Dear Student,

On behalf of all the Faculty of Philosophy and the Administrative Personnel, I welcome you to the Master's Degree in *Politics, Philosophy and Public Affairs* (PPPA), which is jointly awarded by the Vita-Salute San Raffaele University and the University of Milan. We thank you for having decided to take up the challenge of our Faculty of Philosophy in joint venture with the University of Milan to give concreteness to philosophical research, addressing cutting-edge topics in moral and political philosophy and in the political sciences, being such topics specifically selected for their relevance within public debates. In a time of epochal challenges, such as the present, philosophical education is a fundamental resource for a real change at the political, sociological, economic and juridical levels.

Classes will begin in September 2020 and they will be hosted at the premises of the University of Milan. We will return to lecture in the classrooms as soon as possible, since personal interaction is an unsurpassed form of sharing and creating knowledge, but throughout the year online transmission of lessons will also be guaranteed. In this way, we respond with certainty to the uncertainty of the moment, which makes it impossible to make clear predictions about the real conditions in the coming months.

Our PPPA students will find any information at the offices of the University of Milan at https://www.unimi.it/it/corsi/corsi-di-laurea/politics-philosophy-and-public-affairs-pppa. Of course, as half of the teaching staff belongs to the Faculty of Philosophy of our University Vita-Salute San Raffaele, we will be happy to take care of you for any advice or a general help. Faculty members involved in the PPPA are easily reachable through the intranet site: https://www.unisr.it/docenti.

You will be provided with the main indications regarding the academic calendar, lesson schedule and teaching programmes. We invite you to contact any of us (prof. Roberta Sala - sala.roberta@unisr.it; prof. Roberto Mordacci - mordacci.roberto@unisr.it) for any need related to your course of studies. The representatives of the students in the Faculty Council will also be able to help you in your first approach to university life; you may find their references on the Faculty website.

Looking forward to meeting you, we offer you our warmest regards.

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