



UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI CAGLIARI





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WELCOME TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CAGLIARI





Your UniCa experience

Among the most prestigious Italian universities, the University of Cagliari excels in research and contributes to innovation and development of the territory, offering over 150 study programmes including bachelors, masters, doctorates and specialization schools, as well as support services for a constantly growing student community.

The classrooms, libraries and laboratories are distributed in the city center and in the University Monserrato Campus, easily accessible by public transport.

Alongside the structures designed for study and training, there are student houses, university canteens, sport fields, reading rooms, museums, theatres, cinemas, natural parks and beaches, pieces that make up a high quality life experience.

The university is a community that holds the values of science and culture.

Our commitment is to preserve it, spread it and make it grow.

The Rector Francesco Mola

THE 4 REASONS UNICA WHY YOU SHOULD CONSIDER STUDYING AT



LIFE IN CAGLIARI

Often called "the city of the sun", it is easy to see why Cagliari is a fantastic place to spend your time abroad. With beautiful weather, picturesque beaches and fascinating culture, there is always something new to discover in this wonderful city.



INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

The number of international students choosing to study in Cagliari is expanding each year, together with the visiting professors. This creates a rich and vibrant international community, where students can meet each other from all over the world.



Z IMPROVING ITALIAN

Studying alongside Italian students provides the perfect opportunity to improve your Italian language skills. In addition, the University has a summer school and regular courses where you can learn Italian but also enjoy the outstanding landscape of Cagliari.



MULTIDISCIPLINARY PROGRAMMES

UniCA offers programmes in all fields, from humanities to social sciences and hard sciences, with frequent interconnections focusing on transversal skills, and many courses taught in English.



SARDINIA ISOLA BELLA



Sardinia is the second biggest island in the Mediterranean with a total surface area of 24,090 km, 1,850 km of coastline and around 1,600,000 inhabitants. It is located in the middle of the western Mediterranean Sea about 187 km from the Italian peninsula. Its territory consists predominantly of hills and highlands, whilst its central and eastern areas are mountainous with the highest peak measuring 1,834 m.

Sardinia has a special statute of autonomy that gives the regional government legislative power on topics such as administration, building policy, transports, agriculture, fishing, tourism, libraries and museums.

The coasts are characterised by a variety of landscapes such as beaches, sand dunes, cliffs and bays. Due to its geo-morphological characteristics, Sardinia has some of the most varied, original, natural and climatic ecosystems among the Italian regions. Due to its central position in the Mediterranean, Sardinia has been a land of conquest for many people coming from surrounding countries and while it is still not certain whether it was inhabited in the Palaeolithic period, it has certainly been inhabited since the Neolithic period.

The archaeological remains scattered all over the island reveal some unique characteristics of a distinct history. In fact, the island is rich in the typical Nuraghe remains, stone constructions tholos built by the original inhabitants, and the so-called "Giants' graves". You can find also ancient necropolis with domus de janas (rock-hewn chamber tombs). The most recent and extraordinary archaeological findings in Sardinia are the Giants of Monti Prama, powerful, majestic stone statues buried for centuries in the Sinis countryside, just 2 km from the Cabras wetlands and not far from the ancient port of Tharros, hewn from single blocks of stone which could weigh up to 400 kilos.

Sardinians are the largest ethnic minority of Italy and their language, Sardinian, which has many variations, has been officially recognised as a language by the Italian Government since 1999. Historically, Sardinian economy has been based on agriculture, farming and fishing and on the exploitation of its mineral resources since the prehistoric period. The last 10 - 15 years saw a rise of entrepreneurship and local businesses especially in the tourism sector, in the agro-food industry and the ICT.

SARDINIA ISOLA BELLA



Cagliari is the capital, the main cultural centre of Sardinia and the most populated with about 160,000 inhabitants. It is located in the middle of the Gulf of Angels, across the southern slope of Sardinia. It hosts numerous open air archaeological sites and unspoilt natural environments, such as the Regional park of Molentargius, a wetland system where flamingos nest and offer spectacular pink displays.

