



UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI CAGLIARI
DIREZIONE PER LA DIDATTICA E L'ORIENTAMENTO

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Master internazione di II Livello in
INFORMAZIONE GEOGRAFICA E SUPPORTO ALLA PIANIFICAZIONE TERRITORIALE
E AMBIENTALE
(GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING SUPPORT)
E US MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN GEOGRAPHY AND CARTOGRAPHY
(MASTER IN GEOGRAFIA E CARTOGRAFIA)

T H E R E C T O R

- CONSIDERING** the Charter of the University of Cagliari approved with Rector Decree n. 501 on December 18th 1995 and published in the S.O. of G.U. n. 5 on January 8th 1996, in particular the article n. 30
- CONSIDERING** Italian Law n. 341 November, 19th 1990 about the Reform of academic education, art. 6, c.2, letter c);
- CONSIDERING** the Ministry Decree (M.D.) n. 509 of November, 3rd 1999 on Regulation on the academic educational autonomy and the M.D. n. 270 of October, 22nd 2004, which permit the activation of higher permanent education university post-lauream courses for the release of I and II level masters' degrees;
- CONSIDERING** the Regulations on the institution and management of master courses at the University of Cagliari, approved by the Academic Senate on June, 19th 2002;
- CONSIDERING** the Note of the Ministry of University and Research n. 1291 of May 16th 2008 containing regulations coordinated with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Interior Ministry about the access of foreign students to university courses in the period 2008-2011 and, in particular, chapter I of part V on higher education courses related to I and II level masters' degrees;
- the program EU-US ATLANTIS COOPERATION IN HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING 2010 between UE and US and the 2010 call for application for TRANSATLANTIC DEGREE CONSORTIUM PROJECT EXCELLENCE IN MOBILITY PROJECT;
- CONSIDERING** the project about the double degree transatlantic program about GIS and Environmental Planning Support, presented on March 30th 2010 by the university consortium named *Geographic Information Science for Environmental and Spatial Planning* (GISESP) and including the University of Cagliari Central Administration and Dipartimento di Ingegneria del Territorio (Italy), the Department of Geography, Environment and Development Studies of the Birkbeck, University of London (UK) and the Department of Geography and Geoinformation Science of George Mason University, (Fairfax, Virginia, USA);
- CONSIDERING** the Note of the United States Department of Education Office of Legislation and Congressional Affairs of July, 23rd 2010 stating that the project above has been admitted to funding within the EU-US ATLANTIS program and the Grant Agreement number 2010-2850/001-001 CPT EU-US TD between the University of Cagliari and the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) for project implementation in the period from September 16th 2010 to September 15th 2014;
- CONSIDERING** the Act of the Ministry of University and Research (MIUR), prot. n. 602 dated May 18th 2011 bearing the regulations, decided in agreement with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of the Interior, about the access of foreign students to academic programs in the period 2011-2104 and, in particular, chapter I of part V on specialization programs and I and II level Master's programs;
- CONSIDERING** the Memorandum of Understanding signed from May, 31st to June 29th 2011 by the University of Cagliari, Birkbeck University of London, and George Mason University;



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- CONSIDERING** the expression of interest in the collaboration with the Master Program of Servizio Informativo e Cartografico Regionale, Direzione Generale della Pianificazione Urbanistica Territoriale e della Vigilanza Edilizia della Regione Autonoma della Sardegna, on September, 15th 2011 and of CRS4 on April, 4th 2010;
- CONSIDERING** the resolutions of the Faculty of Engineering and of Architecture of the University of Cagliari, undertaken on September, 13th 2011, about the approval of the proposal of institution of the International double degree II level Master in Geographic Information and Environmental Planning Support and US Master of Science Degree in Geography and Cartography;
- CONSIDERING** the consent of the Nucleo di Valutazione di Ateneo (Academic Assessment Agency) expressed on December 15th 2011;
- CONSIDERING** the resolutions, according to which the Council of Administration and the Academic Senate, respectively on December, 21st 2011 and January, 23rd 2012, have approved the proposals for the institution of Masters' programs including also the proposal for the institution of the II level Master degree on Geographic Information and Environmental Planning Support and US Master of Science Degree in Geography and Cartography

DECREES

ART. 1 INSTITUTION OF THE MASTER'S PROGRAM

The University of Cagliari, in Consortium with George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia, USA and Birkbeck, University of London, UK, (Geographic Information Science for Environmental and Spatial Planning - GISESP) institutes the International double degree II level Master Degree in **GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING SUPPORT AND US MASTER OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN GEOGRAPHY AND CARTOGRAPHY**. The program lasts for two years (four semesters) and includes 144 ECTS (European Transfer and Accumulation System) credits, corresponding to 48 US credits. The admission to this program is regulated with a public selection.

