



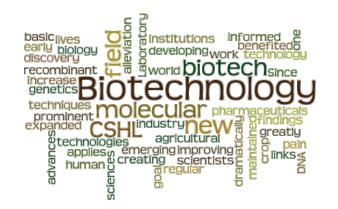
Università degli Studi di Padova

# Master's degree (MSc) in Biotechnologies for Food Science

Agripolis – Legnaro (Padua)











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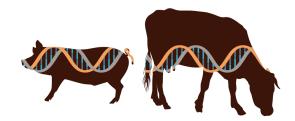


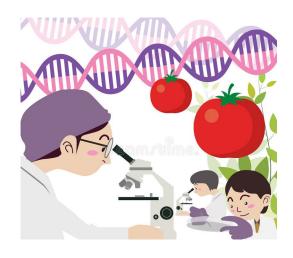


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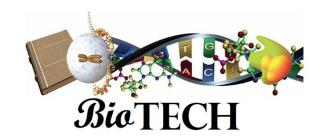
## BIOTECHNOLOGIES FOR FOOD SCIENCE







## **INTRO-KEYWORDS**











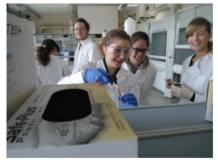




- □ In academic year 2016/2017, the University of **Padova** inaugurated curriculum new ("Biotechnologies for Food Science, BFS"), entirely taught in English (UK), under the umbrella of our Master Degree "Biotecnologie in per l'Alimentazione" (2008/2009, taught in Italian, IT)
- BFS is an interdisciplinary MSc program focusing on the application of advanced biotechnologies in food production and safety
- From 2022/2023 the whole Master degree will be officially recognized as a MSc taught in English, with 4 different *curriculum* (2 in UK, 2 in IT)



## **INTRO-KEYWORDS**





- □ BFS explores how to produce healthier and safer food following a cross-cutting, farm/field-to-fork approach
- □ BFS bridges the gap between the requests of consumers, producers and researchers involved in food production and food-safety
- □ BFS focuses on the application of advanced cutting-edge biotechnological tools (i.e., genomics, bioinformatics, proteomics, metabolomics, nanotechnologies) in food production and safety
- BFS offers theoretical lessons mixed with practical training, providing students with substantial hands-on experience in food biotechnological tools and bioinformatics

### **Key words**



- ☐ Healthy and Safe Food
- ☐ Food Production and Food Safety
- Advanced Food Biotechnologies and Bioinformatics



## PROGRAMME SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS



## **Entry requirements**





BSc graduated students with credits in Genetics, Molecular Biology, Bioinformatics, are particularly welcome

A background in Biotechnology (including Agricultural, Animal Biotechnologies, and Food Biotechnology) is welcome, too



BSc graduated in Molecular and Cell Biology, Biology, Food Technologies, Crop Science, Food Microbiology, Agricultural Engineering, are also welcome



# PROGRAMME SPECIFIC ENTRY REQUIREMENTS





English language at a B2 level as per the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) - or corresponding level (e.g. Academic IELTS or TOEFL/IBT) is required

If the candidate is an English mother tongue speaker or has attended their upper secondary school or a degree course in English, no language certification is necessary



## PROGRAMME STRUCTURE





Four study plans

- Study plan in Food Production & Nutrition (one taught in UK and one in IT)
- Study plan in Food Safety & Hygiene (idem as above)





## PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

#### 1st Year

- Genetics and Molecular Biology of Agrifood Products
- Agrifood Microbiology
- Applied Food Biotechnology
- Advanced Technologies for the Agrifood Sector (Nanotechnologies, Proteomics, Metabolomics)
- Genomics
- Applied Bioinformatics
- Laboratory of Advanced DNA, RNA, and Protein Analysis
- Communication Skills

#### 2nd Year

- Traceability of Agrifood products
- AgriFood Legislation and Regulation
- Food Toxicology and Toxicogenomics



#### **Study plan in Food Production & Nutrition**

- Biotechnologies in Plant Protection
- Biotechnologies for Crop Production

#### Study plan in Food Safety & Hygiene

- Epidemiology, Biotechnology and Risk Analysis of Foodborne Diseases
- Interactions between nutrients, host and microbiota



## PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

## **MSc thesis**



 opportunities for intensive tutoring and for MSc thesis-related traineeships (about six months duration, 24 ECTS) are available

#### Where?

- □ in our campus or in other UNIPD laboratories with outstanding knowledge in agri-food biotechnologies
- in other relevant national and international organizations in the private or public sphere



- □ B Gent
- □ F Brest
- ☐ HU Kaposvar
- □ NL Nijemegen
- □ PL Poznan
- □ S Umea
- □ FL Kuopio
- □ CZ Prague
- other available (and free)position in otherUniversities
- □ individual traineeships



## **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

#### Professional opportunities

As advanced biotechnologies increasingly move from research to production, the job market demands professional profiles that have a strong technological background and, at the same time are able to move across a variety of other specialized disciplines, and interact with all the different actors in the agri-food sector.

The broad cross-disciplinary expertise offered by our MSc programme, will open job opportunities in private and public research centers, in public institutions dealing with animal health and food safety, in the private agro-food sector, at various levels from animal and crop production, food processing, to large food retail chains.





## **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**





#### Professional opportunities



#### One year after graduation:

- The 47% of graduates attended a postgraduate traineeship (40% in agri-food enterprises)
- The 67% of our graduates is now working
- The time to get a job is 1,8 month









- ☐ Most students graduates within the 2<sup>nd</sup> year (September-December)
- ☐ Mean time to degree is 2,4 years (factor 2,2)
- □ Our MSc in BFS has ~85% overall satisfaction
- □ Actually, ~71% of our graduates would enrol again in our MSc







### **Teaching in presence**

**Overall satisfaction** 

8,25

Organization

8,38

**Quality of Teaching** 



### **Teaching online (also in part)**

**Overall satisfaction** 

8,37

Organization

8,40

**Quality of Teaching** 

8,74





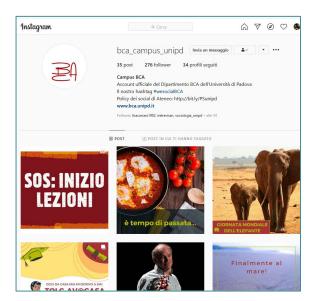


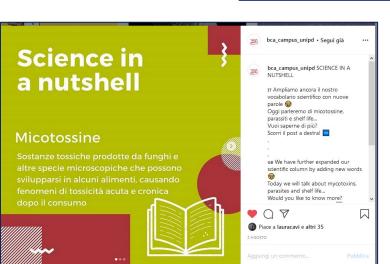
- □ In the past 5 years (2016-2020) the number of undergraduate students increased (+48%) if compared with the mean value of the last 4 years (i.e., 40.75)
- ☐ The indicators of the overall students satisfaction show a positive trend, higher than mean values of UNIPD and North-East Italy geographic area
- □ BFS is the first MSc in our School of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine, except for one indicator (for which we are the second one by 0,04)

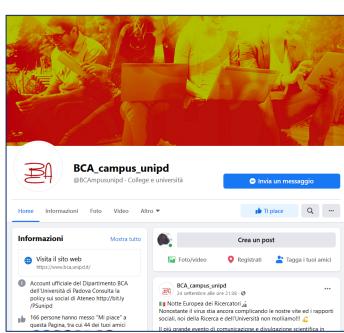


### **Project We Social**

- □ Social editing staff (students and professors) with experts in communication and digital strategist
- At present, in Italian
- □ Facebook page and Instragram profile
- □ BCA\_campus\_unipd
- To tell what we do and make real and virtual snapshots of Agripolis' campus life







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nuove cellule, come quelle umane!

Cosa si nasconde dietro al grande successo dei Coronavirus? Come tutti i virus a RNA, i Coronavirus hanno un tasso di mutazione

accumulano più facilmente mutazioni che gli permettono di infettare

CORONAVIRUS

Qual è il segreto del loro successo?

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Ecco quindi svelato il segreto del loro successo: il loro materi geneticol





## **Biotechnology for Food Science (BFS)**







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