Every season, thanks to its particularly mild weather, Cagliari allows visitors the chance to discover its architecture, archaeology and monuments, its ancient history as well as an opportunity to discover the influences that the various people who have inhabited Cagliari have had on the town throughout its history. Cagliari is "the city of the sun" but above all "the city of the sea". From the surrounding hills it is possible to admire the multicoloured sea, which merges with the city to produce a unique panorama. Its famous Poetto beach and its waterfront offer kilometres of sandy beach, cycle lane and jogging track. Just a few kilometres outside Cagliari there are some of the most beautiful beaches in the world, with a natural environment that is still very much unspoilt.



For more information about Sardinia visit the website:

www.sardegnaturismo.it/en

Where we are

The second largest island in the Mediterranean Sea

430.000 Cagliari Metropolitan Area population

Capital and largest city is Cagliari



UNICA THE UNIVERSITY OF CAGLIARI



The University of Cagliari is a public university. It is one of the largest enterprises in the region of Sardinia due to its international policy and studies, and its numerous agreements with prestigious universities throughout Europe and the world.

Founded in 1620 as the Studium Generalis Kalaritanum, the University of Cagliari is based on the old Spanish universities of Salamanca, Valladolid and Lérida.

The classes which were originally offered were Law, Latin, Greek and Hebrew Literature, the Liberal Arts, Medicine, Surgery, Philosophy and Science. However, during the 18th century Sardinia, under the rule of the House of Savoy government, significantly modified the university statute with the expansion of the science faculties and institutes.

The new university building was designed by the Piedmontese engineer Saverio Belgrano di Farnolasco and was completed at the end of the 18th century. Today it holds the Rectorate and the administrative offices. The 19th and 20th centuries saw a greater emphasis put on the research activities and the achievement of internationally acclaimed results.

The University consists of the following 6 Faculties:

- ► Economics, Law and Political Sciences
- Engineering and Architecture
- Humanities
- Medicine and Surgery
- ► Biology and Pharmacy
- Sciences

UNICA and its facilities:

The University of Cagliari is distributed in four main facilities located both in the town centre and on the outskirts:

Cittadella di Monserrato is situated within 73 hectares and it is home to Medicine and Surgery, Physics, Pharmacy, Biology and Natural Sciences, a number of departments and one of the University hospitals;

Piazza d'Armi and the area around it hosts the Faculties of Engineering and Architecture and Humanities;

Campus Sant'Ignazio hosts the Faculty of Economics, Law and Political Sciences;

The city centre is home to the programmes of Architecture in Via Santa Croce; Foreign Languages and Literature in Via San Giorgio and of Mathematics, Computer Sciences in Via Ospedale.

Specific Degree Programmes are hosted in other areas of Sardinia Region, **Oristano** with Marine biotechnologies and Management of tourism services, **Nuoro** with Nursing and Social Work and Innovation, **Olbia** with Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering.

UniCa by numbers

























The UniCa academic schedule operates on the semester system. There are short intersessions available during each of these terms

The semesters begin and end as follows:

1° semester - Autumn

late September - December (exams January-February)

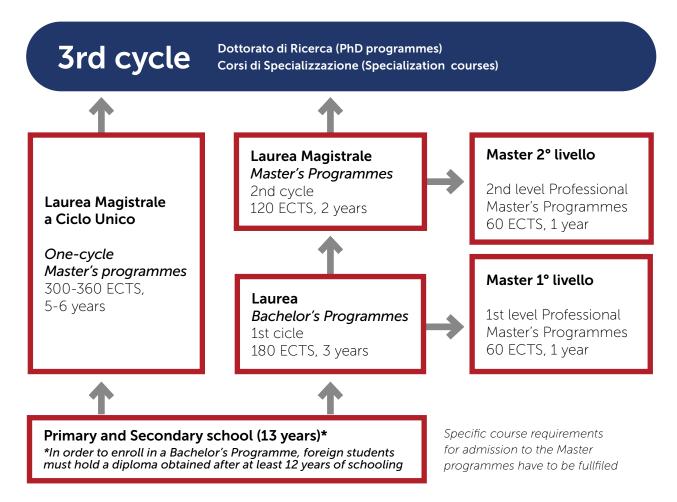
2° semester - Spring

late February to June (exams June-July)

Exams can be taken also in the September session

ITALIAN UNIVERSITY SYSTEM IN A NUTSHELL

The University of Cagliari follows the Bologna Process by adopting a higher education system based on the three cycles of study.