This program will be realized with the collaboration of Servizio informativo e cartografico regionale - Direzione generale della pianificazione urbanistica territoriale e della vigilanza edilizia - Assessorato degli enti locali, finanze e urbanistica della Regione Sardegna and of CRS4.

ART. 2 INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

The program is structured according to a transatlantic double degree scheme, and has its European administrative headquarter at the University of Cagliari, Dipartimento di Ingegneria Civile, Ambientale e Architettura.

Educational activities will be delivered according to the following schedule:

- first year (first and second semesters) at George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia, USA (GMU);
- second year (first semester) at the University of Cagliari;
- second year (second semester) at the Birkbeck, University of London-UK (BBK-UL).

ART 3. OBJECTIVES

The Master's program is managed by a transatlantic academic consortium named Geographic Information Science for Environmental and Spatial Planning (GISESP), including three institutions: the University of Cagliari Central Administration and Dipartimento di Ingegneria del Territorio (Italy) (UniCA), the Department of Geography, Environmental and Development Studies at the Birkbeck, University of London (UK) (BBK-UL), and the Department of Geography and Geoinformation Science at George Mason University, (Fairfax, Virginia, USA) (GMU). GISESP has been organised on shared innovative principles: enhancement of higher education through transatlantic staff and student mobility, development of an integrated curriculum in the scientific fields of Geographic Information Systems and of spatial, urban and environmental planning, the coordination of shared activities of research and dissemination of the results. A general principle



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of GISESP's activities is the promotion of an intercontinental university educational open system, where students and faculties move freely, credits are acknowledged automatically, degrees are mutually acknowledged on the basis of laws, regulations, and ad hoc integrated agreements.

Students will attend courses at the three academic institution belonging to GISESP and experience three different educational (Italian, English, and US) systems. Upon completion of the program students will gain two degrees (Italian II level Master in Geographic Information and Environmental Planning Support and US Master of Science Degree in Geography and Cartography) enabling them to work in international academic and work institution on themes related to geographic information science and to spatial, urban and environmental planning support.

ART. 4 NUMBER OF STUDENTS ADMISSIBLE

The program is open maximum to **15** students.

The program can not be activated if less than **8** students are admitted.

ART. 5 ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The program requires students to enrol at the two academic institutions that release the degrees: the University of Cagliari (UniCA), and George Mason University, GMU).

For Italian candidates, the following documents are required:

- Diploma di laurea magistrale/specialistica or five-year diploma in a field related to architecture, engineering, geology, environmental sciences, agricultural and forestry sciences, mathematical, physical, and natural sciences, economics sciences, geography, and archaeology or equivalent degrees earned abroad;
- Sufficient proficiency in the English language.

For candidates resident in the UK, in another EU member State, or in another world State, the following documents are required:

- at least one Undergraduate degree (Bachelor Degree), or equivalent degree, with four year program in one of the fields listed above;
- Sufficient proficiency in the Italian and English language.

Courses will be taught in English. The Consortium requires a satisfactory level of proficiency of the Italian and English language (comprehension, conversation, reading, and writing) to be demonstrated with appropriate certifications (TOEFL or IELTS or Pearson Academic Test of English, and GRE). The candidate shall be able to speak Italian or English when dealing with issues related to geography, cartography and urban, spatial, and environmental planning.

Candidates with academic degrees earned abroad can be admitted to the program, after assessment of the equivalency of their degree to the degree required for the access to the program.

ART. 6 INCOMPATIBILITY

A student can not be enrolled at the same time to more than one Italian and foreign University and to more than one higher education institution or to more than one program offered by the same University.

