

#### THE RECTOR

**HAVING REGARD TO** 

the Statute of Autonomy of the Free University of Languages and Communication IULM published in the Official Gazette of the Italian Republic no. 59 of 12 March 1998 and subsequent amendments;

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the University Teaching Regulations, issued by Rector's Decree no. 11738 of 18 September 2001 and subsequent amendments;

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Legislative Decree no. 111 of 6 August 2021 concerning "Urgent measures for the safe exercise of school, university, social and transport activities", Article 1 of which introduces the obligation for nursery, primary and secondary (first and second stage) schools to carry out school and teaching activities in person, while for universities it further underlines the need to ensure that teaching and curricular activities are carried out primarily in person;

**NOTING** 

that the aforementioned need has been reiterated by the Minister for Universities and Research who, in a circular letter dated 7 August 2021, reminded universities of their obligation to reconcile the need to return to classroom activities with the adoption of appropriate safety and health protection measures for university staff and students, as set out in Legislative Decree no. 111/21;

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the safety rules referred to by the national legislator, some of which are already known - such as the obligation to use personal protective equipment, the inter-personal distance of at least 1 metre, the ban on entering university premises with a body temperature higher than 37.5° - others, such as the obligation to hold the "EU digital COVID certificate (Green Pass)", which are absolutely innovative and have a significant impact on the organisation of all university activities, not only teaching and curricular activities;

HOLDING

that the new security measures introduced by Ministerial Decree 111/21 will evidently also require a rapid update of the shared protocol for the regulation of measures to contain and combat COVID-19 at Free University of Languages and Communication IULM;

HAVING CONSIDERED

that the obligation is set out under the law to possess the valid "EU digital COVID certificate (Green Pass)", with the sole exception of those exempt from the vaccination campaign, based on appropriate medical certification issued according to criteria determined by the Ministry of Health:

(a) from 1 September to 31 December 2021, the currently scheduled end of the state of emergency;



b) for all school and university staff (tenured and contracted teachers, technical-administrative staff, as well as staff of external companies carrying out activities within the University)

c) for students of all university and non-university courses of study - including PhD students, research fellows, scholarship holders, trainees, thesis students, occasional students and those enrolled in single courses;

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that failure to possess and produce the valid **EU digital COVID certificate** (**Green Pass**) entails, in accordance with the law, that "school and university staff are considered to be unjustly absent, and from the fifth day of absence the employment relationship is suspended and no pay or other remuneration or emolument, however denominated, is due" (Article 1, paragraph 6 of DL 111/21, which introduces a new article, Article 9-ter, to DL No 52/21);

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also that checks on students' possession of the valid **EU digital COVID** certificate (Green Pass) will be carried out on a random basis, in accordance with the law; all checks will, in any case, be carried out in such a way as to comply with privacy legislation and taking care to process the data contained in the **EU digital COVID certificate** (Green Pass) within the limits of the purposes envisaged by the law;

#### HAVING RECALLED

that failure to comply with the provisions on the **EU digital COVID certificate** (**Green Pass**) is sanctioned by Article 4 of Legislative Decree No 19 of 25 March 2020

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the need to take unambiguous decisions as soon as possible which, in compliance with the provisions of the law in force, will allow the teaching activities relating to the first semester of the next academic year 2021/2022 to be planned appropriately and in good time

## **SUBJECT TO**

ratification by the Academic Senate and the Board of Directors

### **DECREES**

## Article 1 - Lectures and other face-to-face teaching activities

Lectures and other face-to-face teaching activities will be held in person if classrooms are available and the necessary safety and social distancing conditions are met, according to the lesson timetable already published on the University website. Classes will be open only to students possessing the EU digital COVID certificate (Green Pass). Please note that the Green Pass will be issued even in the absence of a vaccine, provided that a negative molecular (or antigenic) test has been carried out within the last 48 hours, or if the student has recovered from Covid-19. For details: <a href="https://www.dgc.gov.it/web/">https://www.dgc.gov.it/web/</a>



Classrooms will be occupied by at least 50% of the available seats. A higher percentage will be allowed if the necessary safety and spacing conditions are met. Therefore, students will have to reserve their seats in the classrooms through the IULM Lezioni application, and all lessons will be broadcast live via streaming. The streaming transmission will encourage the participation of students with particular fragility or who are immunocompromised, students who do not yet have the EU digital COVID certificate (Green Pass), as well as students living abroad who - due to travel restrictions caused by the ongoing epidemiological emergency would be unable to guarantee their presence in the classroom.

If there are not enough seats in the classrooms to guarantee attendance for the whole day, students who have booked only a few hours of lessons during the day will be given the opportunity to attend lectures in the study rooms and libraries (usually using their own device).

## Article 2 - Degree exams

The ordinary procedures for the final examination are restored. The three-year degree and Master's degree exams will all be held in person. The presence of a maximum number of three accompanying persons is allowed for each candidate, both for the discussion and, if scheduled, for the Graduation Day.

It is also compulsory for accompanying persons to have a valid **EU digital COVID certificate** (**Green Pass**) to take part in the graduation discussions and attend the Graduation Day Ceremony.

