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MED INTERNATIONAL

Our Identity and Tradition in the World
The University “Mediterranea” of Reggio Calabria combines tradition with an orientation towards the future. It is a public, dynamic and young institution that keeps strong connections within its socio-economic context while looking for internationalisation. Located on the Messina Strait, at the heart of the Mediterranean Area, it aims to be an internationally reputed European research University and to provide high-quality education for both domestic and international students. Its strength lies in its integrated range of disciplines that result in interesting opportunities for interdisciplinarity in research and teaching. Research and teaching specializations evidently emerge in the Ph.D. programs. Many scientists from all over the world are linked to researches carried out at the University of Reggio Calabria, which commits itself towards emphasizing the advancement of young scientists and the further development of its range of degree programs by seizing the opportunities offered by the Bologna system.

Internationalisation is of growing importance for universities, as highlighted by many initiatives of EUA (European University Association) of whom our “Mediterranea” has been a partner for a long time. It is a matter to be designed keeping into strict account the three institutional, strategy and policy levels. Our University is looking forward to a strongly growing involvement in EU-based projects and activities.

The University “Mediterranea” of Reggio Calabria has been signing numerous partnership agreements with other European and third Universities within mobility and cooperation programs. Our two strongest priorities for the next years are the attraction of more international students at all levels and the internationalisation of learning and teaching at home. As of this academic year, more than 5% of our students gain an international experience within joint initiatives and programs and our goal is to double this figure. We also aim to substantially increase the number of incoming students, also through an improved welcome strategy.

Let’s look toward a future of success for our Institution and our young, highly motivated students.

Welcome to Reggio Calabria, city of light, sunny days and Mediterranean wind!

Prof. Eng. Francesco Carlo MORABITO

Vice-Rector
for International and Institutional Relations
Italy, at the heart of the Mediterranean Sea, has been the cradle of European civilization since ancient times. It is known throughout the world for its art treasures. Italy has also excelled in the fields of architecture, painting and sculpture with the works and discoveries of its artists, musicians, poets, navigators and scientists such as Raphael, Michelangelo, Verdi, Christopher Columbus, Leonardo da Vinci, Antonio Meucci, Guglielmo Marconi, Carlo Rubbia. Italy still boasts roles of excellence in culture, art, fashion, design, cuisine, and in many other fields. It was the seat of the first universities. Italy plays an important role in European higher education, having been among the four countries that promoted the creation of the “European Higher Education Area” (Sorbonne Declaration, May 1998), which started a massive process of harmonizing the various systems of education known as the “Bologna Process” (Bologna Declaration, June 1999).

The quality of teaching in Italian universities is guaranteed by the State and all qualifications have the same legal value. Foreign students have the same rights as Italian citizens regarding the awarding of scholarships, university accommodation and access to the services provided by the universities. University education in Italy enjoys international prestige in important fields such as Architecture, Engineering, Economics, Design, Medicine, Fashion, Art and Music.
The UNIVERSITY MEDITERRANEAN OF REGGIO CALABRIA is part of a peculiar geographical context, as the area of the Straits of Messina is historically the point of passage for shipping routes and the threshold of continental Europe to the Mediterranean. The region which is home to Calabria in southern Italy is universally recognized as the heart of Magna Grecia. History and archaeology characterize a stretch of land in the Mediterranean with an outstanding landscape where the mountains are dominated by thick forests, with a succession of white beaches and rugged cliffs that plunge into the sea.

The city of Reggio Calabria is the most populated urban centre in Calabria, between the slopes of the Aspromonte and the Mediterranean sea. It is a fertile area thanks to its unique climate and abundance of water where crops, vines and citrus fruits, especially bergamot are grown.

One of the flourishing cities of Magna Grecia, celebrated by British travellers of the nineteenth century, Reggio Calabria boasts a picturesque waterfront, with its major botanical garden housing various tropical plants, fig trees, and centuries old magnolias and the remains of ancient Greek walls and Roman baths. The promenade skirts the Straits of Messina with a view of Etna, and the mountains of the Aspromonte behind. The Aspromonte is home to the National Park and the ski resort of Gambalate. The wonderful light and the Mediterranean climate make Reggio Calabria a unique city with a glorious past, projected into a future of development and progress, whose wealth of architecture, art and environment make it one of the most interesting places of the south.