GRADING SYSTEM, ASSESSMENT, ACADEMIC RECOGNITION

UNICA has adopted the ECTS as an accumulation and transfer credit system. ECTS is a student-centred system based on the student workload required to achieve the objectives of a programme. These objectives are defined by learning outcomes and skills that will be acquired. The workload refers to the notion of time that an average student might take to complete the required learning outcomes. ECTS are used as recognition for study periods abroad; 60 credits measure the workload of a full-time student during one academic year.

Italian Credit (CFU) = 25 working hours = 1 ECTS credit

The ECTS system and the statistical distribution of grades | University of Cagliari



- ▶ The pass mark for examinations is 18 out of 30
- The highest mark for examinations is 30 out of 30
- ▶ An excellent performance is usually graded above 28

In order to get their degree, students are required to prepare a final dissertation to be discussed in front of a board of seven professors who award a final mark not lower than 66 out of 110.

STUDY AT UNICA

Faculties & Degree programmes

Fully taught in English

More than 180 courses are taught in English (number increasing every year), and some programmes are fully in English (see below).

Faculty of Biology and Pharmacy



Bachelor (3 years)

- Toxicological Sciences and Quality Assurance
- Environmental and Natural Sciences
- Biology
- Phamaceutical Biotechnologies
- Biotechnology in Marine and Aquatic Ecosystems

Master (2 years)

- Marine Bioecology
- # Cellular and Molecular Biology
- Neuropsychobiology
- Food and Nutrition Sciences
- Preservation and Management of Natural Resources and the Environment
- # Advanced biotechnology

One-cycle Master's Programmes (5 years)

- Pharmacy
- Pharmaceutical Chemistry and Technology

Faculty of Economic, Law and Political Sciences



Bachelor (3 years)

- Business and Economics
- Economics and Finance
- Administrative and Organizational Sciences
- Political science
- Legal Services
- Destination and cultural tourism management

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 Social Work and Innovation

Master (2 years)

- Management
- Economics, Finance and Data Analysis
- International Relations
- Social Innovation and Communication
- Public Administrations Sciences
- Tourism Management and Sustainability
- Data Science, Business Analytics and Innovation

One-cycle Master's Programmes (5 years)

Law



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en/international/



Bachelor (3 years)

- Biomedical Engineering
- Chemical Engineering for innovation and process sustainability
- Civil Engineering
- Electronic, Computer and Telecommunication Engineering
- Electrical Energy Engineering for Sustainable Development
- Environmental and Land Engineering

- Mechanical and Management Engineering
- Architectural Science
- Techniques for Building Construction and Land Development
- Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering
- Industrial Technologies for Energy and Digital Transition

Master (2 years)

- Architecture
- Chemical and Biotechnological Process Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Environmental Engineering for Sustainable Development
- Energetic Engineering
- · Electronic Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Internet Engineering
- Computer Engineering, Cybersecurity and Artificial Intelligence
 - Biomedical Engineering

Faculty of Humanities



Bachelor (3 years)

- Humanities
- Philosophy
- Cultural heritage archeology, art history, archival sciences
- Languages and Communication
- Languages and Cultures for Linguistic Mediation
- Education Studies
- Psychological Sciences
- Communication Science (e-learning)
- Cinema, music, theatre

Master (2 years)

- History and Society
- Philosophy and Forms of Knowledge
- Archaeology
- Art History
- Classical and Modern Philology and Literature
- Modern European and American Languages and Literatures
- Clinical, Health, Legal and Forensic Psychology

- Specialized Translation and Interpreting
- Pedagogical Science and Educational Processes
- Multimedial production
- Journalism and Web Information

One-cycle Master's Programmes (5 years)

- Primary teacher education
- Conservation and restoration of cultural Heritage

STUDY AT UNICA

Faculties & Degree programmes

Faculty of Medicine and Surgery



Bachelor (3 years)

