



*Call for applications for students
of the master's degree in Physics.
2020/2021 academic year*

**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS TO THE "LUCIANO FONDA" UNIVERSITY COLLEGE
FOR STUDENTS OF THE MASTER'S DEGREE IN PHYSICS
2020/2021 ACADEMIC YEAR**

1. THE "LUCIANO FONDA" UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

The "Luciano Fonda" University College (hereafter referred to as the College), in collaboration with the University of Trieste endeavours to:

- attract deserving students and accompany them on an exceptional learning pathway;
- promote an interdisciplinary education through the use of highly effective learning pathways;
- organize student exchange programmes with similar national and international institutes;
- foster interest in the University of Trieste by acknowledging the uniqueness of a scientific system that is highly committed to research and international exchanges;
- consolidate relations with local scientific organizations and collaborate together with these organizations to design appropriate learning opportunities.

In keeping with these objectives, the College, in conjunction with financing provided by:

- [Elettra Sincrotrone Trieste](#)
- [INFN Trieste](#)

is calling for applications for admission from students that hold a Bachelor's degree and are interested in enrolling in the first year of the Master's degree programme in Physics at the University of Trieste. The successful applicants will be able to utilize, for a two-year academic period, the hospitality and educational services offered by the College, under the condition that both, the requisites outlined in article 5 of this document, and the Learning Agreement, are respected. Upon completion of the two-year period the students may obtain a diploma which attests the skills acquired through their participation in the learning activities.

2. SERVICES

The College offers its students:

- **Accommodation:**
 - at the "ex Ospedale Militare" University Residence (<http://www.rtmliving.com/trieste>) in a two-room studio apartment with a private bathroom, a kitchenette including a complete set of tableware and cutlery, LED TV, Wi-Fi, heating and air-conditioning;

- utilities (water, electricity, internet connection, heating and air-conditioning, telephone for national calls and those made to mobile phones), weekly cleaning and changing of linens;
- access to common areas (study halls, library, photocopy centre, video room, music room, gym, lounge area, laundry room);
- reception and safe-keeping services.
- **Learning environment:**
 - supplementary interdisciplinary learning modules and specialized seminars held by qualified professors are offered in addition to curricular courses;
 - advanced language learning;
 - laboratories and activities aimed at acquiring soft skills;
 - field trips to scientific institutions and places of cultural interest;
 - practicums at local, national and international scientific and cultural institutions;
 - one-to-one tutoring by experts recognized for their superior scientific and professional profiles, in addition to career counseling upon completion of a degree.
- **Counseling and financial support for periods of study abroad.**

3. NUMBER OF AVAILABLE PLACES AND CONDITIONS

The Collegio Universitario Luciano Fonda of Trieste is calling for applications for admission to the 2020/2021 academic year based on a selection process consisting of the evaluation of the applicant's academic career and an interview, for 3 (three) students wishing to enroll in the first year of the Master's Degree programme in Physics at the University of Trieste.

The available places are divided as follows:

- a. 1 place, financed by INFN, the branch of Trieste, for students choosing the "Nuclear and Sub-nuclear Physics" curriculum;
- b. 2 places, financed by Elettra-Sincrotrone Trieste S.C.p.A., for students choosing the "Physics of Matter" curriculum, developed in collaboration with Elettra-Sincrotrone Trieste, with a course of study and a thesis of interest to the financing company.

The number of places may be increased depending on whether further financing becomes available, subsequent to the publication of the Call for Applications.

4. TUITION AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Students admitted to the College will receive a scholarship of **€6,000.00** per year; of which **€3,450.00** will be deducted to cover the expenses of accommodation and other



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services offered by the College, and the remaining **€2,550.00** (€2,450.00 net) will be deposited into the student's bank account in two semi-annual deferred installments.

The College reserves the right to make a corresponding reduction of the gross amount deposited to the student's bank account, if the cost of accommodation should be increased by the management of the residence.

5. STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The relationship between the College and its students is regulated by a contract, for aspects regarding residential living, and a Learning Agreement, for aspects regarding learning. In reference to the latter, students enrolled in master's degree programmes are requested to:

- complete the coursework for the degree programme at the University of Trieste in which they are enrolled within the fall session with an average grade of not less than 27/30;
- reside at the College during the period of study;
- routinely and actively participate in the learning activities offered by the College;
- participate in the abovementioned activities for at least 30 hours in a year, distributed equally between two semesters.
- fulfil the specific obligations indicated in the Learning Agreement signed at the time of admission, and the general and educational regulations of the College.

6. REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION

Applicants wishing to apply for admission must meet the following requisites:

- to have completed a Bachelor's Degree or an equivalent academic qualification that allows access to the Master's Degree programme in Physics, or will have completed a Bachelor's Degree within 31/10/2020;
- to enroll for the first time in the first year of the Master's Degree programme in Physics at the University of Trieste for the 2020/2021 academic year;
- to be under 30 years of age;
- to have no criminal convictions for crimes with specific criminal intent.

7. ADMISSION APPLICATION FORM

The admission application form must be completed *online* and can be found at (<http://www.collegiofonda.it>). Applications must be submitted by 12:00 p.m. (24:00) on September 30th, 2020.

