



Humanitas Humanities in the Contemporary World

SUMMER SCHOOL CESPEC – 10TH EDITION 2017

CUNEO – ALBA – MONDOVÌ – SAVIGLIANO (12 TO 16 SEPTEMBER 2017)

Call for applicants

SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications for the CeSPeC's Summer School 2017 are open.

Our Research Centre offers both undergraduates and postgraduates the chance to apply for scholarships. Scholarships are dispensed in the form of a partial reimbursement of travel and accommodation expenses incurred to participate in the Summer School. Recipients of the scholarships will have to attend to the whole four days event in order to be eligible for the scholarship. Taking part in the panel organised on the 16th of September is not mandatory. The trip from Cuneo to Savigliano and the lunch in Savigliano on the 15th of September are organised and offered by CeSPeC.

The Summer School is open to all those interested, and especially to undergraduates, postgraduates (such as PhD students and Post-Docs), and scholars specialised in the following disciplines: philosophy, sociology, anthropology, law, religious studies, modern and contemporary history, science and technology, literature.

The selected candidates shall benefit of the following contribute:

Residence	Amount (€)
Province of Cuneo	80,00
Piedmont	150,00
Other Italian regions	250,00
Foreign countries	350,00

Please note that the amount shall be calculated on the basis of the fiscal residence, rather than the domicile.

FORMS

As part of the application form you will need to send by e-mail the following documents or information:

a) *Curriculum Vitae* (CV);



- b) Personal statement: a short written statement (up to 2000 characters) outlining the reason(s) for taking part in the Summer School, and what you hope to gain from the Summer School programme;
- c) Personal data and contacts (e-mail address and phone number).

Applications must be sent **by the 31st of July 2017**. You will receive communication about the decision within 20 days after the application deadline.

Selected applicants will have to register one hour before the first panel of the Summer School at the ex-Mater Amabilis University branch (Via Ferraris di Celle, 2 – Cuneo).

CALL FOR PAPERS

During the Summer School one panel will be dedicated to the presentation and discussion of proposals by the scholarship recipients (up to 20 minutes each), dealing with the main theme. The proposals will be selected by the CeSPeC research group and will be published after the event.

Applicants who are interested in delivering a presentation must send, along with their application form, the abstract-form attached to this announcement duly completed **within the 31st of July 2017**. A maximum of 6 abstracts will be selected.

Please note that the presentation is not compulsory. It is therefore possible to apply:

- 1) For a scholarship only;
- 2) For a scholarship and the presentation.

It is not possible to apply solely for a presentation.

FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS

Applications will be evaluated by a commission, chosen by the organization committee.

Applications sent via telefax or via traditional mail will not be considered. Please note that no hard copies of documents will have to be submitted along with the application.

Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

Applications must be addressed to the CeSPeC's administrative office, at the following e-mail address: centrostudi.cespec@gmail.com (confirm option is suggested).

SUBJECT

The 10th edition of the CeSPeC's Summer School focuses on a theme inclusive of all the previous editions, which is the role of Humanities in interpreting and understanding in a critical and reflexive way what happens in the contemporary world. CeSPeC's Research Group is absolutely convinced that Humanities have useful resources, strategies and methods to offer a perspective on the present that is deeper than what popular, political and academic opinion seem to often affirm nowadays. To highlight Humanities' pedagogical role in building a solid public space where citizens may properly grow, the



Summer School 2017 will focus on the following current themes, showing the advantages coming from the humanistic studies in their interpretation and understanding.

i) **“Life” panel** has the objective to show how Humanities could provide precious tools and instruments to increase individuals' consciousness about many facets of their lives, starting from those considered as the most tragic, like death, which is the limit defining the deepest sense of life itself, and our way to be in the world (cfr. *Death Education*);

ii) **“Gender” panel** will give word to philosophers, sociologists and anthropologists specialized in gender studies who will highlight the main issues on individual and collective rights, regarding, on one hand, gender differences, and, on the other hand, the role of the woman in the contemporary world. The experts will underline *which* are the main preconceptions and biases present in our societies regarding the concept of “gender” and, relatively to the female role, *why* those prejudgments rose, and *how* they can be overcome. This last aspect will be examined with particular attention to special educational systems, in order to tackle also contemporary problems such as homophobia and the so-called femicide;

iii) **“Communication” panel** aims to analyse how the communication changed along with the development of the digital culture and how Humanities may offer necessary instruments to face individual and collective challenges that originated from the transition from the analogic to the digital world. More specifically, the lecturers will focus on the psychological, social and intersubjective effects of the alteration in the meaning of the image, caused by the excessive and "eternal" presence of digital objects;

