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ACADEMIC YEARS 2022/2023 – 2023/2024 (4th Intake)

**CALL for the Admission to the ERASMUS MUNDUS JOINT MASTER’S DEGREE
in
ARCHITECTURE, LANDSCAPE, ARCHAEOLOGY (EMJMD ALA)**

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THE SAPIENZA UNIVERSITY RECTOR

- HAVING REGARD TO law n. 341 on November 19, 1990;
- HAVING REGARD TO D.M. on October 22, 2004 n. 270;
- HAVING REGARD TO the "Regulations concerning master courses, advanced training courses, training courses, intensive Master courses" issued with D.R. n. 2250/2020 of September 8, 2020;
- HAVING REGARD TO Regulation (EU) No 1288/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing Erasmus+: the Union program for education, training, youth and sport;
- HAVING REGARD TO the resolution of the Sapienza Academic Senate no.73/17 of February 21, 2017 with which the Master was established;
- HAVING REGARD TO articles n. 3,5,18 and 19 of the "Regolamento didattico di Ateneo" (part one) issued with D.R. n. 1672 on June 26, 2018;
- HAVING REGARD TO law n° 62/2007 of the Portuguese Republic, complemented by the Decree Law n° 074/2006 and the deliberation of the Senate of the University of Coimbra with the n° 189/2017;
- HAVING REGARD TO Law 4485/2017 (Gov. Gazette 114 A') "Organization and function of Higher Education, regulations for Research and other provisions" mainly paragraph 2 and 3 of article 43 and also the Ministerial Decision no 41931/Z1/13-3-2018 (Gov. Gazette 972/ issue. B/2018) "Regulation of matters concerning the establishment of Joint Post Graduate Programs and Doctoral Studies in collaboration of national HEIs with recognized foreign HEIs or Research Centers and Institutes".
- HAVING REGARD TO the resolution of the Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II, Dipartimento di Architettura no.11/15 of 29 November 2016 with which the Master was established;



HAVING REGARD TO D.R. n. 3127/2021 on 26 November 2021 with which the activation for the academic year 2022 - 2023 was approved of the 2022-2024 edition of the II level two-year international Master in "Architecture, Landscape and Archeology (ALA)" at the Department of Ancient Sciences of the Faculty of Arts and at the Department of Architecture and Design of the Faculty of Architecture and the publication of the announcement no later than 30th November 2021.

DECREES

the establishment, for the academic year **2022-2023**, of the ERASMUS MUNDUS JOINT MASTER'S DEGREE (post-graduate Master Course) in "ARCHITECTURE, LANDSCAPE AND ARCHAEOLOGY" jointly offered by Sapienza University of Rome (coordinating institution), National Technical University of Athens, University of Coimbra, University of Naples Federico II.

1. GOALS

The Architecture, Landscape and Archaeology Master is a European study program for architects and archaeologists that aims at the enhancement of archaeological sites. The program will provide advanced education to prepare highly qualified professionals in the heritage sector and aims at transferring skills and knowledge to allow for an innovative cooperation among architects, landscape architects and archaeologists, leading to the creation of a common ground.

Cultural heritage is a complex area, requiring a collaborative interdisciplinary approach. ALA proposes a training curriculum focused on archaeological sites where topics regarding conservation, enhancement and design need to be coordinated. These experts should handle applied technologies for scientific survey and representation, and for didactic communication, they should understand the contents and the potentials of archaeological excavations and the architectural and landscape design issues, they should acquire soft skills for transversal cooperation (interdisciplinary dialogue, inter-institutional collaboration, communication capacity, teamwork, systemic views, analytical and synthetic thinking, negotiation and entrepreneurship).

The preservation and the enhancement of the past is an important resource for economic growth, employment and social cohesion, offering the perspective to revitalize urban and rural areas. European countries offer a rich and diverse mosaic of these expressions that includes material and immaterial legacies and practices. These could also represent a significant opportunity for transferring knowledge to other contexts: on the one hand the ones experiencing environmental risks and political conflicts (Asia, Africa and Middle East) on the other those that have recently developed an interest in the field of heritage for their socio-economical growth (South America).

