



BRIEF GUIDE **2024/2025** 

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Dear Students,
on behalf of myself and the Athenaeum, I am delighted
to welcome you to the University of Parma!
A university with a history and tradition stretching back thousands of years
and yet projected towards the future, where I trust you will find the most
stimulating environment for both your study and life journeys. A life journey
indeed, since the university years are a time of training
and growth in a broader sense,
not merely of acquiring knowledge and skills.

This 'Brief Guide' is an introductory tool to introduce you to the University and all its services: a vademecum that we hope will be useful to you in approaching the Unipr world.

This is where you will find the main information on our University's educational offer, services and facilities, as well as a list of undergraduate and postgraduate courses, addresses, contacts and brief descriptions of everything the University of Parma offers to enhance your study and life experience: online services, libraries, laboratories, quality research, foreign exchange programmes, support for students with disabilities, language courses, excellent sports facilities and much more.

The University of Parma with its 9 Departments is a very rich galaxy covering all educational and research fields. It boasts approximately 33,000 students, over 1,900 lecturers, researchers and technical-administrative staff. It is a multidisciplinary university offering a comprehensive range of courses, with 49 first cycle degree courses (including 1 in English), 7 single-cycle degree courses (including 1 in English) and 48 second cycle degree courses (including 12 in English). A total of 104 courses in one of the most important and well-known university poles in Europe, focusing on quality teaching, innovation, research and on meeting the demands of the employment market.

This will be your 'home' for a few years. We hope that your stay will be as fruitful as possible and you will enjoy living in a city with a high quality of life, which is becoming more and more student friendly and where I am sure you will feel at home.

On our part we will do our utmost to make these years exciting, stimulating, productive, full of experiences and learning opportunities, and to accompany you in the very best way throughout your intellectual, professional, and human growth.

One last thing, which is very important to us: the University of Parma is a place of dialogue,
peace, freedom of ideas and respect of everyone's dignity.
These are our fundamental, inalienable values which we believe in and will always reaffirm.

Kind regards, The Rector Paolo Martelli



# HOW TO FIND US



Firenze

Roma

# MOTORWAYS

Autostrada del Sole (A1) "Parma" exit Autostrada Parma/La Spezia (A15) "Parma Ovest" exit.

#### **AIRPORTS**

Parma airport "Giuseppe Verdi" is located a few minutes from the city. Other internationa airports nearby are Bologna, Genoa, Milan Malpensa, Milan Linate, Bergamo - Orio al Serio and Verona.

#### **DISTANCES**

Parma is located:

120 KM FROM MILAN

100 KM FROM BOLOGNA

190 KM FROM FLORENCE

250 KM FROM VENICE

460 KM FROM ROME

# IN EUROPE FOR A THOUSAND YEARS



# RENOWNED SINCE THE AGE OF CHARLEMAGNE

It was right in Parma, in 781 A.D., where Charlemagne and the monk Alcuin of York met to lay the foundations for the rebirth of the Palatine School: this was the first important citation of the cultural vocation of the city and its higher education activities. With an imperial decree dated 13th March 962 AD, Emperor Otto I conferred on Uberto, the Bishop of Parma, the power to order and elect legal leaders, allowing them to exert their authority throughout the Empire.

# SIGNIFICANT FOR GREAT PERSONALITIES

A number of important professors and students chose to study in Parma as far back as the 11th and 12th centuries; to name but a few, the theologian San Pier Damiani or the monk Donizone, who praised the high school of Parma in its "Vita comitissae Mathildis" (1115): "Parma leads the way in grammar [...] the seven arts are taught with passion". The prestige of Parma further lasted for the following centuries: even the famous poet Petrarch sent his son to study there.

# FROM PARMA TO LEADING POSITIONS

According to the historian Ernest Dümmler, Parma has been a "celebrated seat of learning" since the 11th century, attracting students from countries beyond the Alps. Sinibaldo dei Fieschi and Simone de Brion studied in Parma before becoming, respectively, Pope Innocent IV and Pope Martin IV. In the 16th century the House of Farnese founded in Parma one of the most prestigious University colleges ever seen in Italy. In the 18th century Parma welcomed some distinguished scholars like the Illuminist philosopher Condillac, while in the early 19th century its popularity was so high that Napoleon extended its jurisdiction as far as Alessandria.

