REGULATIONS

for the International College Fra Luigi Chmel



Rome - 2025

- 1 The constitution of the International College Fra Luigi Chmel of the Order of the Discalced Augustinians, situated in Via del Corso, 45 00186, at Rome (Italy), was approved by the General Definitory on October 17, 2007 following a specific request emerged from the meeting of the 11-12 June, 2007 among the members of the General Curia, the Superiors of the Provincia Madonna del Buon Consiglio d'Italia, of the Província Santa Rita de Cássia do Brasil and of the Delegation of the Philippines.
- 2 The International College wants to respond to some needs and priorities present in the Order and bear the name of Fra Luigi Chmel who deserves to be remembered as an example of the Discalced Augustinian students. The International College is directly dependent on the Central Authority (cf. proposition of approval October 17, 2007).
- 3 This *Regulation* has been updated on October 18, 2025 (Prot. Reg. V; fol. 257/13) following the meeting of the Board of Directors held in Rome on October 13, 2025.

Chapter 1 Objectives

- 4 The International College proposes to welcome professed members of the Order in order to foster knowledge and communion among religious from various regions and to provide continuity for their spiritual and cultural formation, with particular attention to the spirituality, charism and history of the Discalced Augustinians.
- 5 The International College also tries to prepare the religious to collaborate, with full availability to the projects and initiatives of the Order (missions, seminaries, apostolic activities, special tasks and others).
- 6 Finally, the International College proposes to give the opportunity to obtain academic qualifications (bachelor's degree, license and / or doctorate).

Chapter 2 Conduction/Leasing and direction

- 7 The premises in which the International College is based are granted free of charge by the Province of Italy according to the procedures defined by the relative agreement. The management of the International College is the direct responsibility of the Central Authority which acts through the Board of Directors.
- **8** The Board of Directors is consisted of:
 - Prior General, President.
 - Director General for Studies and Formation, Secretary.
 - Priors Provincial.
 - Prior of the House of Gesù e Maria.
 - Master of the Professed.

- 9 The Board of Directors will meet ordinarily once a year to examine the moral and economic situation of the International College and whenever the President or the majority of the members request it. The members can delegate, if necessary, their substitute.
- 10 The responsibles for formation, who are appointed by the Prior General, with the consent of the General Definitory, according to n. 194, k of the *Constitutions*, are: the Prior and the Master.
- 11 The Local Prior appoints one or more Spiritual Directors, after consulting with the others responsible for formation.
- 12 The persons responsible for formation have the right and duty to take care of the formation of every student and to take the appropriate decisions according to the *Constitutions* and the *Directory*.

Chapter 3 Procedure for the Admission of the Professed

- 13 The following procedure shall be observed:
 - a) The students of the International College are Professed, proposed by the competent Prior Provincial, who shall submit a written request to the Prior General, accompanied by a presentation form of the candidate. Such requests must be sent at least four (4) months prior to the beginning of the academic studies;
 - b) The Prior General shall examine the request and, having consulted the Prior of the House of Gesù e Maria, shall evaluate its possible approval.

Chapter 4 Norms for the Professed

- 14 The students must respect the expected times for the attainment of the academic degrees.
- 15 At the beginning of each academic semester, the Professed is required to present to the Master his study plan, including both ordinary and extraordinary academic commitments.
- 16 Within one week after the end of each academic semester, the Professed have to draft and submit to the Master a written report concerning the progress of his studies and his integration into community life. The Master shall then forward said report to the Prior General and to the competent Prior Provincial.
- 17 The students, by the very nature of the International College, should not forget that they are called to give greater witness to common life in full respect of the *Constitutions* and the demands of religious life to foster communion among confreres from various parts of the world. For this reason, knowledge of the Italian language is mandatory and if within one year of staying in the International Student Residence the Professed does not

- demonstrate a minimum command of the language, according to the judgment of the formative Community, he/she will have to return to the Province of origin.
- 18 Pastoral commitments and the use of the means of communication are regulated by the Chapter of the House.
- 19 The Religious Professed, after having completed the first cycle of theology, with the attainment of the bachelor's degree, will return to their Provinces of origin to give continuity to their formation path, under the direct responsibility of their Major Superior.
- **20** Major Superiors who wish to obtain license or doctorate qualifications indicate the type of specialization.
- 21 For admission to the ministries: the lectorate is conferred in the second year of theology and the acolytate in the third year, indicatively on the occasion of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception.
- 22 Holidays to the places of origin are the responsibility and discretion of each respective Province.

Chapter 5 Economic aspect

- 23 The financial burden for the maintenance of the International College is shared in the following form:
 - a) The Province of origin is in charged for school enrollment fees, annual health assistance/insurance, trips to and from their country of origin.
 - b) Ordinary expenses (food, clothing and other) are to be taken cared by the Local Community; the Provinces will contribute a tax as needed, established every year at the meeting of the Board of Directors.
 - c) The resources acquired by all the members of the Community through their apostolate and/or other services must be put in common according to the norms of the *Constitutions* (nos. 31-32; 263-264).
- 24 Possible or necessary changes, additions, clarifications and interpretations of this regulation are the responsibility of the Board of Directors and to which the General Definitory will give its consent.

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