

**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE ADMISSION TO THE
RESEARCH DOCTORATE COURSES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF PALERMO**

Academic Year 2018/2019 (XXXIV Cycle)

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D E C R E E S

Art. 1

Institution of PhD courses

The University of Palermo announces an open competition based on academic qualifications and interview, or on written and oral exams, for PhD Research Courses – academic year 2018/2019 – with the administrative centre at the University of Palermo. The three-year courses and the related positions available for candidates with qualifications held abroad are listed below. For each PhD Course is indicated the location of the course, the course Supervisor, the number of positions, and any positions reserved to candidates with qualifications held abroad.

Competition code	PhD Course	Coordinator	Proposer Department	Total number of Positions with Scholarships	reserved scholarships from the total, for students graduated abroad
1	Architecture, arts and planning International	Prof. Filippo Schilleci	Architettura (DARCH)	4	1
2	Biomedicine and neuroscience International	Prof. Felicia FARINA	Biomedicina Sperimentale e Neuroscienze Cliniche (BioNeC)	4 (1* from UTMB)	2 (1 reserved to UTMB student)
3	Civil, environmental and materials engineering International	Prof. Antonina PIRROTTA	Ingegneria Civile, Ambientale, Aerospaziale, dei Materiali (DICAM)	4 (1* from ENI)	1
4	Human rights: evolution, protection and limits International	Prof. Isabel Ascension TRUJILLO PEREZ	Giurisprudenza	5 (1* from University Cohauilla and 1* from University Makeni)	3 (1 reserved to a University Cohauilla student, 1 reserved to a University Makeni student)

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5	Energy and information technologies	Prof. Maurizio CELLURA	Energia, Ingegneria dell'Informazione e Modelli Matematici (DEIM)	6 (2* from CNR-ITAE)	1
6	Health promotion and cognitive sciences International	Prof. Massimiliano OLIVERI	Scienze psicologighe, pedagogiche e della formazione	4	1
7	Information and communication technologies International	Prof. Ilenia TINNIRELLO	Energia, Ingegneria dell'Informazione e Modelli Matematici (DEIM)	4 (4* at 50% from INRS and 50% from UNIPA)	1
8	Technological innovation engineering	Prof. Salvatore GAGLIO	Ingegneria Chimica, Gestionale, Informatica, Meccanica	8 (1* from RIMED)	1
9		Prof.		9	1
10	Molecular and clinic medicine	Prof. Antonino TUTTOLOMONDO	Biomedico di Medicina Interna e Specialistica (DIBIMIS)	6	1
11	Experimental oncology and surgery	Prof.ssa Giuseppina CAMPISI	Discipline Chirurgiche, Oncologiche e Stomatologiche (Di.Chir.On.S.)	8 (1* from Bayer S.p.A. and 1* 50% from Istituto Antonio Rudini and 50% from Unipa)	1
12	Legal pluralisms. Old and contemporary perspectives International	Prof. Giuseppe DI CHIARA	Giurisprudenza	4	1
13	Agricultural, food and forest sciences International	Prof. Vincenzo BAGARELLO	Scienze Agrarie, Alimentari e Forestali	5	1
14	Earth and sea sciences International	Prof. Marco MILAZZO	Scienze della Terra e del Mare (DISTEM)	4	1
15	Economics and statistics International	Prof. Andrea CONSIGLIO	Scienze Economiche, Aziendali e Statistiche (SEAS)	4	1

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16	Physical and Chemical sciences International	Prof. Gioacchino Massimo PALMA	Fisica e Chimica (DIFC)	6 (2* 50% from INAF and 50% from Unipa)	1
17	Molecular and biomolecular sciences	Prof. Patrizia DIANA	Scienze e Tecnologie Biologiche, Chimiche e Farmaceutiche (STEBICEF)	7 (1* from ENI)	1
18	human sciences: systems dynamics, cultural heritage, cultural studies International	Prof. Ignazio BUTTITTA	Culture e società	8	1
19	Literary, linguistic, philological and philosophical-historical studies International	Prof. Marina Calogero CASTIGLIONE	Scienze Umanistiche	4	1
Total number of PhD Courses		No. 19	Total Positions	104	22

Positions with grant marked with an asterisk will be activated if the agreement is signed by Financing Agency, before the conclusion of the competition proceedings.

The following external Institution will pay the grant directly to the assigned doctoral students: UTMB, Cohauilla University, Makeni University and INRS.

All grants funded by external funding agencies will be paid to assignees on condition that the University receives amounts.

PhD Courses can not be activated if one of the following conditions occurs:

- In case of receiving less than four participation requests;
- If at any time of the competition the candidates that are present are less than four, the examination board will stop further competition proceedings and it will give notice to the candidates;
- The competition results will be considered not valid if at least four candidates are not usefully placed on the list.

