

The Learning Agreement

The Learning Agreement governs life within the College. By signing it, students undertake to comply fully with its provisions and, in particular, to live responsibly within the residential community, observing rules of coexistence and actively participating in educational and cultural activities with the awareness that the college experience is an opportunity for both personal and professional growth.

To retain their residence at the College, each student must:

1. Maintain an average grade of 27/30 or higher and be up to date with the required CFU/ECTS credits;
2. Comply with the Learning Agreement;
3. Participate in educational and cultural activities.

Failure to comply with any of the above requirements will result in a disciplinary warning and may lead to expulsion should the deficiencies not be promptly remedied.

The Learning Agreement is signed and accepted together with the Accommodation Contract and consists of two sections:

- College life
- Educational and Cultural Activities

College Life

The *Ferrante d'Aragona Collegio di Merito Foundation* provides a safe, peaceful, and study-oriented environment, where respect for spaces and people is essential. Accordingly, students are required to maintain respectful and inclusive behaviour at all times.

In the event that any damage to common areas is caused by students, they will be held financially liable. Any conduct that may endanger the life or health of oneself or others, or that demonstrates disrespect towards other residents, shared spaces, or the institutions promoting the College and the *Ferrante d'Aragona Collegio di Merito Foundation*, is strictly prohibited.

For safety reasons and to facilitate cleaning services, personal belongings and other items must not be left outside rooms or in corridors.

Moving furniture or equipment is not allowed. The use of drones anywhere within the college premises is strictly prohibited, and students are not permitted to bring animals on college grounds.

Quiet hours within the College are observed from 11:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m.

CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT

Details regarding arrival, departure, and the corresponding check-in and check-out inspections are outlined in the Accommodation Contract signed by the students.

Upon either permanent or temporary departure, no personal belongings may be left in the room or in any area of the College.

Each student is assigned a key to their accommodation unit; keys are strictly personal, non-transferable, and must be kept and used responsibly. In the event of loss, theft, breakage, or damage, a penalty fee will be applied.

The Reception-desk operates 24 hours a day but is not authorized to accept or store personal items or money on behalf of students.

SAFETY REGULATIONS

It is essential to be familiar with and to comply with all safety procedures (provided during the admission process and signed together with the Accommodation Contract as confirmation of acknowledgement and understanding of all related information).

WASTE SEPARATION COLLECTION

Separate waste collection is mandatory. Detailed instructions are provided in the document attached to the Accommodation Contract.

NO SMOKING POLICY

Smoking is strictly prohibited in all areas of the College, both indoors and outdoors. This ban also applies to e-cigarettes.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation units are for the exclusive use of the student who has signed the contract and may not be transferred to third parties. Each student is personally

responsible for maintaining their room and furnishings in good condition. Any damage, breakage, or loss identified at the end of the student's stay will be charged to them and deducted from their security deposit, according to the procedures set out in the signed contract. It is forbidden to paint or draw on the walls, or to affix posters, photographs, stickers, or similar items on walls or furniture (designated bulletin boards are available for this purpose). In case of violation, the costs for repainting or repairing damage will be charged to the student.

For fire prevention and electrical safety reasons, it is forbidden to keep household appliances such as microwave ovens, hot plates, cookers, kettles or coffee machines in the accommodation unit. Hairdryers, electric razors and hair straighteners are allowed provided they comply with legal safety standards (CE marked) and are to be kept unplugged when not in use.

It is forbidden to remove any furniture or equipment provided in the accommodation unit, or to introduce additional items. Any furniture brought in without authorization may be removed by the administration.

Students are required to keep their accommodation tidy and clean, including balconies (e.g. by not storing items or leaving trash or other objects on them), and must follow the energy-saving guidelines provided when signing the Accommodation Contract.

Each accommodation unit is supplied with bed linen, which is changed during cleaning service every two weeks. The use of personal duvets, blankets, or sheets that are not flame-retardant is prohibited. Should a student have any special requirements, they must notify the College prior to arrival and comply with the instructions provided.

Towels and bathrobes are not provided.

CLEANING

Weekly cleaning is mandatory for hygiene and safety reasons. During cleaning service, the student must leave the accommodation tidy and free of personal belongings (e.g. computers, or other items left on the bed or floor).

If a room is excessively untidy, cleaning staff may refuse to perform the service and will notify the College Management. Failure to comply with the rules in this section may lead to disciplinary action.

The cleaning-service schedule will be provided together with the Accommodation Contract.

ROOM MAINTENANCE

In case of malfunctions or repair needs, students must promptly contact the Reception (reception@collegioferrantedaragona.it). Timely reporting of issues will help minimize disruption and repair time. By submitting a maintenance request, students authorize the college maintenance staff to enter their accommodation in order to carry out the necessary work or repairs.