# **UP-TO-DATE STRUCTURES AND SERVICES**

The University of Parma has been able to maintain its vitality for a thousand years thanks to its key capacity of constantly keeping up with the times. Nowadays, the results of such success are evident in every department, through its links with the world of work, its technological facilities and its excellent research activities.







SO MUCH TO SEE, TO DO, TO DISCOVER

and a worldwide famous opera house, the

between the University and the municipality of Parma with the aim of making Parma a more and more suitable city for university students,

the protagonists.

# RESEARCH

# **SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ACTIVITIES** OF WORLD EXCELLENCE

Today, more than ever, "innovation" is one of the keywords of the University of Parma. Within the structures of the University of Parma there are scientific research activities of world excellence. The research areas range from agri-food to biotechnology, from pharmaceutical innovation to experimental medicine, not to mention the importance of studies in the legal, economic, humanistic, engineering, architectural and veterinary medical fields. Among the excellences, we must not forget the discoveries on the "mirror neurons" in the area of Neuroscience, the studies in Information Engineering that led to the creation of autonomous vehicles (without a driver), the studies in the field of mathematics and those in the food sector, in which the University of Parma - also thanks to its position in the center of the Food Valley aims to consolidate its status as a reference point, not only at a regional level.

# **TECNOPOLO AND APPLIED RESEARCH**

Another basic element of the University of Parma is the activity carried out within the Techopolo, where both the applied research of the interdepartmental centers and the "labs" of University partner companies in the research activities can develop, within a Campus which is the heart of innovation for the whole area

# **FOOD PROJECT**



The Food Project is an initiative promoted by the University of Parma with the aim of harmonizing and strengthening the skills and the competences which already exist within the University, in terms of research and teaching, in the food sector. It strives to promote scientific interaction among universities, industries, research centres, and with national and international educational institutions. The goal is to make the University of Parma a recognized European hub in the field of food technology and nutrition.

# **EU GREEN ALLIANCE**

"EU GREEN - European University Alliance for Sustainability, Responsible Growth, Inclusive Education and Environment" is an EU alliance approved in the framework of the "European Universities action". The aim is the creation of a European higher-education space that prioritises sustainability in all its dimensions (teaching, research, third mission, student life and internationalisation): a network that aims to better serve students and their respective territories by working together to increase and promote sustainability and address the main societal challenges identified in the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), fostering the growth of a more equitable society and the development of a more balanced economy and a more sustainable environment



# **A LOVELY PLACE TO LIVE**



# A FRIENDLY CITY FOR MODERN LIVING

Busy but not chaotic, tidy but not boring, Parma is a perfect combination of **beauty and** efficiency: a pleasant medium-sized city of about 198,000 inhabitants where riding a bicycle is the ideal way to get around. The neighbouring peaceful countryside is enclosed by the fascinating Po Valley to the north and the woods of the Apennines to the south. The Ligurian Sea is also an hour away by car. The high quality of living in Parma is immediately perceivable and the University perfectly takes part in this favourable mix of florid economic activities, especially the remarkable food industry and the typical pleasure for life of the inhabitants of Emilia Romagna.

Parma has received many awards in recent vears:

Since 2003, it has been the seat of the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA). Since 2015, it has been named the "Creative City for Gastronomy", a title awarded by UNESCO; in 2020 and 2021. Parma was chosen to be the "Italian Capital of Culture".