ART. 7 APPLICATION

In order to apply for admission to the II level Master in *Geographic Information and Environmental Planning Support and US Master of Science Degree in Geography and Cartography*, candidates shall perform the online procedure available in the section "Iscrizioni e servizi on line - Servizi on line per gli studenti" (Online Applications and Services - Online services for Students) at <https://webstudenti.unica.it/esse3/Start.do>, from **March, 2nd 2012** up to **April, 30th 2012, 12 (noon)**.

Instructions about the application procedure are available on the website of UniCA, in the section Services for graduate students - Master Programs of the University of Cagliari (<http://www.unica.it/pub/3/show.jsp?id=9052&iso=15&is=3>).

UniCA will provide candidates with personal computers in the Informatics Laboratories located as described at <http://www.unica.it/pub/4/index.jsp?is=4&iso=288>.



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Candidates, when performing the online application procedure, shall declare, according to art. 46 of D.P.R. n.445/2000:

- a. last name, first name, fiscal code or equivalent (for users registering for the first time), date and place of birth, residency, telephone number, e-mail, and address elected for this selection procedure;
- b. citizenship;
- c. exact denomination of the Master's program;
- d. academic degree earned, with relevant details (major, date of release, final marks, University);
- e. to have the requirements of the Call for Application and to be aware of its content;
- f. to be aware of the penal sanctions implied by art. 76, D.P.R. 445/2000 about false transcripts and declarations;
- g. to be informed about art. 13 D.Lgs. n. 196/2003 (Code of the protection of personal information) and to agree on the treatment of personal data for the scopes and modes indicated in this Call for Application.

According to art. 20 Italian Law n. 104/1992, candidates with disabilities shall specify in the application the support and devices required for their disability as well as possible time extensions required for written or oral examinations. Personal data will be managed according to the D.Lgs. n. 196/2003.

At the end of the online registration procedure, applicants must print the receipt and provide it with the documentation about the degree and other qualifications to be assessed, as described in art. 5 and 8 of this Call, to the following address:

SEGRETERIA DEL DIPARTIMENTO DI INGEGNERIA CIVILE, AMBIENTALE E ARCHITETTURA, - UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI CAGLIARI, VIA MARENGO, 2, - 09123 CAGLIARI

only by one of the following ways:

- **registered delivery letter with return receipt (or equivalent local system);**
- **hand delivery at SEGRETERIA DEL DIPARTIMENTO DI INGEGNERIA CIVILE, AMBIENTALE E ARCHITETTURA, - UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI CAGLIARI, VIA MARENGO, 2, - 09123 CAGLIARI, Monday to Friday, 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.**

The envelope with the documentation shall bear the following indication: *"Public selection for admission to the II level Master Degree in Geographic Information and Environmental Planning Support and US Master of Science Degree in Geography and Cartography"*.

All documents and titles must be provided exclusively by means of "dichiarazione sostitutiva di certificazioni" (substitutive declaration of certifications) or "dichiarazione sostitutiva dell'atto di notorietà" (substitutive declaration of notoriety act), according to article n. 46 and 47 of D.P.R. n. 445/2000.

Publications and other documents that can not be self certified may be provided in photocopy along with a "dichiarazione sostitutiva dell'atto di notorietà", according articles n. 19 e 47 of D.P.R. n. 445/2000, stating the conformity to the original.

The "dichiarazioni sostitutive" must be signed by the candidate in presence of a public official committed to the receipt of the documentation. If the documentation is sent through post mail or delivered by means of other individuals, the "dichiarazioni sostitutive" must be signed by the candidate and accompanied by a photocopy of each face of a valid pictured identity document.

EU citizens can submit self-certifications according to art. 46, 47 and 19 of D.P.R. n. 445/2000.

Extra EU citizens, residing legally in Italy, may provide self-certifications according to art. 46 and 47 of D.P.R. n. 445/2000.

The documents and qualifications above must be received within April, 30th 2012, 12:00 (noon).

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY AND IRRETRIEVABLY REJECTED.

Candidates with a degree earned abroad

Candidates with a degree earned abroad after the online application procedure must provide the following documents translated into Italian or English:

- an official degree transcript, with list of exams taken and scores obtained;
- signed curriculum vitae.