It is home to the National Archaeological Museum, which houses ancient and valuable prehistoric, Greek and Roman artefacts such as the 'Head of the philosopher' and the Bronzes of Riace, symbols of great wealth. The city centre is mainly characterized by the architecture of the early decades of the 1900, and presents interesting examples of Art Nouveau, Neo-Gothic (Palazzo Zerbi), neoclassical (the Theatre Communale Francesco Cilea), eclectic (Mazzitelli Palace) and modern architecture (Angiolo Mazzoni Railway Station, the National Museum of Magna Grecia, by
Piacentini, the former barracks of the Fascist Youth. There are also a number of important buildings such as the Aragonese Castle (XVI century), near the Cathedral, which was completely rebuilt after the destruction of the previous building by the earthquake of 1908, the Church of the Ottimati, the Church of St. Mary’s, the Catholic Church of Graziella (seventeenth century), which survived the earthquake of 1908 in part. To the north, along the coast, lies Scilla, of Homeric fame, an old fishing town. Chianalea, the oldest, most characteristic and best preserved part of the town is to the north of the marina. In the upper part of the town sits the Castello Ruffo di Calabria which was built on the Rock overlooking the Straits. The city is well connected by its rail system, the terminus of one of the main Italian railway lines - between Rome and Reggio Calabria, the road network (take the “A2 Autostrada del Mediterraneo”), National Airport of the Straits, and the ferry system with hydrofoils to Sicily.
Why study at the UNIVERSITY MEDITERRANEA of Reggio Calabria?
Studying in Reggio Calabria allows you to live in a metropolitan city washed by the sea and close to the mountains; it is a city of captivating beauty, whilst still enjoying the mild Mediterranean climate.

The cost of living and studying, compared to other great European universities, is low and allows you to follow a degree course supported by specific services.

The size of the University favours the formation of friendships and provides a good quality of student life.

This is thanks to the organization of the University Campus where the wireless network allows free access to all necessary information, all the outdoor activities (registration, fees, and careers at the university).

It offers pre and postgraduate orientation thanks to UniOrienta with counselling services.

Regular newsletters, personalized emails, and pages on Facebook and Twitter allow you to keep up to date.

We offer a series of specific services such as student accommodation, free urban transport, libraries, and laboratories.

It allows you to study abroad thanks to the Erasmus programme.

It increases the students’ educational and job opportunities thanks to scientific cooperation.

It offers postgraduate training: master's degrees in collaboration with local and international research institutions which allow students and graduates to improve their training according to the needs of the market.
The modern University Campus is located on the hills of Feo di Vito, overlooking the harbour of Reggio Calabria. It is well positioned in relation to the city and includes the teaching and administrative facilities, 6 departments, 60 workshops and services for students, divided into 4 groups:

1 - The core of the complex consists of a white stereo-metric building with large windows housing the classrooms, the Library, the Main Hall and the multimedia laboratory, providing a large welcoming space suitable for students. The longitudinal Department buildings are arranged around a large courtyard housing both - Department of Architecture (dArTe) and Department of Heritage-Architecture-Urbanism - culminating in four massive white towers and projected towards the Straits, constituting a landmark on the landscape.

2 - "Lot D" alongside the departments buildings houses a vast area that includes services and offices and the Department of Law, Economics and Human Sciences. The building houses the largest room, the Aula Magna, dedicated to “Antonio Quistelli”, with 400 seats and a multipurpose space with a gym of over 350 square metres with an extensive range of machines and equipment.

3 - The core of the Engineering Department is composed of 3 buildings that stretch over a series of terraces, ramps and stairs due to the steep slope. The main building, designed to bridge the hills, houses the Departments Information Engineering, Infrastructures, and Sustainable Energy and Civil, Energy, Environmental and Material Engineering - while the Library and the Aula Magna are located in a semi-circular building. The classrooms are in the final building.