Examination methods are indicated in the attached form of each PhD course. For each of it, place and exam dates will be published before **10thAugust 2018** at www.unipa.it/didattica/dottorati/ and will represent a notification for all practical purposes and no personal communication will be sended to candidates.

Candidates will not receive any written notice of date and venue of the exam.

Candidates with qualifications held abroad can also be admitted in excess up until the 50% of the seats, according to art. 9 of this Call.

The positions with scholarships, set out in this notice, may be increased and / or replaced as a result of additional funding available, also obtained from public and private external entities, through agreements or arrangements to be established into after the publication of this announcement and until 6 months from the beginning of the PhD courses.

Any other grants that may become available as part of research projects funded on a call for Programmi National Operational Programmes RI 2014-2020 (PON RI 2014-2020), National Operational Programmes of Regional Operational Programmes, other EU Programmes, national and regional and / or international projects, can be add to the grants funded by the university. Moreover, all applicants who have been awarded a grant by the European Commission before the deadline of this call, shall be awarded of a supernumerary position. The following conditions have to be satisfied: European Commission Grant gross amount must be equivalent or superior to doctorate scholarship amount and candidates must successfully passing this exams.

Art. 2

Admission requirements

1) **Applicants of any Country and age holding the following requirements can submit their application:**

- Master Degree (Ministerial Decree n. 509/1999),
- Master Degree (Ministerial Decree n. 270/2004),
- Master Degree (Italian old legislation degree)
- Every equivalent foreign qualification, **lasting at least four years**, previously approved by the competent academic authorities also in the framework of inter-university cooperation and mobility schemes.

Admission requirements for each PhD course are illustrated and specified in the relevant attached form and recorded with the Selection Code as indicated in Art. 1.

Whoever is already in possession of a title of PhD Doctorate may also apply for participation in the competition for admission to PhD. In this event the candidate, if s/he has already received a grant, may be permitted to attend the doctorate course in excess up without scholarship, after passing the exams and being in the merit ranking of the winner's position.

All applicants are eligible for selection, subject to verification of the self-declared statements under the Legislative Decree No 445/2000 and subsequent modifications and integrations.

The University may provide, at all times, by measure of the Rector, the exclusion of candidates during the selection procedure or during the PhD course, subject to criminal liability arising from false statements.

2) Admission to the selection for candidates who are scheduled to obtain the degree

Are admitted to apply those students who are scheduled to obtain the degree required in the first paragraph within the **October 31st 2018**. In this case the admission to the competition will be considered 'provisional', and candidates will be required to send to the Doctorate Office a substitute self declaration of the certificate required in compliance with art. 46 D.P.R. 28.12.2000 n. 445 and subsequent modifications and integrations.

3) Qualifications held abroad

a) Italian and European citizens in possession of foreign degree resulting from **at least four-year course**, if it has not already been declared equivalent, must request their eligibility for the sole purpose of admission to the competition, to be annexed to the application form together with the list of exams translated in Italian or English, by and under the responsibility of the candidate who certifies conformity with the original.

b) Non-EU citizens holding an academic degree, **lasting at least four years** in a foreign Institution, that has not yet been declared equivalent to the required Italian degree, will have to ask an equivalence only for the purpose of admission to the exam for the elected Doctorate course. In this case, the candidate shall also attach to his/her application the academic degree certificate, with the list of all exams and their translation in Italian or English, under their own responsibility, and, in case of admission to the course, they will have to provide with the legalization and "declaration of equivalent value" made by the competent Italian Diplomatic-Consular Representation of the country where the qualification was awarded, according to the regulations governing the admission of foreign students to degree courses in Italian universities.

The eligibility of the foreign qualifications, exclusively for the purpose of access to doctoral course, will be expressed by the selection board for the doctorate, following a preliminary investigation by the PhD Committee for which the candidate has applied, in accordance both with current legislation in this field in Italy and in the country where the title was issued and the international treaties or agreements regarding the recognition of qualifications for the pursuance of studies.

Applicants with foreign qualification will be admitted as "provisional applicants" and they will be excluded from the doctoral program if, after verification, qualification does not comply with the above mentioned requirements and does not allow enrolment to doctorate course.

4) Participation fees to the competition procedure

In order to submit the application, according to the resolution of the Board of Directors n. 05 of 11.4.2013, candidates have to pay an application fee of € 50.00, by the set deadline for applications submission. Candidates who will not pay within this term will be excluded from the procedures.

The payment, in no case refundable, must be made by the MAV (Notice Payment Forms) generated by the Information System of the online procedure, and paid **by the set deadline for applications submission (20th July 2018)** at any branch of the Banco di Sicilia UniCredit Group or online using link <https://immaweb.unipa.it/immaweb/public/pagamenti.seam>. Candidates can report any difficulties or

malfunctions of the system to the University of Palermo PhD Office (e-mail: dottorati@unipa.it); this report, in any case, must arrive in due time to enable the solution of the problem.