The above documents must be provided by one of the following ways:



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- hand delivery at “Settore Dottorati e Master” of the University of Cagliari, located in via San Giorgio n. 12 (ex Clinica Aresu) 09124, Cagliari - Monday, Wednesday, Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 (noon);
- registered delivery letter with return receipt (or equivalent local system) to Università degli Studi di Cagliari, “Settore Dottorati e Master”, via San Giorgio n. 12, 09124 - Cagliari, ITALY

The envelope with the documentation shall bear the following indication: *“Public selection for admission to the II level Master Degree in Geographic Information and Environmental Planning Support and US Master of Science Degree in Geography and Cartography”*.

If the foreign degree has been already recognized equivalent to one of the Italian degree reported in art.5 by another Italian University, the candidate shall report the reference of the University and the number of Rector's decree of declaration of equivalence.

Foreign university degree not validated by an Italian authority yet, will be evaluated by the admission Committee for the sole purpose of the admission to the Master's program.

Foreign candidates must respect the “requirements to the admission of international students to Italian Universities courses for the three-year period 2011-2014” (<http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/> and <http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/5.html>).

The above documents may be sent in advance by email to dottoratiemaster@unica.it. The hard copies must be sent to the office within noon of April, 30th 2012 .

IN CASE OF MAIL DELIVERY, THE POSTMARK SHALL HAVE NO VALIDITY. ONLY THE DATE OF RECEIPT, NOT THE DATE OF POSTAGE, WILL BE CONSIDERED.

TO ENROLL AT GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY (GMU) all candidates must also provide in three copies the following documents:

1. Diploma Supplement (sealed and stamped) with the list of exams and marks or official translation in English of the degree certificate with the list of exams and marks;
2. transcript in English or official translation in English of transcript of other degrees (Master's, Ph.D., etc.);
3. three letters of recommendation, according to the online form available at <http://admissions.gmu.edu/documents/graduate/recomendationForm.pdf>;
4. Letter of Intent in English explaining why you are interested in the GISESP master's program and you will attend courses at George Mason University, University of Cagliari and Birkbeck, University of London;
5. Curriculum Vitae in English dated and signed.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THE ABOVE DEADLINE WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY AND IRRETRIEVABLY REJECTED.

All candidates are admitted to this procedure conditionally and can be excluded at any time, even after the selection procedure, when in defect of the requirements detailed in this Call.

The University of Cagliari may at any times control the self-declarations presented by candidates. In the case false declarations are ascertained from the documentation presented, beyond the penal sanctions implied in the penal code and in special laws (art. n. 75 and 76 D.P.R. 445/2000), the candidate automatically is cancelled from the program.

If the documentation presented reveals false declarations, the candidate is automatically rejected from the Master's program and will be prosecuted, according to the law (art. 75 e 76 D.P.R. 445/2000).

Candidate are required to communicate promptly any change of place of residence and address elected for this selection procedure.

The University administration declines all responsibility in the case of loss of documents, caused by inaccurate information regarding the permanent or habitual address of the candidate, by the failure of the candidate to inform the University of a change of address, or due to postal or telegraphic errors which are not attributable to the University Administration's offices.

NO WRITTEN COMMUNICATION OF ADMISSION TO THE SELECTION WILL BE SENT TO APPLICANTS.



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ART. 8 ADMISSION PROCEDURE, COMMITTEE AND SELECTION

A Committee appointed by the Master's Council will select the candidates on the assessment of the Curriculum Vitae, qualifications, scientific publications and professional experience in the fields taught in the Master's program.

The Committee will rank the candidates by attributing to each candidate a maximum of 100 points distributed as follows:

DIPLOMA DI LAUREA OR CORRESPONDING DEGREE	- 110 OUT OF 110 POINTS AND 110 OUT OF 110 POINTS CUM LAUDE (OR EQUIVALENT): 30 POINTS; - FROM 100 TO 109 OUT OF 110 POINTS (OR EQUIVALENT): 20 POINTS; - 99 OUT OF 110 POINTS AND 110 OUT OF 110 MARKS AND LESS (OR EQUIVALENT): 10 POINTS;
CURRICULUM OF ACADEMIC COURSES	MAXIMUM 10 POINTS
POST LAUREAM DEGREE: MASTER	5 POINTS FOR EACH DEGREE EARNED, UP TO A MAXIMUM OF 10 POINTS
POST LAUREAM DEGREE: COURSE OF PROFESSIONAL SPECIALIZATION	5 POINTS FOR EACH DEGREE EARNED, UP TO A MAXIMUM OF 10 POINTS
POST LAUREAM DEGREE: PH.D	5 POINTS FOR EACH DEGREE EARNED, UP TO A MAXIMUM OF 10 POINTS
FOREIGN LANGUAGE	MAXIMUM 15 POINTS
SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS	2 POINTS FOR EACH PUBLICATION, UP TO A MAXIMUM OF 10 POINTS
PROFESSIONAL COMMITMENTS	1 POINT FOR EACH COMMITMENT, UP TO A MAXIMUM OF 5 POINTS

