



UNIVERSITA' DEGLI STUDI DI PARMA

CALL FOR THE ADMISSION TO THE SECOND LEVEL MASTER'S DEGREE IN HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND FOOD: EUROPEAN LAW AND RISK REGULATION A.Y. 2015/ 2016

Established under Ministerial decree 22/10/2004 no. 270, having regard to Art. 7 of the University rules and pursuant to the decisions of the Academic board of the University no. 523/17756 of 28 April 2015 and of the board of Directors no. 536/31051 of 30 April 2015.

1) INSTITUTION

As an integral part of the offer for the academic year 2015/2016, the Department of Law of the University of Parma launches a one-year Second level Master's Degree (third cycle of studies in accordance with the EQF) in *Health, Environment and Food: European Law and Risk Regulation* (www.giurisprudenza.unipr.it).

Places available		Tuition fees (including euro 32 for virtual stamp duties)
Minimum	Maximum	
15	25	4,500.00 euro 1st instalment of euro 2,250.00 upon enrolment 2nd instalment of euro 2,250.00 by 30 January 2017

Deadlines				
Online application (no later than 12 pm CET)	from	21/03/2016	to	29/08/2016
Payment of the admission fee of Euro 50.00				2/09/2016

PROFESSIONAL AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Regular and pro-active attendance to the Master's Degree in *Health, Environment and Food: European Law and Risk Regulation* will allow participants to gain high-level technical-legal knowledge about risk regulation in the strategic important fields of the protection of the environment, the protection of health and food safety. To this aim, participants to the Master's programme will deepen their knowledge of the relevant legal frameworks and policies at the international, EU and national level.

The Master is geared towards equipping participants with the appropriate knowledge and skills to take up professional roles of high responsibility, in terms of political-decisional and operational duties, in the context of enterprises working in the three above-mentioned fields, at the local, national and international levels, including within domestic, EU or international bodies operating in the same sectors.

In particular, the foreseen activities make the Master's degree particularly attractive for those candidates aiming at working as legal consultants for private enterprises or as professionals of high-technical profile in enterprises or entities operating in the fields of environment, health or food.

PROGRAMME CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

The Master's course is built upon three main components: lectures and workshops, operational and practical complementary activities, individual study.

During the first part of the Master, professors coming from renowned Italian and foreign Universities, national and international officers, as well as professionals working in the relevant fields, will give lectures for a total amount of approximately 500 hours.



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Classes will be mainly taught in English and will be structured so to allow the greatest interaction and active participation by students.

The teaching activity is articulated in three main learning modules:

- **module A *Actors, sources and instruments of international and EU law***: This module provides participants with the main notions and technical knowledge of EU and international law necessary to better understand the specialist contents analysed in the Master's core courses. Specific attention will be devoted to international and European contentious cases, as well as to EU competition policy and EU external relations with non-Member States, such as the United States, BRICs, and African Mediterranean Countries;

- **module B *Risk regulation***: This module deals in depth with several aspects of risk regulation – such as the scientific evaluation of facts (*risk assessment*) and the management of factual situations of risk (*risk management*) – in order to provide students with the knowledge required to identify risks that are worth being regulated, as well as the technical and decision-making procedures to be followed. Corporate social responsibility and the responsibility of multinational corporations will also be the subject of in-depth analysis;

- **module C *Risk regulation in the field of environment, health and food***: This module approaches risk regulation in the three thematic areas of environment, health and food respectively and is accordingly divided in three sub-modules. The analysis of the relevant legal framework follows a top-down approach, proceeding from the international to the local levels, through an analysis of the EU and national levels.

Module C.I – Environment and risk regulation: the sub-module will analyse the main substantial and procedural international environmental legal principles and obligations, the action of the EU in the field of environmental protection, the respective competences of the State and Regions and the principles governing environmental risk regulation.

Module C.II – Health and risk regulation: the sub-module will focus on the issues concerning the protection of global health, the right to health, consumer protection, the movement of healthcare services in the internal market, the regulation of chemicals and pharmaceutical products. A particular attention will be paid to the functioning and role of international, EU, and domestic, agencies working in the field.

