



UNIVERSITY
OF CALABRIA



International
Campus,
Italian
welcome





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Since the origin of the University, as a fundamental Institution of the European society (nowadays accepted worldwide) the tradition of being also an International Institution has always been present. Students and professors coming from over all European countries used to travel a lot to develop study or teaching activities in universities like Bologna, Padua, Paris- Sorbonne, Cambridge, Oxford, Heidelberg, Gottinga, Salamanca, and many others.

The main reasons of these cultural migrations were, of course, the search for excellency in the different fields of study and research. But it was not just that. For sure the curiosity of getting to know new peoples, new languages, new national cultures and different habits have all played an important role among people, students and professors, who are curious by definition. Nowadays the mobility of students and professors represents the main priorities of the European Union and worldwide, as a mean to build up a better world and among the people and among the cultural Institutions, further than among the economies. In this common effort we, as the University of Calabria, are deeply involved and committed.

With this information we have tried to synthetically describe our Institution in order to provide the international students with some useful information, which could represent the starting point for building up their motivation to spend part of their student career in Calabria with us.

I should like to stress that, besides what it is reasonable to be required to an academic institution, we want to offer the warmth of our students and the beauties of our region as far as both the nature and the culture are concerned.

We therefore look forward to welcoming new international students to enhance the international dimension of our University through their culture, enthusiasm and willingness to succeed.

The **University of Calabria** is one of the most important and dynamic universities in Italy, where the learning experience becomes an extraordinary opportunity in terms of human and professional development. It is the largest and best equipped University Campus in Italy.

The **Campus par excellence** stretches over a green area of more than 200 hectares among the hills of the river Crati Valley, in the urban area of **Cosenza** and **Rende**.

Departments

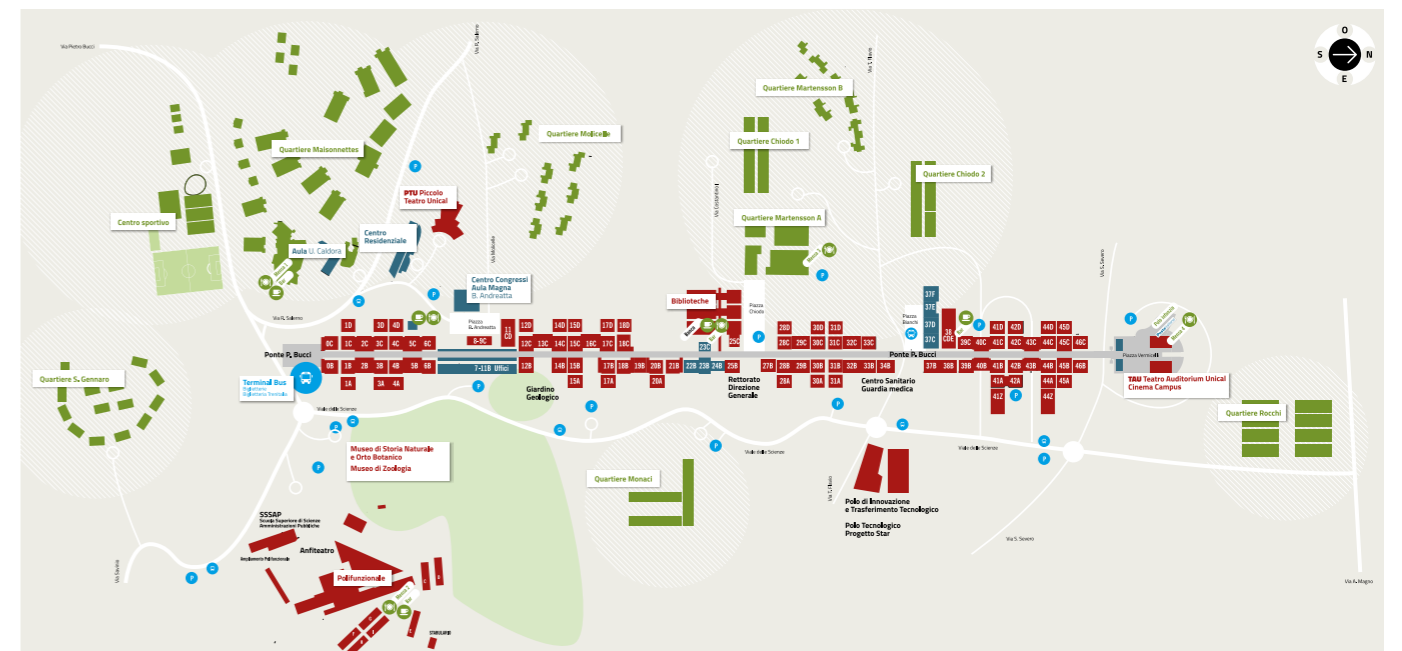
- **Biology, Ecology and Earth Science** **DIBEST**
- **Business Administration and Law** **DISCAG**
- **Chemistry and Chemical Technologies** **CTC**
- **Civil Engineering** **DINCI**
- **Computer Science Engineering, Modeling, Electronics and Systems Engineering** **DIMES**
- **Culture, Education and Society** **DICES**
- **Economics, Statistics and Finance "Giovanni Anania"** **DESF**
- **Environmental Engineering** **DIAM**
- **Humanities** **DISU**
- **Mathematics and Computer Science** **DEMACS**
- **Mechanical, Energy and Management Engineering** **DIMEG**
- **Pharmacy, Health and Nutrition Sciences** **FSSN**
- **Physics** **FIS**
- **Social and Political Sciences** **DISPES**