The evaluation of linguistic skills will be based on the assessment of international and national. All international students must meet the GMU language proficiency standard (both TOEFL or IELTS or Pearson Academic Test of English and GRE). Candidates must see the details on these tests at <http://admissions.gmu.edu/global/intlAdmissionRequirementsGraduate.asp>.

ART. 9 FINAL RANKING

The Committee will draft a final admission ranking based on the scores attributed to each candidate, as detailed in art. 8.

In case of equal final scores achieved by candidates the youngest candidate(s) will be admitted.

The final admission ranking will be published exclusively on the website of UniCA at <http://www.unica.it/pub/3/index.jsp?is=3&iso=15>.

NO WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS WILL BE SENT TO ADMITTED CANDIDATES.

ART. 10 COURSE DESCRIPTION

The Master's program will last for two years and will include classes in the three academic institutions involved: George Mason University, USA (GMU), University of Cagliari (UniCA) and the Birkbeck, University of London-UK (BBK-UL). An overview of the course organization is reported in the table below, which shows the schedule of courses, the number of US and ECTS credits, and the overall educational workload:

PARTNERS	SCHEDULE		EDUCATIONAL WORKLOAD				
			CREDITS		HOURS	THESIS	INTERNSHIP
	YEAR	SEMESTER	USA	ECTS			
GMU	1 st	1 st and 2 nd	23	69	234	YES	NO
UNICA	2 nd	1 st	10	30	150	YES	YES
BBK-UL	2 nd	2 nd	15	45	180	NO	NO
TOTAL			48	144	564		

UniCA and GMU will organize courses on foreign language required (Italian and English).

The educational plan of the programme is detailed below.

First year (1st and 2nd semester) at GMU, USA

Courses are aimed at transferring knowledge and skills about GIS and its application especially in environmental analysis followed by a thesis. Teaching will be managed according to the US system and all modules will be taught in English. Theory will be taught via class work, while applications will be developed in laboratories, where advanced computer hardware and



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software will be available. The evaluation of all courses will be via written exams, and final project.

COURSES	CREDITS		HOURS	INSTRUCTOR	LEVEL
	USA	ECTS			
GEOG 553 Geographic Information Systems	3	9	39	KEVIN CURTIN	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
GEOG 579 Remote Sensing	3	9	39	BARRY HAACK	PROFESSOR
GEOG 585 Quantitative Methods	3	9	39	NIGEL WATERS	PROFESSOR
GEOG 680 Seminar in Thought and Methodology	3	9	39	ALLAN FALCONER	PROFESSOR
GEOG 590 GIS for the Environment	3	9	39	GERMANA MANCA	ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
ITAL330 Technical and Scientific Italian	3	9	39	KRISTINA OLSON TO BE APPOINTED	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
ENGL613 Technical and Scientific Writing					
GEOG 799 Thesis	5	15			
Total	23	69	234		

Second year, 1st semester at UniCA, Italy

Courses are aimed at transferring knowledge and skills about planning theory and support with an emphasis on the suitability of GIS methods and analysis for aiding processes of environmental, strategic and impact assessment in planning. Teaching will be managed according to the Italian system and all modules will be taught in English. Theory will be taught via lectures and seminars, where applications will be developed and tutored. Evaluation of all modules will occur via a written (or oral) mid-term exam and a final oral exam.

COURSES	CREDITS		HOURS	INSTRUCTOR	LEVEL
	USA	ECTS			
Spatial and environmental planning methods and tools	2	6	60	ANDREA DE MONTIS	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
Environmental assessment and planning	1	3	30	CORRADO ZOPPI	ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR
Planning support systems	2	6	60	MICHELE CAMPAGNA	ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
Internship	3	9			
Thesis in Planning	2	6			
Total	10	30	150		

Second year, 2nd semester at BBK-UL, UK

Courses are aimed at improving technical knowledge of GIS and applying the skills and knowledge in a wide range of GIS applications. Teaching will be managed according to the University of London (UK) system and all modules will be taught in English. Theory will be presented in lectures while applications will be developed in laboratories, where advanced computer hardware and software will be available. Evaluation will occur via assessment of coursework (e.g. essays, projects, practical work, etc.) and exams, following assessment regulations from the University of London.