#### **Article 3 – Student reception**

Each lecturer ensures that students are received in person or remotely, as required, in accordance with the timetable already determined and published. For in-person receptions, a valid **EU digital COVID certificate** (**Green Pass**) is required.

#### **Article 4 – Master's and post-graduate courses**

The teaching activities of Master's and post-graduate courses may be carried out in person or online, depending on the specific training objectives.

A valid EU digital COVID certificate (Green Pass) is required for teaching activities and graduation ceremonies.

### **Article 5 - Research doctorates**

The teaching activities of the PhD courses may be carried out in person or online, depending on the specific training objectives.



A valid EU digital COVID certificate (Green Pass) is required for in-person classroom teaching activities.

### **Article 6 - University Residences**

Access to the Santander and Cascina Moncucco University Residences is only possible for those possessing a valid EU digital COVID certificate (Green Pass).

Please note that the Green Pass is also issued in the absence of a vaccine, provided that you have tested negative to the molecular (or antigenic) test within the last 48 hours, or have recovered from covid-19. For detailed information: https://www.dgc.gov.it/web/

# **Article 7 – Catering**

Access to refreshment areas, bars and canteens is only possible for people with a valid **EU digital COVID** certificate (Green Pass).

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## Article 8 - Traineeships outside the University for students and graduates

Traineeships outside the University will be carried out in compliance with the laws in force regarding the safety and protection of public health. All information on the activation and management of curricular (for students) and extracurricular (for graduates) internships with organisations and companies outside the University can be found on the specific page of the University website. It should be noted that responsibility for safety in the workplace and the application of protective measures for trainees lies with the host companies and organisations, as indicated in the specific annex to the training project, which must be duly signed and completed by them.

## **Article 9 - International mobility**

International incoming and outgoing mobility for teachers and students is allowed in compliance with the obligations envisaged by national law, including the obligation to have a valid **EU digital COVID certificate** (**Green Pass**).

### Article 10 - Library services and other services of the University

Library services and all other services of the University can be used (including video-conferencing, where possible) by appointment, subject to the requirement to have a valid **EU digital COVID certificate (Green Pass)** and to comply with safety and distancing rules. 50% of the seats in the consultation rooms may be occupied.

#### **Article 11 - Student collaborations**

Student collaborations may be carried out in compliance with the security conditions laid down in the "Security Protocol" approved by the University. The heads of the services to which the student collaborations are assigned may allow them to be carried out in a manner similar to smart-working, if the activities themselves are verifiable and deemed to be unavoidable. As specified in the call for applications, if health conditions



permit, the General Management reserves the right to authorise the carrying out of the activities in person, which must be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the shared protocol for the regulation of measures to contain and combat COVID-19.

A valid EU digital COVID certificate (Green Pass) is required for the performance of these in-person activities.

## Article 12 - Teaching and administrative staff: compulsory EU digital COVID certificate (Green Pass)

As of 1 September, all the University's teaching and technical-administrative staff are required to hold - and, if requested, display – an **EU digital COVID certificate (Green Pass)**. This obligation also applies to consultant/contracting staff who collaborate with the University for various reasons and visit its facilities.

As stated earlier, the Green Pass is also issued in the absence of a vaccine, provided that you have tested negative to the molecular (or antigenic) test within the last 48 hours, or have recovered from covid-19.

For detailed information: <a href="https://www.dgc.gov.it/web/">https://www.dgc.gov.it/web/</a>

Failure to possess and produce the **EU digital COVID certificate** (**Green Pass**) means, according to the law, that ".... school and university staff are considered unjustified absentees, and from the fifth day of absence the employment relationship is suspended and no pay or other remuneration or emolument, however named, is due" (Article 1, paragraph 6 of DL 111/21, which introduces a new article, Article 9-ter, to DL No 52/21);

The specific procedures for verifying possession of the **EU digital COVID certificate** (**Green Pass**) will be communicated as soon as possible. All checks will, in any case, be carried out in such a way as to comply with privacy regulations and taking care to process the data contained in the **EU digital COVID certificate** (**Green Pass**) within the limits of the purposes envisaged by the regulations.

## Article 13 - Events, exhibitions and conferences

A valid **EU digital COVID certificate** (**Green Pass**) is required for participation in events, exhibitions and conferences organised by the University.

Please note that the Green Pass is also issued in the absence of a vaccine, provided that you have tested negative to molecular (or antigenic) tests within the last 48 hours, or that you have recovered from covid-19. For detailed information: <a href="https://www.dgc.gov.it/web/">https://www.dgc.gov.it/web/</a>

#### **Article 14 - Other operational measures**

Sanitisation services will be provided in all classrooms in such a way as to limit time and not excessively lengthen the intervals between lessons.

In classrooms and all areas inside the University, the use of masks is compulsory.

## **Article 15 - Entry into force**

All the measures of the present decree shall be deemed to be immediately valid and effective as of 1 September 2021 and shall remain in force until 31 December 2021, without prejudice to any measures to the contrary



and/or the entry into force of national and/or regional regulations that might determine different guidelines and/or different implementation times.

### **Article 16 - Final rules**

In accordance with the law, any fraud or abuse concerning the obligation to hold and display the certificate will inevitably lead to the obligation to report to the competent authorities and the adoption of the consequent measures.

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