- Nursing
- Midwifery*
- Physiotherapy
- Health Assistance
- Sport and Exercise Science
- Environment and Workplace Prevention Techniques
- Imaging and Radiotherapy Techniques
- Biomedical Laboratory techniques
- Psychiatric Rehabilitation Technique*
- Speech and Language Therapy
- Professional education*
- Neurophysiopathological techniques*

Master (2 years)

- Preventive and Adapted Physical Activities*
- Nursing and Midwifery Sciences*
- Health Professions of Technical Sciences (diagnostic)*
- Health Professions of Rehabilitation Sciences*
- Health Professions of Prevention Sciences*

*Activated every other year

One-cycle Master's Programmes (6 years)

- Medicine and Surgery (both in Italian and in English)
 - University School of Dentistry



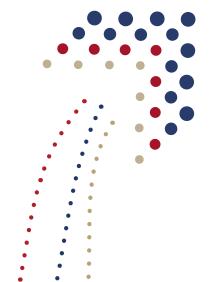
Faculty of Sciences

Bachelor (3 years)

- Chemistry
- Physics
- Computer Science
- Geology
- Mathematics
- Applied Computer Science and Data Analytics

Master (2 years)

- Informatics
- Mathematics
- Chemical Sciences
- Physics
- Geological Technologies and Sciences





International Degree Programmes

Our Double Degrees

UniCa is promoting agreements with foreign universities to allow our and their students to get a double degree at the end of their study period.



Bachelor in Humanities

Paris Nanterre with Université Paris-Nanterre, France



Master in Economics, Finance and Data Analysis

with **Université de Rennes** (France)



Bachelor in Economics and Finance

with University Jaume I, Castellón, Spain and University Jean Monnet -Saint-Etienne. France



Master in International Management

with Bielefeld University of Applied Sciences (BUAS),
Bielefeld, Germany and
Czech University of Life
Sciences, Prague, Czech Rep



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Bachelor in Business and **Economics**

with University of Applied
Sciences, Bielefeld, Germany
and Czech University of Life
Sciences, Prague, Czech Rep



Master in International Relations

with **Dalarna University** (Sweden)



Master in Environmental Engineering for Sustainable Development

with Cracow University of Technology, Cracow, Poland



Modern European and American Languages and Literatures

with **University of Potsdam** (Germany)



Master in Chemical Engineering and Biotechnological Processes with University of Chemistry

and Technology (UCT Prague), Czech Republic



Specialized Translation and Interpreting

with **University of Potsdam** (Germany)



Master in Cellular and Molecular Biology

with **Taipei Medical University** (TMU, Taiwan)

and more to come soon.



EUROPEAN UNIVERSITIES AT UNICA



European Digital UniverCity





The **EDUC Alliance** (European Digital UniverCity) is a joint initiative of the Universities of Potsdam (Germany), Rennes and Paris-Nanterre (France), Masaryk (Czech Republic), Cagliari (Italy), Pécs (Hungary), Jaume I (Spain) and South-Eastern Norway (Norway). Selected by the European Commission in 2019 as one of the first "European Universities" with 6 partners, EDUC entered its second phase in 2023, expanding to include the two Spanish and Norwegian institutions.

The "European Universities" initiative aims to foster collaboration among European higher education institutions (HEIs) across various areas of education, including student, faculty, and staff mobility, as well as training, research, and innovation.

EDUC's mission is to reaffirm key historical European values, such as knowledge exchange and cultural and linguistic diversity, by creating a new teaching community that spans different cultural regions in Europe.

With a community of 200,000 students and 30,000 faculty and staff members, EDUC aims to diversify mobility opportunities, ranging from long- and short-term physical exchanges to digital course offerings and virtual classrooms, to research internships at partners' laboratories. Regardless of their social or cultural background, students will be able to customize their educational paths and benefit from European-wide learning exchanges and best practices.

In parallel and also thanks to the spin-off Horizon projects EDUC-SHARE and EDUC-WIDE, professors/researchers have the opportunity to start or reinforce their research collaborations within the Alliance, through the EDUC Research and Innovation Agenda, with the sharing of Research Infrastructures, the development of common projects and the involvement of the local ecosystems. The technical-administrative staff has in turn the possibility to exchange good practices and develop their competences for their professional growth.



