COURSES	CREDITS			HOURS	INSTRUCTOR	LEVEL
	USA	ECTS	CATS			
Introduction to GIS programming	5	15	30	60	MAURIZIO GIBIN and SHINO SHIODE	LECTURERS
GVIS Geovisualization	5	15	30	60	MAURIZIO GIBIN	LECTURER
Geocomputation	5	15	30	60	JOANA BARROS	LECTURER
Total	15	45	90	180		

ART. 11 FREQUENCY OF ATTENDANCE AND FINAL EXAM

The Master's program implies candidates attend all courses as full time students, i.e. each module should be attended minimum for 80% of the scheduled hours. At the end of the program, each candidate will defend a final Master's Thesis.

ART. 12 BODIES OF THE MASTER'S PROGRAM AND TEACHING STRUCTURE

The Council of the Master's Course manage all educational activities. The Council is led by the Director of the Master's program.



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ART. 13 MEMBERS OF THE BODIES

The Director of the Master's program, Professor Corrado Zoppi, represents the Master's educational system, convenes the Council of the Course and monitors that all the activities work properly, is responsible for its management and, at the end of the course, presents to the Dean a report on the activities developed.

The Council of the Course includes, beyond the Director, the following members: for UniCA, prof. Andrea De Montis (vice-Director) and prof. Michele Campagna; for GMU, dr. Germana Manca; for BBK-UL, dr. Maurizio Gibin; Eng. Rita Vinelli for Servizio informativo e cartografico regionale - Direzione generale della pianificazione urbanistica territoriale e della vigilanza edilizia - Assessorato degli enti locali, finanze e urbanistica - Regione Sardegna; Eng. Eva Lorrai for CRS4.

ART. 14 FINAL DEGREES

Upon completion of the activities scheduled in the program including the final exam described in ART. 11, students will be awarded the following two degrees: the II level Master in **GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING SUPPORT** from the Rector of the University of Cagliari and US Master of Science Degree in **GEOGRAPHY AND CARTOGRAPHY** from the Rector of George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia, USA.

ART 15. ENROLLMENT PROCEDURE

In order to enrol eligible candidates in the final ranking detailed in art. 9 must fill in the enrolment online application form available at the website of the University of Cagliari, section "Iscrizioni e servizi on line - Servizi on line per gli studenti" (Online Applications and Services - Online services for Students) at <https://webstudenti.unica.it/esse3/Start.do>, within five working days starting from the day of ranking publication, print and sign it, and then provide it to "Settore dottorati e master", with the following documents:

- copy of a valid identification document;
- copy of the Italian tax identification number (codice fiscale) if possessed;
- receipt of the payment of a tax of € 14,62;
- receipt of the payment of the first instalment of the tuition fee;

The above documents must be provided by one of the following ways:

- hand delivery at "Settore Dottorati e Master" of the University of Cagliari, located in via San Giorgio n. 12 (ex Clinica Aresu) 09124, Cagliari - Monday, Wednesday, Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 (noon);
- registered delivery letter with return receipt (or equivalent local system) to Università degli Studi di Cagliari, "Settore Dottorati e Master", via San Giorgio n. 12, 09124 - Cagliari, ITALY

Candidates with a degree earned abroad

In case of degrees earned abroad candidates admitted, in order to complete the enrolment, must deliver or send also the following documentation as described above to "Settore Dottorati e Master":

- Original or authenticated copy of achieved foreign degree;
- Original translation of the degree in Italian and corresponding legalization;
- Original Statement of validity of the foreign academic qualification - the so-called "Dichiarazione di valore in loco" - issued by the competent Italian diplomatic authorities abroad, i.e. the Italian Embassy/Consulate closest to the city or town where the awarding institution is located (for further details, see <http://www.cimea.it/default.aspx?IDC=31>).

In both cases, the application form and the required documents must be received by the office "Settore Dottorati e Master" within four working days following the online enrolment application, in order to allow the assessment of eventual forfeiture.

