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The logic of chess

The holder of this Badge has attended the course "The logic of chess" organized by the University Basilicata as part of the "Competenze trasversali in Unibas" Project.

The course starts providing a base chess knowledge, i.e. the chessboard, the pieces movement and the rules. Then, it deepens into the subject, consisting in three main phases: the opening, the middlegame and the final. The course provides the basis for the evaluation of the positions, the creation of an appropriate game plan, thus increasing the ability to control the tactical development of the match and to create combinations. The whole is proposed in an interactive mode, by giving tests and exercises that allow to practice with "problem solving". The last part of the course aims at framing the chess game in a wider perspective, by presenting its pluri millenarian history and considering a first composition approach (artistic studies and chess problems).

Finally, the course opens the view towards other arts and areas with a roundup of the chess interactions with mathematics, literature, cinema, visual arts, etc.

The students are addressed to the correct use of chess software and databases.

Moments of team working are planned: the students will appreciate the sharing of knowledge and ideas and verify its value when searching for the best follow-up.

Confrontation among students and matches on on-line free platforms are foreseen.

At the end of the laboratory, the students will be able to play chess at a pre-agonistic level, to handle situations of soft/mean complexity with the analysis of the position and the problem solving, and to develop an independent and creative chess thought.



Skills

The owner of this Badge has proved to possess the following skills:

- Ability to analyse the chess positions, identifying the important elements and translating the evaluations in efficient tactical operations, i.e. a correct strategic plan according to the circumstances.
- Ability to play chess at a pre-agonistic level.
- Ability of problem solving and development of a critical thought.
- Ability to think in an original and creative way.

The owner of this Badge proved to possess the following soft skills:

- Ability to work in team.
- Ability to develop a critical thought.
- Ability of problem solving.
- Ability to distinguish tactic and strategy and to use the calculus and planning, according to the circumstances.
- Ability to take standalone, original and creative decisions.

The owner of this Badge to have acquired the following soft skills:

- Knowledge of chess game at a pre-agonistic level.
- Knowledge of the history of chess.
- Knowledge of the relationships between the chess game and other arts or subjects.

Criteria

The Badge is awarded after attending the course "The logic of chess".

At the end of the course, the participants shall undergo a test consisting in the answer to 10 questions regarding the positions related to the different stages of the chess game (opening, middlegame, final), showing to have achieved pre-agonistic level abilities. The evaluation for the badge achievement is based on the attendance of at least 70% of the lectures and the overcome of the test (at least 60% of correct answers).



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The University of Basilicata is the leading University of the Basilicata region, in the Southern part of Italy. Since 2012, according to the new University statute and rules of procedure, ex D.R. n. 88/2012, the University of Basilicata is organized through six primary structures (precisely four departments and two schools) in which the functions and the personnel of the pre-existing twelve departments and eight faculties have been re-addressed. Degree programs range from the Humanities, to architecture, archeology, education, economics and management, as well as to the STEM disciplines (hard sciences, agriculture, engineering, computer sciences). Such degree programs are effectively connected to the research, training and third mission activities developed by the primary structures. University of Basilicata counts about 7000 students, and is based in the cities of Potenza and Matera.



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