18 PhD Programmes

- Capacities Building for Global Health
- ▶ Philosophy, Epistemology, Human Sciences
- Physics
- ► Civil Engineering and Architecture
- **▶** Electronic and Computer Engineering
- ► Industrial Engineering
- ► Mathematics and Computer Sciences
- Molecular and Translational Medicine
- Neuroscience
- Personalized Medicine and Public Health
- Research and Social Innovation
- ► Life, Environmental and Drug Sciences
- ► Earth and Environmental Sciences and Technologies
- ► Innovation Sciences and Technologies
- **Economics and Business**
- Legal Sciences
- ► History, Cultural Heritage and International Studies
- ▶ Philological and Literary, Historical and Cultural Studies

Each PhD Programme reserves at least one scholarship for foreign candidates holding a degree obtained abroad.

Most of the PhD Programmes have signed international agreements with prestigious foreign Institutions to deliver double/joint degrees

Settore Dottorati e Master: unica.it - Ph.D. programmes



RESEARCHATUNICA

Innovation, high-tech services and multidisciplinarity: these are some of the keywords of UniCa's research strategy. The focus on fundamental research and cuttingedge topics permeates all disciplinary areas and translates to application and technological development. Through a well-structured programme in line with national and European plans, UniCa collaborates with Italian and foreign universities, research institutions, partnerships and research centers.

Thanks to its departments and university centers, able to provide high-tech and advanced services for research, UniCa represents a key partner in the **Einstein Telescope** project, which could bring researchers from all over the world to Sos Enattos, a former mining site in the province of Nuoro, to study gravitational waves.

UniCa supports the new generations by making the most of funding opportunities at local, national and international level and by adopting the latest practices in the field of open science. Such commitment has been recently rewarded by the prestigious **Human Resources Excellence in Research** label of the European Commission.



HR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH

120+
European Projects

30+ Next Generation EU Projects The university manages Horizon Europe and other international research and cooperation programmes with dedicated support services. European projects contribute to keeping research on the path of innovation and are able to introduce structural changes in participating institutions, while strengthening collaborative links between them.

230+
National Projects

Research at UniCA is carried out through its 15 Departments



Literature, Languages and Cultural Heritage

Pedagogy, Psychology, Philosophy

Physics

Chemical and Geological Science

Mathematics and Computer Science

Life and Environmental Sciences

Law

Economics and Business

Political and Social Sciences

Civil - Environmental Engineering and Architecture

Electrical and Electronic Engineering

Mechanical, Chemical and Material Engineering

Biomedical Sciences

Surgical Sciences

Medical Science and Public Health

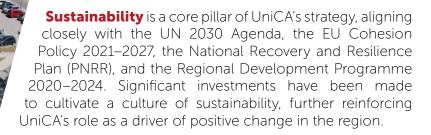




Knowledge Valorisation at the University of Cagliari

The University of Cagliari (UniCA) is committed to playing a pivotal role in the economic, cultural, and social development of its region through robust policies of knowledge valorisation. This mission translates into various initiatives, including organising cultural events, fostering entrepreneurship from innovation, and promoting sustainability and social collaboration. These efforts are driven by an inclusive university community dedicated to serving society.

UniCA actively pursues innovation through targeted policies, focusing on enhancing technology transfer. This includes financing patents, supporting proof-of-concept projects, and encouraging the development of new technologies. The university also invests in professional guidance, continuous training opportunities, and scientific dissemination while embracing participatory science policies to strengthen ties with the broader community. Additionally, UniCA prioritises the enhancement and accessibility of its historical, artistic, and cultural heritage.



