FACT SHEET

GENERAL INFORMATION

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PIC:	999863391
OID:	E10208822
Legal status:	Public University

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CTC – Department of Chemistry and Chemical Technologies
DiCES – Department of Cultures, Education and Society
DESF – Department of Economics, Statistics and Finance – Giovanni Anania
DFSNN – Department of Pharmacy and Health and Nutrition sciences
FIS – Department of Physics
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DINCI – Department of Civil Engineering
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The **University of Calabria** is one of the most important and dynamic universities in Italy; studying here is an extraordinary educational and human experience.
The largest and best equipped Campus in Italy stretches over an area of about 200 hectares, among the hills of the valley of the river Crati and it is located in the urban area of Cosenza and Rende.
UniCal is one of the largest educational and service infrastructures in Italy and in the south of Italy.
The 'backbone' of the Campus is the Bridge designed by Vittorio Gregotti; the Cubes, hosting Departments, lecture theaters and seminar rooms and all the other facilities of the Campus, are connected to the sides of the bridge.

How to get to the Campus

The Campus in Arcavacata can be reached in different ways based on the means of transport chosen:

- ➔ By car: Take the motorway *Autostrada A2 Salerno-Reggio Calabria* --> Exit Rende - Cosenza Nord, and follow the road signs to *Università - Paola*.
- ➔ By train: The railway station in Castiglione Cosentino, that is connected to the railway terminals of Paola (railway along the Tyrrhenian sea) and Sibari (railway along the Ionian sea), is just 3 kilometers away from the Campus. Outside the station there is a bus stop of *Consorzio Autolinee* buses that

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connect the town of Cosenza with the Campus: once you leave the railway station, walk along Via Edison for about 100 meters, then cross Via L. Da Vinci and there you will find a bus shelter where the buses heading to the University stop.

- ➔ By plane: The airport of Lamezia Terme is the closes airport and it is connected to the towns of Rende and Cosenza by means of coaches. For further information on how to get to *Cosenza-Autostazione* (the coach station) visit the website www.sacal.it.
- ➔ By coach: The Campus in Arcavacata is connected to the main towns and villages of Calabria by means of a coach transport system. The company that runs the bus service for Cosenza and Rende is *Consorzio Autolinee* whose terminal is in Cosenza in Piazza Autostazione. Coaches also stop in several parts of the towns of Cosenza and Rende (there is also one in Quattromiglia) and another terminal is at the Campus.

The area

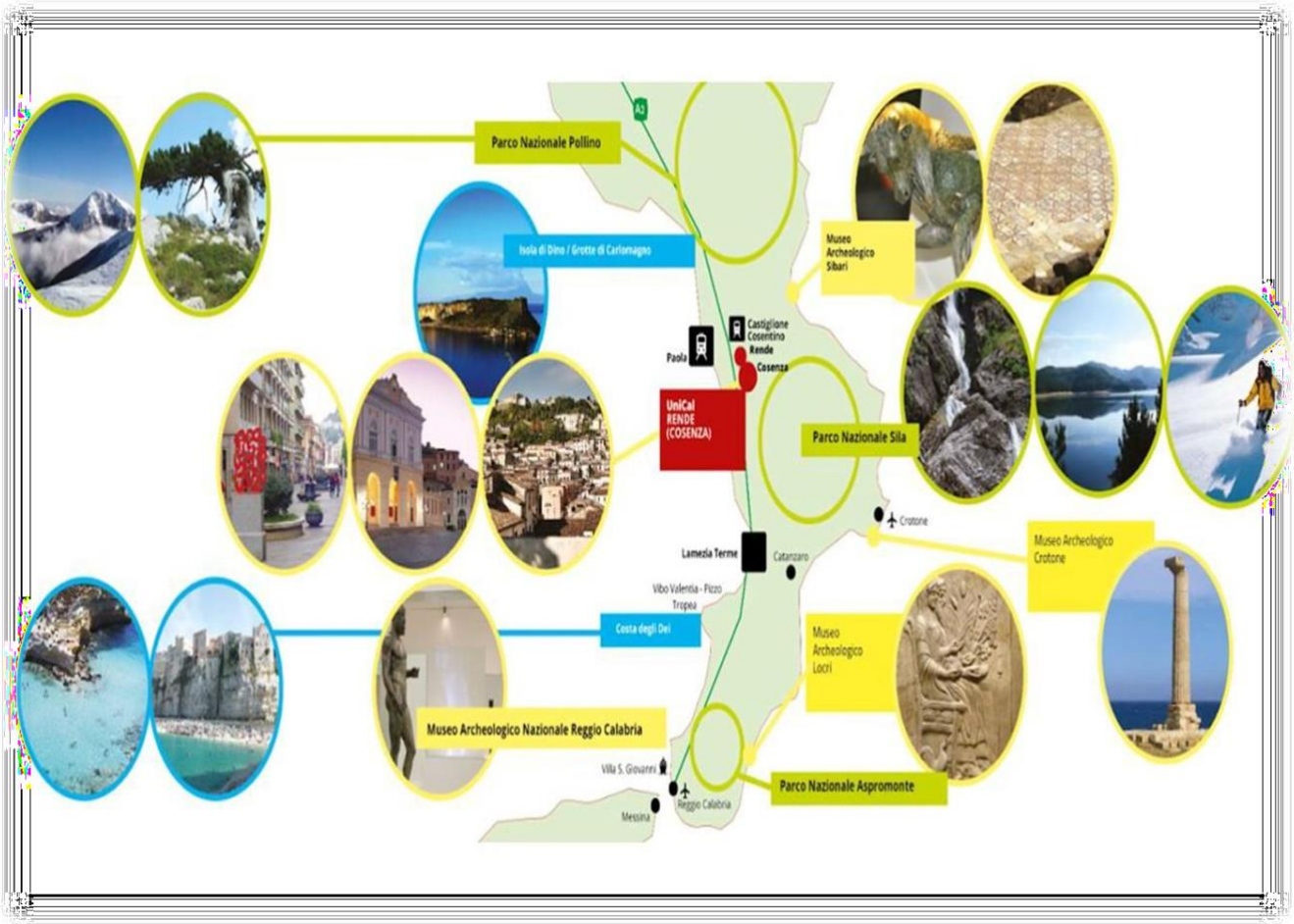
The Campus is close to a lively urban area and surrounded by top-level natural and cultural resources.The local context