4 - The Department of Agriculture is situated on top of the hill of Feo di Vito and consists of two buildings connected to a large atrium with a large courtyard which blends into landscape.
TOTAL AREA: 384,000 m²
Department of Architecture: 17987.57 m²
Departments: 2092.32 m²
Engineering: 16653.36 m²
Agriculture: 7723.48 m²
Administrative Offices: 4234.00 m²
"Lot D" 12,000 m² includes:
1. The assembly hall of the University, 400 seats;
2. Three classrooms that can seat about 170 people each, used mostly by the Department of Law Economics and Human Sciences;
3. Offices, Departments and centre for students
The University Mediterranea of Reggio Calabria (UNIRC acronym), was founded in 1968. It combines a commitment to research and teaching in the six departments: Architecture–dArTe; Heritage-Architecture-Urbanism; Agriculture; Law, Economics and Human Sciences; Civil, Energy, Environmental and Material Engineering; Information Engineering, Infrastructures, and Sustainable Energy.

The different disciplines and the many teaching and research activities are related to the surrounding territory, with the creation of an "Environmental Polytechnic" with a strong emphasis on the themes of architecture, landscape, urban planning and infrastructure related to the green economy. The Faculty of Law, Economics and Human Sciences studies the economic issues relating to archaeology and cultural heritage, law and science of primary education.

The 77 active laboratories at the Università Mediterranea operate in the Departments to support the activities of scientific and industrial research, experimental development and educational activities. They represent a vital sector in the overall economy of the university system that involves other universities, research institutions, public administrations, associations and companies.

The activities of the individual laboratories can be found at: http://www.unirc.it/ricerca/laboratori.php
DEGREES OFFERED

Degree Courses 1\textsuperscript{st} cycle
- Agricultural Sciences and Technologies, L-25
- Architectural Science, L-17
- Civil and Environmental Engineering, L-7
- Economic Sciences, L-33
- Environmental and Forest Sciences, L-25
- Food Sciences and Technologies, L-26
- Industrial Engineering, L-9
- Information Engineering, L-8

Degree Courses 2\textsuperscript{nd} cycle
- Agricultural Sciences and Technologies, LM-69
- Architecture-Restoration, LM-4
- Civil Engineering, LM-23
- Economics, LM-56
- Electronic Engineering, LM-29
- Environmental and Forest Sciences, LM-73
- Environmental Engineering, LM-35
- Food Sciences and Technologies, LM-70
- Information Technologies for Telecommunications Engineering, LM-27

Five Year Degree Programme – Single cycle
- Architecture, LM-4
- Law, LMG/01
- Primary Education Sciences, LM 86bis

PHD Courses
- Agricultural, Food and Forestry Science
- Architecture
- Information Engineering
- Law and Economics
The Department AGRARIA includes teaching and research development in the fields of Agriculture, Forestry Resources, Environment, Resources, Animal husbandry, Agricultural Engineering, Food.

The terms Agriculture, Forests, Environment and Food recall the fields of educational and scientific interest of the Department of AGRARIA and of the initiatives connected to it.