UniCal is one of the largest cultural and service infrastructures in Italy, being a reference point for Calabrian institutions, enterprises and administrations.

The 'backbone' of the Campus is the bridge designed by Vittorio Gregotti.

The "Cubes", which host lecture theaters and seminar rooms and all the other structures of the university, are connected to the sides of the bridge.



Above all, UniCal is the **Campus of Education** with a wide and transversal educational offer.

UniCal has **14** Departments, **34** first-cycle Degree Courses (Bachelor of Science), **7** Single-cycle degree courses (Bachelor of Science + Master of Science), **39** second-cycle Degree Courses (Master of Science) **12** of which in English), **21** Double-Degree Programs in collaboration with international universities, **2** Inter-University Degree Courses, **10** Ph.D. Courses, **22** First and Second-Level Postgraduate's Degree Courses, **10** Higher Education Courses, **120** research laboratories and **24,500** students.

The University Campus is the scenario where students' passions and ambitions can come true, experiencing new chapters of their personal stories.

UniCal means top-quality education, services and research with points of excellence, as has been certified by national and international bodies.

Here students can experience personal growth together with other students, professors, researchers and technicians all contributing to enliven cultural and social activities carried out on Campus and in various places, such as canteens, students' residence neighborhoods, libraries, sports facilities and theatres.



Course catalogue

First-cycle degree courses (Bachelor of Science) (duration 3 years)

Single-cycle degree courses (Bachelor of Science + Master of Science) (duration 5/6 years)

Medical Health Area

- Chemistry and Pharmaceutical Technology 5 years
- Health Care Assistance
- Medical and Digital Technology 6 years
- Nutritional Sciences
- Pharmacy 5 years
- Scientific Information of the Drug and Health Products

Training of educators and teachers Area

- Education Sciences
- Education Sciences (mixed mode)
- Primary Teacher Education 5 years

Sciences Area

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Conservation and Restoration of Cultural Heritage 5 years
- Geological Sciences
- Mathematics
- Natural Science
- Physics
- Technology in Biological Sciences

Engineering and Technology Area

- Building Engineering and Architecture 5 years
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Electronic Engineering
- Environmental and Safety Engineering
- Management Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Science of Innovative Materials and for Nanotechnology

Socio-Economics Area

- Administrative Science
- Business Administration
- Digital Media and Society
- Economics
- Law 5 years
- Political Science
- Social Work
- Statistics for Business
- Tourism Sciences

Humanities Area

- Arts and Cultural Heritage
- Communication and Performing Arts
- Linguistic Mediation
- Modern Languages and Cultures
- Philosophy and History