The current need for a joint approach especially in the job market (national boards for heritage, conservation companies and architects' offices) is stressed by international agencies, such as the UNESCO. An updated training with horizontal cooperation and the most recent technical tools for survey, monitoring, disseminating are needed. The Master offers, for these reasons, an advanced educational path designed to prepare a highly qualified professional expert in dealing with the cultural and technical complexity of the enhancement projects for archaeological areas in urban and natural contexts. It is going to operate in layered cities and territories, respecting their historical and environmental values.

Innovative features of the ALA EMJMD are:

- a truly international environment of study and exchange, through a fully accredited and recognized program;
- an interdisciplinarity and integrated-Postgraduate Master Program as the basis for a contemporary professional approach that bridges the gap between design and conservation;
- a unique study and mobility experience in some of the most outstanding archaeological sites of the world;
- contact with prominent scholars and guest lecturers as the basis of transfer of competences and knowledge;
- exposure to updated and innovative technical tools;
- interesting traineeships in the heritage sector;



2. TEACHING AND TRAINING ACTIVITIES

ALA program is a post-graduate course and is entirely taught in English.

The training corresponds to 3000 hours of activity, of which at least 1000 hours dedicated to lectures, 400 hours to design studio and design workshops, 750 hours to the final thesis and 350 to traineeship. The remaining hours will be dedicated to workshops and seminars, field trips other forms of guided study and interactive teaching. The annual study plan is divided into modules, providing subjects and topics aimed at developing specific professional profiles taking into account their constant evolution.

ALA curriculum (modules and ECTS)

First Semester (UNIROMA1) – 30 ECTS

MODULES	ECTS
a. ROME WORKSHOP	
1.a Urban design and archaeology workshop	6
b. ARCHITECTURAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL CULTURE	
1.b The relationship between architecture and archaeology in urban transformation	4
2.b Landscape and archaeology	4
3.b Design and archaeology: narratives and techniques	4
c. ARCHAEOLOGICAL METHODOLOGIES	
1.c Measured drawings and digital cartography	4
2.c Archaeological excavation and on field methodologies	4
3.c Preventive archaeology and context analysis	4

Second Semester (option NTUA or UC) - 30 ECTS

d. DESIGN STUDIO A (NTUA) - Option A	
1.d Design studio A – Archaeology within the urban tissue	12
2.d Analysis and interpretation: historical and methodological issues	6
3.d Landscape urbanism	6
4.d Contemporary Interventions: theories and practices	6
e. DESIGN STUDIO B (UC) - Option B	
1.e Design studio B – Archaeology and the design of territory	12
2.e Landscape, city and territory archaeology	6
3.e Archaeogeography and territory techniques	6
4.e Narratives of restoration	6

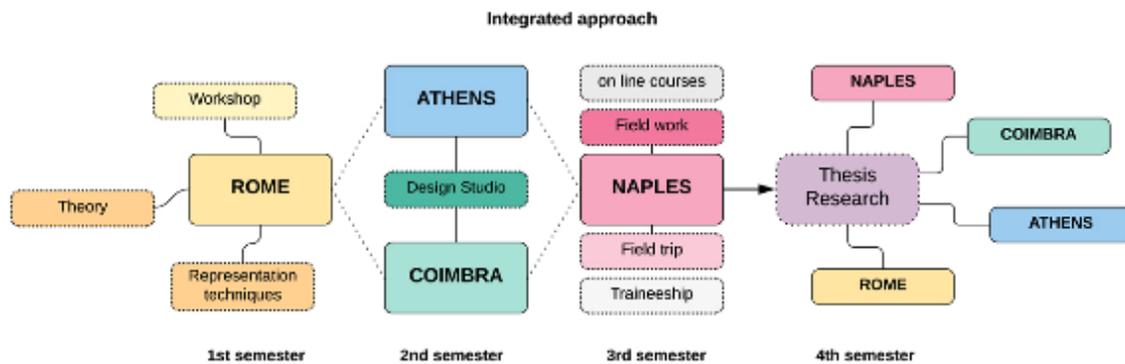
Third Semester (UNIROMA1 or UNINA or UC or NTUA) – 30 ECTS

f. PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE (internship) (UNIROMA1 or UNINA or UC or NTUA)	
1.f Internship 350 hours	14
g. Architecture, Landscape and Archaeology Online Course 1 (NTUA)	
1.g Legislation and conventions	2
i. Architecture, Landscape and Archaeology Online Course 2 (UC)	
1.i Research methodologies	2
j. NAPOLI WORKSHOP (UNINA)	
1.j Archaeological site design workshop and field trip	12

Fourth Semester (UNIROMA1 or UNINA or UC or NTUA) – 30 ECTS

k. THESIS	
1.k Research seminar and thesis	30

All the educational activities indicated in the previous table correspond to the acquisition of 120 university credits (European Credits Transfer System). The teaching activities of the Master will be held during the first semester in Rome at the Department of Architecture and the Department of Antiquity Sciences, the second semester students can choose between the Schools of Architecture of the National Technical University of Athens or the University of Coimbra (the third semester will take place partly in Naples and partly in the internship, according to an even distribution among the four cities. Students will attend two online courses on: “legislation and conventions” and “research methodologies”. The last semester will be dedicated to the development of the thesis in one of the four branches at students’ choice (according to an even distribution among the four universities).



Classes are expected to start by October 2022 and to end in July 2024.

Attendance at the educational activities of the course is mandatory and must be proved by the signatures of the students; absences for more than 25% of the total number of hours of classes will result in the inability to obtain the master’s diploma.

Erasmus + Scholarships, as well as other national scholarships are available for the applicants and will be awarded upon submission of an application according to proved merits of the candidates.

In the event of non-attendance, inadequate results or reprehensible behavior, the master’s Academic Committee may opt for the suspension or exclusion of the participant. In such cases, registration fees will not be refunded, scholarships must be returned.

3. DURATION AND NUMBER OF PLACES AVAILABLE

The training course lasts two years. The Master is intended for a maximum number of 44 students. The course will be started only upon reaching the minimum number of 12 participants.

4. INCOMPATIBILITY

In accordance with Article 142 of T.U. 1592/1933, contemporary registration to other course of studies is not allowed: therefore, the participants to the Master courses cannot enroll, in the same academic year, for other Master courses, Residency programs, PhD courses, Master Degree courses, and also research grants (notice of the MIUR of 08/04/2011 available on the reserved site <https://ateneo.cineca.it/assegnisti/>); with the exception of High Education and Formation courses.

5. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

ALA program is a post-graduate course open to worldwide students with a second cycle degree. More specifically, - for Architects and Civil Engineers: a 5 years graduate degree or a 3 + 2 bachelor and master’s degrees (equivalent to 300 ECTS or 180 ECTS + 120 ECTS) that gives access to the profession



- for Archaeologists and Humanities (Archaeology, Cultural Anthropology with major in Archaeology, Conservation Science, Cultural Heritage, Museum Conservation): a 5 years graduate degree or a 3 + 2 bachelor and master's degrees (equivalent to 300 ECTS or 180 ECTS + 120 ECTS).

6. ADMISSION PROCEDURES

The ALA consortium has adopted a single admission procedure which will be administered and managed online. All information for applicants and application forms will be published on the ALA website (www.masterALA.eu) at least 3 months before the application deadline. The deadline for submitting the application will be the **15 of March 2022**.

➤ How to apply

The application process consists of two steps:

1. Applicants will have to fill in and submit the application via the Online System on the ALA website. Applicants will fill out the on-line application form and specify whether they request Erasmus + Scholarship and upload all the required documents (all translated in English) in pdf format:
 - a. relevant certificates and transcripts of previous studies (for Architects/Engineers proof that the degree gives them the access to the profession);
 - b. proof of relevant experience on the field;
 - c. portfolio of relevant works
2. Application will be evaluated by the ALA Academic committee. The selected candidates will have to send to the ALA Coordinating University in hard copy by post all required documents (in English). The Coordinating University will issue an acknowledgment of receipt.