All Degree courses and PhD are supported by laboratories and various research activities and national and international project in the fields of Agriculture.
The Department of Agriculture is concerned with autonomy, the question of teaching, research and quality of results in the fields of agricultural science, forestry, territorial, environmental and food science and technology, which recognized fields of activity of strategic importance at the national level and in investment programs and development of “convergence regions” and, in particular, of the Calabria region and of the whole socio-economic and production thereof. The Department of Agriculture are incardinated study courses currently offered by the Faculty of Agriculture, namely the following degree courses (CDL) and Master of Science (CdLM) and the related activities of basic and specific: Class L-25 – degree in Agricultural Science and Technology – Degree in Forestry and Environmental Sciences – Degree in Agricultural Production Environment in the Mediterranean, Class L-26 – degree in Food Science and Technology, Interclass LM-69/LM-70 – CdLM in Agricultural Science and Technology Food and divided into two curricula, Class LM-73 – CdLM in Forestry and Environmental Sciences and Doctorate courses in Agricultural, Food and Forestry Science.
The acronym “dArTe” used for the Department of Architecture implies a double interpretation as it indicates the mutual and inseparable connection between the themes of Architecture and Spatial Planning, and at the same time it elevates art to a higher plain. The dArTe promotes basic and applied research, training, technology transfer with reference to the areas of architectural, urban and landscape design and restoration. The dArTe is concerned with the improvement and management of our architectural heritage and design. The main objective is the furthering of urban civilization and culture, offering the maximum knowledge and
the salient issues of national and international debate on architectural planning and the city. This Department offers a One-Cycle degree course in Architecture (Class LM -4). The Study of Architecture aims at forming a professional with the general architectural skills as laid down by the European Union Directive 2005/36, which describes the discipline and practice of the profession of architecture in the European Union. The primary purpose of the study programme is the transmission and integration of knowledge in the field of architecture, the city and the territory. Teaching is founded on the idea that planning is a process of synthesis and a fundamental moment of knowledge and building. Training is divided into two parts. The first, theoretical, aimed at the acquisition by the student of knowledge, methods and tools related to the practice of architecture and its history, including recent history, and the second, more operational, is geared to the “know-how”, i.e. the acquisition by students of skills relating to the exercise of specific activities in the field of the architectural profession. The Department of dArTe completes its training framework offering 1st and 2nd level specialization Masters. The final programme is the PhD in Architecture.
The main field of application of research in the Department of Heritage-Architecture-Urbanism, is the historical heritage at different levels: architecture-city-region with a particular focus on the knowledge, restoration, recovery and improvement of the urban environment and the evaluation of useful resources for sustainable economic development and social awareness of maintaining the specific identity of the landscape. Characterized by a strong interdisciplinary approach, PAU implements a synergy with the aim of training
culturally and technically prepared professionals, through the support of its many laboratories for applied research. The Department offers two degree programmes: the Bachelor of Architectural Science (Class L17) enrolment via an entry test with which graduates, after passing the state exam, can become members of the profession (sect. Junior Architect) or go directly to the Master biennial programme, in Architecture- Restoration (class LM4), which is recognised by the EU. The student of Architectural Science is trained to identify, formulate and resolve project issues in architecture, urban planning and construction, being able, at the end of the studies, to define the dimensions of building projects and micro-urban planning.

The master degree further investigates the disciplinary subjects of the three-year course, forming architects with a high degree of technical culture and a thorough critical-historical understanding in order to address the critical issues in the profession, through the application of applied testing to the historical heritage at different levels: from a single building to the entire city and the cultural landscape. The final program is the PhD course in Architecture.
The Department of Law, Economics and Human Sciences explores the different branches of the legal system—civil, criminal, administrative, procedural—the development of the law in different historical periods, the comparison with the legal systems of other countries, history, philosophy and political economy and science of primary education. The lectures alternate with seminars to deepen the subject matter of the courses and develop the ability to argue. Lessons are an integral part of the process simulations or discussion of legal cases replicated in real adversarial hearings. The Department is the heart of the historic Palazzo Zani, in the city center, which has been completely restored after two years of work. Here the seat of the presidency and the main administrative activities, the receipt of the teachers and the teaching. Large classrooms are reserved to the Department in the Citadel campus. In addition to the undergraduate degree in Law, the faculty is the three-year Bachelor of Science in Economics, the Degree Course, 2nd cycle in Economics and the five year degree programme in Primary Education Sciences. The final program is the PhD course in Law and Economics.
The Department of Civil, Energy, Environmental and Material Engineering offers a 1st cycle Degree Course in Civil and Environmental Engineering (L7), a 1st cycle Degree Course in Industrial Engineering (L-9), and two 2nd cycle Degree Courses in Civil Engineering (LM-23) and Environmental Engineering (LM-35), respectively.

