

## To the students of the Geoengineering Master Programme

Dear Students.

at the starting of this new academic year 2020/2021 the first advice is to visit the page "New Academic Year, together in safety" with the message of the UNIFI president Luigi Dei addressed to all students to illustrate the criteria that have been established for delivering lectures in safety during the academic year 2020/2021.

The first semester lectures of the academic year 2020/2021 at the School of Engineering will start on Monday 21/09/2020. All courses will be delivered through "on site" and "on line" lectures. Some lectures will be performed on line only, while others will be performed simultaneously on site and on line. In the first week from Monday 21/09 the lectures will be all on line only. Starting from the 28/09 some lectures will be performed also on site.

Please check the timetable of all courses at the following link.

Before starting, please make sure to be registered at the selected course on the <u>MOODLE e-learning platform</u> and check the notices of the course teacher on the actual starting date of the course.

The on line and on site lectures will be delivered in "real time" and recorded through the CISCO WEBEX E-learning platform which can be launched within the MOODLE page of the selected course. All recorded lectures will be available on the MOODLE page of the course. Additional information on use of MOODLE and WEBEX platforms are available (in Italian) at the following link.

By now, the students who are finalizing the enrollment to GEM can attend all courses of the first semester through a pre-registration procedure. This pre-registration will allow to obtain the credentials (student ID and password) for access to the on line lectures offered through the MOODLE e-learning platform. The auditor has the opportunity to follow the online lessons, but he/she cannot take final exam and mid-term examinations before the final enrolment. On line pre-registration must be made at the following link.

The students who are allowed to enter the classroom, having selected the "on site lectures" option, are advised to read the "Guidelines for Institutional Activities" and make sure to have the QR code (instructions to obtain it, will follow) for the "entry control" to the institutional buildings.



At the School of Engineering we tried to adopt a teaching organization method that provides, for each discipline, one lecture per week performed on site, using the biggest classrooms, and one or two lectures carried out on line. In this way we allow all students to have a frequent opportunity of a direct interaction with the teacher and the opportunity to meet other students and to start group activities by remote.

Despite the big effort that has been made in organizing this modality, it may happen that due to the very high number of requests to follow the classes on site, the access can be denied to some students. We apologize for the inconvenience.

Nevertheless, the possibility of following on line lectures, will allow interaction with the teacher, even if through "informatics tools".

The access of the students to the classrooms will be strictly controlled by turnstiles that integrate the temperature measurement function. It worth to remind that that all students who for some reasons will not be able to attend a lecture on site, they are still able to follow it by remote, real time or deferred, through the <a href="Moodle e-learning">Moodle e-learning</a> platform.

The on-site lectures are organized in blocks of 3 "lecture hours" for each course, 2 lectures blocks in the morning and 2 lectures blocks in the afternoon. The "lecture hours" last 40 minutes, each lecture block lasts a total of 130 minutes with an intermediate interval of 10 minutes. Between the two lectures blocks an interval of ten minutes is foreseen.

If you have lectures in the first block of the morning or in the afternoon please consider that the access to the institutional buildings will be possible in three shifts, at 8.20, 8.30, 8.40 in the morning and at 14.10, 14.20, 14.30 in the afternoon. It will depend on the course and the classroom where the course will take place. This new access method may cause queues at the entrance (strictly at a safe distance!). Make sure you arrive in advance.

If you have only one lecture block in the morning or in the afternoon, you can enter or exit at the interval time, but you cannot go from one classroom to another to follow another lecture block in the same morning or afternoon. In case you have another lecture block in the same morning or afternoon but in a different room, that lecture block must be followed on-line. When your on site lecture activity is completed you need to leave the Campus.

Best regards and best wishes for an extraordinary new academic year 2020/2021 The Geoengineering Coordinator Prof. Enrica Caporali (on behalf of GEM Educational Committee)