

STATEMENT OF THE MANAGING BOARD AND THE ACADEMIC SENATE ON THE ORGANIZATION OF TEACHING ACTIVITIES IN THE 2020/21 ACADEMIC YEAR

The Managing Board and the Academic Senate reaffirm the commitment of the University of Siena in building for its students – and with its students – an ideal educational environment based on the daily interaction among students and between students and professors; an environment in which places, spaces and experiences are shared, and ideas, glimpses and emotions are continuously exchanged.

Therefore, the University of Siena declares that all teaching activities of the 2020/21 academic year will be delivered in presence, provided that the local and national epidemiological situation will not worsen.

The governing bodies and the technical structures of the University are organizing and will be implementing all necessary instruments to allow the regular carrying out of teaching, respecting all measures enforced at the time for preventing the spread of the covid-19 infection. Classrooms will be periodically sanitized and the physical distancing of students will be guaranteed. Individual protection equipment will be made available for students and course schedules will be redesigned on six days in order to use all time and spaces available.

At the same time, and as long as it is needed, the university will continue to enforce remote teaching, as well as many other services, in order to allow those students who will not be able to come to Siena, including international students, to follow their classes regularly. Every course and module of the first semester will be delivered digitally, in synchronous or asynchronous manner, and classrooms will be duly equipped for that.

The University of Siena is ready to welcome its students, old and new, at the beginning of the next academic year in an appropriate setting: a university of long tradition and national and international prestige, offering first-class services to the students, located in a wonderful territory from the environmental, historical and artistic points of view, and able to provide an ideal context for a complete and safe educational experience.