ALA Candidates **have to meet Immigration (VISA) requirements** for the countries involved in the mobility (Italy, Greece and Portugal) and have to include the following documents:

- Proof of **Nationality** (passport) and of **Residence** (official document)
- Original and translated copy in english of the **University diploma and of transcript of study results**
- **Curriculum vitae** Studiorum
- **Motivation Letter** (maximum 1 A4 page)
- For Architects and Engineers **Portfolio** of their previous significant study/work activity and thesis
- For other students PDF of their **bachelor/master thesis or/and illustrated work/research**
- **Signed Declaration** of fulfilment of eligibility criteria for an EM scholarship (if applying)
- Proficiency level of **English language** Certificate (Applicants must have a Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English or alternatively: IELTS Certificate (minimum score of 6.0 with at least 5.0 point in each section; TOEFL (paper based) at about 550 points with 4.0 in the writing section; TOEFL (IBT) 79 points with at least 17 points in every section. Candidates from English speaking countries (or alternatively that had attended an English-speaking University) must provide an official letter from their University from which they graduated, attesting that English is the media of instruction).

Candidates holding a foreign degree, in addition to the above, shall submit one of the following documents:

- Declaration of Value issued by the Italian Embassies or Consulates of the country in which the degree has been achieved, together with the transcript of records and a copy of the degree
- CIMEA Statement of comparability together with CIMEA Statement of Verification. Downloadable accessing CIMEA platform at: <http://www.cimea.it/it/servizi/attestati-di-comparabilita-ecertificazione-dei-titoli/attestati-di-comparabilita-e-di-verifica-dei-titoli-diplome.aspx>
- The Diploma Supplement (if it is an EU degree) issued by the university of origin and legalized by the Italian embassy or



consulate of the country in which the degree has been achieved.

Candidates submitting an incomplete documentation will be conditionally admitted and cannot complete their enrolment until submission of all the required documentation.

7. SELECTION PROCEDURES

The applications will be pre-screened for formal requirements and only the complete applications will be assessed by the ALA Academic Committee for evaluation. The selection procedure includes two stages:

- Evaluation of the documents: motivation letter and curriculum (transcripts of studies, proof of relevant experience), for architects, landscape architects and engineers portfolio showing projects and drafting abilities, for archaeologists portfolio with excavation experiences, catalogue of work, analysis of sites, etc.);
- Interview (*de visu* or by videoconference).

Academic merit of the applicants will be calculated as follows:

The **Selection Criteria** will be made fully available to applicants on the website to ensure full transparency. Maximum evaluation is 100 points that will be counted as follows: up to 15 pts for final evaluation in previous degrees and proof of other technical specializations, up to 15 pts for working experience, up to 10 pts for publications, up to 30 pts for portfolio, up to 30 pts for interview.

Special attention will be paid in the student selection to avoid any discrimination. Applications will be considered solely on the basis of their academic merit, skills and potential, regardless of gender, ethnic or national origin, age, disability, religion, sexual orientation or any other distinction.

All partner Universities have support services for students with special needs that will be fully and freely available to ALA students to avoid any discrimination and ensure equal opportunities.

At the end of the selection procedure a ranking list of admitted students in decreasing order will be approved as well as the number of scholarships available. In case of equal scores, priority will go to disabled or economically disadvantaged applicants; gender balance; geographical distribution.

The lists of selected and reserve candidates shall be approved by EACEA. Admitted students who do not qualify for a scholarship, due to the limited number of individual scholarships available, can be admitted to the ALA Master course on self-paying basis. Self-Paying candidates will have to provide adequate proof of financial sustainability for the whole course duration or they can apply for other scholarships.

ACTIVITY	DATE
Application procedure information	November 30/2021
Application Submission deadline	March 15/2022
Interviews	March/April 2022 (date to be communicated)
List of admitted candidates	By April 8/2022
Final date for acceptance	May 15/2022
End Enrollment	July 15/2022

8. ACCEPTANCE

All applicants shall receive written communication of the decision of the Consortium Committee. *Notification Letters* will give explanation of the results as well information on the appeal procedure. Applicants on the reserve list will also be notified. The notification of acceptance for the selected candidates will include:

- The official letter of approval;
- A model of the Student agreement;
- Student handbook with practical information on the EMJMD ALA.

