



UNIVERSITÀ DI PARMA

DIPARTIMENTO DI GIURISPRUDENZA,
STUDI POLITICI E INTERNAZIONALI

CALL FOR THE ADMISSION TO THE SECOND LEVEL MASTER'S DEGREE IN HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT AND FOOD: EUROPEAN LAW AND RISK REGULATION A.Y. 2017/2018

Established under Ministerial decree 22/10/2004 n. 270, having regard to Art. 7 of the University rules and pursuant to the decisions of the Academic board of the University n. 523/17910 of 26 April 2016 and of the board of Directors n. 547/31051 of 28 April 2016.

1) INSTITUTION

As an integral part of the offer for the academic year 2017/2018, the Department of Law, Politics and International Studies of the University of Parma promotes the second edition of the Second level Master's Degree in "Health, Environment and Food: European Law and Risk Regulation" (<http://gspi.unipr.it/it>).

Places available		Tuition fees (including Euros 16 for virtual stamp duties)
Minimum	Maximum	
15	20	4,850.00 Euros 1st instalment of Euros 2,500.00 upon enrollment 2nd instalment of Euros 2,350.00 by 1 May 2018

Deadlines				
Online application (no later than 12 pm CET)	from	23/10/2017	to	22/12/2017
Payment of the admission fee of Euros 50.00				22/12/2017

Should the minimum number of participants not be reached, candidates will have the right to obtain the reimbursement of the admission fee. A request to this effect must be sent within 30 days from the date when the selection should have taken place, in accordance with the procedure for reimbursement available on the University's website (www.unipr.it).

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The Master aims to provide participants with a high-level of legal knowledge about risk regulation in the fields of the protection of health, environment and food safety. Participants will analyse the relevant legal frameworks and policies at the international, EU and national levels. They will be equipped with the necessary tools to cover professional roles of great responsibility in terms of political, decisional and operational duties in the afore-mentioned fields both for companies and for EU or international institutions, bodies or agencies working at the local, national or international levels.

PROGRAMME CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

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

During the first part of the Master, lectures for a total amount of approximately 365 hours will be given by professors coming from renowned Italian and foreign Universities, national and international officers, as well as professionals working in the relevant fields.

Classes will be mainly taught in English and will be structured to foster student interaction and active participation.

The teaching activity is articulated into three main learning modules:

- **module A *Actors, sources and instruments of international and EU law. Basic principles***: 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. Science, law and politics***: 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 necessary to determine which risks 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 fields of the environment, health, food***: it is articulated into three thematic sub-modules, each one devoted to the analysis of risk regulation in the field of environment, health and food respectively. The analysis of the relevant legal framework follows a top-down approach, taking into account, one after another, the international, EU, national and regional levels.

Module C.I – Environment and risk regulation: the 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 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 chemical and pharmaceutical products, paying specific attention to the functioning and role of the agencies working in the field.

Module C.III – Food and risk regulation: the module will explore in depth the regulation – under international law, EU law and national 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 attention will be paid to the relevant rules concerning European funds.

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.

Attendants will then undertake a 400-hour internship in international, EU or national entities, agencies or institutions specialized in one of the Master's core fields. In case of personal impediment, the internship may be replaced by individual research activity focusing on the analysis of a case study related to one of the Master's subject matters.

During the last part of the Master, participants will write a final dissertation, which will be submitted and defended 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 n. 270, and allows obtaining the qualification of Second level Master's Degree.

PERIOD AND VENUE

The course will take place over one year, from January 2018 to December 2018. Teaching activity (modules A, B, and C) will take place from Monday to Friday (as a rule, with a one-day break each week) at the Department of Law, Politics and International Studies of the University of Parma, in Via Università 12 - 43121 Parma.

At the end of the teaching activity (lectures and workshops), participants will take part to practical activities, and will be subsequently involved in a stage (full-time).

The Executive Committee is responsible for the planning of the Master's activities, which, as a rule, shall be completed by the end of a.y. 2017/2018 (i.e., by 30/04/2019). In case of a prorogation, based on justified reasons, students will be asked to enroll to a.y. 2018/2019, and to pay the corresponding fee for virtual stamps. The activities of the Master shall be completed by the end of a.y. 2018/2019.

ATTENDANCE

The award of the final degree is subject to:

- attendance to at least 80% of the total hours of each module and the practical activities;
- 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);
- the submission and defence of a written dissertation.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Candidates in possession of an Italian University degree (2nd level-magistrale) or equivalent foreign qualifications in one of the following areas: law, political science and international relations, economics, agriculture and food sciences, biology, chemistry, engineering (limited to environmental and management fields), pharmaceuticals, medicine, veterinary sciences. Candidates need to prove sufficient English language ability to actively participate and interact during classes and further activities.