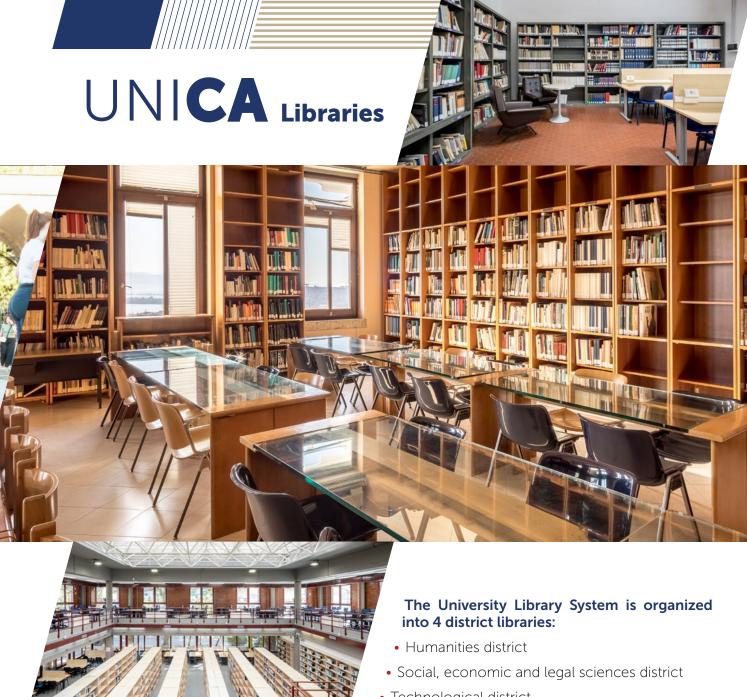








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- Technological district
- Biomedical-scientific district

which coordinate 12 libraries named sections.

The libraries services are: local and interlibrary loan, document delivery, consultation of catalogues and databases, notebook/tablet loan, reading rooms, orientation and assistance in bibliographic research, internet access, information literacy, accessibility tools. It offers:

- a documentary heritage of 943,000 paper documents,
- access to 235 databases (containing e-journals, e-books, abstracts and indexes, bibliographic citations) for a total of 181,000 academic and scientific titles.

Italian language courses

The Italian language courses are designed by the university Center for Italian teaching to foreigners (CIS) and the International Office ISMOKA, to involve every aspect of the language: grammar, phonetics and vocabulary, with the aim of developing the skills of reading, writing, listening and speaking. All language teachers are native speakers and experienced professionals of high level, able to meet all the expectations of students, through both classroom lessons, and extensive tutorials in a modern language laboratory.

60-hour courses (6 ECTS) of level A1 – A2 – B1- B2 are offered through the Autumn and the Spring semesters. Online intensive courses may be offered before the start of the academic year to foreign students enrolling at UniCA.



More information on course scheduling, fees and admission are available at



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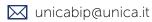


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Summer/winter school (BIP Erasmus+) on Italian language and culture

The one-week blended intensive courses are mainly reserved for the staff of partner universities, to provide skills in Italian language useful to understand and use familiar expressions of daily use.

Experienced teachers from CIS follow the students throughout the course, which includes both classroom learning and itinerant lessons on Italian culture while visiting the most important monuments and historical places of interest in the city.



Foreign Language Courses

The University Language Centre (CLA) is dedicated to foreign language teaching and the provision of language services for students, teaching and non-teaching staff, as well as external users of the university, by providing them with high-profile language trainers, laboratories, systems, programmes and teaching materials. It organises foreign language courses (English, French, Arabic, Chinese, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, and German) aimed at improving the level of language skills and obtaining International Certifications.



unica.it - Centro Linguistico d'Ateneo



SUPPORT SERVICES

International mobility

ISMOKA is the International Students Mobility Office which foreign students must contact on their arrival in Cagliari. It is also in charge of the staff and professors/researchers mobility within the Erasmus+ Programme.

All the information about ERASMUS in Cagliari can be found on the Internet at:







erasmus@unica.it



Researchers mobility outside the Erasmus Programme is in charge of the EURAXESS SERVICE CENTRE:





euraxess@unica.it



Located in the city center with an incredible view of the surrounding landscape, our Guest-house is open all year round. It offers 17 single rooms, 8 double rooms, and 2 double suites with 2 rooms, fitted with all necessary facilities.









Services on inclusive education and disabilities









We welcome applications from students with disabilities and special needs. The adviser for disabled students runs a comprehensive service dealing with issues including admission arrangements, personal support and guidance, orientation, learning support, advice on equipment purchase and special exam arrangements.