UniCal Campus is located among the green hills of Arcavacata and connected to a wide urban area that encompasses Cosenza, Rende and several other towns that represents one of the most modern and lively areas of the South of Italy.
Rende and Cosenza, the two main towns, offer a modern system of services and host a large number of shops and commercial business.
In the evening the urban area has a busy social life and several leisure activities are organized, such as concerts and events.

The cultural offering includes movies and theatrical performances created by institutions and associations that organize cultural events all-year-round.
Public and private institutions preserve and convey the cultural history of the territory.
The museums in Cosenza (*Galleria Nazionale di Palazzo Arnone, Il Museo diocesano, The BoCs Art Museum* – the Monumental Complex of San Domenico, the Museum of the Brettians and Oenotrians, and the Planetarium) along with the Museum System of Rende (The Museum of Contemporary Art *Bilotti*, the MAON – the Museum of the 19th and 20th Century, and the*Museo del Presente*) host works of great artistic value and organize various initiatives to preserve the cultural heritage of the area and stimulate artistic production and experimentation.

The Campus is located in a strategic position, in a valley surrounded by old villages, among cultivated fields, with several agritourism and farmhouses, as well as wellness and relax facilities concerned about environmental sustainability.

Two extraordinary natural parks and two seas are a few tens of kilometers away from the Campus: the Tyrrhenian sea in the west, and the Ionian Sea, along with the Sibari plain, in the north-east; the Pollino Massif and the Natural Park lie in the north while the largest upland of Europe and the Sila National Park are located in the east of the region.



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UniCal Campus is a town where students can find whatever they need to carry out their educational experience in a very functional and simple way.

The Campus at the University of Calabria is a small-town that offers all the necessary services for an active and lively educational experience. It provides the best possible solutions of accommodation for students and staff living on campus.

Over 2,500 students are accommodated in the Residences at Unical and they can take advantage of several services such as shuttle buses, cafes and cafeterias, laundrettes, as well as water dispenser kiosks. Catering services are one of the strengths of the University with 5 canteens scattered over the Campus area.

Facilities for cultural and leisure activities are other assets of the Campus with theaters, libraries and a sports center. A health-center, a post office, a bank branch, a church, gyms and an infants' center complete the wide range of services provided by the University. All facilities have been designed to ensure access to disabled persons.

Campus Residences

The Campus residence "Quartieri" of the campus are open to the territory, also accessible by users outside the University. Besides student accommodation, there are facilities for cooperative study, leisure and sports activities, as well as catering services (canteens).

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Canteen services

Canteen services are ensured all the year round; they provide about one million meals and offer different types of menus: low-calories, vegetarian, international, traditional and diversified meals.

Libraries

The largest library system of the South of Italy with 800 reading seats and digital services for books and periodicals in paper or digital format.

Museum hub

Environmental education and research on natural and man-made systems are ensured thanks to the museums of the University.

Theaters and cinemas

The Campus of culture offers all year-round theatrical performances, festivals, cultural events and concerts in 2 theaters, 2 cinemas and 2 outdoor amphitheaters.

Language Centre

The Language Centre provides a wide and rich range of language services for students, teaching and administrative staff, as well as for companies and entities in the area.

