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**PRESS RELEASE**  
**INTENSIVE SUMMER COURSE OF ARMENIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE**  
**August 2021**

Covid-19 pandemic has radically changed our lifestyle. We hope, however, that things will improve. With this hope we try to organize the Summer Intensive Course of Armenian language and culture for August 2021. If it will not be possible to achieve our ambition, we will provide immediate information and evaluate to organize it, if possible, online.

The 35<sup>th</sup> edition of the Summer Intensive Course of Armenian Language and Culture, organized by the Association “Padus-Araxes”, will take place from **August 2<sup>nd</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>**. **Examinations on August 17<sup>th</sup>**. **ARRIVALS: August 1<sup>st</sup> (check-in)**. **DEPARTURES: August 18<sup>th</sup> (check-out)**. **Application DEADLINE: June 15<sup>th</sup>**.

To apply, it is necessary to fill the application form available on the website: [www.padus-araxes.com/SummerCourse/ApplicationForm](http://www.padus-araxes.com/SummerCourse/ApplicationForm). Applications must be addressed **personally and by written** giving a PHONE number (of mobile also, if available) and an E-MAIL address.

**AGE LIMIT:** at least **18 years old** (exceptions should be submitted to the Director of the Course).

**LESSON SCHEDULE:** **Four basic levels** from the Absolute beginners’ to the Advanced; **65 hours of classroom-taught** lessons spanned from Monday to Saturday, in the morning. **ATTENDANCE IS COMPULSORY**. **FREE AFTER-CLASS cultural and recreational activities (NOT COMPULSORY)** complete the lessons:

- guided tours of the Mechitarist monastery of San Lazzaro, and of the ancient Armenian neighbourhood of Venice;
- participation on Sundays in the Divine Liturgy in Armenian rite in the Medieval Armenian church of the Holy Cross, and on the feast of Assumption at the Monastery of San Lazzaro, followed by the Blessing of the grapes;
- lectures on Armenian subjects, held by well-known specialists (the program will be available in Spring). Free courses of DUDUK and ARMENIAN DANCE will also be offered in the afternoons.

**TUITION FEE: 850 € (including 65 hours of lessons spanned on 13 days; tutorship; didactical material, except for the lessons of duduk; examination certificate).**

The applicant is required to send **600 €** as a registration fee **WITHIN MARCH 15<sup>th</sup>**. After this date, till **JUNE 30<sup>th</sup>** the amount to pay for registration is **850 €**. The registration fee must be sent by bank transfer, or an internationally accepted cheque to the following address. The total amount will be settled, if by bank transfer, latest **till July 15<sup>th</sup>**. Otherwise, **ON THE ARRIVAL DAY** in one of the main Western currencies, or by an international cheque. This is an **ABSOLUTELY BASIC CONDITION FOR ACCESS TO THE LODGEMENT** and to follow the Course. Money once paid **WILL NOT BE REFUNDED**, except for **ASCERTAINED ILLNESS OR HINDRANCE DUE TO CORONAVIRUS**. Those who have attended the course for at least two summers with a positive result in the final exam, have a 10% reduction, that is also applied to their close relatives (parents, siblings, husband, wife) as well. **Please, contact the Secretary ([info@padus-araxes.com](mailto:info@padus-araxes.com)) to get the Association’s BANK DETAILS for the transfer, or the address where to send the cheque. ALL bank expenses WILL BE CHARGED to the applicant.**

**LODGING FEE (from August 1<sup>st</sup> to August 18<sup>th</sup>, 17 nights):**

- **650€ per person** in double room \*
- **900€** for a single room\*

(services include: private bathroom, kitchenette, AC, WI-FI connection, bed linen and towels, hairdryer, city tax). The city tax, in Venice, is mandatory since 2011 and applied to all guests. Lodgings facilities cash it on behalf of the municipality.

**THE ASSOCIATION PROVIDES ACCOMMODATION, AT ABOVE SAID CONDITIONS, FOR 17 NIGHTS, FROM AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup> TO AUGUST 17<sup>TH</sup> INCLUDED. THE STUDENTS HAVE TO ARRANGE ANY OVERNIGHT OUTSIDE THIS PERIOD BY THEMSELVES.**

**NOT INCLUDED:**

- ✓ **MEALS. PLEASE, NOTICE THAT ROOMS HAVE A KITCHENETTE AVAILABLE.**
- ✓ **CARTA UNICA VENEZIA (PASS REQUIRED FOR DISCOUNTED TRANSPORT. (N.B. AN ONE-WAY TICKET COSTS € 7.50 PER PERSON, WITH CARA UNICA IT ONLY COSTS 1.50).**

For further INFORMATION, send an e-mail to [info@padus-araxes.com](mailto:info@padus-araxes.com) and cc [benedettacon@gmail.com](mailto:benedettacon@gmail.com). For urgent information, call on Tuesday and Friday mornings from 10.30 to 13.00 a.m. (ITALIAN TIME) at the mobile phone +39.3791330687. BE SURE to take into account time difference from your own country. In case of no reply, send a message with your NAME and PHONE NUMBER possibly reachable by WhatsApp. You will be called back.

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