Module C.III – Food and risk regulation: the sub-module will explore in depth the regulation – under international law, EU law and domestic law – of several interrelated issues, in particular: food safety, the circulation of food products in the international market, the right to food and to food information, the protection of traditional and high quality food products, IP rights in the food sector, the problems connected to the use of new technologies and scarce water resources, the role of criminal and administrative law in the food sector.

In addition, in each sub-module the issue of European funding programmes and procedures will be tackled.

Written examinations will take place at the end of each module – or each sub-module of module C – in order to test the acquisition by participants of fundamental knowledge in each disciplinary area.

At the end of the three abovementioned modules, participants will take part to a moot court competition, which will include practical training sessions, during which they will examine and solve an hypothetical case (modelled on real practice) under the guidance of tutors. Participants will eventually debate the case before a panel of experts.



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As an integrant part of the Master, students will do an internship in international, EU or national entities, agencies or institutions specialized in one of the Master's core fields.

If a student is unable, for personal or professional reasons, to do an internship, an individual research activity focusing on the analysis of a case study related to one of the Master's subject matters may be envisaged instead.

During the last part of the Master, participants will write a final thesis, which they will submit to and defend before a Committee composed of Master's professors.

UNIVERSITY CREDITS AND FINAL DEGREE

The programme foresees a total activity of 1,500 hours (including individual study), equivalent to 60 University Credits (CFU), as per Ministerial Decree 22/10/2004 no. 270, and allows obtaining the qualification of Second level Master's Degree (third cycle under the EQF).

PERIOD AND VENUE

The course will take place over one year, from November 2016 to October 2017. Teaching activity will take place from Monday to Friday, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Department of Law of the University of Parma, in Via dell'Università 12 - 43121 Parma.

At the end of the period of taught courses and seminars, participants will take part to a moot court competition, preceded by a specific training activity. The preparatory training activity will take place in weekly meetings of 5 hours each at the Department of Law of the University of Parma, in Via dell'Università 12 - 43121 Parma.

ATTENDANCE

The award of the final degree is subject to:

- attendance to at least 80% of the total hours of each module and the moot court;
 - the successful undertaking of all assessment tests,
 - the successful completion of the internship (or, alternatively, the analysis of a case-study related to one of the subject-matters examined in one of the sub-modules of module C);
- and
- the submission and defence of the Master's thesis.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Applications for admission to the Master's Degree are invited solely from those candidates that, at the date of the selection procedure, hold one of the following Italian qualifications (or equivalent foreign qualifications): "laurea quinquennale", "specialistica", "magistrale", "vecchio ordinamento".

Candidates need to prove a knowledge of English language that allows them to actively participate in classes and other activities.

Special preference will be given to those candidates holding a degree in one of the following areas: law, political sciences and international relations, biology, chemistry, pharmaceuticals, agriculture and food sciences, medicine, veterinary sciences, economics, engineering (limited to the environmental and management fields).



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Final admission is conditional upon the positive outcome of a selection procedure, which will involve the examination of the candidates' qualifications and an interview.

In the assessment of candidates the following qualifications, provided that they relate to the academic offer of the Master, will be considered:

- *post-graduate* education (such as other Master's Degrees, Ph.D, *post-doc* scholarships);
- working experience;
- First level degree's thesis and publications.

Auditors

A limited amount of places will be available for auditors (see *infra*).

DATE, VENUE AND MODALITIES OF THE SELECTION PROCEDURE

The selection procedure will take place regardless of the amount of applications received and will be structured as follows:

- 1) assessment of the qualifications submitted by candidates upon registration (up to 60 points);
- 2) interview to evaluate the applicants' motivation and language skills (up to 40 points).

The interviews will take place on 12 September 2016, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., at the Department of Law of the University of Parma (Via dell'Università 12 - 43121 Parma).

Candidates shall bring with them a valid ID document and the receipt of payment of selection fees.

At the end of the selection process, the Exam Committee will publish a list of eligible candidates in rank order. Only candidate obtaining at least 60 points are included in the list. The 25 available places will be attributed to candidates selected from the list in rank order.

AUDITORS

The possibility of attending individual modules of the Master's programme is given to auditors in the maximum number of ten for each module..

To be eligible, auditors shall hold one of the following degrees: "laurea quinquennale", "specialistica", "magistrale", or "vecchio ordinamento".

