

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN COLUMBIA
UNIVERSITY AND SELECTED ITALIAN ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS
ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF A JOINT SECOND-LEVEL ITALIAN
LAUREA AND A MASTER DEGREE FROM COLUMBIA
UNIVERSITY

THIS EXPRESSES THE DESIRE AND INTENTION TO DEVELOP A FORMAL PROCEDURE FOR A COOPERATIVE PROGRAM BY WHICH SELECTED STUDENTS AT ITALIAN INSTITUTIONS MAY COMPLETE THE FINAL YEAR REQUIREMENTS OF THE ITALIAN SECOND LEVEL LAUREA (THE 5TH YEAR) WHILE SIMULTANEOUSLY COMPLETING COURSES FOR THE MS DEGREE AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

IT IS INTENDED THAT THIS PROGRAM WILL BE OPEN TO STUDENTS WHO HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED ALL REQUIREMENTS AND EXAMINATIONS OF THE FOURTH YEAR AT THE PARTICIPATING ITALIAN INSTITUTIONS. ADDITIONALLY, STUDENTS MUST BE RECOMMENDED FOR THE PROGRAM BY THEIR HOME INSTITUTION AND MUST MEET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION TO THE MS PROGRAM AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY.

IN THIS INITIAL STATEMENT OF PROPOSED AGREEMENT, PROGRAMS FOR THE MS IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS OF CIVIL ENGINEERING AND ENGINEERING MECHANICS DEPARTMENT ARE SPECIFICALLY ENVISIONED, BUT IT IS THE INTENT THAT THE AGREEMENT WILL EXPAND TO OTHER PROGRAMS AND DEPARTMENTS:

CIVIL ENGINEERING
ENGINEERING MECHANICS
STRUCTURAL MECHANICS
GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING
CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING AND MANAGEMENT
ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

IT IS NOTED THAT COURSES IN OTHER DEPARTMENTS OF THE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCE ARE ALSO AVAILABLE TO MS STUDENTS.

IT IS ALSO THE INTENTION OF THE UNDERSIGNED TO SEEK TO DEVELOP A RECIPROCAL MECHANISM BY WHICH GRADUATE STUDENTS FROM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY WILL BE ABLE TO STUDY AND/OR PURSUE RESEARCH AT ITALIAN INSTITUTIONS FOR UP TO ONE YEAR.

TO ASSIST IN THESE EDUCATIONAL AND RESEARCH GOALS, COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH EFFORTS WITH ITALIAN INSTITUTIONS WILL BE PURSUED.



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