# known architect Renzo Piano.

"Parma University City" is a joint project gathering ideas and suggestions directly from

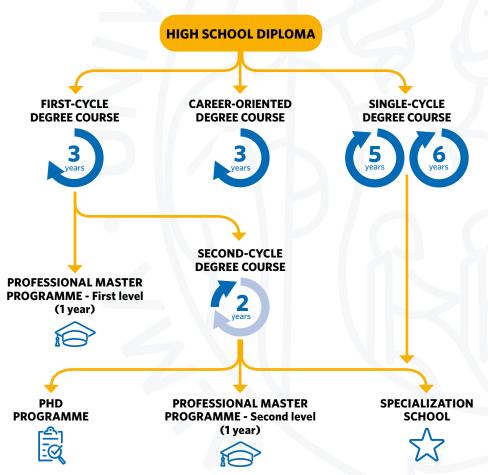








# THE ITALIAN **EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM**









**Administrative Headquarters** at University of Parma

**Administrative** 

**Headquarters** 

at other Universities

#### **FIRST-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES**

# **DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY**

Dental hygiene (3 years)

## SINGLE-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES

## **DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY**

Medicine and surgery (6 years)

#### **SECOND-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES**

# DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY, LIFE SCIENCES AND **ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY**

Functional and sustainable materials NEW



# DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT

International business and development

#### DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE

- Communication engineering
- Electronic engineering for intelligent vehicles
- Engineering for the food industry

#### DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND DRUG

• Food safety and food risk management

# DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITIES, SOCIAL SCIENCES AND **CULTURAL INDUSTRIES**

• Language sciences and cultural studies for special needs

#### DEPARTMENT OF LAW, POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Global Food Law: Sustainability Challenges and Innovation



## SECOND-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES

# DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE

- Advanced automotive engineering
- · Electric vehicle engineering

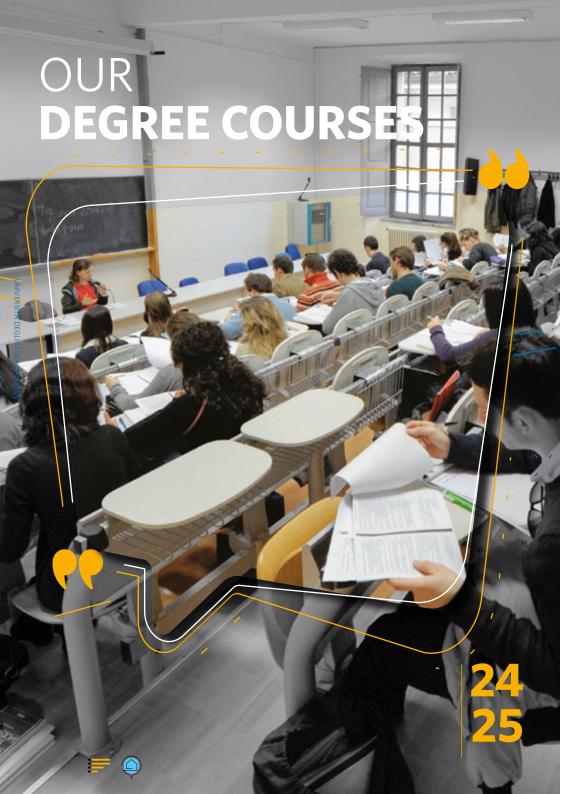
#### DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND DRUG

Food sciences for innovation and authenticity









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DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITIES, SOCIAL SCIENCES AND CULTURAL **INDUSTRIES** 





#### FIRST-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES

- Artistic library's and performing arts heritage
- Communication and contemporary media for creative industries
- Educational sciences
- Humanities
- Modern foreign languages and civilisations
- Philosophical studies



# **CAREER-ORIENTED DEGREE COURSES**

• Interpreter in italian sign language and italian tactile sign language



#### SECOND-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES

- Classical and modern philology and literature
- Design and coordination of educational services
- History and critic of arts and performance
- Journalism, editorial culture, environmental and multimedia communication
- Language sciences and cultural studies for special needs (in English)
  - Philosophy (joint degree)
  - Social and clinical applied psychology

# **DEPARTMENT OF LAW, POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES**



Via Università, 12 segreteria.giurisprudenza@unipr.it



#### **FIRST-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES**

- Political science and international relations (double degree Germany)
- Social work



#### **SINGLE-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES**

• Law (double degree Brazil)



#### **SECOND-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES**

 Global Food Law: Sustainability Challenges NEW and Innovation (in English)