The 1st cycle Degree Course in Civil and Environmental Engineering (180 ECTS) aims at providing the students with the knowledge and skills for designing and managing infrastructure relevant to civil engineering: buildings, transportation facilities, hydraulic and maritime structures. Furthermore, it has the objective of providing skills in the context of soil protection planning and management, as well as in the design of facilities for environmental protection, involving air, water and solid...
waste. The Degree Course in Industrial Engineering (L-9) has the specific objective of train an engineer with a wide spectrum of technical-scientific skills typical of industrial engineering with particular reference to the areas of electricity, energy, materials and management.

The main purpose of the 2nd cycle Degree Course in Civil Engineering (120 ECTS) is the formation of professionals with the necessary in-depth scientific and technical knowledge in the field of hydraulic and sea works, for the planning of structural systems and transport infrastructures.

The 2nd cycle Degree Course in Environmental Engineering (120 ECTS) aims at developing highly skilled professionals in the fields of territory defense and environmental protection, able to design and manage safety-related projects dealing with hydro-geologic instability, environmental protection (waste and wastewater management, contaminated sites reclamation), environmental monitoring, territorial management, sustainable energy production, management and economy.
From its very beginning the Department of Information Engineering, Infrastructures, and Sustainable Energy has been deeply committed to scientific research together with the transfer of technology, leading to the development of multidisciplinary skills in basic sciences as well as in the specialised areas of Civil Engineering (Infrastructure and Transport), Industrial and Information Technology. The level of scientific results achieved in recent years earned it an excellent position in the rankings of national departments operating in the same areas of science in 2013. The Department now offers a 1st level degree course in Information Engineering, the so-called ICT degree. It provides professional skills and extensive opportunities which allow access to the world of work.
The student can then continue his/her training, obtaining a 2nd level Degree either in Electronic Engineering or in Information Technologies for Telecommunications Engineering. The final programme is the PhD in Information Engineering. Professional skills for the Electronic Engineer mean the ability to design and use sensitive electronic equipment in any field, from telecommunications from robotics to biomedical systems for the intelligent management of processes and systems, while a graduate in Information Technologies for Telecommunications Engineering is a professional with transferable skills in ICT dealing competently with computers, computer networks, wireless systems, communication systems and high-tech control. Thanks to an internal network of research laboratories, students can work for internships and thesis alongside teachers who have extensive experience in cooperation with foreign partners, and excellent results in terms of funding and publications. In the last three years the Research carried out by the Department teaching staff has attracted million euros in funding and research project, some involving European partners.
ONLINE SERVICES AND STUDENT-POINT
Students can perform on-line all procedures related to their enrolment directly on the website: www.studenti.unirc.it. For information and assistance regarding on-line procedures students can turn to the Student Point, at Lot D in the University Campus, a service equipped with computer stations with Internet access.

Wireless Mediterranea
The entire university has wireless broadband coverage, which allows teachers, students, staff and accredited guests’ access to Internet services and web surfing. To access the system simply use the e-mail credentials or institutional credentials specifically provided by IT service.

LIBRARIES
The Università Mediterranea houses libraries and reference work can be carried out using the system “Unique Catalogue on line”. This system enables students to research the bibliographic material and publications in possess of the University libraries and expands the information services offered to the academic community (students, teachers, staff) as well as to external users. It also facilitates access to the wealth of publications and reviews, which specialise in the scientific disciplines studied at the courses offered by the University Mediterranea.
Reference work can be done from any location connected to the Internet and allows the localization of documents in real time. In addition OPAC offers a range of additional services, which allow an on-line checking on the availability of a publication, the storing of one’s own research and checking the current loans available.
This system also suggests the books that could be useful for students to buy.

MULTIMEDIA LABORATORY FOR ARCHITECTURE AREA
The Multimedia Lab consists of two classrooms, each equipped with workstations supplied with personal computers with S. O. Windows and monitors. The
stations in each classroom are networked. Both classrooms are equipped with a system of network teaching (Teachnet) that allows the teacher, during the lesson, to send operations carried out by him/her to students’ monitors and, at the same time, to monitor each location.

