



Ca' Foscari
University
of Venice

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Ca' Foscari
**School for
International
Education**

Ca' Foscari School for International Education Foundation Year

Located in the centre of the unique canal city of Venice, Ca' Foscari University offers a preparatory year of study at its **School for International Education** for international students who are preparing to enrol at a University in Italy or abroad.

The Ca' Foscari Foundation Year programme offers a general curriculum for University preparation, as well as 3 different Study Tracks that aim to provide students a basic background in the subjects they are interested in pursuing during their undergraduate studies. Students also choose a language module from the three options offered. All general curriculum courses are taught in English. The language of instruction for the Study Tracks is English; The Humanities and Arts track is also offered in Italian.

Is it right for me?

YES if at the end of high school you have less than 12 full years of schooling

YES if you want to improve your English or Italian language skills before beginning your undergraduate degree at a university in Italy or abroad

YES if you studied in the American school system and do not have the three Advanced Placement exams required to enrol at an Italian university

YES if you studied in the British school system and have obtained (or will obtain) a General Certificate of Education/A-levels, but do not have the three A-levels required to enrol in your chosen degree programme at an Italian university

Study programme

- General curriculum for university preparation: modern Italian history, critical thinking, academic skills (170 hours)
- Study Track (210 hours)
- Language module (260 hours)

Duration

October – June

Cost

€ 5,000 (to be paid in three instalments)

Teaching

All students must have a B2 level of the English language. The programme is offered entirely on campus.

Scholarships

There are a limited number of scholarships available, awarded through merit and motivation.

Study Tracks

A Economics and Management

Mathematics, Financial Literacy, Business Management and Administration, Introduction to Law, Data analysis

B Humanities and Arts

Italian literature, Art History, Philosophy, Introduction to classics

C Science and IT Track

Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Computer science

Applications

Applications open in January and are available online on the website. Students are required to provide school records, ID, an original letter of motivation, and language certificates where necessary.

Language Modules

International Option

(English language)

A focus on the English language aimed at achieving a B2 or C1 level, together with an Elementary Italian course aimed at promoting the student life in the city and at the university

Who is it for?

It is suitable for students wishing to enrol in a degree programme in English at the end of the Foundation Year.

Bridge Options

(Italian language)

Intensive Italian language courses aimed at achieving a B1 or a B2 language level.

Who is it for?

It is suitable for students wishing to enrol in a degree programme in Italian at Ca' Foscari University at the end of the Foundation Year. Bridge B1: from beginner A1 to pre-intermediate B1 (no prior knowledge required). Bridge B2: from elementary A2 to intermediate B2 (A1 entry level required).

Native Speaker Option

(personalised)

A personalised option including extra disciplinary courses in English and courses in formal speaking/writing in English or Italian. Students will also be required to prepare a short thesis in the language of their choice, to be evaluated by the Teaching Committee.

Who is it for?

It is suitable for students whose level of both Italian and English is C1 or above, or native speaker.

About us

Ca' Foscari University was founded in 1868 as a prominent Business School and since then has grown to become a world-class university for its expertise in economics, humanities, modern and ancient languages, as well as science and technology.

At the **School for International Education**, We offer courses all year round to students from all over the world, promoting learning in a cross-cultural environment with the aim of providing an international education, and creating a true international community.

Foundation Admission Office

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