Health Centre

The Health Center is a unique healthcare model specifically devoted to students, University staff and people living in the area.

Sports Centre

The Campus hosts a well-equipped University Sports Centre where students, staff and people from the area can practice sports activities at amateur and competitive levels.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

STUDY GUIDE

https://www.unical.it/internazionale/ ; https://offertaformativa.unical.it/

STUDY FIELDS

Website with study fields available for all students:

https://www.unical.it/didattica/offerta-formativa/catalogo

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Web link to the academic calendar:

DiBEST – Department of Biology, Ecology and Earth Sciences
Calendario_Accademico_DIBEST_A_A_2025_2026.pdf

CTC – Department of Chemistry and Chemical Technologies
Frequentare i corsi CTC - Dipartimento di Chimica e Tecnologie Chimiche (CTC)

DiCES – Department of Cultures, Education and Society
Calendario Accademico - Dipartimento di Culture, Educazione e Società (DiCES)

DESF – Department of Economics, Statistics and Finance – Giovanni Anania
Bacheca Corsi di Studio - Dipartimento di Economia, Statistica e Finanza (DESF)

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DFSNN – Department of Pharmacy and Health and Nutrition sciences
Bacheca Corsi di Studio - Dipartimento di Farmacia e Scienze della Salute e della Nutrizione (DFSSN)

FIS – Department of Physics
https://www.unical.it/media/publications_attachments/4641/Calendario_Accademico_a_5M8q19d.a._2025-26_Fisica.pdf

DIAm – Department of Environmental Engineering
Calendario Accademico - Dipartimento di Ingegneria dell'Ambiente (DIAm)

DINCI – Department of Civil Engineering
https://dinci.unical.it/media/medias/2025/CALENDARIO_ACCADEMICO_A.A._2025-2026.pdf

DIMES – Department of Computer, Modelling, Electronic and Systems Engineering
Calendario Accademico 25-26 versione 2025-04-09 (1).pdf

DIMEG – Department of Mechanical, Energy and Management Engineering
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Demacs – Department of Mathematics and Computer Sciences
Calendari accademici - Dipartimento di Matematica e Informatica (DEMACS)

DiScAG – Department of Business and Legal Sciences
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DISPeS – Department of Political and Social Sciences
Frequentare i corsi DISPeS - Dipartimento di Scienze Politiche e Sociali (DiSpeS)

DISU – Department of Humanistic Studies
https://www.unical.it/media/medias/2025/Calendario_accademico_DISU_25_26.pdf

Orientation week:	Erasmus Day (approx. the first week of October)
Beginning of courses:	**Winter semester:** September-February (1st semester)
	Summer semester: March- July (2nd semester)
Exam period:	**Winter semester:** January - February **Summer semester:** June-July

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BUDDY SYSTEM (ESN Organization)

https://cosenza.esn.it/ https://esn.it/it/news/welcome-esn-cosenza

BUDDY SYSTEM EUPEACE

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation: Campus Residences

Dormitory website: https://www.unical.it/didattica/diritto-allo-studio/servizio-alloggi/

Rent (approx.): 170 €/ month (single room); 140 €/ month (double room)

https://www.unical.it/campus/vivere-il-campus/quartieri/

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STUDENT EXCHANGE MOBILITY

COURSES AVAILABLE FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Course Catalogue

Catalogo degli insegnamenti - Università della Calabria

NO Online Courses

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

Italian: B1 (CEFR level) (recommended)

English: B2 (CEFR level) (required for International Degree)

GRADING SYSTEM

Exams are certified according to the local grading system, which is a 30-point scale (marks range from 18/30, minimum mark to pass, to 30/30 cum laude), also the ECTS/CFU credits are indicated for the exams passed successfully. Credits reflect the quantity, while grades assess the quality of the completed work. In order to simplify the procedure of comparing and transferring grades, in a transparent way, from the University of Calabria to other European Universities and vice versa, grading tables are used. These include the percentage of students that, over the duration of the degree courses, have received "local grades" (or each degree program or group of homogeneous programs offered by exchanging Universities). Grading tables have been organized according to Erasmus general ISCED subject codes.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. **Application form** (including the accommodation request)
https://unical.erasmusmanager.it/incoming/domandanolearning_1.aspx

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2. Learning agreement (via EWP)

3. Scan of passport (visa applicants only)

On-line registration: https://unical.esse3.cineca.it/AddressBook/ABStartProcessoRegAction.do

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATION AND APPLICATIONS:

Summer semester 30 November (30 November for visa applicants)

Winter semester 30 June (30 June for visa applicants)

NOMINATIONS: approximately one month before the applications deadlines

RECOMMENDED ARRIVAL:

one week before classes start (February in Winter semester / September in Summer semester)

Pick-up assistance: relazioni.internazionali@unical.it ;erasmus.incoming@unical.it

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