- International and european relations
- Planning and management of social work







# **DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING AND** ARCHITECTURE



Parco Area delle Scienze, 181/A Student registry office: segreteria.ingarc@unipr.it



#### FIRST-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES

- Architecture regeneration sustainability
- Civil and environmental engineering
- Computer, electronic and communications engineering (double degree France)
- Computer technologies engineering
- Sustainable design for food systems (joint degree)
- Management engineering (double degree San Marino, USA)
- Mechanical engineering



#### **CAREER-ORIENTED DEGREE COURSES**

· Constructions, infrastructures and territorial management



#### SECOND-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES

- Advanced automotive engineering (joint degree -**1** F in English)
  - Architecture and city sustainability (double degree Morocco - in Italian and English)
  - Civil engineering
- Communication engineering (double degree France - in English)
  - Computer engineering (double degree France)
- Electric vehicle engineering (joint degree in English)
  - Electronic engineering (double degree France)
- Electronic engineering for intelligent vehicles (ioint degree - in English)
- Engineering for the food industry (double degree USA in English)
  - Environmental and land management engineering (double degree USA)
  - Management engineering (double degree San Marino, USA)
  - Mechanical engineering (double degree San Marino - USA)



# DEPARTMENT OF **MEDICINE AND SURGERY**

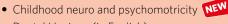


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#### FIRST-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES

- Audioprothesic techniques
- Biomedical laboratory techniques



- Dental Hygiene (in English)
  - Environment and workplace prevention techniques
  - Health assistance (joint degree)
  - Imaging and radiotherapy techniques
  - Midwifery (double degree Brazil)
  - Nursing
  - Orthoptic and ophtalmologic assistance
  - Physiotherapy
  - Professional Education
  - Psychological sciences and techniques for contemporary challenges



- Speech and language therapy
- Sport sciences, physical exercise and human health



#### SINGLE-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES

Medicine and surgery



- Medicine and surgery (in English Piacenza Hub)
  - School of dental medicine (double degree Brazil)



# **SECOND-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES**

- Medical, veterinary and pharmaceutical biotechnologies
- Nursing and midwifery sciences
- Psychobiology and cognitive neuroscience
- Theory and methods of preventive and adapted physical activities

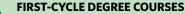






# **DEPARTMENT OF** CHEMISTRY, LIFE SCIENCES AND **ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY**



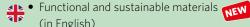


- Biology
- Biotechnology
- Chemistry
- Geological sciences
- Materials science
- Natural and environmental sciences.

3 years

# SECOND-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES

- Biomolecular, genomic and cellular sciences
- Chemistry (double degree Netherlands South Africa)
- Ecology and ethology for nature conservation



(in English)

- Genomic, molecular and industrial biotechnologies
- Geological sciences applied to environmental sustainability
- Industrial chemistry (double degree Netherlands)
- Sciences and technologies for environment and resources
- Translational biomedical sciences

# **DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND DRUG**



#### **FIRST-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES**

- Food science and technology
- Gastronomic science



#### **CAREER-ORIENTED DEGREE COURSES**

• Quality and procurement of raw materials for agri-food



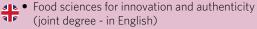
#### SINGLE-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES

- Pharmaceutical chemistry and technology
- Pharmacy



#### **SECOND-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES**

- Food safety and food risk management (joint degree - in English)
  - Food science and technology



Human nutrition sciences

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# **DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT**



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### **FIRST-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES**

- Economics and management (double degree France, Germany)
- Food system: management, sustainability and technologies



#### SECOND-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES

- Business administration (double degree Brazil, France, Germany)
- Economics and management of sustainable food enviroment
- Finance and risk management (double degree Brazil)



- International business and development (double degree Brazil, France, Germany, Lithuania - in English)
  - Trade and consumer marketing (double degree Brazil, France, Germany, Lithuania)

# **DEPARTMENT OF** MATHEMATICAL. **PHYSICAL AND COMPUTER SCIENCES**



### **FIRST-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES**

- Computer science
- Mathematics
- Physics



# **DEPARTMENT OF VETERINARY SCIENCE**



#### **SECOND-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES**

- Computer science
- Mathematics
- Physics



#### FIRST-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES

• Livestock science and animal production technologies





### **CAREER-ORIENTED DEGREE COURSES**

• Dairy Enterprise Technologies and Management (joint degree)