Those ones who will pay the competition fee using different ways from those abovedescribed, and not according to the above mentioned terms will not be allowed to participate in the selection proceedings.

Applicants with a disability level higher than 66%, and foreign citizens are exempted from the payment of the Doctoral Research participation fee (Resolution of the Board of Directors No. 05 5.04.2013). Foreign citizens shall be exonerated from the payment of the participation fee if they do not possess the Italian citizenship too.

Art. 3

Application

In order to apply, candidates have to complete the following online procedure:

- a) register on the Portale Studenti at the following link <http://studenti.unipa.it> (that is <http://immaweb.unipa.it/immaweb/home.seam>) and obtain via e-mail identity credentials and online login on Portale Studenti of the University of Palermo. Use “REGISTRATI” link and follow instructions displayed. Those ones who already have username and access password can skip to step **b**);
- b) enter Portale Studenti with the credentials received by e-mail (username and password): connect to <http://portale.unipa.it/>, click on “LOGIN” and then on “Portale Studenti”; or, on the following webpage <http://studenti.unipa.it>, click on “Clicca qui per accedere alla tua Area riservata”.
- c) refer to "PRATICHE" and select “Nuova Pratica”: within the proposed list, click on “Domanda di partecipazione a concorso per l'accesso ad un corso di Dottorato di Ricerca / PhD Courses - Call for applicants”
- d) fill in the form and print the MAV payment receipt of € 50.00 (fifty/00), in no case refundable, to be paid as indicated in the art. 2 paragraph 4, **by the set deadline for applications submission (20th July 2018)**

following notice of the publication on GURI - 4° Serie Speciale – Concorsi ed Esami n.44 of 05 June 2018, indicated at the following link: www.unipa.it/didattica/dottorati/

The application form that has been filled out online to participate in the competition for admission to PhD is considered as self-certification according to art. 2 Law 4.1.1968 n.15, art.3 Law n.127/and D.P.R. n. 445/2000. Candidates should also submit, attached to the application, the following documents in pdf format:

- 1) duly signed Europass *curriculum vitae* (Attachment A);
- 2) duly signed list of qualifications (if any) (Attachment B);
- 3) copy duly signed of academic curriculum, including marks of each subject, or a similar form self certified according to art. 45 D.P.R. n. 445 on 28/12/2000. (Attachment C).
- 4) research project (**short summary of the research plan to develop- max five A4 pages**);
- 5) duly signed valid copy of an ID ;
- 6) students with **physical disabilities higher than 66%** must provide certification

Foreign citizens must also issue a self-certification according to the D.P.R. 445/2000 to be in possession of the following requisites:

- a) enjoy civil and political rights in the states of belonging or provenance;
- b) be in possession, with the exception of the ownership of Italian citizenship, of all other requisites envisaged for citizens of the Republic;
- c) to have adequate knowledge of the Italian language.

NB. The documents (title and publication), reported in the list of qualifications held (Attachment B), must in no case be presented together with the application form; If the candidate has publications, s/he can provide a link for the inspection by the Board of Examiners.

Applicants with disabilities, according to the Law 104/92 and Law 17/99, have to specify in the application form the needed assistance with respect to his/her handicap, as well as the possible need of additional time to complete examination tests.

All the documents written in foreign languages must be translated into Italian or English, on behalf and under the responsibility of the candidate certifying compliance with original document.

All candidates are admitted with reserve to the competition procedure. If candidates do not take the exam at the appointed time, regardless of the justification, they will be excluded.

The University Administration may order, for justified reasons, the exclusion for lack of requirements, at any time. In this case, the communication would be sent to the email address indicated in the application.

The University Administration is not responsible, in any case, for dispersion of communications due to wrong indications concerning personal and contact data, as permanent address, telephone number or email address, or due to late notification of any modification by the applicant.

Art. 4

Evaluation Board

The Evaluation Board for each PhD course, composed in accordance with art. 11 of Doctorate Regulations, is nominated by Rector's decree, upon the advice of the Academic Board.

The composition of each Board will be officially communicated after the expiry of the notice, and **not before 30 July 2018**, at the following web address:

www.unipa.it/didattica/dottorati/

Art. 5

Admission tests

Admission procedures are indicated in each PhD corresponding attachment and the selection will be based upon:

- A) qualifications and interview
- B) qualifications, written test and interview

Each candidate can participate for one or more different PhD programs, submitting a separate application for each request. However, this is not binding on tests schedule.

In the case of PhD courses articulated in curricula each candidate is required to indicate in the application one or more curricula (in order of priority) which s/he interested in.

Please note that the curricula are listed in the annexes of each PhD.