Second-cycle Degree Courses (Bachelor of Science + Master of Science) (duration 2 years)

Medical Health Area

- Health Biotechnology 
- Nutritional Sciences 

Training of educators and teachers Area

- Pedagogical Sciences

Sciences Area


- Biodiversity and Natural Ecosystems
- Biology
- Chemistry 
- Geological Sciences
- Mathematics 
- Physics 

Engineering and Technology Area

- Artificial Intelligence and Computer Science 
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering 
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Engineering for the Internet of Things 
- Electronic Engineering
- Energy Engineering
- Environmental and Territorial Safety Engineering on Sustainable Management of Natural Resources 
- Management Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Robotics and automation engineering 
- Telecommunication Engineering: Smart Sensing, Computing and Networking 

 courses in English


Socio-Economics Area

- Business Administration
- Data Science for Business Analytics
- Development and Promotion of Tourist and Cultural Systems
- Economics and Business Studies
- Finance and Insurance 
- Political Science and Comparative Institutions
- Sciences of the Public Administrations
- Social Policies and Social Work
- Sociology, Development and Cooperation

Humanities Area

- Classical Studies
- Communication and Information Technologies
- DAMS and History of Art. Organization and Theory of Arts, Music and Theatre
- Digital Documents Management and Preservation
- History
- Intelligence for Cultural and Archaeological Heritage Legality and Protection
- Modern Languages and Cultures
- Modern Philology
- Philosophy

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It is an **international Campus**. Walking along Ponte Bucci or through the Campus residences' paths, it is common to people speaking in different languages and meet different cultures.

This is because UniCal, thanks to the **UnicalAdmission program**, is home to over **950 students** from **83 countries**, the highest number among Southern Italy universities. On the other hand, around 600 outgoing and incoming students participate in **Erasmus+**,

MOST (extra-EU mobility), or DUAL (Double Degree) study abroad programs. Furthermore, two important outgoing and incoming mobility programs for teachers and researchers financed by the Calabria Region - TeMA and Vis - will be launched shortly.

All inclusive enrolment package € 6000 x year (2 meals per day, accommodation, tuition fee)

1000 International students enrolled



A total of **251 international cooperation agreements with institutions of 54 countries** have been signed along with about **500 agreements** in the Erasmus+ framework.

Over the past few years, UniCal has been one of the 30 Italian universities selected to participate in the largest higher education world fair, NAUSA, held in the USA.

120 Scholarships per year (Board, Lodging, Tuition and Pocket money)



Recently, a university centre in Cuba and Santo Domingo - UniCaribe - and a research forum of 22 Italian and Ecuadorian universities in Ecuador - FUCSIE - have been created.

1500 applicants every year

Unical is the **Campus of hospitality**, where The Residential Centre guarantees students the “right to education” and provides all the services needed by students. **2,500** places in accommodation available / **5** canteens / **6,000** scholarships fulfilling the needs of 100% of eligible students.



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The Campus of the University of Calabria is basically a town where students can find whatever they need to carry out their learning experience in an easy and functional way.

Residences can host over 2,500 students and 200 professors and offer a wide range of services such as shuttle buses, bars and restaurants, theatres, libraries, laundries and fresh water dispensers, ensuring students the most comfortable stay on Campus. Other available services are a post office, a bank, a medical center,

a church, and sports facilities that can be also easily accessed by disabled students.

Catering facilities are a strong-point in the wide range of services provided to students living on Campus.

The University has 5 canteens located over the whole area of the Campus. Canteen staff are kind and professional, the food is excellent and a variety of menus is provided – with seasonal, gluten-free and also international products because the University hosts lots of foreign students, so that lunch and dinner time are an excellent opportunity for socialization. These features contribute to enhancing the nature of the Campus in its ability to make people feel welcome.

