GUIDELINES FOR THE TEACHING ACTIVITIES
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• Given the Legislative Decree 22 April 2021, n. 52, and in particular the content of chpt. 3, paragraphs 4 and 5;
• Considering the Note of the Minister of University & Research n. 5462 of 23 April 2021;
• Taking into account the Guidelines of the Regional Coordination Committee of the Tuscan Universities which met on April 28 2021;

The Academic Senate and the Managing Board of the University of Siena, convened in joint session on April 29, 2021, issue the following guidelines referred to the organization of teaching and other institutional activities of the University starting from May 3, 2021.

All courses in bachelor's, master's and doctoral programs continue to be offered on an at-distance basis.

However, in order to encounter the needs of all students currently present in Siena and Arezzo, each course will also be held in-presence, whenever adequate spaces are available in the teaching complexes. Any exception (courses that are only taught at-distance) must be agreed upon with the Director of the Department.

All prescriptions envisaged to guarantee the maximum contrast to the spread of the infection remain confirmed and must be strictly followed, such as:
• physical spacing of the seats in the classrooms (dpcm 08.07.2020, n. 19, art. 1, c. 2);
• obligation to wear a surgical or FFP2 mask inside the classrooms and in any other university premise;
• prohibition of gathering;
• frequent hand sanitation;
• frequent sanitation and ventilation of the classrooms;
• registration at the entrance to the facilities and classrooms (including the use of the QR-code where available).

Taking into account the still significant level of circulation of the Sars-CoV-2 virus, it is recommended that all students, staff and teachers pay the utmost attention to individual behavior, in compliance with the obligations listed above.

Any covid-positive case must be promptly reported to the Rector.
As for the exams, these are carried out with the double-choice model. While all students are guaranteed the possibility of taking them at-distance, professors can offer in-presence exam sessions, providing a timely communication to the students. Upon registration, students are required to indicate whether they intend to take the exam at-distance or in-presence, if the latter mode is available.

Finally, with reference to graduation sessions, while those scheduled for the week from 26 to 30 April continue to be carried out exclusively at-distance, new guidelines will soon be provided for sessions scheduled to start from June 1, 2021.

Library services and the frequency of study rooms continue to be regulated as per the regulations currently in force (access limited to users belonging to the USiena community and subject to compulsory reservations). In the coming days, after evaluating the number of users and the local and national epidemiological situation, the governing boards will evaluate the opportunity to re-open the libraries of the University of Siena to the general public.

These measures take effect from Monday May 3, 2021 and remain in force as long as Tuscany or the provinces of Siena and Arezzo are listed in “yellow” or “orange” zone.