Qualifications of students who are scheduled to obtain the degree after call deadline, will be based only upon the mean of marks of subjects passed before call deadline. Qualifications awarded or submitted after call deadline will be not examined.

Board of Examiners at its first meeting and before knowing candidates name, will establish the criteria and rules to evaluate qualifications and procedures for test, drafting a special document attached to the minutes and specifying other qualifications and corresponding score. This criteria are published at the following web address: www.unipa.it/didattica/dottorati/

The list of candidates and documents will be sent subsequently to the PhD coordinators that will forward them to President of the commission of any single PhD course. The exams are designed to ascertain the candidate's aptitude for scientific research.

The admission test consists of:

- **written test** (if any) lasting 4 - 6 hours (the duration of a minimum of 4 hours to a maximum of 6 hours will be determined by the Board of Examiners);
- **Interview** in which the candidate will present his/her research plan to be developed, already submitted with the application, regarding the topics of the Phd course;

The candidate must also demonstrate a good knowledge of one english language.

To be examined, the candidate must show a valid ID.

Each Board of Examiners, according to the type of examination and selection, has available this scores:

A) Exam for the evaluation of qualifications and interview: total 60 points for

- **qualifications** – for a maximum of 20, counted as follow:

- degree score – for a maximum of 10 points
- other qualifications – for a maximum of 10 points (other degrees, certificates of postgraduate courses, schools, licence to practice, periods spent at Italian and foreign scientific institutions, publications, other useful documents to certify the activities of study and research).

- **interview** – for a maximum of 40 points, test is passed with a minimum vote of 28/40.

Qualifications evaluation will be performed before interview, drafting a special document attached to the minutes.

The list of candidates admitted to the interview, with the relative scores for project and qualifications, will be made public by the Board of Examiners, by notice on the Register of the organization where the examination will take place, no later than the day before the date scheduled for the interview.

B) Exam for the evaluation of for qualifications, written test and interview: total 100 points for

- **written test** – for a maximum of 40 points. The test is passed with a minimum vote of 28/40.

- **qualifications** – for a maximum of 20 points, counted as follow:

- degree score – for a maximum of 10 points;
- other qualifications – for a maximum of 10 points (other degrees, certificates of postgraduate courses, schools, licence to practice, periods spent at Italian and foreign scientific institutions, publications, other useful documents to certify the activities of study and research).

-**interview** – for a maximum of 40. The test is passed with a minimum vote of 28/40.

Qualifications evaluation will take place after written test and before written tests evaluation, drafting a special document attached to the minutes.

The list of candidates admitted to the interview, with the relative indication of the vote in the written test and the score for qualifications, will be made public by the Board of Examiners, by notice on the Register of the organization where the examination will take place, and the day of publication will be communicated to the candidates during written test.

Exam rules (A or B), locations and dates for exams and official updates, will be published at the following link:

www.unipa.it/didattica/dottorati/

All info Updates on locations and exams dates will be published at previous link, it will represent a notification for all practical purposes and no personal communication will be sended to candidates about that.

Exams dates will be published at least twenty days before (Art. 6 D.P.R. 487/1994). Any variations (for exceptional reasons) of the dates or place of the tests, will be published at the same link and will be in effect as official notification and convocation of the candidates, who therefore will not have to wait for further communication.

In the case of a PhD course who do not required the written test, candidate with residence in other Italian regions or abroad, upon request, be interviewed via Skype.

Art. 6

Admission tests for candidates graduated abroad for reserved positions

Candidates graduated abroad, participating in the selection for reserved positions, should make an explicit request in their application form. For them a specific list will be drawn;

Admission procedures for the candidates who require to participate at this competition procedures for positions reserved to candidates graduated abroad, will be carried out through the qualifications evaluation and an interview.

Foreign students residing abroad may also be interviewed via Skype, the Coordinator and the Academic Board will provide for these obligations.

For the purposes of identification and under penalty of exclusion, every candidate must provide a valid ID document – the same document already attached to the application- before the beginning of the exam.

The failure of communication of personal e-mail address, internet connection unavailable, the unavailability of candidates on the appointed day/time, the failure to display the identification document will cause exclusion from the selection proceedings.

The Board has **60 available points** for the evaluation of qualifications and interview, according as following:

- **Qualifications** – for a maximum of 20 points, counted as follow:

- degree score – for a maximum of 10 points;
- other qualifications – for a maximum of 10 points (other degrees, certificates of postgraduate courses, schools, licence to practice, periods spent at Italian and foreign scientific institutions, publications, other useful documents to certify the activities of study and research).

- **Interview** – for a maximum of 40 points. The test is passed with a minimum vote of 28/40.

Qualifications of students who are scheduled to obtain the degree after call deadline, will be based only upon the mean of marks of subjects passed before call deadline. Qualifications awarded or submitted after call deadline will be not examined.