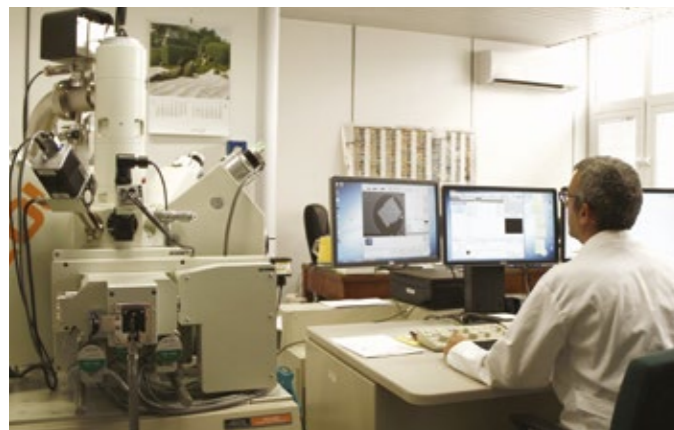
It is the **Campus of research** carried out in the **14 departments** and in **120 laboratories**, and the acknowledgments received, as well as the position of the University in international rankings, testify the quality of the research undertaken.

The passion and expertise of UniCal researchers is also witnessed by the university's top quality scientific research.

At UniCal students can discover high-quality research carried out in the 14 Departments – **five of which have received official recognition by the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research for the best Departments at a national level** – and in 120 laboratories.

UniCal is in all most important International University Rankings: Times Higher Education (THE) World Rankings, QS World University Rankings (QS), Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU).

It is also well-ranked in specific teaching & research areas such as Computer Science, Engineering and Physical Sciences.



It is the **Campus of Innovation**: The **Liaison Office** provides its support for technology transfer and the patent registration.

The **Technest** incubator hosts academic Start-ups and Spin-offs that are the result of the vision and of the entrepreneurial spirit of UniCal researchers and students.



Fifty-eight highly innovative companies are the spin-off of UniCal research with **42 active patents**. Besides supporting research and technology transfer, the Liaison Office promotes and enhances knowledge and skills developed at University level to create innovative start-ups.

TechNest is an incubator developed at UniCal to foster the creation of high-tech companies that are supported in their initial activities and competitive development. Researchers and graduates from UniCal are involved in the establishment and support of high-tech companies through intellectual protection activities, the

promotion of academic spin-offs and initiatives such as *Start Cup Calabria* (an academic business plan competition) and *UniCaLab*. Networking programs are also developed with enterprises and other business entities; initiatives such as the *Notte dei ricercatori*, or seminars on the third mission of the University are also organized

It is a **Campus of culture** where theatrical performances, shows and exhibitions, cultural events and concerts take place all year long.

The Campus hosts two theatres: the **TAU, Teatro Auditorium**, and the **Piccolo Teatro**, **2 cinemas** and **2 amphitheatres** managed by the Centro Arti Musica e Spettacolo (Cams), which organizes and promotes performances, concerts, exhibitions, and theatrical and film festivals in collaboration with the Degree programs of the University.



Artists such as **Toni Servillo**, **Eimuntas Nekrošius** and **Emma Dante**, **Manuel Agnelli**, **Brunori sas**, **Richard Galliano**, **Verdena**, and **Marlene Kuntz** (to name but a few) have performed at the TAU theater.

TAU has also promoted important co-productions such as the "Calderon" by Pasolini, directed by Saponaro and produced by Teatri Uniti, but also several significant film monographs (Pasolini and Italian operas) by Italian directors and playwrights.

Other initiatives include musical laboratories and concerts by important musicians (such as the project by Alexander Lonquich inspired by Schumann), exhibitions on the history of Italian cinema (Zavattini), special projects (on Puppet Theatre, the Harlequin mask and satire), as well as laboratories by Italian film-makers of international standing (Michelangelo Frammartino, Giovanni Cioni).



UniCal also hosts a **MuSnob - Natural History Museum and a Botanical Garden**, as well as a **Museum of the Environment**, the largest **library system** of southern Italy with over 600,000 books and 800 seats with 300 direct access workstations and the **CLA - Language Centre** promoting foreign language learning. The CLA offers courses of Italian for international students.

The library system includes **Technical and Scientific Libraries, Economic and Social Studies Libraries** and **Human Studies Libraries** hosted in adjoining buildings of **20 thousand square meters**, as well as an **Automated Library System**.

