
Mistakes or missing documents in the paperwork provided by the applicant structure	0 to -3 points
TOTAL	20 POINTS
Minimum threshold for eligibility	10 POINTS

The prestige of the institute of origin shall be evaluated as follows:

- <u>University institutes</u> "QS World University Rankings" will be used. A score will be calculated by averaging the general ranking of the institute (top 100 = 3 points; top 101-200 = 2 points; lower than top 200 = 1 point; no ranking = 0 points) and the ranking of the candidate's particular subject area (Arts & Humanities, Social Sciences & Management, Life Sciences & Medicine, Natural Sciences, Engineering & Technology) (top 100 = 3 points; top 101-200 = 2 points; lower than top 200 = 1 point; no ranking = 0 points). Rankings can be found at the website: <u>http://www.topuniversities.com</u>

- <u>Non-university institutes</u> (e.g. national research institutes) or Graduate Schools (not included in QS world university rankings). The relevant structure (Department) will award from 0 to 3 points <u>based on references of the home/destination institute submitted by the candidate</u> by attachment to the application form.

In cases of equal merit, priority will be given to projects related to calls planned for the 2018-2019 academic year.

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N.B. This is the English translation of a brief extract of Action 1 of the University Internationalisation Programme, 2018. For further information, please refer to the official Italian version, which is available <u>here</u>. For any doubts, assistance or support regarding application submissions, contact the International Relations Office (<u>international@ateneo.univr.it</u>).