







7th MILAN INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL "POLITICAL COMMUNICATION AND ELECTORAL BEHAVIOUR"

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The Department of Social and Political Sciences of the University of Milan (Italy) and the Political Communication Division of the International Communication Association (ICA) co-organize the 7th edition of the International Summer School in Political Communication and Electoral Behavior, that will be held **6-11** July **2020** in Milan.

The "Milan Summer School" addresses theoretical and empirical questions at the intersection of political communication and political sociology, with a special focus on the relationship between political communication, media coverage, and political participation and democracy. This year's themes will include classic subjects such as Media Effects, but also some timely topics such as Emotions in Politics and Citizenship and the New Information Ecosystem

The Faculty gathers internationally renowned academics. Confirmed speakers include **Patricia Moy** (University of Washington and past President of the ICA), **Kimberley Gross** (GWU and Chair of the PolComm Division at ICA), **Karin Wahl-Jorgensen** (Cardiff University), **Toril Aalberg** (Norwegian University of Science and Technology), **Claes de Vreese** (University of Amsterdam and President of the ICA), **Marco T. Bastos** (City University London), **Fabio Giglietto** (University of Urbino), **Sophie Lecheler** (University of Vienna), **Rüdiger Schmitt-Beck** (University of Mannheim), **Stuart Soroka** (University of Michigan), **Regina Lawrence** (University of Oregon).

Participants of the previous editions came from around the world: USA, Canada, Colombia, Brazil, UK, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Latvia, Russia, Poland, Germany, The Netherlands, France, Spain, Portugal, Italy, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Serbia, Turkey, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand, among others.

Building on the experience of the last 13 years, the 2020 Summer School offers another unique opportunity for 30 PhD candidates and early career academics in Communication, Sociology, Psychology and Political Science to attend an intensive, 6 day-long Program that consists of lectures, master classes, paper presentations and discussions. Workshops on Big Data and Computational Analysis and on writing for peer-reviewed journals will be offered during the week.

Participation will be on a competitive basis. Candidates interested in applying to the Milan Summer School should submit a 3-page research proposal or an extended abstract of a research paper on issues broadly related to Political Communication fields. Submissions should include the name, email address, institutional affiliation, a brief bio (max. 200 words) mentioning main research interests and ongoing projects, and a recommendation letter. An international selection committee will review the applications.

A certificate and 6 ECTS will be awarded to each participant successfully completing the School.

Application deadline: 1 March 2020 Notification of acceptance: 27 March 2020 Registration deadline: 30 April 2020

Enrollment fee: € 750 (covers accommodation, lunches, welcome and farewell dinners). A number of travel grants are available. See how to apply here.

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