Board of Examiners at its first meeting and before knowing candidates name, will establish the criteria and rules to evaluate qualifications and procedures for test, drafting a special document attached to the minutes and specifying other qualifications and corresponding score. This criteria are published at the following web address: www.unipa.it/didattica/dottorati/

The list of candidates and documents will be sent subsequently to the PhD coordinators that will forward them to President of the commission of any single PhD course, with the results of the investigation on the suitability of qualifications obtained abroad.

The list of candidates admitted to the interview, with the relative indication of the score relative to the qualifications, will be published by the Commission, posting to the notice board of the structure where examination will take place, no later than the day before the date scheduled for the interview.

Applicants graduated abroad and foreign citizens, who compete for places not reserved for graduates abroad, will be subject to the same assessment methods as in the previous art. 5.

Graduates abroad who decide to participate for reserved places can not compete also for ordinary posts. The choice of one of the two ways of participation excludes the other.

Art. 7

International Doctorates

The Academic Senate and the Board of Directors approved on 27.03.2018 and 28.03.2018 the following International PhD courses:

1. **Architecture, arts and planning** – in convention with TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF CLUJ-NAPOCA
2. **Biomedicine and neuroscience** - in convention with UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS MEDICAL BRANCH AT GALVESTON
3. **Civil, Environmental and Materials Engineering**
ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME
4. **Human rights: evolution, protection and limits** - in convention with UNIVERSITA' DI COHAUILLA; UNIVERSITAT DE VALENCIA; UNIVERSITE' DE PARIS OUEST-NANTERRE LA DEFENSE;
5. **Health promotion and cognitive sciences** - in convention with LITHUNIAN SPORTS UNIVERSITY
6. **Information and communication technologies** - in convention with INRS (INSTITUT NATIONAL DE LA RECHERCHE SCIENTIFIQUE)
7. **Legal pluralisms. Old and contemporary perspectives** - in convention with UNIVERSITY PARIS II - PANTHÈON ASSAS; UNIVERSIDAD DE MALAGA
8. **Agricultural, food and forest sciences** – in convention with UNIVERSITA' NATIONAL DI RIO NEGRO
9. **Eart and Sea Sciences**
PROGRAMMA MARIE CURIE
10. **Economic and Statistics** – in convention with UNIVRSITA' DI DUBROVNIK; UNIVERSITA' DI CIPRO
11. **Physical and Chemical Sciences** – in convention with UNIVERSITA' DI GREBOBLE ALPES; UNIVERSITA' DI TURKU
12. **Human Sciences: systems dynamics, cultural heritage, cultural studies** – in convention with UNIVERSITA' HEINRICH HEINE DI DUSSELDORF; UNIVERSITA' TADEO LOZANO BOGOTA'; UNIVERSITA' DI BERGEN
13. **Literary, linguistic, philological and philosophical-historical studies** - in convention with UNIVERSITA' DI PORTO

Examinations regarding the PhD Courses mentioned above are ruled by the same procedures of this Public Selection Announcement, and Academic Committees could establish to perform the examination in English.

Every Doctorate enrolled in an International PhD Course, will spend a period of study abroad at the University in convention with, as referred in the related conventions, training plan and Doctorate Regulations of the University of Palermo DR. n.567 of 06 march 2018.

Art. 8

Admission to the PhD Courses

The rank list of candidates will be approved by Rector's Decree, once confirmed the regularity of the proceedings.

Successful candidates will be admitted to each PhD Research Program, according to their order on the rank list, until all available places have been filled. The rank lists will be exclusively published on the official website of the University of Palermo: www.unipa.it/didattica/dottorati/

This communication is equivalent to an official notification for all successful candidates and it will be published after the completion of all competition examinations, according to the order of tests.

Candidates will not receive personal communications. Will not be all allowed appeals against the rank lists after the sixtieth day from the Rector's Decree approving the Public Selection Act.

Who has already obtained the title of PhD, can be allowed to attend, once passed the Admission Tests, an other Doctoral course, without grant. In case of useful placement in more rankings, the candidate must choose only a single Doctoral Course.

As regards the schools of medical specialization, the PhD Academic Board and the Council of Postgraduate School may authorize the joint attendance of specialized and PhD course to those attending the last year of the postgraduates school, depending on the activity provided for by the school itself and the formative plan of the PhD Course.

Postgraduates enrolled in the last year of postgraduates school may submit the application for joint attendance. The teaching body of the PhD course provides for any acceptance of the application and at the same time authorizes the reduction of the PhD course in two years, after the evaluation of the research activity already carried out during the medical PhD course. The joint attendance, where authorized, implies the cut of any awarded PhD grant. In this case, the application for a joint attendance might be accepted only if the suspension of the award for the year of joint attendance do not draw on the minimum number of awards for the PhD course and the average number of the awards for each course and cycle at the University.

