

# UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI PALERMO

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## PHD PROGRAMME REGULATION

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### Art. 16 – Award of the degrees of PhD

1. The application for admission to the final examination, on legal paper, is accompanied by the title of the dissertation, the report of the PhD degree teaching staff on the completion and outcome of the external evaluation procedures, as well as a copy of the receipt of the fee payment. The doctoral thesis includes an abstract in Italian or English and it is written in Italian or English or in another language upon authorization of the board of the PhD programme. The PhD student attaches to the dissertation a report on the activities he/she has carried out during the PhD and on any publications. The doctoral thesis is evaluated by at least two highly qualified lecturers or professors, hereinafter referred to as evaluators. The evaluators express a written analytical judgment on the thesis and propose its admission to public discussion or postponement for a period not exceeding six months if they consider that significant additions or corrections are necessary. After this period, in any case, the thesis is admitted to public discussion, accompanied by a new assessment written by the same evaluators, taking into consideration any corrections or additions made by the candidates. The public discussion takes place before a commission whose composition is defined in the following paragraph. At the end of the discussion, the thesis is either approved or rejected with a collective written assessment. The commission can award the title cum laude, with unanimous vote, if the thesis presents results of outstanding scientific importance.