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

Admissible qualifications, to the extent they relate to the academic offer of the Master, are:

- *post*-degree 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, which will take place regardless of the amount of applications received, will be structured as follows:

- 1) assessment of the qualifications submitted by candidates upon registration;
 - 2) interview to evaluate the applicants' motivation and the possession of the required language abilities.
- The interviews will take place on **9 January 2018**, at 10 a.m., at the Department of Law, Politics and International Studies of the University of Parma (Via Università 12 - 43121 Parma), Room D.
- Candidates shall bring with them a valid ID document and the receipt of payment of admission fees.
- After interviewing candidates, the Exam Committee will draft a public ranking of those eligible. Candidates obtaining the best scores (in any case, not lower than 60 points) will be admitted to the Master's programme, within the limit of the maximum number of available places (20).
- On equal merit, priority will be given to the youngest candidate.

AUDITORS

The Master's programme also gives the possibility to attend single modules as auditors, up to 10 for each module.

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

Auditors can enroll 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. Basic principles**
- module B: **Risk regulation. Science, law and politics**
- 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, Politics and International Studies 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:

- Euros 800.00 for module A;
- Euros 400.00 for module B;
- Euros 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. Francesca Mussi, e-mail address: f.mussi2@campus.unimib.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 para. 1 above, which they must have obtained prior to the deadline of this call (22 December 2017).

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 only purpose is to make it possible the recognition of the title. The translation must be sent in original to U.O.S. Formazione *Post Lauream* during the enrollment phase.

Candidates who hold the requested qualification on the date of the selection procedure can apply for this Master. In this case, they must clearly indicate their status in the application form. The day of the selection procedure they will be requested to provide an auto-certification of the possession of their qualification, according to the A/3 standard form, as a condition for the admissibility to the selection.

3) APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Candidates must submit their application, no later than Friday, **22 December 2017**, 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);
- 2) they must print the module (MAV) concerning the fee of Euros 50,00 for admission to the selection procedure, which must be paid by 22 December 2017. In case the selection procedure did not take place, candidates will be reimbursed;
- 3) they must pay the fee of Euros 50,00 and keep the receipt of payment, which they will need to exhibit the day of the selection procedure.

In accordance with Art. 20 of Law 104/92 and Article 16, para. 1, of Law n. 68/99, **candidates with disabilities** can make an explicit request to obtain, in relation to their handicap, additional time or the technical means needed to sit the admission exam. Interested candidates must attach to their application an auto-certification of their disability equal or superior to 66 %, by using the A/38 form downloadable on the website of the University of Parma (www.unipr.it).

In any phases of the selection procedure, the administration of the University of Parma has the right to exclude who submitted incomplete application forms or attached irregular titles.

Applications sent after the deadline, or through different channel than the on-line procedure described above, will not be considered.

The administration of 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 administration of 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 failure.

The minimum number of points for admission is 60. Candidates who obtain the best scores will be admitted within the limits of the available places.

4) ENROLLMENT PROCEDURE

From 16 January 2018, candidates will be able to see the outcome of the selection procedure 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 enrollment procedure between 16 January 2018 (12 a.m. CET) and 23 January 2018 (12 a.m. CET), following the indications below:

- 1) Accede the “Area riservata” under the section “ISCRIZIONI ON LINE” at www.unipr.it/iscrizioni and complete the enrollment request by uploading a copy of the ID card (both front page and backside), copy of the fiscal code, and a photo in ID format. Non-EU citizens must attach a copy of the 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 he or she gets it);
- 2) Print and sign the request;
- 3) Pay the first instalment of the tuition fees. Reimbursement is foreseen only in case the Master will not be activated.
- 4) After this procedure is complete, candidates must send, by the established deadline, the scanned copies of the receipt of payment and of the enrollment request to master.formazionepermanente@unipr.it. The object of the message **shall** indicate: **SURNAME, NAME, TITLE OF THE MASTER.**

Upon the receipt of these documents, the University of Parma will send an **e-mail confirming the enrollment**, with the number of enrollment and the e-mail address assigned (i.e.: 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 enrollment procedure described above implies the candidate’s withdrawal from participation to the Master. False statements in the documents provided by the candidates implies the automatic exclusion from the Master.

In the previous cases, the office competent for the enrollment procedure will contact admissible candidates that were not included in the initial short list of admitted candidates.

The Master will not be activated in case admissible candidates are less than 15. In this case, the first installment of the tuition fee will be reimbursed.

A certain number of scholarships covering part or all of the tuition fees will be awarded. Further information is available at: <https://www.hefmasterparma.it/>.

5) RESPONSIBLE OF THE PROCEDURE

1. In accordance with the Law N. 241 of 7 August 1990 and following amendments, the responsible of the procedure foreseen 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, e-mail master.formazionepermanente@unipr.it
2. The provisions of this call aim at ensuring the transparency of the procedure and of the criteria and modalities for the appointment of the evaluating commission 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 Art. 13 of the Decree No. 196 of 30 June 2003, the University of Parma (Via 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 communicate 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 Art. 7 of the Decree N. 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 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 Università, 12 - 43121 Parma).

7) FINAL PROVISIONS

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