

PRESS RELEASE
INTENSIVE SUMMER COURSE OF ARMENIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE
August 2024

The Association Padus-Araxes is pleased to announce that the 38th edition of the intensive summer course of Armenian Language and Culture, promoted in collaboration with the "Studium Generale Marcianum" of Venice, will take place from **1st August to 17th August (17 August exam day)**.

ARRIVALS: 31st, July (check-in); DEPARTURES: 18th, August (check-out).*

**For those who wish to participate in the Mass of the Assumption on the Island of San Lazzaro, which will be held on Sunday, August 18, the departure will be on Monday, August 19.*

Application DEADLINE: 20th April.

To apply, fill out the application form: [APPLICATION FORM](#)

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

LESSON SCHEDULE: Four basic levels from absolute beginners to proficient ones; 65 hours of classroom lessons spanned from Monday to Saturday in the mornings. **ATTENDANCE IS COMPULSORY.** Lessons will be held at Seminario Patriarcale di Venezia: <https://www.seminariovenezia.it/cms/galleria/il-seminario/>.

FREE AFTER-CLASS cultural and leisure activities will be offered in the afternoons and evenings. Attendance is not compulsory. Extra-curricular activities include guided tours to the Mechitarist monastery of San Lazzaro, participation in the Armenian Divine Liturgy in the Armenian church of the Holy Cross, and in occasion of the feast of the Assumption at the Monastery of San Lazzaro with the traditional blessing of the grapes, scholarly lectures on Armenian studies (the program will be available in Spring).

A free class in ARMENIAN DANCE and a « master class » in DUDUK will also be offered in the afternoons (as regards the Duduk master class, the instrument must be held by the participant himself/herself).

TUITION FEE: € 850,00 (including 65 hours of lessons spanned on 13 days; cultural and leisure activities, tutorship; educational material; examination certificate).

LODGING FEE (from 31st July to 17th August included, 18 nights):

✓ € 1016,00 per person in double room.

✓ € 1448,00 in single room.

Services included: AC, WI-FI, en-suite bathroom, bed sheets and towels, kitchenette, room cleaning once a week with linen change, city tax. **There is no hairdryer in the room.**

The city tax in Venice is mandatory since 2011 and applied to all guests. Lodgings facilities cash it on behalf of the municipality.

Those who have attended the course for at least two summers with a positive result in the final exam, have a 10% reduction on the tuition fee, which is also applied to their close relatives (parents, siblings, husband, wife) as well.

THE ASSOCIATION PROVIDES ACCOMMODATION, AT ABOVE SAID CONDITIONS, FOR 18 NIGHTS, FROM 31st JULY TO 18th AUGUST. WITHIN THIS PERIOD ANY PER DIEM CALCULATION IS NOT PERMITTED FOR ANY REASON. THE STUDENTS HAVE TO ARRANGE ANY OVERNIGHT OUTSIDE THIS PERIOD BY THEMSELVES.

IF YOU DO NOT NEED ACCOMMODATION, PLEASE LET US KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

The applicant is required to send **800 €** as enrolment fee **BY 20TH APRIL**. After this deadline, the amount to pay for enrolment is **1000 €** to be transferred by **30 June**. The enrolment fee must be sent by bank transfer. The rest of the total amount (tuition fee plus lodging fee) should be transferred by the **30 of June at the latest**. It is also possible to pay the rest of the total amount **ON THE ARRIVAL DAY** in one of the main Western currencies or by an international cheque. **THIS IS AN ABSOLUTELY BASIC CONDITION FOR THE ACCESS TO THE LODGING AND THE ATTENDANCE OF THE COURSE.**

Once paid, the enrolment fee **WILL NOT BE REFUNDED, EXCEPT FOR ASCERTAINED ILLNESS.**

Please, contact the Secretary (info@padus-araxes.com) to get the Association's BANK DETAILS for the transfer. ALL bank expenses ARE TO BE PAID by the applicant.

NOT INCLUDED:

- ✓ MEALS.
- ✓ CARTA VENEZIA UNICA (MONTHLY PASS REQUIRED FOR DISCOUNTED TRANSPORT. (N.B. a one-way ticket costs € 9.50* per person WITHOUT CARTA VENEZIA UNICA).

* the price may be subject to increase in the year 2024

For further INFORMATION, send an e-mail to info@padus-araxes.com and in cc benedettacon@gmail.com.

For urgent information, call on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10.30am to 13.00 (1pm) (ITALIAN TIME - BE SURE to take into account time difference from your own country) at the mobile phone +39.3791330687. 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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