The laboratory is equipped with: laser printers b/w and colour, A4 and A3 inkjet printer ink in colour, size A2, three inkjet plotter, size 36" and 42" for printing vector type and raster, 3D printer, cutting plotter, scanner A3; multimedia whiteboards.

The classrooms are qualified ECDL Test Centre. The ECDL (European Computer Driving Licence) is a certification recognized at European level which attests to the ability to use computers in standard applications, both independently and in the network, for the design, creation and representation of two-dimensional and three-dimensional parametric models.

In 2011 the accreditation process of the Multimedia Laboratory as a classroom ECDL Test Centre Cad 2D and 3D CAD was completed.

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The certifications Cad 2D and 3D CAD (Computer Aided Design) respectively claim expertise in two-dimensional and three-dimensional drawing in space with the help of computer-aided design software.

I.T. LABORATORY FOR ENGINEERING AREA

There are two computer rooms: Room A, and the Room B. Each classroom has a teacher station (with PC, LCD monitor and microphone), 20 or 30 student workstations (PC and LCD monitor), projector, network printer, access to Internet and a multimedia interactive whiteboard size (70 inches) for teaching support.
**AMENITIES:**
**CANTEEN, ACCOMMODATION, TRANSPORT, DISABILITY**

**CANTEEN**
Within the University Campus there are 3 cafes open until late afternoon, offering both a bar and canteen service at reasonable prices. By passing a means test students can avail of the services at a reduced price.

**ACCOMMODATION**
The University has established the University College, which is located near the campus, not far from the historic city center, and manages accommodation. The function of the College is not only to provide accommodation for the students who are entitled to it but also to organize events and services that promote the social and cultural integration of students and their active participation in university life, not only in their educational commitments but also in their recreational time. Places in the College are assigned at the beginning of each academic year, in line with a means test.

**TRANSPORTATION**
The students and staff of the University can use the free shuttle service that connects the city to the University Campus. Two bus lines link the airport to the campus for the Architecture, Law and Economics and Human Science, Engineering and Agricultural Science Departments. Bus stops for these bus lines are at the central station, the maritime station.

**HELP DESK DISABILITY**
The structure provides students who qualify and apply for this service—with technical equipment and specific teaching aids, a tutoring service, personal care services, as well as initiatives aimed at ensuring student’s right and access to education.
In the presence of specific needs during the course of study, students with learning difficulties and disabilities can take advantage of:
- advice concerning administrative formalities;
- tutoring;
- specialized tutors, selected for their specific skills;
- voluntary publicly recognized associations;
- computer software and other essential aids.
In the Library of the Faculty of Architecture there is a computer terminal dedicated to partially sighted and blind students, with Internet access, voice synthesizer, and specific reading software for the production of printed material. The station is available to students of the Mediterranean and, on request, external users.
AMENITIES:
SPORTS AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

SPORTS
Located on the campus of the Mediterranea there is a gym called the "Centro Fitness di Ateneo", situated below the Aula Magna of the University "Antonio Quistelli". It has a training area of over 350 square metres and is provided with an extensive range of equipment, locker rooms with services, and can be accessed both from the campus and from the city.
The campus also has a five-a-side football field and an outdoor volleyball court.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES
The Youth Policy Commission organises several cultural activities and initiatives in collaboration with the cultural associations in the area.
The CRAL Università Mediterranea, a permanent center of associative life for university staff and citizens,
organizes cultural, sporting, recreational and social events,"
The University has a polyphonic choir "Coro Polifonico dell'Università degli Studi Mediterranea di Reggio Calabria" and also organizes music courses.

STUDENTS’ ASSOCIATIONS
These university Students’ associations and groups are active, often linked by a network of different groups throughout the country and even abroad, which, through their activities, help to cement the local student community in a global context, while preserving its southern identity and characteristics, such as friendly hospitality, which combines with a world in which all distances have been eliminated by faster transport and more and more inclusive media.