

## RULES OF THE PHOTO CONTEST “PADUA GRADUATIONS”

The “Paduan Degrees” Photography Contest is an initiative funded with the contribution of the University of Padua from the funds provided for student cultural initiatives (guarantor Federico Palumbo), carried out in collaboration with the University of Padua Alumni Association (hereafter Alumni), the Institute of Photography and Visual Arts of Padua (ISFAV) and the Gregorianum University College.

The initiative aims to create a photographic exhibition dedicated to the graduates of the University of Padua, enhancing the creativity and photographic talent of the participants while celebrating not only the graduates, but also the city of Padua and the cities that host the University's decentralized offices.

Below are the detailed contest rules.

### General Information

1. The competition is open to all students and graduates/undergraduates of the University of Padua.
2. Participation in the contest implies acceptance of all the rules contained in these rules.
3. Participation is completely free of charge.

The theme of the competition is: 'Paduan Degrees' and is intended to represent and interpret the sense of belonging to one's alma mater by those who have studied and graduated from the University of Padua.

Photographs must focus on degrees earned at the University of Padua.

### Technical Specifications of Photographs

1. **Quality.** Images must have a high resolution. (The organizers reserve the right to re-contact some participants in case the photos have technical problems related to the stages of the exhibition).
2. **Format.** All photographic formats are accepted.
3. **Submission.** Photographs must be submitted using the appropriate form, following the instructions therein and completing all required sections.
4. **Size.** Each file must have a maximum size of 100 MB and must be in jpeg, jpg or png format.

5. **Caption.** The photo must be accompanied by a caption of no more than 180 characters containing:
  - the name of the author of the photo;
  - the place where the photo was taken;
  - the presumed year the photo was taken;
  - the name of the graduate;
  - a description of the scene indicating the subject of the photograph and the context.

Below is the link to the form:

[www.cognitoforms.com/LaureePadovane/LaureePadovane](http://www.cognitoforms.com/LaureePadovane/LaureePadovane)

### Participation Rules

1. A participant may submit photographs only individually.
2. Each participant may submit a maximum of three photographs.
3. By participating in the contest, each author is personally responsible for what forms the subject of the works submitted and what has been declared and authorizes and guarantees to be the author of the photos with which he/she participates as well as to claim, in their original capacity, all rights of use and exploitation relating to the material submitted, expressly waiving as of now any claims of an economic nature, relating to the dissemination and publication of their works, for the purpose of the promotion and dissemination of the same, on web site, as well as on newspapers and social pages linked to the organizers of the contest and the exhibition. In any case, the same participant in the contest indemnifies and holds harmless, as of now, the Promoter of the initiative as well as third parties to whom the latter should grant the publication and dissemination of the works that are the subject of the contest from any claim for damages or injunctions that may be made by third parties, as well as from all damages and expenses, including legal fees, including out-of-court resulting from alleged infringement of third party rights for which the participant was responsible. The assignment of the image regulated herein, and the rights attached to it, is free of charge, also in consideration of the reward effect that will fall on the photographs

submitted and, on the author, thereof. The promoter is in no way responsible for the use that third parties may make of the photos downloaded from the sites or other related channels.

4. Membership in the University of Padua Alumni Association is required for those who qualify, and is completely free at the link: [www.alumniunipd.it/member-register](http://www.alumniunipd.it/member-register)
5. Photographic works, under penalty of exclusion, may not depict:
  - images of minors;
  - inappropriate images at the mere discretion of the Jury;
  - images containing promotional and/or advertising and/or merchandising purposes.

## Jury

The jury, charged with the selection of the best photographs and the announcement of the overall winner, is composed of experts in the field and includes at least three members in representation of the University of Padova Alumni Association, the Higher Institute of Photography and Visual Arts of Padua and the Gregorianum Foundation.

Photographs will be evaluated on the basis of stylistic, technical criteria and consistency with the theme of the competition. The jury's opinion is discretionary and unquestionable.

## Deadline

Photographs must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m. on September 30, 2025. Any photographs submitted after this date will not be eligible for judging.

## Awards

The first-place winner will receive a photography course at ISFAV worth €150 as a prize. [[CORSO BREVE IN FONDAMENTI E BASI DELLA FOTOGRAFIA](#)]

The second- and third-place winners will receive as prizes vouchers for photographic materials disbursed by the Association Alumni Association worth €125 and €75 respectively.

## Publication of the Results

The list of selected participants and the overall winner will be announced by e-mail and through the various disclosure channels by October 31, 2025. The date and place of the pre-mediation will be announced later by e-mail and through the same dissemination channels.

## Photographic exhibition

A physical and digital photo exhibition will be held with the best shots taken from those submitted.

The exhibition will consist of the creation and display of panels that will take place at a place and date that will be communicated via email to all participants. An award ceremony for the winning photo will also be held at that time.

There will also be a digital exhibition with the photographs that will be usable on the Alumni Association website ([www.alumniunipd.it](http://www.alumniunipd.it)) and the Gregorianum University College website ([www.gregorianum.it](http://www.gregorianum.it)).

For any questions and/or requests please contact the organizers at the following e-mail address:

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## Processing of personal data

The processing of personal data collected for the purposes individuated in this call for proposals is carried out in compliance with the dispositions of the EU Regulation April 27, 2016, No. 679 (General Data Protection Regulation, GDPR).

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(FEDERICO PALUMBO)