The School is based on an intense academic program, on several meetings with local associative and cultural realities, and is strongly imbued of a travelling timing, that improves its educative value. The School leads the students to deepen the following topics in the field:

**Local development.** Effects of bottom-up cooperation initiatives on local communities. Calcutta and Mumbai areas;

**Heritage.** Enhancement of local cultural traditions (West Bengal);

**Dissemination of knowledge.** Dissemination and impact of communication technologies on local communities in productive activities and training, initiatives in the fight against poverty (Mumbai).

The Department of Sociology and Social Research of the University of Milano Bicocca and the Department of Cultural Heritage of the University of Bologna (Campus of Ravenna) approved the recognition of 6 cfu for students participating in the Summer School. The Italian Embassy in India promotes and sustains the program.

The Summer School is articulated in two stage: the first part counts 2 preliminary lectures/meetings in Italy, dedicated to present some basic concepts of anthropological theory, to delineate the main feature of the country and of the localities we will go to visit, and to prepare students for the travel part of the Summer School. A more definite schedule time and the detailed travel program will be defined for the end of April 2020.

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**CONTENTS COVERED**

- Different ways to organize social and cultural life;
- Managing cultural diversity in complex contexts;
- Critical awareness of NGO’s activities;
- Direct experience of several processes of social, cultural and economics changes;
- Ethnographic research projects;

**PREREQUISITES**

Priority will be given to students participants holding a Master degree, but application by master students is encouraged and will be evaluated on the basis of the applicant motivation and background.

**ACCOMMODATION**

Accommodation along with most of travel and living expenses are included in the tuition fee. Specific info will be shared to selected students at the moment of enrollment and during the meetings organized before the departure.

**HOW TO ENROLL**

You are required to enroll through the online application form. Every program on http://www.summerschoolbicocca.com has an **Apply now** section in order to access to the application. After receiving the selection notification, you would be required to pay the course tuition fee within a specified period. Please follow the section **Fees & Payment** on our Summer School website for understanding the payment options.

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

The University of Milano-Bicocca offers partial/full scholarship please consult the web-site for update information and criteria of eligibility.

**WEB-SITE**

http://www.summerschoolbicocca.com/20-learning-local.php

The Summer School includes also visits to several places of main cultural and environmental interest, with regard to:

- Anthropological issues;
- Arts, local craft and immaterial heritage;
- Tribal people rights;
- Making of “Indian” and local identity;
- Sustainable tourism;
- Microcredit projects;

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