The positions with grant reserved to foreign applicants, not requested by eligible foreign students, can **not** used for other doctoral candidates duly positioned on the rank list.

Art. 9

Supernumerary Admission

Candidates with qualifications held abroad, who have successfully passed the exams, if not among successful candidates, are admitted to the PhD course, without grant and in supernumerary position, in the amount of 50% of the places available, as mentioned in the Art.10, paragraph 9) of the Research Doctorate rules and regulations, once the opinion of the Doctorate Academic Board has been acquired, only if:

- they have been awarded by a grant financed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Italian Republic, or by their mother country's government;

- they come from countries with which a specific intergovernmental agreement or an agreement with the University of Palermo exists, in any case without charges for the University of Palermo.

Holders of research grant as defined in Art. 22, Law n.240/2010 14.01.2011, if among successful candidates, may apply to be enrolled in a PhD course, renouncing to the research grant, or may apply to be admitted as supernumerary, without grant, no more than one and following the rank list order, without renouncing to the research grant, upon payment of the fees for admission and attendance of PhD courses. The option is irrevocable. Those who, on the due date for registration, are the winners of a selection for the award of a research grant whose contract will run in coincidence with the start of the course, will have to declare it on the application form.

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Art. 11

Enrolment Procedure

Successful candidates admitted through the ranking lists must submit their enrolment form to the University administration within 7 days from the day following the publication of the rank lists on the following website:

www.unipa.it/didattica/dottorati/

Following the instructions provided on the above mentioned web site, entering the Portale Studenti (<http://studenti.unipa.it>) with the same credentials gained during registration, applicants can fill out on line the “Domanda di Immatricolazione ad un corso di Dottorato di Ricerca”, through the hypertext path PRATICHE STUDENTE - NUOVA PRATICA - Dottorati di Ricerca.

The filling of the application will allow applicants to provide the University administration with all the necessary self-certifications, to attach documents in pdf and to print the MAV receipt along with enrolment fees, as established in art. 12, whose payment is binding on successful enrolment procedure.

If a candidate does not enroll by this deadline, s/he tacitly withdraws from the PhD program and loses the right to enroll. This decision is definitive.

After this deadline, the free positions will be offered to the qualified next candidates on the ranking list, and they will be allowed to enter Portale Studenti (<http://studenti.unipa.it>) and enrol under the terms and conditions indicated in the above mentioned paragraphs.

Art. 12

Fees for admission and attendance of PhD courses

Enrolment in PhD Courses is in any case subordinate to the annual payment listed below, in compliance with Board of Directors’ resolution n. 17 03/29/2017 and ratified with D.R. Rector’s Decree n. 1647 05/22/2017, and by the Regulations on Doctoral Research of the University of Palermo.

a) For applicants with grant:

- Administrative fees: € 200.00
- Regional Tax: € 140.00
- Additional government Tax 16,00

b) For applicant admitted as supernumerary, without grant:

- Regional Tax: € 140.00
- Additional government Tax 16,00

Are exempted from the payment of admission fees:

- holders of “student loan” and also people with disability level superior to 66%;
- holders of research grant financed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, as regards to the year of the financed research grant;
- foreign applicants who are holders of research grant financed by the their country of origin.

In any case, Doctoral students will have to pay the regional taxes for the ‘right to education’.

Art. 13

Grants

Grants are assigned following the ranking list until grants last.

The grants financed by other Institutions will assigned after those financed by the University of Palermo following the ranking list, unless otherwise stated by the Academic Board.

If the candidates have equal merit, the candidate younger in age will be given preference over the older in age. Under no circumstances, as a result of refuse or exclusions made during the course, it will be no possible the transfer to another student of the remaining grant.

The amounts of the administrative fees and administrative rights or regional tax may be subject to variations from year to year by decision of the Academic Organs or by Ministerial and Regional Decrees.

Anyone who has already held a grant for a Doctorate course, even for one year or a fraction of it, can't request a second grant and is placed as supernumerary candidate without grant.

Annual gross scholarship is € **15,343.28** (DM n.40 of 25th January 2018). It is submitted to INPS rules.

The duration of the grant is annual and is renewable under the conditions that the doctoral student has completed the research activities included in the program of the previous year and that the Academic Board has proposed the admission to the next year.

The grant will be paid in deferred and postponed monthly payments.

The amount of the grant will be increased by 50% in proportion and in relation to periods of training abroad foreseen by the training plan; this increase will not be supplied for a number of months higher than heigten months.

Supernumerary doctoral students, without grant, who go abroad without grant will benefit from a contribution (Art. 15 paragraph 3 of Doctorate Regulations).

In case of grants financed by other Bodies, training periods to be spent abroad will be regulated by the same procedure and its corresponding agreement.