Auditors can enrol in one or more of the following modules (see *supra* for a brief description)

- module A: *Actors, sources and instruments of international and EU law*
- module B: *Risk regulation.*
- module C.I: *Environment and risk regulation*
- module C.II: *Health and risk regulation*
- module C.III: *Food and risk regulation*

Auditors attending at least 80% of the lectures of the chosen module will obtain a certificate of attendance issued by the Department of Law of the University of Parma.

Applications must be addressed to the e-mail giurisp.contabilita@unipr.it, re: "Master Health, Environment and Food – Auditor": a *Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum* and the copy of a valid ID document must be attached to the application request.

Applicants will be admitted on a first come first served basis until all places have been filled.

Applications submitted through different channels will not be accepted.

Tuition fees (including euro 16 for virtual stamp duties) are:

- euro 800.00 for module I;
- euro 400.00 for module II;



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- euro 1,000.00 (each) for sub-modules C.I C.II and C.III.

Tuition fees must be paid by means of a bank transfer to the account of the University of Parma, whose details will be indicated in the message confirming the admission as auditor, within the required deadlines. A copy of the bank transfer must be sent to the e-mail address giurisp.contabilita@unipr.it together with a copy of a valid ID document.

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

For more information concerning the Master's academic programme, please contact:

- Prof. Laura Pineschi, e-mail address: laura.pineschi@unipr.it;
- Prof. Antonio D'Aloia, e-mail address: antonio.daloia@unipr.it
- Dr. Veronica Valenti, e-mail address: veronica.valenti@unipr.it;
- Dr. Nicole Lazzerini, e-mail address: nicole.lazzerini@unipr.it.

ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL AND PRACTICAL INFORMATIONS

U.O.S. Formazione Post Lauream, tel. 0521/033708, e-mail address:
master.formazionepermanente@unipr.it

2) ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND MODALITIES

In order to be admitted to the selection procedure, candidates must hold one of the qualifications indicated under art. 1 above, which they must have obtained prior to the deadline of this call (29 August 2016).

In order to make the recognition of their title possible, candidates holding a non-Italian qualification must attach to the on-line application form an official translation in Italian, validated by the Italian diplomatic representation in the State where the title was obtained. The translation must be sent in original to U.O.S. Formazione *Post Lauream* during the enrolment phase.

Candidates who will obtain the requested qualification after the call deadline, but before the start of the selection procedure can apply for this Master. In this case, they must clearly indicate their status in the application form. On the day of the selection procedure they will be requested to provide a solemn declaration (autocertificazione) that they hold the requested qualification, according to the A/3 standard form, as a condition for the admissibility to the selection.

3) APPLICATION FORM

Candidates must submit their application, no later than Monday, 29 August 2016, only through the dedicated on-line procedure available on the website of the University of Parma (www.unipr.it). In order to complete the procedure, candidates need an ID card or passport, their fiscal code and a connection to a printer.

Candidates must proceed as follows:

- 1) they must access the section "ISCRIZIONI ON LINE" at www.unipr.it/iscrizioni) and must upload their *curriculum vitae*, exclusively in European format (which is available in the webpage with the link to this call);



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- 2) they must print the slip (MAV) for the payment of the 50 euro fee required in order to take part in the selection procedure. The payment If the selection procedure does not take place, candidates will be reimbursed;
- 3) they must pay the fee of 50,00 Euro by 29 August 2106. The receipt of the payment shall be provided on the selection day.

In accordance with Article 20 of Law 104/92 and Article 16, par. 1, of Law 68/99, **candidates with disabilities** can request additional time or facilities as needed in relation to their handicap, in order to sit the admission exam. Interested candidates must attach to their application a signed declaration (autocertificazione) of their disability, at a rate equal or superior to 66 %, by using the A/38 form downloadable from the website of the University of Parma (www.unipr.it).

The University of Parma reserves all its rights to exclude at any stage of the procedure, candidates that have submitted incomplete application forms or have attached irregular titles.

Late applications and applications not made through the on-line procedure will not be considered.

The University of Parma is not responsible for the loss of documents caused by incorrect indications provided by the candidate, or by the failure or the delay to indicate any changes to her or his address; nor it is responsible for any problems attributable to third persons, or caused by fortuitous events or *force majeure*. Moreover, the University of Parma is not responsible in case of failure to receive documents related to the procedure caused by facts attributable to third persons, or by errors of the candidate or by network failures.