KITCHEN, DINING ROOM AND BREAK AREA

For reasons of hygiene, safety, and mutual respect, these shared spaces must be used responsibly: dishes, utensils, and surfaces must be cleaned after each use.

Proper management of the kitchen and break area (cleanliness, food storage, orderliness) is essential for everyone's health and represents a sign of respect towards the community. Students must comply with the specific rules displayed in each area.

Refrigerators and freezers are cleaned and sanitized according to the calendar displayed on each appliance. During cleaning, loose or open food will be removed and disposed of.

GYM AND SPORTS FACILITIES

To access the gym, as stated in the contract, students must provide a valid medical certificate for non-competitive sports activities. Access is not permitted to non-residents of the College, or to others unauthorized to use its facilities.

For safety reasons, the gym may only be used when at least two people are present.

DINING SERVICE

To ensure the proper operation of meal service, students are required to respect the opening hours and to remain in the dining area only for the time necessary to consume their meal. Further details will be provided at the time of signing the Accommodation Contract.

WI-FI CONNECTION

The College is equipped with a Wi-Fi network ("Student"), which can be accessed free of charge using the personal credentials provided at check-in.

In compliance with copyright law, it is strictly prohibited to download films, music files, or other copyrighted material. A system is in place that tracks internet activity and data is retained in accordance with EU Regulation 679/2016 (GDPR) for possible

verification by the Postal Police or other competent authorities upon request. To ensure proper and lawful use of the network, monitoring and checks may be conducted on user activity when deemed necessary.

STUDENT GUESTS

Students may host one guest at a time, who may remain in the College from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. (midnight). Students are fully responsible for their guests and must ensure that they comply with all the rules and guidelines contained in the Learning Agreement and its annexes and are liable for any damage caused by their visitors. For safety reasons, all visitors must be registered at Reception and present a valid identity document. Guests who cannot provide valid identification will not be admitted.

DISCIPLINARY MEASURES

Residence at the College is subject to full compliance with the Learning Agreement and is at the sole discretion of the College Management. In the event of non-compliance, the student will receive an official written warning. A second warning will result in expulsion. In cases of serious misconduct, expulsion will be immediate. Expelled students are permanently barred from accessing the College, including as visitors, and will not be awarded the College Diploma.

EDUCATION AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

The Guidelines for Educational and Cultural Activities are drafted by the Scientific Committee in accordance with the current regulations governing *Collegi di Merito* (Merit Colleges).

With the goal of creating a personalized development plan, students may select which activities to attend, following the guidance provided by staff. The selected activity plan must be shared with and approved by the Educational and Cultural Activities Coordinator.

Throughout their stay, students will receive individual and group guidance sessions to help identify their personal growth paths. They will also be encouraged, where relevant, to engage in community service and volunteer activities, both within and outside the College.

Educational and cultural activities are divided into four areas:

1. Personal Growth

Courses to strengthen soft skills, emotional intelligence, and interpersonal abilities are offered. Physical activity and sports play a key role in all initiatives designed to promote student well-being. Theatre workshops and “speakers’ corners” are organized to build confidence and enhance communication and public speaking skills.

2. Career Development

In addition to soft-skill development, activities will include career counselling, company visits, and evening sessions with HR managers and corporate executives. Sessions on recruitment methods, including mock interviews and assessment simulations, will also be provided.

3. General Skills Enhancement

The College offers complementary training opportunities, ranging from digital skills and foreign languages to sustainability, global citizenship, financial literacy as well as business management fundamentals.

4. Cultural Activities

The city offers a wealth of cultural opportunities that the College makes accessible to its residents: local concert societies, the Teatro Stabile d’Abruzzo, and numerous theatre associations represent just some of the options. The

College provides subscriptions to ensure free access. Additional activities include fireside talks, forums and guided tours to explore the local area, as well as seminars tailored to students' interests.

For the 2025/2026 academic year, given the mid-year opening of the College, the minimum number of required training hours will be reduced by 50% compared with the standard requirement set by law.

For subsequent academic years, please refer to Ministerial Decrees no. 672 and 673 of 8 September 2016.

To ensure that participation in the Educational and Cultural Activities is officially validated and recognized, students must:

- Attend each activity for the minimum number of hours required, as specified in the official activity program descriptions.
- Attend at least 12 sessions of the *Testimonial Cycle* (or 6 sessions for a semester-long stay).
- Engage regularly and actively in all activities, following the instructions provided by faculty and staff.
- Complete all assignments or projects related to each course or workshop within the established deadlines.

Punctuality and attentiveness are essential elements of professional conduct and a sign of respect towards instructors and fellow students. During classes and lectures, the use of mobile phones or electronic devices is strictly prohibited, except when expressly authorized by the instructor. In case of absence or tardiness, students are required to notify College Management in advance.