



# **Globalization Program**

### **Summer Session**

August 1-25, 2023

Venice International University

Today's globalized world needs flexible minds, able to move across disciplines, capable of tackling challenges with innovative humanistic approaches while recognizing the importance of environmental and economic sustainability and natural and cultural heritage and understanding, while communicating and working with people from other cultures.

#### Multicultural, International & Interdisciplinary

The Globalization Program is VIU's education program for Bachelor and Master's-level students in VIU's member institutions. The program brings together talented, motivated students in a truly multicultural, international, and interdisciplinary environment. Students enjoy a powerful learning experience in which they develop their capacity for critical thinking, working across disciplines, creatively embracing new ideas.

In 2022 VIU introduced a Summer Session of the Globalization Program with the aim of extending the opportunities to study and teach at VIU. Through this opportunity, VIU also serves the needs of those students who otherwise face barriers to participation during the semester-long programs.

#### Eligibility

Students registered in any Bachelor's or Master's degree programs at one of VIU's Member Universities are eligible to apply.

#### **Tuition & Fees**

Summer Session courses are open to students regularly enrolled in any Bachelor or Master's degree programs at one of VIU's Member Universities. Students pay no fees to VIU, but must sustain the cost of travel and accommodation associated with participating in the program.

#### **Credits**

The Summer Session is a credit-only program. Auditors are not admitted to the courses. Students can register for up to two courses. VIU Summer Session courses are equivalent to 6 credits in the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS). Students who successfully complete courses in the Summer Session will receive a certificate of participation and a grade transcript.

#### **Courses**

Food Environments, Nutrition and Health Xikombiso Mbhenyane, Stellenbosch University This course enables students to read the emerging literature on food, environment, nutrition and health critically and to develop a well-grounded perspective of how to contribute to these debates practically and professionally.

#### Interactive Data Visualization

Ate Poorthuis, KU Leuven
This course teaches students the concepts,
skills and techniques of online, interactive data
visualization and map-making.

#### Decolonizing Science

Musarrat Maisha Reza, University of Exeter
This course encourages students to investigate
the extent to which knowledge generated from
the Global North (Europe and America), in
terms of research, education, communication
and practice have been built on colonialism,
slavery, oppression, discrimination and
injustice.

## \_ The Play of Water in the Mediterranean

Adriana de Miranda, Università Ca' Foscari Venezia

The course addresses the history of Landscape Architecture in the Mediterranean, with an overview of the hydraulic systems in terms of artistic features and sustainability, and analyzes significant historical examples in the Near East, Spain, Maghreb and Italy.

\_ Africa: Postcoloniality and the Modern World Schalk van der Merwe, Stellenbosch University This course explores the field of postcolonialism, which examines the cultural, political, and economic aftermath of colonialism, with a particular focus on Africa.

### \_ Romantic Love in Japan and Europe

Adrian Pinnington, Waseda University
This course, will use two famous literary texts,
The Tale of Genji and Shakespeare's Romeo and
Juliet to explore the different traditional ideas
of romantic love produced by two very
different cultures, one Eastern and one
Western.

#### Course organization

Courses will be delivered through interactive forms of tuition (seminars, discussions, presentations, etc.), to foster group work and to mix nationalities and students from different disciplines. The number of students per class may vary from 10-20.

Each course consists of 40-hours of tuition including a virtual component that will be held before the beginning of the program (July 1-31, 2023).

The aim of the virtual component is to facilitate interaction before and after the program and strengthen the network among the participants. The virtual component may include online classes/presentations/discussions and asynchronous activities, facilitating collaborative online learning exchange and teamwork.

The in-class teaching during the 4-week program at the VIU campus will be 9 hours per week per course for a total of 36 hours. The remaining 4 hours will be scheduled at the professors' discretion (the virtual component, field trips, seminars, lectures, workshops, etc.).

Classes will be held Monday to Friday. The weekly schedule of classes will be published on the VIU website.

#### **Co-curricular activities**

The co-curricular activities are an integral part of the learning experience at VIU as they offer students the opportunity to discover and relate to the city of Venice, its lagoon and hinterland. Some examples of activities that may be organized:

- Visit to Palazzo Ducale
- Visit to the 18th International Architecture Exhibition by La Biennale di Venezia
- Visit to the Lagoon by boat
- Rowing classes
- Visit to the Lazzaretto Nuovo island
- Visit to La Fenice opera theater

Co-curricular activities may be scheduled also on Saturdays.

#### Accommodation

Students who will attend the Summer Sessions can apply for accommodation on VIU campus, San Servolo Island, for the entire duration of the activity.

Places in single, double, 3-bed and 4-bed rooms are available in the residential halls on the island of San Servolo. All options in shared rooms (divided by gender), will mix nationalities and universities of origin.

Accommodation on campus is managed by a services company called San Servolo Servizi Metropolitani.

Students in the accommodation on campus will have the use of a common room equipped with a refrigerator and microwave. There are no kitchen facilities.

Cost per person, August 1– August 25:

In a 4-bed room: €330 In a 3-bed room: €330 In a double room: €395 In a single room: €550.

#### **Applications and Registration**

Applications will be via the VIU website. April 15-May 15, 2023

www.univiu.org/study/globalizationprogram/summer-sessions/admissions-andcourse-organization

Students will be notified by the end of May if they have been admitted.

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