#### SINGLE-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES

Veterinary medicine



#### SECOND-CYCLE DEGREE COURSES

 Innovative and sustainable livestock production







**FOUNDATION** YEAR



## **FOUNDATION YEAR**

"The Foundation Year" is a preparatory course lasting 11 months addressed to foreign students interested in enrolling in a degree course at the University of Parma or another Italian university or at a music Conservatory or higher institution of music studies (ISSM).

In the case of enrolment in the musical curriculum with the attendance of some courses the duration extends up to a maximum of 13 months.

## **DEADLINES**

Registration from 15 January 2024. Registration until 15 July 2024 for "Early Birds" students, 15 August 2024 for "Regular" and "Dante" students, and 30 September for students not admitted to the degree course in medicine and surgery after taking the admission test.

For further information, please write to: foundationyear@unipr.it or visit the website www.foundationyear.unipr.it/en/

As regards enrolment on the courses on offer at Conservatorio, you may also contact tutor@conservatorio.pr.it







# **STUDENTS**

First-cycle degree courses:	19.189
Single-cycle degree courses:	4.844
Second-cycle degree courses:	6.354
Master programmes, PhD, Postgraduate Schools:	2.465
Total Number:	32.852

# **ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE / TECHNICAL STAFF**

Professors and Researchers: 1.020

Administrative and Technical staff: 971

1.991











# SERVICES AND FACILITIES



#### PARMAUNIVERCITY INFO POINT

Right in the heart of the city, this new information centre welcomes and informs all citizens and students on university activities (educational offer/choice of courses, services, events). The info-point also sells "University of Parma" merchandise.

Phone (0039) 0521/904081 - 904082

### STUDENT GUIDANCE SERVICE

The Student Guidance Service provides information and supports prospective students in in choosing the course of study through guidance interviews, educational visits, etc. orienta@unipr.it

#### JOB PLACEMENT

This service provides information to students and graduates about the best ways to enter the labour market (job day, job vacancy notice board, seminars and other opportunities are provided).

placement@unipr.it

# **LIBRARIES**

## www.biblioteche.unipr.it

The University libraries are accessible to students and citizens and offer free access to catalogues and databases of books and journals, to online bibliographic research as well as book loans from the local catalogue or interlibrary loan.

# UNIVERSITY LANGUAGE CENTRE

# www.cla.unipr.it

Learning foreign languages at basic and advanced level.

c.ling@unipr.it

# WELCOME AND INCLUSION CENTRE

#### www.cai.unipr.it

- Le Eli-Che: Support service for students with disabilities including learning disabilities, Special Educational Needs (B.E.S.) or learning difficulties (D.S.A.).
   cai@unipr.it
- Psychological Counseling Service: It is dedicated to current and future students, graduates, and university staff members and their families. It involves individual or group interviews led by psychologists trained in this area.

## counseling@unipr.it

#### Welcome and accommodation office:

The Welcome Office offers assistance to Italian and foreign visiting professors, students on an exchange period or enrolled at the University of Parma in finding accommodation in the city. This service also provides individual advice and support on immigration procedures and necessary documents, especially as regards the entry and stay in Italy (visas, residence permit, etc.).

welcome@unipr.it







#### **TUITION FEES**

Students can request partial or total exemption from tuition fees, if they meet the established merit or income requirements.

sertasse@unipr.it

# ER.GO - REGIONAL AUTHORITY FOR THE RIGHT TO HIGHER EDUCATION

Call center

(0039) 051/0185268 - 051/19907580

**Residential facilities**: Students can find accommodation in one of the 6 ER.GO Residences in Parma (600 places) on the basis of a competition announcement published on the website www.er-go.it

**Scholarships**: ER.GO provides scholarships for students enrolled at Universities. To be eligible for a scholarship students must apply online on the website www.er-go.it

**Canteens**: Various affiliated canteens and bars are available near the university.

# PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT FOR STUDENTS

Regularly enrolled students can apply for paid working activities in administrative offices, libraries and other university structures. The activities last for a maximum of 100 hours.

