

Call for student executive editors



The Italian law journal DPCEonline is the major Italian law journal (classe A law journal) in the field of public comparative law. It covers a range of topics ranging from comparative constitutional law, to European law, from comparative human rights law to comparative administrative law.

The journal is seeking to **fill 5 positions as student executive editor**. Student executive editors will work closely with other journal editors, especially with the members of the so-called Redazione and Comitato Editoriale (Editorial board), which comprises professors and researchers in comparative public law working in major Italian or foreign Universities. **The position is for one year (a.y. 2019/2020)**, yet under special circumstances (e.g., outgoing students in an exchange program), also applications for one term only, either the winter or the spring term, will be considered.

Student executive editor's tasks:

- Act as an initial filter and provide the Editorial Board with a general evaluation of the script submitted for consideration (which can be either positive, mixed, or negative).
- Edit scripts submitted for consideration, so as to align them with the house style.
 - The journal releases four issues per year. Each issue generally includes articles (saggi), notes (note e commenti), comparative reviews (rassegne comparate). Here is an example of a journal issue:
<http://www.dpceonline.it/index.php/dpceonline/issue/view/34>
 - Student executive editors thus work on an average of 3 to 5 articles/notes/reviews (depending on the length of each work.) every three months.
- Report to the Editorial Board the progress made in carrying out editorial duties.

Eligibility requirements:

- **4L (fourth-year) law students** are eligible to apply (Laurea Magistrale in Giurisprudenza) or **first-year students enrolled in a major** in law, political science, international relations or related subjects where a comparative law course (IUS 21) is taught (laurea specialistica o master post-laurea).
- **fluency in both Italian and English;**
- a general interest in pursuing an academic career is a preferential requirement;
- the Editorial board works and/or meets in **Milan** (at Bocconi University, via Roentgen 1). **The tasks can be carried out remotely.** However, availability to attend training meetings to learn editing skills and the house style is required. Also, we believe that meeting in person and working closely with professors and researchers, when necessary, is the most enriching part of this opportunity.
- Previous experience in editing academic scripts is **not** required.

Why becoming a student executive editor?

- Students interested in pursuing an academic career can acquire competences that are an asset in their perspective applications as Ph.D. candidates; for instance, Italian doctoral programs confer additional points to candidates that were members of the editorial board of a renowned law journal and that possess editing skills;
- Students interested in pursuing an academic career or otherwise can also benefit from working closely with professors and researchers. The most motivated students will be given the opportunity to publish a note in the journal, that is also an asset in their applications as Ph.D. students. Amongst the other perks of working with academic scholars is the opportunity to get a reference letter for perspective applications for a Ph.D. position or a non-academic position.
- Ultimately, students develop skills that range from editing skills, scientific skills (especially when it comes to providing the Editorial Board with a general evaluation of the script), organizational skills. They can also benefit from attending the periodic meetings of the journal where they can learn how journal issues are planned, structured, and developed.

Application procedure:

Please send to the address redazione.dpceonline@gmail.com by **May 15th, 2019**, with the subject line "Application for a student executive editor position":

- **A short CV** either in English or Italian (max 1 page);
- **A short cover letter** (max 250 words) explaining why the applicant meets the eligibility requirements, the interest in pursuing an academic career, if applicable, the availability to attend periodic meetings in Milan, the special circumstances under which the position can be held for one term only and the term it refers to (winter or spring term), if applicable.
- **Optional: up to one reference letter**