Open selection for admission to the School of Excellence – SoE

Information for international students in their second to last year of Master Degree Programme

For further information and the application form please visit: https://www.uniupo.it/tuttostudenti/school-excellence

International students of UPO are more than welcome to apply for the SoE.

School of Excellence in a nutshell
Thanks to the generous funding from the Compagnia di San Paolo, Torino, the School of Excellence – SoE was established at Università del Piemonte Orientale in 2018. The second edition will take place from July 22nd to July 26th, 2019. For one week, 20 selected students will share the experience of study and discussion on the Perrone Campus in Novara. The subject to be discussed in the 2019 edition is “The future of humanity, the future of the earth”. The SoE aims at addressing and inspiring highly motivated students through an innovative teaching format that focuses on transdisciplinarity and critical conceptualization. All lectures, seminars and discussions will take place in English. Students will be enrolled in the SoE by passing an interview. They will be granted 4 CFU after completing a final exam.

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100 hours of study
4 CFU
Obligations and Rights
Application is open to all students who meet the academic requirements. There is no age restriction. Attendance is mandatory: 22\textsuperscript{nd} – 26\textsuperscript{th}, July, 2019 in Novara. The SoE is free of charge for the admitted students.
A written project work (PW) will be required in order to pass the final examination. The Examination Committee, chaired by the Director of the SoE, will be composed of at least three members of the School Committee (Consiglio di Studio).
Successful students will be awarded:
- 4 credits (CFU) to be listed under “other activities useful for the job market”
- tuition fee waiver for the academic year 2019/2020 up to 20\%

A maximum of 20 students will be admitted. The selection procedure for admission to the SoE will be based on:
- the year of enrolment (only students in their second to last year of a One Cycle Degree Courses/first year of the Master Degree Courses will be admitted);
- the academic performance and an oral examination. Students with the academic performance will be invited to an on-campus interview to assess their analytical and language skills and transdisciplinary abilities.

A balance between the different Master Degree Courses is required to preserve intellectual diversity. As a rule a maximum of 2 students from each Master Degree course will be admitted.

Deadline
March 28th, 2019, 12 pm.

How to apply
Please note that only complete applications will be considered.
By March, 28\textsuperscript{th} 2019 candidates are requested to:
- fill in this form: https://goo.gl/forms/D6Ejx8FMdH8t2hHn2
- send an email to soe@uniupo.it to notify the application

Please note that only the institutional email addresses (matricola@studenti.uniupo.it) will be accepted.

The interview is scheduled for Friday, April 12\textsuperscript{th}, 2019 in Vercelli.
The final ranking will be published on the website within 15 days after the interviews. The chosen candidates will be admitted to the SoE following their position in the final ranking. A formal acceptance will be requested not later than 10 days after the publication of the final ranking.

\footnote{The fee waiver depends on the student’s contribution and family income; feel free to contact soe@uniupo.it for further details}