

# MOODLE: Introductory Guide for students

## 1. What is Moodle?

**Moodle** is an 'open source' computer platform for learning. The name comes from the acronym: **M**odular **O**bject **O**riented **D**ynamic **L**earning **E**nvironment. It is inspired by a constructivist educational theory according to which learning is facilitated by the production of tangible results.



## 2. Moodle at the Pontifical Gregorian University

**Moodle** is the new information gateway adopted by the Gregorian University for the management of courses.

Our *Information Systems* technicians have personalized its features to our situation. Over several months they collaborated with a committee of teachers and students, and now **Moodle** is available to the university community in a version adapted to our teaching needs.

## 3. What will students find in Moodle?

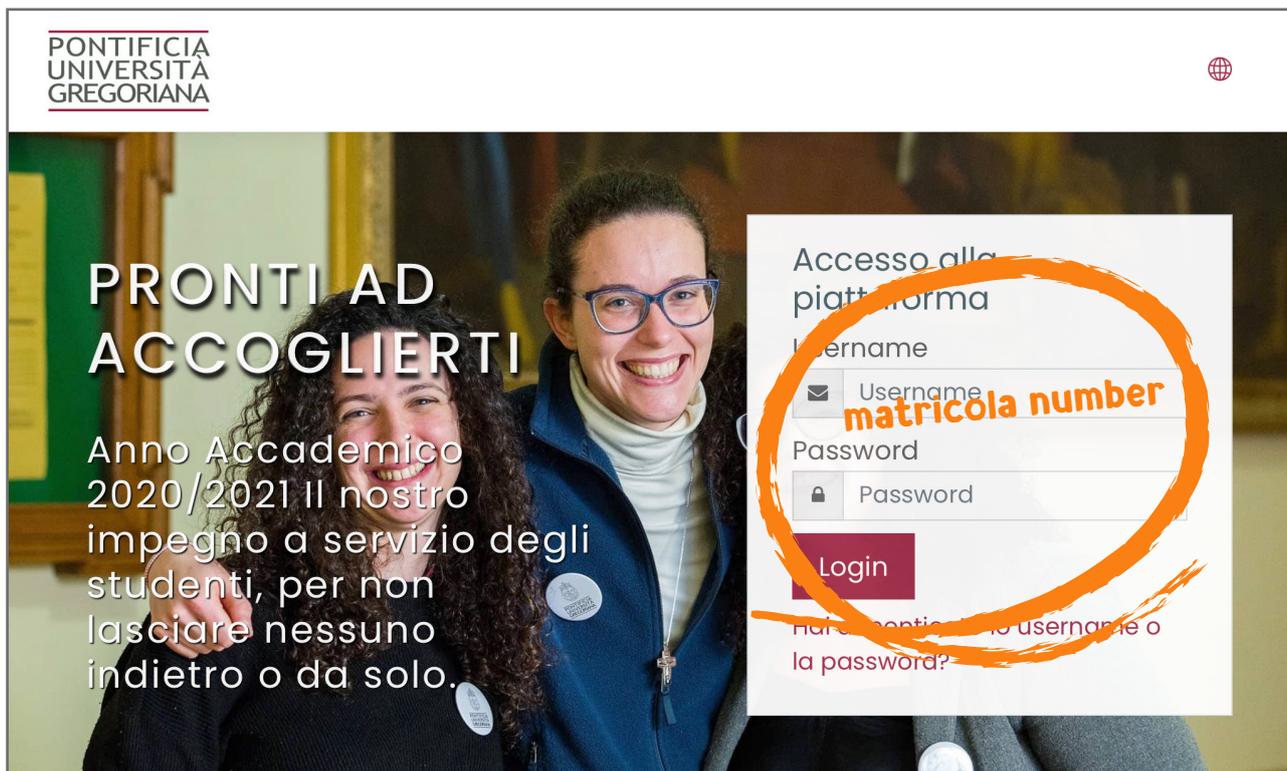
Moodle will substitute the **Virtual Office** and **Forum Online**. In Moodle, starting this semester, one can find **everything regarding the didactics of a course** (dispense notes, bibliographies, communications from instructors, lessons given online, and the Forum Online). That which regards the Registrar (enrollment in courses, grades, exams) will continue to be found in **Online Secretary**. Moodle will **NOT** be concerned with these matters.



## 4. How to access Moodle: 1/From the site

Moodle can be connected via **moodle.unigre.it** (there is a link to it from the **Services Online** page of the Unigre.it site—see below). The username will be your **matricola number** and the **password** will be the same that you use for all of the other services of the university (*Online Secretary, library, and moBi*).

