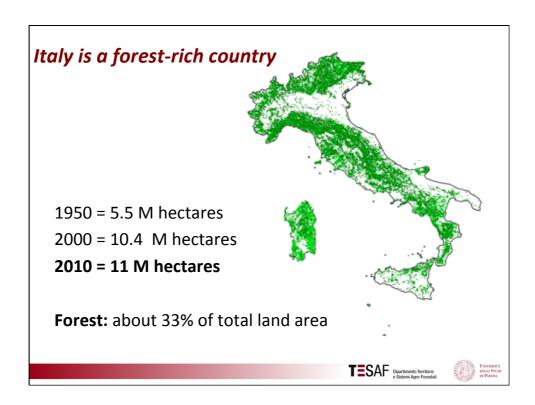


# **Forest Science**

International Master Degree in Forestry @ Padova University







More than 5,800 species (5,300 herbaceous sp, 500 tree sp)

Europe: 7,500 specie

Boreal Coniferous forests Alpine and Apennines pine forests < Mountainous beech forests Mixed broadleaved forests with oak Mediterranean evergreen forests

# Forest Science Master Degree

#### Mission

forming high-profile graduates with a holistic, innovative and international vision on management and conservation of forest and natural resources, with a focus on *Alpine and Mediterranean* mountains



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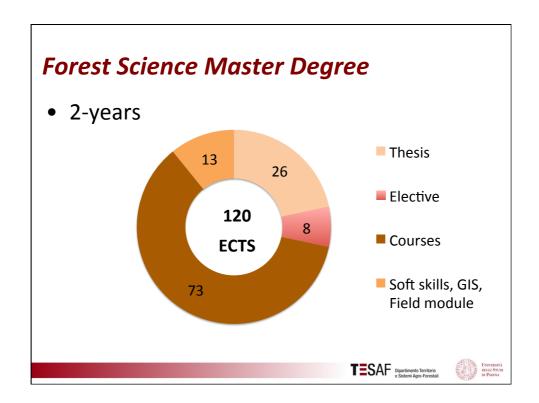
Admission requirements

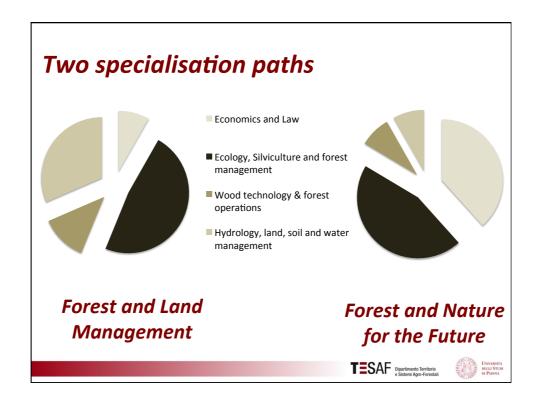
Bachelor graduates with forestry, agriculture, environmental or biological backgrounds

adequate knowledge in agricultural and forest sciences, specifically in ecological, silvicultural, economic and technical areas - skills in disciplinary survey methods and in using the results of research and experimentation for the professional solution of concrete issues in the forest sector









## 1 - Forest and Land Management

a technical profile in management, conservation and integrated valorisation of forests and natural resources characterized by an interdisciplinary approach. Students acquire awareness and understanding of the organization of forest ecosystems and skills for sustainable management of forests, with a special focus on typical disturbances of mountainous alpine and Mediterranean environments.

First year, first semester	
Courses	ECTS
Forest policy for a bio-economy strategy	6
Forest ecology and management	11
Natural Disturbances ecology and management	6
Communication skills	2

First year, second semester	
Courses	ECTS
Insect ecology and management	6
Wildlife conservation and management	6
Forest pathology and wood alterations	6
Geology of Mountain Areas	6
Introduction to GIS	2
Joint Field Module	4

Courses	ECTS
Forest transportation	9
Forest hydrology and erosion control	11
Mountain River Morphology and Restoration	6
Research planning	3
Guidelines to develop your master thesis	2

Elective Courses	8
Master thesis	26
TOTAL	120





## 2 - Forest and Nature for the future

a technical-economical profile in governance of forests and natural ecosystems in the context of international issues such as climate change, deforestation, land use change and biodiversity conservation . Students acquire capacity to interpret complex socioecological systems and to identify innovative solutions for responsible forest management in line with the major global environmental issues.