In case of impossibility to respect the abovementioned deadline, candidates shall present the documentation translated and legalized with the "dichiarazione di valore in loco" within a new reasonable deadline set in accordance with the office "Settore Dottorati e Master. Documents received after this term will NOT be accepted.

Foreign candidates must respect the "requirements to the admission of international students to Italian Universities courses



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for the three-year period 2011-2014 (<http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/>).

The enrolment procedure will be completed upon verification by “Settore Dottorati e Master” of the application form and of the payment of the first quota of tuition fees and the tax of € 14,62 within the deadline reported in art. 16.

The eligible candidates who do not complete their enrolment within the deadline will automatically be considered as withdrawn and the next candidate(s) in the ranking list shall take their place; the University office will inform by email the next ranked candidates and invite them to enrol within a new deadline.

ENROLMENT AT GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY (GMU)

The selected candidates must enrol immediately at George Mason University following the procedure available at <https://app.applyyourself.com/AYApplicantLogin/ApplicantConnectLogin.asp?id=mason-grad>.

ART. 16 TUITION FEE

The tuition fee to be paid, in two instalments, to the University of Cagliari amounts to € 5.000 + € 14,62 (tax):

First quota	€ 2500,00 + € 14,62 (tax) at the enrolment
Second quota	€ 2500,00 + € 14,62 (tax) within June, 30 th 2013

Students must also pay a tuition fee of GBP 4.000,00 to the Birkbeck University of London, in two instalments:

First quota	GBP 2000,00 within September, 30 th 2013
Second quota	GBP 2000,00 within January, 30 st 2014

Payment of the tuition fee corresponds to the offer of higher educational services included in the Master's program and do not cover the costs of transatlantic mobility of students.

Also, the possibility of paying the tuition fee in a series of instalments has to be conceived as a facilitation for students, that are anyway committed to transfer to the University of Cagliari the full amount of € 5000,00 and to The Birkbeck University of London the full amount of GBP 4000,00, even in the case of demission or not completion of the program.

Payments must follow the guidelines available at <http://www.unica.it/pub/4/index.jsp?is=4&iso=95> “Come pagare le tasse universitarie” (How to pay tuition fees) from the second working day after the date of the online enrolment procedure and within the fourth day after the same date.

ART. 17 SCHOLARSHIPS

The Consortium GISESP has received a grant, after winning the selection related to the 2010 Call for Application of the Atlantis program. Thus the Consortium will award at least 7 scholarships, for covering the costs of student transatlantic mobility: eligible candidates must be full time students. The amount of each scholarship includes an amount of €1000,00 per month for stay expenses and a fixed amount of €1000,00 for travel expenses. Total amount of the scholarship is budgeted for a maximum of € 12,000.00 for a full academic year (i.e. 11 months) at GMU. Eligible candidates will be selected according to the position in the final ranking detailed in art. 9. The payment of the scholarship will occur in a unique instalment, provided to that each eligible student has received the Certificate of Eligibility (I20) necessary to obtain the VISA required for attending long period educational activities at GMU (that are expected to start in the last decade of August 2012).

ART. 18 PROTECTION OF PERSONAL DATA

All the documents regarding personal data treatment based on art. 13 of the Legislative Decree n. 196, 30.06.2003 (Personal data protection regulations) are available on the web site <http://www.unica.it/pub/3/show.jsp?id=360&iso=192&is=3>.

ART. 19 RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL OF THE PROCEDURE AND ACCESS TO ADMINISTRATIVE ACTS

The responsible for administrative procedures is Ms. Monica Melis, Post Lauream Coordinator post lauream activities office. Candidates may have access to call procedure acts within the mean of D.P.R. 184 dated 12/04/2006. Requests shall be sent to Università degli Studi di Cagliari, Settore Dottorati e Master, Via San Giorgio n. 12 - ex Clinica Aresu - 09124 CAGLIARI.



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ART. 20 INFORMATION

For information on the educational program, potential candidates are invited to refer to the official website of the Atlantis Consortium GISESP <http://people.unica.it/gisesp/> or to contact Professor Corrado Zoppi, e-mail zoppi@unica.it, tel +39 070 6755216.

on behalf The Rector
Prof. Giovanni Melis

signed The Vice Rector
Giovanna Maria Ledda