The notification of acceptance will contain a deadline by which all students should be registered and send all requested documents. Students failing to respect the deadline, will be considered withdrawing and places available will be offered to students from the reserve list, according to their ranking. An additional deadline for completing the registration process will be established.

Appeal System. All scholarship holders will be given direct access to the information regarding the applications' assessment and evaluation phases. All rejected candidates will be given 7 days to present appeal before the final selection is approved.

9. PARTICIPATION COSTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Self-Paying candidates

Self-paying candidates must pay the participation costs of € 9.000 for two years (nine-thousand euros) for Program countries students and 18.000 € for two years for Partner countries students.

The payment must be made in one instalment before September 1st, 2022, or in two instalments of € 4.500,00 each, the first September 1st, 2022 and the September 1st, 2023, using the relative forms downloadable from the Infostud system at the page <https://www.uniroma1.it/en/pagina-strutturale/students> by entering the matriculation number and password and then selecting: MASTER - PRIMO ANNO – Master code 30306 - PROSEGUI - STAMPA.

The payment may be made through one of the modalities provided at the page:
<https://www.uniroma1.it/en/pagina/payment>

The candidate who does not pay the first installment within the deadline will be considered a dropout. Late attendance (after 10 days) to the beginning of classes will result in a loss of the placement.

EU Scholarships (4th Intake)

The Erasmus+ program provides EU-funded **scholarships** to worldwide students who have been selected by the consortia. Scholarships for the total period of 4 intakes were 69. Two categories of EACEA scholarships are available: for Program Countries and for Partner Countries. For the 4th intake we still have 11 scholarships.

- **2 scholarships** for Program Countries: **EU Countries** (Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Ireland, Greece, Spain, France, Croatia, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Hungary, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia, Finland, Sweden); **Non-EU Countries** (Republic of North Macedonia, Serbia, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Turkey).
- **9 scholarships** for Partner Countries: **Partner Countries neighboring the EU- Western Balkans (Region 1)** Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, Serbia; **Eastern Partnership countries (Region 2)** Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Territory of Ukraine as recognized by international law; **South-Mediterranean countries (Region 3)** Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestine, Syria, Tunisia; **Russian Federation (Region 4)** Territory of Russia as recognized by international law. 9

* EU Cooperation with Syria is currently suspended due to the political situation.

** This designation shall not be construed as recognition of a State of Palestine and is without prejudice to the individual positions of the Member States on this issue.

Scholarship for students from **Program Countries** covers:

- Participation costs: 4,500 euros per year
- Contribution to travel and installation costs: 1,000 EUR per year if resident in a Program country
- Contribution to subsistence costs: 1,000 EUR per month for the entire duration of the ALA program (24 months maximum). This will not be given to the scholarship holders for the ALA periods (study/research/placement/thesis preparation) spent in the country of their residence.

Scholarship for students from **Partner Countries** covers:

- Participation costs: 9,000 euros per year
- Contribution to travel and installation costs: 2 000 EUR per year for travel costs + 1.000 EUR for installation costs for a resident in a Partner Country less than 4000 KM from the Università di Roma La Sapienza or 3000 EUR per year for travel costs + 1.000 EUR for installation costs (once-only) for a resident in a Partner Country 4000 KM or more from the Università di Roma La Sapienza.



- Contribution to subsistence costs: 1,000 EUR per month for the entire duration of the ALA program (24 months maximum). This will not be given to the scholarship holders for the ALA periods (study/research/placement/thesis preparation) spent in any Partner Country exceeding three months.

Contribution to travel and installation costs depends on the place of residence only, no matter the nationality.

The place of residence will be verified on the basis of the provision of the documents listed in the [PRADO website](#) and any other document considered appropriate. For example:

- a residence certificate issued in accordance with the candidate's municipality normal registration rules;

OR

- a certificate from the candidate's place of work, study or training issued by the employer or institution in question.

