

At Venice International University you will find:

- The School of Humanities and Social Sciences
- Two Research Centers

### [The School of Humanities and Social Sciences](#) (SHSS)

The VIU School of Humanities and Social Sciences (SHSS) offers an innovative and challenging opportunity for students coming from the [Member Universities](#) who excel academically.

The SHSS offers and promotes courses, co-curricular activities, intensive seminars, summer programs and the VIU Lectures.

The Faculty teaching at VIU comes from the Member Universities.

All courses are taught in English.

The aims of the VIU School of Humanities and Social Sciences are:

- to contribute to an understanding of the challenges posed by economic globalization, environmental change, technological innovation and multiculturalism, with a cross-disciplinary and interdisciplinary approach
- to promote mutual understanding among students and faculty coming from different countries and with different academic traditions, through comparative and cultural studies
- to promote a deeper and critical understanding of Venice and its region

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### Research Centers

Within Venice International University there are two research centers:

### [The TeDIS Center](#) - Innovation and Competitiveness in the Global Economy

The TeDIS Center (Center for Studies on Technologies in Distributed Intelligence Systems) was founded in 1999 and is now cooperating with several international institutions on the following research topics: industrial districts, ICT, globalization, design and logistics.

### [The TEN Center](#) - Environmental Management and Sustainable Development

The TEN Center (Thematic Environmental Networks) was founded in 2003. The Center promotes education and advanced training programs on sustainable development and environmental management and promotes research activities on the main areas of environmental protection.