iv) **“Violence” session** aims to analyse the incidence of humanistic reflections in order to understand religious violence's socio-political transformations in the public sphere, after the radicalisation of the conflict between different cultures and religions in the Western world;

v) **“Education and citizenship” panel** is strictly connected to the previous three, and has the purpose of examining in depth all the narrative and communitarian methodologies, which are being developed by philosophical and pedagogical disciplines, through the application of philosophical knowledges in extra-academic educational sectors, such as prison education or associations working in close contact with local communities;

vi) **“Nature and ecology” panel** will give word to lecturers who, coming from the humanistic field, try to complement their competences with experts working in the fields of ecology, environmental studies, and for the safeguard of local natural landscapes. Such integration is crucial since Humanities, especially in philosophical, literary, and artistic sectors, offer pivotal conceptual instruments to understand the linkages between humans and ecosystems.

In addition to the panels just described, the Summer School will offer three public soirees with the goal of promoting and disseminating its themes. The first one is the official inauguration of the whole event and it will give word to an eminent lecturer who will be protagonist of a *Lectio Magistralis* focused on the specific theme of this edition. The second and the third ones will focus on literature; lecturers, writers and poets, will explain the importance of literature for our education, even through anecdotes and personal experiences.



PROGRAMME

Tuesday, the 12th September 2017, 2.30 p.m.

“Life” panel

Lecturers: **Ines Testoni** (University of Padua, “Death Studies & the End of life” Master’s Director), **Luigi Vero Tarca** (Ca’ Foscari University, Venice)

Moderator: **Davide Sisto** (University of Turin, Cespec’s Summer School 2017 Scientific Director)

Place: Ex.Mater Amabilis University Branch (Cuneo)

Tuesday, the 12th September 2017, 9 p.m.

Official inauguration

Lecturer: **Marco Revelli** (University of Piemonte Orientale)

Moderator: **Sergio Carletto** (Cespec’s Vice-President)

Place: Spazio Incontri Cassa di Risparmio 1855 (Cuneo)

Wednesday, the 13th September 2017, 9.30 a.m.

“Gender” panel

Lecturers: **Irene Peano** (University of Lisbon), **Giorgia Serughetti** (Univeristy of Milan-Bicocca)

Moderator: **Sergio Racca** (University of Turin)

Place: Ex.Mater Amabilis University Branch (Cuneo)

Wednesday, the 13th September 2017, 3 p.m.

“Communication” panel

Lecturers: **Giovanni Ziccardi** (University of Milan).

Moderator: **Alessandro Ciatti** (University of Turin)

Place: Ex.Mater Amabilis University Branch (Cuneo)

Wednesday, the 13th September 2017, 9 p.m.

Literary panel

Lecturers: **Hafez Haidar** (writer) and **Enrico Maria Di Palma** (poet)

Moderator: **Mauro Mantelli** (Cespec’s President)

Place: Cuneo City Hall

Thursday, the 14th September 2017, 9.30 a.m.

“Violence” panel

Lecturers: **Gennaro Gervasio** (University of Rome), **Pierre-Jean Luizard** (GSRL, Paris)

Moderator: **Graziano Lingua** (University of Turin)

Place: Ex.Mater Amabilis University Branch (Cuneo)

Thursday, the 14th September 2017, 3 p.m.

Workshop for selected applicants

Moderator: **Gabriele Vissio** (University of Turin)



Place: Nuto Revelli Foundation (Cuneo)

Thursday, the 14th September 2017, 9 p.m.

Literary panel

Lecturers: **Tommaso Pincio** (writer) and **Cristiana Astori** (writer)

Moderator: **Cristina Rebuffo** (Cespec's Summer School 2017 Scientific Director)

Place: Cuneo City Hall

Friday, the 15th September 2017, 9.30 a.m.

“Education and Citizenship” panel

Lecturers: **Philippe Van Parijs** (UCL Louvain), **Georg Lind** (University of Konstanz)

Moderator: **Roberto Franzini Tibaldeo** (UCL Louvain)

Place: Ex-Convento di Santa Monica University Branch (Savigliano)

Friday, the 15th September 2017, 3 p.m.

“Natur and Ecology” panel

Lecturers: **Pierre Montebello** (University of Toulouse, Le Mirail), **Rocco Ronchi** (University of L'Aquila)

Moderator: **Giacomo Pezzano** (University of Turin)

Place: Ex-Convento di Santa Monica University Branch (Savigliano)

Saturday, the 16th September 2017, 9.30 p.m.

Panels dedicated to High Schools students