*The browsers recommended for accessing Moodle are Firefox and Chrome.*



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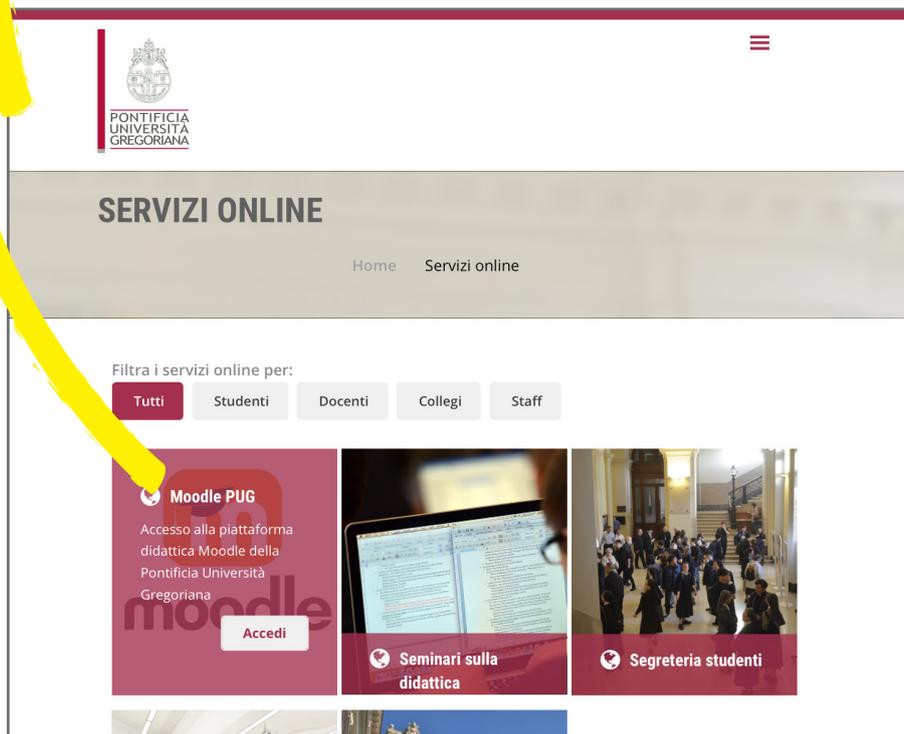
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## 5. How to access Moodle: 2/From the application

**Moodle also has an app.** It can be downloaded to your smartphone, computer or tablet.

After installing it, enter the **moodle.unigre.it** address to log in and then the same **credentials** (student number and password).

The image displays three sequential screenshots from a Moodle mobile application, illustrating the steps to access the platform:

- Top Screenshot:** The 'Collegati a Moodle' (Connect to Moodle) screen. The site address is entered as 'Moodle.unigre.it'. A blue arrow points to the address field.
- Middle Screenshot:** The 'Login' screen. The Moodle logo and site name 'E-Learning - Pontificia Università Gregoriana | Roma' are visible. A blue arrow points to the Moodle logo.
- Bottom Screenshot:** The login form. The matricola number '123456' is entered in the first field, which is circled in blue. The second field is for the password. A blue arrow points to the matricola number field.

## 6. The beginning: Your dashboard

After accessing the site, the first page to open will be the **Dashboard**. A series of messages will appear to orient you to the use of the site. You can immediately **change the language** (English/Italian) clicking on the globe icon.

The screenshot shows the user dashboard for MARIA ROSSI. The top navigation bar includes the university logo, a globe icon for language selection, and icons for messages, notifications, and profile. The main content area is divided into several sections: a left sidebar with navigation options (Dashboard, Home del sito, Calendario, File personali, I miei corsi), a central profile section for MARIA ROSSI with a 'Messaggio' button, and a 'Panoramica corsi' section. The 'Panoramica corsi' section displays a list of courses with filters for 'Tutti (eccetto eliminati dalla visualizzazione)', 'Titolo del corso', and 'Matrice'. A calendar for 'settembre 2020' is visible on the right, and a 'Cronologia' section is at the bottom right. A yellow arrow points to the globe icon in the top right corner.

In the center of the page you will find a **list of courses** for which you are registered\*. Clicking on an individual course the title will appear followed by **important instructions**. If applicable, there will also be a **link for courses online** using the **BBB application** (Big Blue Button is a web conferencing program integrated with Moodle to provide a virtual classroom). Below, listed by argument (with their icons), are the various **materials for the course**.

The screenshot shows a course page for 'ARTIFICIALE E DECISIONI UMANE' (TM2128). The page includes a sidebar with navigation options (Completato, Dashboard, Home del sito, Calendario, I miei corsi, File personali), a course overview section with 'Dashboard' and 'I miei corsi' tabs, and a 'Show All Faces' button. The main content area displays the course title, a 'TM2128' button, and a list of materials: 'Avvisi' (with a group icon) and 'Lezione BBB' (with a BBB icon). The course title 'ARGOMENTO 1' is also visible. A yellow arrow points to the 'I miei corsi' link in the sidebar, and a blue arrow points to the 'Lezione BBB' material.

\* **ATTENTION:** while the teacher loads the materials, a course may be **temporarily not visible**.