Applicants must indicate in the admission application form, the place for which they are requesting admission.



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The following documents must be attached to the application form:

- a copy of the applicant's identification document;
- updated 2020 CV in the European format;
- university transcript listing all exams taken during the applicant's Bachelor's Degree programme, including credits and grades, as well as a copy of the Bachelor's Degree, if completed at the time of application;
- a reference letter from the applicant's supervisor for the Bachelor's Degree thesis, or from a teacher of the applicant's Bachelor's Degree programme;*
- any additional letters of presentation;*
- any further qualifications or certificates which are deemed important for the selection process.

* Letters of presentation can be attached to the applicant's *online* application form or sent directly to the Chairman of the College (fabio.benedetti@collegiofonda.it) within September 30th, 2020.

8. ADMISSION EXAM

The selection will be based on the evaluation of the applicant's academic career and an interview in order to determine the applicant's general knowledge of the subjects inherent to the chosen course of studies, their reasons for choosing the specific course of studies, their attitude to interdisciplinarity and life at the College and their knowledge of foreign languages. The Selection Committee will be nominated by the Chairman of the College, and the members will be chosen among professors, university researchers and qualified experts.

The admission interviews will be held remotely between 12-16 October, 2020. The procedure, date, and time of the interviews will be published on the website of the College (<http://www.collegiofonda.it>) within October 9th, 2020.

The applicants are required to exhibit a valid identification document at the interview. Foreign applicants may, upon request, have their exams conducted in English.

9. FORMULATION OF THE FINAL RANKING AND NOMINATION OF SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS

The Selection Committee, taking into consideration the exams passed and the average grade in the Bachelor's Degree programme, the CV, the letters of presentation and, if available, the final grade received upon completion of the Bachelor's Degree, and any additional qualifications or certificates which were presented, (including the previous Collegio Fonda membership), will assign a grade out of 100. Applicants who receive a grade of not less than 70/100 will be admitted to the oral exam. Applicants will have passed the oral exam if they attain a grade of not less than 70/100. The final grade obtained by the applicant will be the average of the results obtained in the evaluation



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of the qualifications submitted by the candidate and in the colloquium. Applicants who attain an average of at least 70/100 in will be deemed eligible.

The Selection Committee will rank the eligible applicants based on the final grades achieved. In the case of applicants with equal ranking, precedence will be determined in the following order:

1. the applicant that obtained the best result in the oral exam;
2. the applicant that obtained the highest average grade during their Bachelor's Degree programme;
3. the youngest applicant.

The three available places will be assigned according to the ranking, and in accordance with the conditions of article 3 of the Call for Applications, and with the preferences indicated in the application for admission.

The ranking, the list of successful applicants and any following updates will be published on the Collegio "Luciano Fonda" website (<http://www.collegiofonda.it>). The successful applicants will be informed of the results by e-mail.

10. ADMISSION OF SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS

Within **October 31st, 2020** the successful applicants must:

- submit their acceptance of the offered place;
- undersign the contract with the College and the Learning Agreement;
- declare that enrollment in the selected curriculum of the Master's Degree programme in Physics at the University of Trieste has been completed.

Students are welcome to arrive at the College starting from the first Monday following publication of the rankings, provided that within that date they have completed their Bachelor's Degree, finalized the enrollment procedures for the Master's Degree programme and completed the abovementioned College admission procedures.

Should one or more successful applicants chose to decline the offer of a place, or relinquish their place for whatever reason, the places made available within **November 15th, 2020** will be re-assigned to the next eligible applicant in the ranking.

11. ACCEPTANCE OF THE REGULATIONS AND LEGISLATION REGARDING SELF-CERTIFICATION MADE PURSUANT TO ITALIAN LAW, DPR 445/2000

The participation in the Call for Applications entails the complete acceptance of all of the provisions outlined in the present document. If deemed necessary, Collegio Fonda may request the applicant to supply additional documentation.

The College reserves the right to verify the accuracy of the information provided by the applicants. If, in fact, the information declared by the applicant is found to be false or false documents were provided containing information which does not comply with the truth, the applicant will be excluded from the selection process, and admission to the College will be withdrawn.

12. COLLECTION AND USE OF PERSONAL DATA (Italian Legislative Decree D.LGS 30.06.2003 N. 196; GDPR EU REGULATION 2016/679)

The processing of the data contained in the present Call for Applications is carried out in compliance with Personal Data Protection Laws and in particular those indicated in the Italian Legislative Decree, D.Lgs. 196/03 and relative amendments, as well as the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), EU Regulation n. 2016/679.

All of the requested data, which may also be processed electronically, is used to finalize the selection process and subsequent admission to Collegio Fonda of the successful applicants. Providing the requested data is not mandatory, however, failure to provide or partial provision of the said data, will exclude the applicant from the selection process. Data may be disclosed to relevant entities, organizations, law enforcement agencies and administrative offices in order to conduct required checks. The Data Controller is Collegio Universitario "Luciano Fonda" and the data supervisor is its legal representative, in the person of the Chairman.

Trieste, August 24th, 2020


Prof. Fabio Benedetti
Chairman