

Sophia University Institute

For those who thirst for wisdom: for vision and for unity, for meaning and for impetus, for innovative thinking and action.

Sophia University Institute, which is based in Loppiano since 2008, offers a Master's and Doctoral degree in the Culture of Unity with three specializations: Economics and Management, Trinitarian Ontology and Political Studies. Promoted by the Work of Mary of the Focolare Movement, the Institute was established by the Holy See with the Decree of the Congregation for Catholic Education of December 7, 2007

It offers an innovative model of a university, not consisting of a set of different faculties, but an academic community of study and research which, in an intercultural and interdisciplinary context, promotes a progressive and intense integration between intellectual achievements, experiences and life choices.

Sophia is aimed at students from different cultural and religious backgrounds who wish to expand their course of study in the dimension of a culture of unity.

To date more than 400 students from 40 countries of the world have enrolled in Sophia. The scientific research also develops in interdisciplinary perspective, investigating the basis of the topics of study, the link to similar disciplines and relationships between learnings.

In the vision of Chiara Lubich, who was the founder, the educational proposal of Sophia welcomes all human explorations, to overcome the fragmentation and abstraction of learning, the alienation and the conflicts that today threaten the personal and social relationships in the encounter among different cultures, experiences of life and discipline.

In this perspective, the Institute is cooperating with other experiences of cultural commitment and social transformation that express, in different ways, the same thrust toward a culture inspired by universal brotherhood.

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