Inclusion and Learning Services | University of Cagliari



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UNICA Green Services



Hortus Botanicus Karalitanus (HBK)

HBK (Hortus Botanicus Karalitanus) includes the Botanical Gardens and the Botanical Museum (MBK). In addition to research activities, dissemination and environmental education, among its main goals are the preservation and enhancement of plant diversity.

The Botanical Gardens, occupy 5 ha of an archaeological site between the Roman Amphitheatre and the Villa Tigellio. It hosts a Roman well and several Roman cisterns in good conditions. Collections of tropical, subtropical and Mediterranean species are present, with four greenhouses and several tanks dedicated to aquatic plants. Among the most attractive places, the palm grove, the desert area, the Roman guarry, the Mediterranean forest, the biodiversity rock gardens and the herb garden can be mentioned.



The Botanical Museum (MBK) hosts a display of antique scientific instruments and lessons dating back to the 800s and early 900s CE. It includes a collection of models made according to the ancient art of wax modelling, among which a model of the first planting of the Botanical Gardens, designed in 1867 by the head gardener Giovanni Battista Canepa, under the direction of Patrizio Gennari

Opening hours:

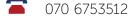
November - March 9.00/16.00 April - May 9.00/18.00 June - August 9.00/ 20.00 September - October 9.00/18.00

Address:





en.unica.it/en/society-and-territory/ public-engagement/botanical-garden





University Sports Centre (CUS)

10 competitive sports sections, around 1,000 registered athletes, more than 4,000 students with a CUS Card.

In the Sports Complex 'Sa Duchessa', in via Is Mirrionis 3, students, athletes and all CUS Card

holders can find a six-lane athletics track, football pitches, the PalaCUS (a sports hall with two multi-purpose gyms), a tensile structure for volleyball and tennis, a fencing hall, four tennis courts, a playground for basketball and two body building rooms. The centre is completed by the social headquarters with its offices and conference hall, the 'CasaCUS' refreshment point and the 'StudioCUS' study room.

The other two locations of CUS Cagliari are the Polo Sportivo Monserrato, inside the University Campus of Monserrato, and the Polo Nautico in Via Calafati in Cagliari.

To use the CUS Cagliari sports centers students need a CUS Card which can be obtained at the CUS Students Office or via the CUS Cagliari website.







http://www.cuscagliari.it/cus-card



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University sports centre (CUS) | University of Cagliari



ERSU - the regional agency for the right to higher education

ERSU is the Regional Authority for the Right to Higher Education having the institutional purpose to carry out actions aimed at facilitating access to university programmes for deserving students without means, for the achievement of the highest levels of education and professional skills.



To this end, ERSU provides interventions and services for the right to education to students enrolled at the University of Cagliari. Services such as scholarships, accommodation places, housing rental contributions, extraordinary subsidies are awarded through procedures for the selection of beneficiaries on the basis of merit and income criteria.

Other services, such as canteen, contributions for cultural and sports activities, are intended for the generality of students.



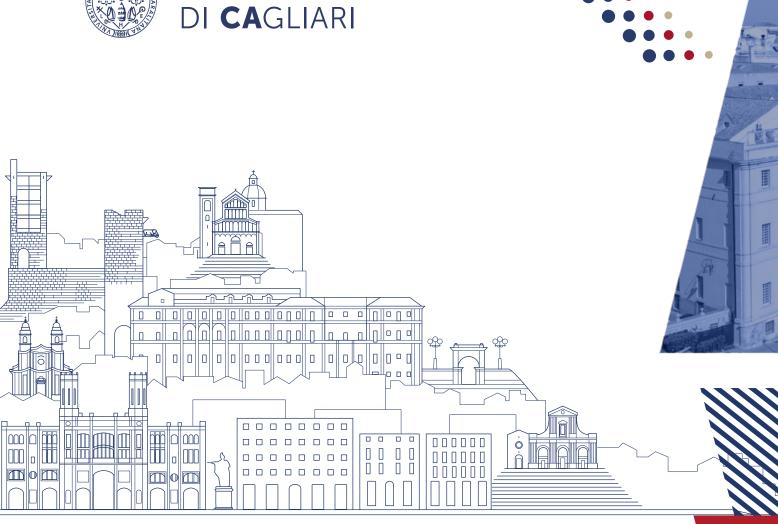


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