Courses	ECTS
Stand history and dynamics	6
Applied Silviculture and Forest Management	8
Reduced Impact Timber Harvesting	6
Communication skills	2

Courses	ECTS
Global change and forest ecosystems	7
Natura 2000 management	6
Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services in Forest	6
Integrated watershed management	6
Introduction to GIS	2
Joint Field Module	4

Courses	ECTS
Forest policy, governance & conflicts: from global to local	8
Environmental resource valuation	6
Market-based instruments for Ecosystem Services	6
Social responsibility and certification	8
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## Elective courses 2018-2019

## **Class**

• Special Topics in Forestry: Dynamic hydrology: water prediction and management in a changing world (6 ECTS)

## E-learning:

- Climate change and forestry: monitoring and policies (6 ECTS)
- Ecosystem Services Entrepreneurship: from ideas to business (6 ECTS)



#### **Thesis Work**

26 ECTS

Soft Skills: support for thesis preparation and communication

Guidelines to develop your master thesis (2 ECTS)

how to deal with the steps of a thesis development process: from the design to the finalization and communication of results



skills which can compensate for limited linguistic competence, like fluency, intonation, pronunciation, body language and eye-contact, on raising self-awareness and confidence, and boosts the ability to interact and communicate in academic environments



# Research planning (3 ECTS)

research planning techniques and competences on how to design a quantitative and a qualitative survey.





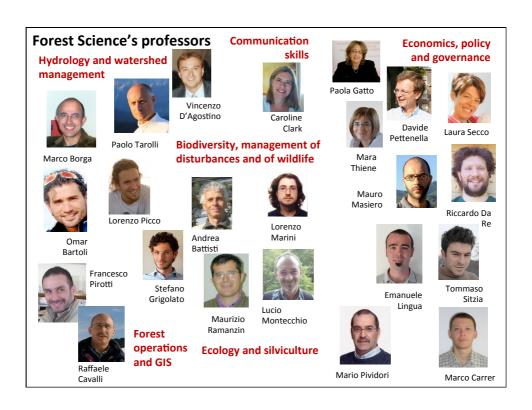


# Students' satisfaction

	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017
Overall satisfaction	8,47	8,64	8,86
Organisational aspects	8,70	8,89	9,00
Didactical effectiveness	8,65	8,86	9,05

On a 0-10 scale, where 6 is 'pass'





## Forest Science's Guest Professors 2016-2019



**Forest Ecology and** management in mediterranean climates

Mark Adams, University of Sydney



Policy and market development for Non wood forest products

Paul Vantomme, FAO and KU Leuven





**Social Forestry** 

Anna Lawrence Scottish School of Forestry, University of the Highlands and Islands, Scotland, UK

Dynamic hydrology: water prediction and management in a changing world

Maria Helena Ramos IRSTEA, France







**Field activities** 









## Opportunities for internships in Italy and abroad

- FAO (Rome Italy)
- CIFOR (Centre for International Forestry Research)
- EFI FLEGT and REDD Units at EFIMED (Bcl)
- USSE USSE. Unión de silvicultores del Sur de Europa
- Bioversity International (former IPGRI Rome)
- Forest Stewardship Council Int. (Bonn) and FSC-Italy (Padova)
- UN-ECE Timber Committee (Geneva)
- WWF Mediterranean Program (Rome)
- Forest consultant companies (Indufor, Etifor, ...) and NGOs



## **Double degree programmes**

Forest Sciences participates to 3 Erasmus Mundus International programmes:

- MEDfOR Mediterranean Forestry and Natural Resources Management, from 2012-2013
   Partner Universities: Viterbo (Italy), Lisbon and Porto (Portugal), Lleida and Valladolid
   (Spain), Karadeniz (Turkey)
- SUTROFOR: Sustainable Tropical Forestry from 2006-2007
   Partner Universities: Copenhagen (Denmark), Dresden (Germany), Bangor (UK), Montpellier (France)
- SUFONAMA: Sustainable Forests and Nature Management, from 2007-2008
   Partner Universities: Copenhagen (Denmark), Goettingen (Germany), Bangor (UK), Alnarp (Sweden)