Candidates obtaining at least 60 points will be admitted in rank order within the limits of available places.

4) ENROLMENT PROCEDURE

Starting from 26 September 2016, candidates will be able to access the outcome of the selection process in the dedicated area of the website under the "Admission test" section.

Candidates will not receive information related to the outcome of the procedure by telephone or by mail.

Candidates admitted shall complete the enrolment procedure between 26 September 2016 (12 am, Rome time) and 5 October 2016 (12 am, Rome time), and follow the indications below:

- 1) Log-in the "Area riservata" under the section "ISCRIZIONI ON LINE" at www.unipr.it/iscrizioni and complete the enrolment request by uploading a copy of the ID card (both front page and backside), a copy of the tax code card, and a photo in ID Card format. Non-EU citizens must attach a copy of their residence permit (the receipt of the request for the residence permit also constitutes a valid title. In this case, the candidate shall forward to U.O.S. Formazione *Post Lauream* the copy of the residence permit as soon as available);
- 2) Print and sign the enrolment request;
- 3) Pay the first instalment of the tuition fee by 14 October 2016. This sum will be reimbursed if the Master will not be activated.
- 4) After this procedure is complete, candidates must send, by the fixed deadline, the scan copies of the receipt of payment and of the enrolment request to



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master.formazionepermanente@unipr.it. The object of the message **shall** contain: **SURNAME, NAME, TITLE OF THE MASTER.**

Upon the receipt of these documents, the University of Parma will send an **e-mail confirming the enrolment**, with the number of enrolment and the e-mail address assigned (ex: name.surname@studenti.unipr.it). These are essential data for the future career of the participants to the Master, because any official information from the University of Parma related to the Master will be sent only to the said e-mail address.

The failure to complete the enrolment procedure described above within the deadline implies the candidate's withdrawal from participation to the Master. Mendacious statements in the documents provided by the candidates determines automatically the exclusion from the Master.

In case places remain vacant, eligible candidates who were not included in the first list of admitted candidates will be contacted by the University of Parma in rank order for late enrolment. The communication will indicate the applicable procedure and the deadlines.

If a minimum number of students (15) is not achieved, the Master will not be activated. The enrolment fee already paid will be refund.

5) RESPONSIBLE OF THE PROCEDURE

1. In accordance with Law No. 241 of 7 August 1990 as amended, the person in charge of the procedure under by this call is Dr Sonia Rizzoli – U.O.S. Formazione Post Laurea, P.le S. Francesco, 3 - 43121 Parma, Tel. 0521/033708 fax 0521/347016, mail master.formazionepermanente@unipr.it
2. The provisions of this call that aim at ensuring the transparency of the procedure and of the criteria and modalities for the appointment of the Exam committee and the responsible of the procedure implement the Law No. 241 of 7 August 1990 and following amendments.

6) TREATMENT OF PERSONAL DATA

1. According to Article 13 of the Decree No. 196 of 30 June 2003, the University of Parma (Via dell'Università, 12-43121 Parma) retains the personal data provided by the participants to the selection procedure for the Master concerned by this call.
2. The abovementioned data will be used exclusively for the purposes specified in this call.
3. In order to allow the assessment of the requirements for the participation to the Master, candidates are under a duty to communication the requested personal data. Failure to communicate such data implies the exclusion of the candidate from the selection procedure.
4. The University of Parma has the right to communicate the personal data provided by the candidates to the Ministry, for purposes concerning the latter's institutional mission.
5. Candidates shall enjoy the rights foreseen by Article 7 of the Decree No. 196 of 30 June 2003, which include the right to access data that concern them and the right to obtain that such data are updated or, in case the data are not correct, or incomplete, or have been collected with modalities not complying



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with the law, deleted. Candidates also enjoy the right to preclude the treatment of their personal data, for legitimate reasons. These rights can be exercised against the University of Parma (Via dell'Università, 12 - 43121 Parma).

7) FINAL PROVISIONS

The regulations of the University of Parma apply to any issues not expressly regulated by this call.

Parma,

The General Director
Silvana Ablondi

The Rector
Loris Borghi

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