Both documents must have been issued **within 12 months before the submission deadline** of applying for the EMJMD student scholarship.

All students will sign a student/staff agreement before the start of the academic year, which will define the academic, research, financial and administrative modalities of their participation in the program. Additionally, it will clearly state their rights and obligations during the program and immediately upon its completion. The agreement will be signed in double copy (coordinator and grant holder copy).

Late attendance (after 10 days) to the beginning of classes will result in a loss of the placement.

Consortium scholarship

The Consortium scholarship consists of a fee waiver of participation costs offered to four students resulting from the final ranking list and belonging to the countries and universities of the ALA Consortium partners (Greece/NTUA, Italy/Sapienza and Unina, Portugal/Univ. of Coimbra). Any other expenses, such as accommodation, travel, installation, insurance and subsistence costs are not paid by the consortium and are payable by the student.

Other scholarships

Students can apply on their own for:

- Erasmus+ Master Loan
- Scholarships from program country ministries, universities, other public bodies or donors.

10. ASSESSMENT

• Exams

Student's accomplishments to the single modules (see 2. TEACHING AND TRAINING ACTIVITIES) are evaluated through final semester examinations. Students should successfully pass examinations to complete each of the Master modules; the type of assessment for each module is specified in the course description distributed at the beginning of the semester. The grades will follow the A to F (fail) system.

• Master Thesis

Master thesis can be undertaken only upon completion of all teaching modules and having initiated the apprenticeship.

The Master Thesis can be connected to the activities taking place during the internship or can be a research or design project developing from design studio/workshop. All options need to be approved by the Academic Committee. Students should clarify the hypothesis and the methodology that will lead to the final product. The thesis should be submitted with a report from the supervisor. Final presentation should be held in summer 2024. In serious circumstances (illness or mourning) the thesis could be discussed in the fall of the same year. The thesis will be marked following the Italian grades' system (see Table below). With the thesis, students should submit a report concerning their professional practice period along with the evaluation of the Associate Partner and the thesis' Supervisor stating that the student has satisfactorily completed the task.

• Thesis Evaluation

The thesis will be presented in front of a panel of professors (and possibly associated partners) panel composed by at least three members (maximum 7) and can be evaluated maximum 10 points. The evaluation of the final degree is expressed in hundredths (0-110 scale), the minimum grade is 66/110 and the maximum grade is 110/110, according to the Italian assessment system of

Sapienza University, that is the coordinating institution that is issuing the diploma. The final graduation grade will depend on the average score obtained during the four semesters converted to the Italian assessment system, multiplied for 110 and divided by 30, to which maximum 10 pts and Laude can be added (average score x 110: 30 + X).

ALA GRADES		
EXAMS	ITALIAN SYSTEM	THESIS
A/A-	30/30L	X = From 1 to 10 pts
B+/B/B-	27/28/29	average score according to Italian grades x 110/30 + X
C+/C/C-	24/25/26	
D+/D/D-	21/22/23	
E+/E/E-	20/19/18	
F (Failed)	<18 (Failed)	

Honors and extraordinary mentions will be awarded by the master Academic Committee to the 10% top ranked students.

1. OBTAINING THE DIPLOMA

The Diploma will be issued by Sapienza University, on behalf of the four partners according to the applicable regulation. The Diploma will carry the signature of the relevant authorities having the power for issuing University degrees in each of the partner Universities, and the official logo of the four Universities.

The EMJMD **Diploma** will be accompanied by a **diploma Supplement** that lists all the courses and the title of the thesis with their accompanying ECTS credit points and grades. Information will include training hours, language of instruction, institutions delivering the courses and all relevant details such as: ECTS system, description of the nature, level, content, context and status of the studies pursued and successfully completed.

2. INFORMATION

All lessons will be held in presence in the spaces of the Architecture Schools of the four partner universities according to the official calendar published on the ALA website, except for particular restrictions issued by Governments to combat the Covid 19 pandemic.

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