Regarding the grants financed for the course attendance, regulations tax under Art.4 Law N.476 13/8/1984 and art. 6 Section 6 of Law 398/89 are applied. For the entire duration of the course, students, on penalty of the course attendance, are not allowed to cumulate their grant with others for any purpose, except for those ones awarded by national or foreign institutions that integrate periods of study abroad, training and period or research of students (as referred in Art. 6 of Law N. 398 30/11/1989).

Art. 14

Attendance and obligations

Admission to the PhD course requires a full-time commitment.

Doctoral students are in any case obliged to carry out the ongoing study and research activities in accordance with the terms provided by the Doctorate Regulations of the University of Palermo, in accordance with research training programme provided in the proposal of activation, except for the matters regulated under Art.7, Art.11 of the Ministerial Decree No. n. 45 8/02/2013.

At the end of each, students must submit to the Academic Board a report regarding the progress of their research. The Academic Board can establish intermediate tests to evaluate PhD student formation. The Academic Board, with its resolutions will propose the admission or, in the case of a negative evaluation, the exclusion from the continuation of the course. It is not possible the exclusion from the course in cases of maternity or severe and documented illness. In case of suspension without justification that is longer than thirty days, the grant can not be paid and the period of suspension is not subject to refund. In case of exclusion or refuse to the course, during the year, it will be necessary to proceed to the refund of grant already paid.

In accordance with Art. 13, paragraph 5) of the Rules of PhD research at the University of Palermo, "*...to the PhD students can be assigned, upon permission from the Academic Board and without any additional increase of the grant amount, tutorial activities for students attending undergraduate and graduate courses and integrative teaching activities that should not exceed the maximum of 40 hours for each academic year*".

PhD students in medical field can participate in clinical practice activities.

In the case of PhD programs established through an international university cooperation, the course modalities, the final graduation and evaluation Board are defined in accordance with the same agreements.

Art.15

Inelegibility

The PhD Course is incompatible with the concurrent admission to any other Course of Study. PhD access is incompatible with the inscription in Italy and abroad with other PhD courses, undergraduate e

postgraduate degree, bachelor, 1-2nd level master's degrees, courses equivalent to masters, TFA courses and postgraduate schools (excluded the medical ones as referred in the art. n.8), excluding co-supervision theses agreements and international PhD Courses with double enrolment. Those ones who are in possession of a PhD obtained in Italy or abroad and recognized as equivalent, can be enrolled in a new PhD program but without grant.

Art. 16

Awarding of the Doctorate

The title of Doctorate, abbreviated to "Ph.D.", will be awarded on the positive evaluation of a final research thesis which represents a significant contribution to the knowledge and methodologies in the corresponding field of research.

The doctoral thesis, with a summary either in Italian or English language, must be written either in Italian or English language or any other language under the authorization of the Academic Board. At the end of the discussion, the board of examiners gives a collectively motivated written opinion on the admission to the following years and to the final exam.

The title of Doctorate is given upon passing the final exam. The final exam will be executed in front of a special board composed in accordance with the Art. 16 of the Doctorate Regulations of the University of Palermo, after being admitted to the final exams from the Academic Board at the end of the third year and after the payment of the examinations admission fee of € 150.00 (if no later alterations of academic bodies occur) and the duties stamp in accordance with the law.

It is the course supervisor's responsibility to ensure that one copy of PhD thesis is deposited in PhD Administrative department, while the University is responsible for ensuring that thesis is deposited in the Libraries of Rome and Florence through the SURPLUS system and ensuring that the thesis is available on the website. The title is conferred by the Rector who certifies, if requested from the PhD students, the awarding of the Doctorate with papyrus.

To receive the papyrus is required a payment of € 30.00 (unless subsequent modifications of the academic bodies) and the duties stamp in accordance with the law.

Art. 17

Data Protection Act

The Administration of the University of Palermo, in accordance with Legislative Decree n.196/2003 and subsequent amendments, will respect the confidentiality of information supplied by the candidate.

The applicants' personal data will be used only for selection procedure, institutional purposes and possible career management of the PhD Student, until the obtainment of the title of Doctoral Researcher, in accordance with the provisions in force.

Art. 18

Officer in charge of the Procedure

According to the Art.5 of Law n. 241 07/08/1990, the officer in charge of the procedure is ing. Carmelo Priolo - e-mail: dottorati@unipa.it, Responsible of U.O.B. 18 Dottorato di Ricerca e-mail: dottorati@unipa.it.

For any further information candidates can contact the Area Ricerca e Sviluppo - Settore Formazione per la Ricerca – Dottorati di Ricerca, Piazza Marina n. 61 - 90133 Palermo tel. 091 238 93135 / 93146/ 93121/ 93139/ 93127 / 93732.