The three libraries are equipped with all facilities to support students in their learning process.

Researchers and students can access the extensive collection of digital and paper books and journals in a comfortable environment. The automated catalogue allows users to carry out bibliographical research from the library workstations or from their own devices.

The UniCal library system is integrated with numerous digital datasets that can be accessed by the University Internet network or remote networks, thus allowing users to collect data for their studies or degree theses.



It is the **Campus of sport** with a well-equipped and busy University Sport Centre for amateurs and professionals.

Sport is an essential feature of the university Campus. The CUS, the university sports center is a citadel of sports and free time activities, where students, professors, university staff and local inhabitants can play different sports, also at a professional level, with significant results obtained in various national university championships. The Campus hosts sports facilities and equipment for different types of sport

and organizes over 40 sport courses; there are tennis courts, 5 artificial turf Futsal courts, football pitches, which are used also for rugby, 5 gyms and halls and rooms where users can play chess, bridge and checkers. Areas equipped for sports near the students' residences and a group of instructors complete the system of sport equipment and services that make the Campus an excellence also in this field.





It is a Campus of services with a **Medical Centre** (including an emergency medical station and a non-emergency medical on-call service), a **Post Office**, a **Bank** and a **Kindergarten** and **nursery school**.





Cosenza



Rende



UniCal Campus is located in **Rende** on the hills of Arcavacata, and it is linked to a large urban area including **Cosenza**, Rende and other smaller towns; this is one of the most modern and lively areas in Southern Italy.

In the evening, the urban area offers a busy social life with a lot of entertainment opportunities, such as musical and theatrical performances.

The provision of cultural services is also wide thanks to cinemas, theaters, performances and cultural activities promoted by institutions and associations that organize cultural events throughout the year.

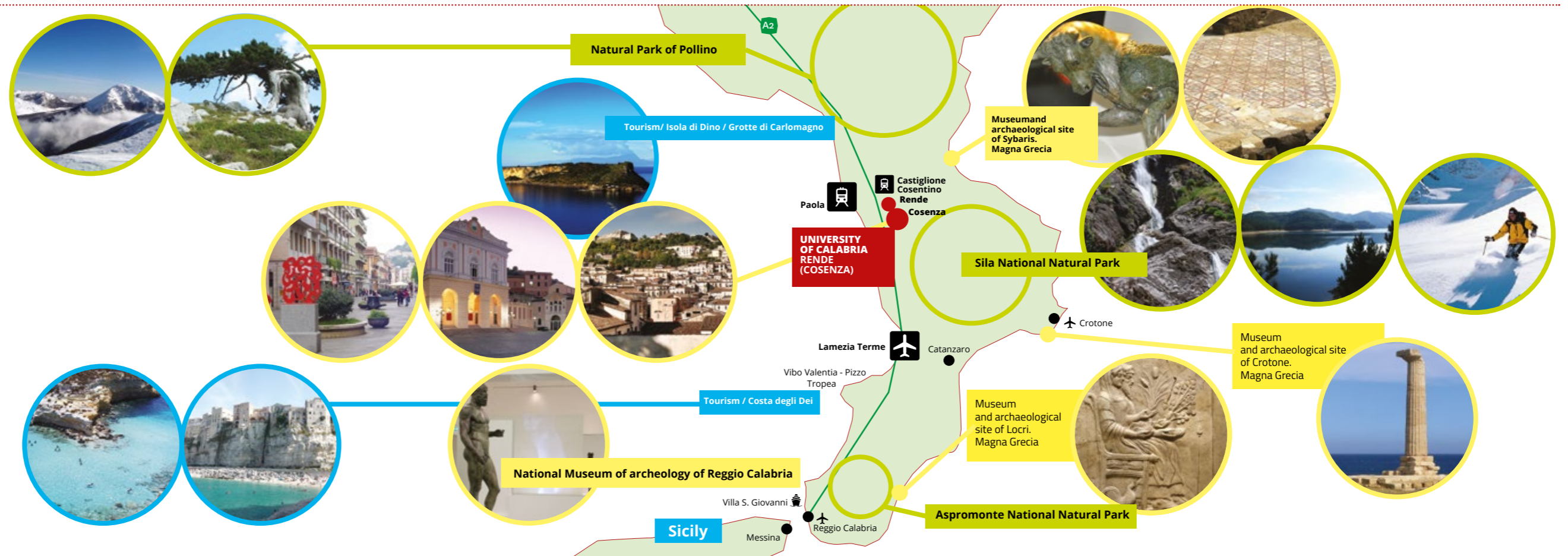
Various public and private institutions protect, transmit and convey the cultural history of the area; the museums in Cosenza (the National Gallery in Palazzo Arnone, the Diocesan Museum, The BoCs Art Museum – the Monumental Complex of San Domenico, the Museum of the Bruttians and of the Oenotrians, and the Planetarium) and the Museum System of Rende (Museum of Contemporary Art Bilotti, the MAON – the museum of the 19th and 20th Century

