ANVUR visits University of Pavia: the role of students

What?

ANVUR experts will be visiting our university between the 6th and the 9th of November. ANVUR (the National Agency which assesses the functioning and quality of the University and Research system) is the organisational body which assesses the quality of the processes and the results of university level education on behalf of the Ministry of Education. A commission of assessment experts (CEV) periodically visits universities to verify the achievement of quality, efficiency and efficacy standards. These standards are necessary for the university to continue carrying out its courses and conferring university level qualifications.

How?

This is how the CEV Commission’s visit will take place: on the first day, the CEV Commission will visit the University Athenaeum and interview the University Rector, the Board of Directors, the Academic Senate and the Core of Assessment (NUV). During the following days, the CEV sub-units will visit the following degree courses: Arts and Cultural Heritage (Cremona branch), Nursing, Communication, Innovation and Multimedia (CIM), Physical Sciences, International Business and Entrepreneurship (MIBE), Linguistics, Law, Medicine and Surgery, Departments of Humanities and Electronic Engineering.

This is where students come in: CEV sub-units, which are composed of small groups of experts, will visit the classes of the above-mentioned degree courses and will chat with the students. In particular, they will ask questions such as: “If problems with didactics occur, do you know whom to turn to?” (Didactics Council, professors-students Joint Committee, student representatives ect.), or “Do you know which services are available for students?” (The COR, the student supervisor, the day and night public transport service, the Acersat program ect.).

Why is this important?

The visit by ANVUR experts is very important because the accreditation of our university depends on how they assess our university and on their opinion. The accreditation is what allows the university to carry on with its activities. To sum up, it’s a very important appointment for the whole of the academic community which revolves around students. Student participation will be fundamental for the assessment.

(Edited by students’ representatives in the Commissione Permanente Studenti)