

# EXCELLENCE SCHOOL

INTERDISCIPLINARITY  
INTERNATIONALITY  
& COLLEGIALLY:

TOWARD A NEW-GENERATION  
ACADEMIC TRAINING



UNIVERSITÀ  
DEL SALENTO

Scuola  
Superiore  
ISUFI



**DIPLOMA EQUIVALENT BY LAW  
TO A SECOND-LEVEL MASTER'S DEGREE**

OUTSTANDING REQUIREMENTS:  
EXTRAORDINARY SKILLS  
FOR LEARNING,  
PASSION FOR KNOWLEDGE  
& HIGH MOTIVATION

## THE MISSION

ISUFI (*University Institute for High Interdisciplinary Education*) is a center for innovative advanced academic education and research training and is part of the University of Salento. It was founded in 1999 at the end of a period of experimental activity and institutionalized in 2005 by the Ministry of Education, University and Research (MIUR). It is part of the national system of University High Schools and it was the first High School in the Italian peninsula south of Rome. Inspired by the model of *Scuola Normale Superiore* of Pisa, ISUFI selects young Italian and foreign talents, on the basis of merit, and offers them excellent training to integrate and compliment their ordinary academic studies. The mission is to guarantee, thanks to a unique experience of collegiality, an interdisciplinary and international *pre-* and *post-lauream* experience which prepares students to face the most ambitious challenges of the world of work. ISUFI students must be enrolled at the University of Salento, follow its training courses and comply with the stringent requirements concerning attendance and course marks.

At the end of the fifth year, students obtain a Licence Diploma, which is equivalent by law to a second-level Master's degree



UNDERGRADUATE  
MASTER  
PH.D.

## EDUCATION & TRAINING

ISUFI School offers high-level interdisciplinary under- and post-graduate educational programs in the academic fields of Human Sciences (*Letters and Philosophy, Cultural Heritage, Foreign Languages and Literatures, Education Sciences*), Social Sciences (*Economics, Law, Social, Political and Regional Sciences*) and Natural Sciences (*Engineering; Mathematical, Physical and Natural Sciences*). The goal of the ISUFI educational program consists in offering outstanding teaching on strategic themes such as: scientific methodologies for research, interdisciplinary applications of hard sciences, environmental and economic sustainability and social inclusion, interdisciplinary study on the Mediterranean areas, analysis of historical centers and territories as well as cultural heritage and territorial development strategies. It aims at developing and integrating knowledge and experience on topics related to the students' academic studies through high-level courses, seminars, conferences, roundtables, laboratory activities and annual colloquia. To assist the fulfillment their didactic duties, students can enjoy an innovative College with well-equipped libraries, work and study areas and state-of-the-art computational and spectroscopic facilities.



INTERNSHIPS IN THE MOST PRESTIGIOUS  
AND LEADING ITALIAN  
AND FOREIGN UNIVERSITIES,  
SCIENTIFIC WORLDWIDE SYMPOSIA  
& INTERNATIONAL FORA ON  
GLOBAL ISSUES

## ISUFI ABROAD

In addition to the excellence teaching, the second mission of ISUFI lies in the under and post-graduate placement system. The School, in the last few years, has actively worked in implementing placement policies aimed at facilitating entry of the most talented graduates of the University of Salento into the job market and in constructing fruitful networks and opportunities between its students and leading Italian and foreign Universities and research centers, in coherence with the third mission of the University. ISUFI's main philosophy is, in fact, to create social value through the dissemination of knowledge and innovation within the community and the fulfilment of direct and indirect interventions in society.

ISUFI students are encouraged to spend a period of study abroad (at least 6 months), in order to complete internships in the most prestigious and leading foreign Universities, take part in the selection for the most inspiring scientific worldwide symposia and international fora on global issues and organize, through RIASSU - *the Italian Network of Higher Education Schools Students*, interesting workshops and summer schools on the main topics studied within ISUFI.



INTERDISCIPLINARY CO-WORKING  
CONFERENCES & ROUNDTABLES  
CAREER OPPORTUNITIES





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