Art. 19

Final Rules

For matters not explicitly mentioned in the present competition announcement, please refer to the regulations contained in Law 210/98, Ministerial Decree n. 224 30/04/1999, Law 240 /2010, Ministerial Decree n. 45 8.02.2013 and published in GURI n. 104 06.05.2013, PhD programme Regulations of the University of Palermo, Rectoral Decree n. 567 of 06.03.2018, as well other rules in force.

This announcement and its attachments are available on the website of the University of Palermo at:

www.unipa.it/didattica/dottorati/

The following documents are attached to the PhD application form:

- 19 forms for each PhD course corresponding to the examination code under Art.1
(Attachments 1 – 19)
- Form for Europass Curriculum Vitae (Attachment A)
- Form for Personal declaration of certification, regarding the list of titles owned (Attachment B)
- curriculum with exams with vote (Attachment C)

IL RETTORE

Prof. Fabrizio MICARI

Disclaimer

This document is the english version call for applicant DR n.1621 of 05th June 2018, written in italian, where some references has been removed. Deleted parts don't prejudice the content of call.

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Europass Curriculum Vitae

Insert photograph. Remove heading if not relevant (see instructions)

Personal information

First name(s) / Surname(s)

First name(s) Surname(s) (remove if not relevant, see instructions)

Address(es)

House number, street name, postcode, city, country (remove if not relevant, see instructions)

Telephone(s)

(remove if not relevant, see instructions)

Mobile: (remove if not relevant, see instructions)

Fax(es)

(remove if not relevant, see instructions)

E-mail

(remove if not relevant, see instructions)

Nationality

(remove if not relevant, see instructions)

Date of birth

(remove if not relevant, see instructions)

Gender

(remove if not relevant, see instructions)

Desired employment / Occupational field

(remove if not relevant, see instructions)

Work experience

Dates

Add separate entries for each relevant post occupied, starting from the most recent. (remove if not relevant, see instructions)

Occupation or position held

Main activities and responsibilities

Name and address of employer

Type of business or sector

Education and training

Dates

Add separate entries for each relevant course you have completed, starting from the most recent. (remove if not relevant, see instructions)

Title of qualification awarded

Principal subjects/occupational skills covered

Name and type of organisation providing education and training

Level in national or international classification

(remove if not relevant, see instructions)

Personal skills and competences

Mother tongue(s)

Specify mother tongue (if relevant add other mother tongue(s), see instructions)

Other language(s)

Self-assessment

European level (*)

Language

Language

Understanding		Speaking		Writing	
Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production		

(*) [Common European Framework of Reference for Languages](#)

Social skills and competences	Replace this text by a description of these competences and indicate where they were acquired. (Remove if not relevant, see instructions)
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Computer skills and competences	Replace this text by a description of these competences and indicate where they were acquired. (Remove if not relevant, see instructions)
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Other skills and competences	Replace this text by a description of these competences and indicate where they were acquired. (Remove if not relevant, see instructions)
Driving licence	State here whether you hold a driving licence and if so for which categories of vehicle. (Remove if not relevant, see instructions)
Additional information	Include here any other information that may be relevant, for example contact persons, references, etc. (Remove heading if not relevant, see instructions)
Annexes	List any items attached. (Remove heading if not relevant, see instructions)

The undersigned is aware that, pursuant to art. 26 of Law 15/68, and Articles. 46 and 47 of Presidential Decree 445/2000, false statements, falsified acts and use of false acts are punishable under the Penal Code and special laws. Moreover, the undersigned authorizes the processing of personal data, in accordance with the provisions of Law 675/96 of 31 December 1996.

City _____, on ___ / ___ / _____

NAME (SIGNATURE)

PERSONAL DECLARATION OF CERTIFICATION

(Art. 46 del D.P.R. 28.12.2000, N. 445)

I, the undersigned _____,

fiscal code _____ born in (place) _____ (____),

on (day) _____, resident in (Town/state) _____ (____),

Address _____, n. _____, postal code _____,

aware of legal consequences of making false declaration (art 483, 495, 496 of penal code of special laws)

DECLARE (Accademic certificates)

That she/he was awarded the following degrees (they are not to be enclosed to the application according to art. 15 law 183/2011)

(list od degrees and publications – for these last write a link where they can be consulted)

1) Degree required by the call

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

5) _____

I also declare that I am aware that University while verify my assessment and in case of false inaccurate declaration, a part from legal responsibilities, while lose all the achieved advantages, according to art. 75 e 76 del D.P.R. n. 445 del 28.12.2000.

I declare that myself-declaration and declared cannot be modified after the deadline of application.

_____ (Place), ____/____/____

Signature _____

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The collected data will be used by Università di Palermo, data controller, according to decreto legislativo n.196/03.

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DECLARE

(Study plan with dates and marks for each exam)

To have passed these University subjects:

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
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