art in Rende, and the Museo del Presente) organize valuable activities and initiatives aiming at the preservation and protection of cultural heritage and fostering artistic production and experimentation.

The Campus is located in a strategic position, in a valley of old towns and villages among cultivated fields with several on-farm tourist facilities and relaxing places that enhance wellbeing, protecting the environment at the same time.

The Campus is just a few miles away from two seas and two magnificent natural parks; in the West, there is the **Tyrrhenian Sea**, the **Ionian Sea** is in the North-East with the Sybaris Plain, the Pollino Massif and the **Pollino National Park** are in the North and the largest plateau of Europe and the **Sila National Park** are located in the East.





Province It is one of the most populated provinces in Italy and the eighth for extension. With its 367 miles of coast, the Province of Cosenza occupies 44.1% of the surface of Calabria, essentially the entire central and northern part of the region.

Territory Calabria's singular landscape is characterized by mountains and hills. It runs from the Ionian Coast in the east to the Tyrrhenian shores in the west, from the massif of Pollino in the north to the plateau of Sila grande.

During wintertime it is possible to take part in organized snowshoe excursions in the mountains, while ski plants are to be found in the highest areas of the Sila and its three National Parks of the Pollino, Sila and Aspromonte. In particular the park of Pollino offers opportunities to go rafting and canoeing, especially on the

river Lao, among canyons and gorges. During summertime the variety of its seas and the wonderful beaches many tourists coming from all over the world.

There are also plains, like the Piana di Sibari, and big valleys, such as, for example, the valley of the River Crati. Hilly areas slope down to the North and to the East of the Sila Greca. The area is characterized by a variety of landscapes, even from coast to coast and on every massif.

History The territory of Cosenza, and the whole region Calabria, exhibits traces of history, beginning with the prehistoric period. The remains of villages of the Neolithic period testify the presence of inhabitants in this area that was also settled in the Magna Grecia and Roman period. In the Middle Ages, the presence of the Byzantines brought benefits to the economy of the territory. The results are still evident in the elegant and refined



architecture, as well as those of the Normans (the Castles), the Angevins, the Aragonese and the Spaniards, who all left their mark in the subsequent centuries. During the years 1969 to 1975, between the Sibari river and the Crati river, hidden among the weeds and the earth the ruins of Sybaris and of two other ancient cities were discovered, and also those of two other ancient cities. There had always been much talk in ancient chronicles about the rich and luxurious city of Sybaris, founded by the Greeks in 720 B.C., and the fact that "sybarite" had become synonym with "viveur" only served to confirm the myth of this opulent city.

The Riace Warriors (also referred to as the Riace bronzes or Bronzi di Riace), two life-size Greek bronze statues of naked, bearded warriors are only 200 km far from the University Campus, currently housed in the Museo Nazionale della Magna Grecia in Reggio Calabria.

Cuisine Calabria is the heart of the Mediterranean diet, that is known for its health benefits. Calabrian cuisine is based on its genuine and simple products and known for hearty vegetable and pasta dishes and soups.

Many recipes of Calabrian cuisine are based on eggplants, peppers, tomatoes, potatoes, famous red onions, mushrooms and sausages from the Sila mountains. Calabria produces a fourth of the Italian olive oil.



University of Calabria

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