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UdA Institutions

“G. d’Annunzio” University of Chieti-Pescara

The “G. d’Annunzio” University of Chieti-Pescara (UdA) was first instituted as an independent university in 1960. In 1982 it gained the status of State University and has grown exponentially since then. Currently it has 36.000 students and twelve faculties located on two campuses: one in Chieti, with the Rectorate and the Central Administration, and another in Pescara. Also part of UdA is the Centre of Excellence for Aging Sciences (Ce.S.I.); the Institute of Advanced Biomedical Technologies (ITAB); the Leonardo da Vinci Online Distance University, the Museum of Biosciences. Several agreements with foreign universities, ERASMUS projects and international research projects are in progress, under the programmes of Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research and Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 7th European Framework and INTERREG, with the aim of a strong internationalization.

I.T.A.B. - Istituto di Tecnologie Avanzate Biomediche - Institute of Advanced Biomedical Technologies

The Institute of Advanced Biomedical Technologies (ITAB) is the Research Centre dedicated to the development of technologies related to neuroimaging and application of functional imaging techniques to neurosciences. The Institute is dedicated primarily to basic and clinical research in the context of functional imaging. For this reason, the structure has several innovative technologies, such as Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), functional MRI combined to electroencephalography. Overall, the Institute offers an excellent diagnostic service to the territory by providing their own equipment to public and private health facilities on the basis of specific agreements. The ITAB also promotes and organizes interdisciplinary training courses addressed primarily to the researchers and staff employed in the use of sophisticated equipment in the laboratories. The organizational structure includes five operating units for all its activities, working in partnership with national and international research centres.

Scuola Superiore “G. d’Annunzio” - School of Advanced Studies

The School of Advanced Studies named after G. d’Annunzio, established in November of 2007, is an autonomous structure of the "G. d’Annunzio" University of Chieti-Pescara aimed at the management of the resources intended for the higher education in research and development. In particular, it examines requests for establishment of PhDs; takes care of all organizational aspects of doctoral studies in the University, coordinating the disciplinary and interdisciplinary activities of training, including language and IT training for doctoral candidates. The School also pays attention to the activities of internationalization and to

applicative research, using, for this last aspect, the Commission for the Promotion of Research and Technology Transfer. Furthermore, it pays attention to the planning, defining and organizing of the monitoring scientific production and professional opportunities for PhDs. The School, inserted in the field of Research of the University, enjoys operational autonomy and budget equal to that of the other departments. It is directed by a Board, composed of the coordinators of accredited doctorates and of one spokesperson of the PhD students and it is headed by a Director, appointed by the Academic Bodies. The activities of the School are subject to an annual review by the Evaluation Team.

Museo Universitario – University Museum

The first core of exhibition of the Museum of History of Biomedical Sciences was opened in 1994. The founder and director of the Museum is Luigi Capasso, the Professor of Anthropology in the Faculty of Medicine at the University of "G. d'Annunzio" in Chieti. The itinerary of the museum, that was recently renovated, includes a ground floor dedicated to the origin and evolution of life with various fossil materials, originals and casts, and the origins of man. On the second floor there is presented the history of human settlement in Abruzzo region. The exhibits also include a biological archive of mummies and various natural collections. The museum is also a centre of excellence in anthropological research, with investigations and operations around the world and a vast scientific production. It enjoys an active teaching work in schools of all levels and the teachers are constantly updated with new methods of science education.

Ud'Anet

Ud'Anet is a technological spin-off of the "G. d'Annunzio" University, designated to the design and supply of computer applications and multimedia products for the academic, scientific research and public administration. Among the institutional goals of Ud'Anet is the management of the telematics infrastructure for e-learning at the same university and of the Online University "Leonardo da Vinci". Ud'Anet offers on the education market and for the local authorities' specialized expertise in the design, development, management and research in advanced technological applications for the citizens.

The courses of linguistic communication in English organized by Ministry of Education, University and Research with the decree no 89 of 20th November of 2013 turn to teachers of non-linguistic disciplines (Discipline Non Linguistiche – DNL) to start the next methodological training CLIL – Content and Language Integrated Learning (CLIL).

The addressees are DNL teachers of high schools and technical institutes in the Abruzzo region who are holding an input level A2/B1 of QCERF and who has to carry out a course of a total duration of 130 hours of which 90 in presence and 40 online, that will prepare teachers to achievement of the next language level required by the regulations.

The courses of Ud'Anet

English Course - B2: Listening: Can follow or give a talk on a familiar topic or keep up a conversation on a fairly wide range of topics. Reading: Can scan texts for relevant information, and understand detailed instructions or advice. Writing: Can make notes while someone is talking or write a letter including non-standard requests.

English Course - C1 Listening: Can advise on or talk about complex or sensitive issues, understanding colloquial references and dealing confidently with hostile questions. Reading: Can read quickly enough to cope with an academic course, to read the media for information or to understand non-standard correspondence. Writing: Can prepare/draft professional correspondence, take reasonably accurate notes in meetings or write an essay which shows an ability to communicate.

CLA – Centro Linguistico di Ateneo – University Language Centre

The Language Centre is an inter-faculty centre capable of performing research in the field of language teaching and it is able to provide various services to teaching and learning of foreign languages at the Faculty of the University through specific curricular practices guided by a language teacher or a linguistic expert, or through activities of self-access with which students can promote an effective and progressive autonomous language learning. The official language courses, currently taught by native speakers of language experts, are: Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Portuguese, Russian, Serbian and Croatian, Spanish and German. The structure promotes contacts and connections with language centres in various Italian and foreign universities.