



Università di Cagliari  
Facoltà di Studi Umanistici



Sponsors:

Dipartimento di Lingue, Lettere e  
Beni Culturali  
Visiting Scientist/Professor  
Programme  
PhD Course in Philological and  
Literary, Historical and Cultural  
Studies

2019 Indological Summer School

## PĀṆINI'S SANSKRIT GRAMMAR:

FOCUS ON THE VEDIC DESCRIPTIVE PATTERN OF SUBSTITUTION

### Venue:

via Is Mirrionis, 1 - Cagliari  
Room n° 10 - Ground Floor

### Dates:

3<sup>rd</sup>–15<sup>th</sup> June 2019

### Timetable:

h. 9.30-11.00;  
11.30-13.00;  
15.00-16.30

### Teachers:

Prof. Maria Piera Candotti, Dipartimento di Civiltà e Forme del Sapere, Univ. of Pisa, Italy  
Prof. Malhar Kulkarni, Indian Institute of Technology, Univ. of Bombay, India (Visiting Prof. in Cagliari)  
Prof. Tiziana Pontillo, Dipartimento di Lingue, Lettere e Beni Culturali, Univ. Cagliari, Italy

### Course outline:

Pāṇini's grammar has intrigued and sometimes deeply influenced modern linguistics from its first receptions in Saussure and Bloomfield to the more recent acknowledgements of his importance as in Chomsky's 1965 definition of the *Aṣṭādhyāyī* as a "generative grammar, in essentially the contemporary sense of this term". In this course students will gain a grounding in the several sections of Pāṇini's grammar through intensive reading sessions which will concentrate on sequences of rules devoted to specific topics.

The original descriptive method adopted by Pāṇini will be the main focus, but the course will be punctuated by the testimony of earliest commentaries, aiming at leading the students to improve their specific skills in translating technical Sanskrit sources. Special attention will be paid to the complex substitution system (zero-replacement included) — with some hints on the importance of this model both within the larger background of Vedic technical literature and in comparison with other linguistic models.

No fees are requested.

No prior knowledge of Pāṇini's grammar is assumed, but a solid grounding in Sanskrit is requested.

Working material (in particular the *Aṣṭādhyāyī*) will be provided during the course in electronic or print form.

**Admission:** max. 15 students

**Deadline for registration:** the relevant form has to be filled and sent by **March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019** to [pontillo@unica.it](mailto:pontillo@unica.it)  
(<http://dipartimenti.unica.it/filologialetteraturaelinguistica/summer-school/>)

**Accommodation:**

Saint Eufisio College via Cogoni – walking distance from the Venue

5 double A.C. rooms with Bathroom inside (June 2 IN – 16 OUT – tot. 200 Euros Breakfast Included);

5 single rooms A.C. rooms with Bathroom inside (June 2 IN – 16 OUT – tot. 250 Euros Breakfast Included);

Dinner available inside the College: 5 Euros per meal

Direct contact with the College

**Lunch**

Close to the Venue there are a couple of Cafés where light meals are served. Just to get a budget idea, a standard menu (including e.g. a big fresh salad with cheese or tuna fish, 1 bottle of 0.50 mineral water and 1 coffee) costs 7 Euros. Sandwiches, pizzas and other snacks are of course available: their costs are between 1 and 4 Euros.

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**Program**

The program of the single slots will be uploaded by March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**Fees**

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