150ore@unipr.it

STUDENT CARD

It functions as a personal badge to access all the services of the University and the financial services of the partner bank of the University. Futhermore, all Student Card holders can benefit from discounts and promotions in various shops and cultural institutions in Parma. studentcard@unipr.it

### **UNIVERSITY MUSEUMS**

## www.sma.unipr.it

The University Museum System includes scientific and historical heritage museums where research and educational activities are closely connected. Such museums constitute a fundamental instrument for spreading knowledge and supporting scientific research. sistema.museale@unipr.it

#### **CSAC**

# www.csacparma.it

Founded in the late sixties, the Study Centre and Communication Archive (CSAC) boasts a rich collection of contemporary art masterpieces, photographs, graphics, design, fashion and architectural projects of over 12 million items organized into 5 sections: Fine Art, Photography, Media, Projects and Visual Arts. info@csacparma.it

# **CAPAS**

## capas@unipr.it

The Centre for Activities and Professions of Visual and Performing Arts offers students a series of curricular and extra-curricular activities and workshops in the field of art, culture and communication. The centre is made up of the Choir "Ildebrando Pizzetti", the University Orchestra, ParmAteneo (the online newspaper of the students), the MoRE - Museum of refused and unrealised art projects, the CUT - University Drama Centre and RadiorEvolution (the web-radio of the students), the Social Media group, and VideoATENEO. capas@unipr.it

# CREDITS FOR CULTURAL, ARTISTIC AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

All students can obtain University credits if they carry out cultural, artistic or social activities. Credits for cultural and artistic activities: capas@unipr.it

Credits for social activities: didatticasperimentale.serviziosociale@unipr.it

#### CREDITS FOR SPORT ACTIVITIES

The students of the University of Parma who play sports at amateur or professional level (with the CUS or not) can be assigned up to 6 credits.

creditisportiviunipr@cusparma.it

# CUS PARMA, THE UNIVERSITY SPORTS CENTRE

Our University, together with the CUS - University Sports Centre, promotes well-being and healthy lifestyles by encouraging students to play sports at all levels and providing access to structured programmes in different sports.

Every year, the CUS offers students courses in different sport disciplines for both amateurs and professionals.

We have various and well-equipped sports facilities on our Campus: gyms, soccer, tennis and padel fields, a pool, a golf course, an athletics track, etc.

segreteria@cusparma.it



# **INTERNATIONAL**

# ERASMUS AND INTERNATIONAL HOME

The service centre for international activities and exchanges. The EIH primarily offers information and a front-office service for both outgoing and incoming students and staff.

P.le San Francesco, 3 - 43121 Parma - ITALY

#### **STUDYING ABROAD**

- Erasmus+ SMS and SMT programmes: grants for study periods or traineeships in a European or extra-European University or Company.
- Overworld programme: scholarships to attend courses in Extra UE Universities.
- Double Degree programme: students can obtain a double academic title from one of the partner Universities.

erasmus@unipr.it

#### **STUDYING IN PARMA**

## **International Students admission**

Procedures of pre-evaluation and enrolment.

admissions@unipr.it

#### International Students Desk

P.le San Francesco, 3 - 43121 Parma - ITALY

International (non-EU) students enrolling in an active course of study can access new services to facilitate their arrival in Italy and their integration into our University

admissions@unipr.it

# **Exchange students**

Information for incoming students on exchange programmes (Erasmus or International agreements).

incoming@unipr.it



# **MOVING AROUND**

## **BIKE AND CAR SHARING**

Students can take advantage of discounts and reduced rates for bike sharing, car sharing and bicycle parking.

## BUS

Discounted rates for all students without age limits.

To take advantage of these discounts, it is necessary to go to the TEP (Parma) www.tep.pr.it or SETA (Piacenza) counters www.setaweb.it/pc









# **COMMUNICATING** WITH THE UNIVERSITY

**URP - UNIVERSITY INFORMATION OFFICE** 

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