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Admission to the PNRR 40th cycle (a. y. 2024/2025) for National Doctoral Degree Programme in Polar Sciences and to additional places with scholarship for the PhD Programmes in Philosophy and Educational Sciences, Italian Studies, Modern Languages, Cultures, and Societies and Linguistics, Management, Asian and African Studies and Computer Science: Call for applications

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Application deadline: 19 August 2024, 1:00 p.m. (Italian time)

Art. 1 - Purpose of the call and general regulations

1. This call for applications, published on [Ca' Foscari's website](#) and in the online section of the Official University Register – Albo online, regulates access to the 40th cycle of National Doctoral Degree Programme in Polar Sciences and to additional places with scholarship for the PhD Programmes in Philosophy and Educational Sciences, Italian Studies, Modern Languages, Cultures, and Societies and Linguistics, Management, Asian and African Studies and Computer Science. Any amendments or additions to this call for applications will be published on the same website.
2. Annexes "A" and "B" are integral to this call for applications.
3. By submitting your application online, you agree to the regulations mentioned in Article 6 of this call for applications and you accept and acknowledge all the terms and conditions outlined in this document.
4. Ca' Foscari University of Venice will email candidates any communication concerning this competitive selection process. The university will use the email address provided by the candidate during the online registration process. If you have any queries or require information regarding the call, documents, access to documents under the 1990 Law No. 241, or requests for civic access under Legislative Decree No. 33/2013, you can email the university. Any communication from the university will be considered received by the candidate on the date and time when it was sent. The administration cannot be held responsible for undelivered emails if you provided an incorrect address or have not informed the administration of changes in your address in a timely manner. Furthermore, the administration is not responsible for problems caused by third parties, unforeseen events, or force majeure.
5. Candidates are strongly recommended to submit early applications and not to wait until the last minute. The University cannot be held responsible for any dysfunction due to technical problems and/or overloading communication lines and/or of the OS for the loss of communications due to incorrect email address details or candidates' failures to communicate changes of email address, nor for any other problems or delays caused by third parties, unexpected occurrences or unforeseeable circumstances.
6. Failure to comply with the regulations set out in this call for applications will result in exclusion from the call.
7. Specifications and fulfilments related to PNRR-funded scholarships (Ministerial Decrees 629/2024 and 630/2024) are described in Annex "A" of this Call, referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article.
8. Positions linked to scholarships funded by the PNRR Ministerial Decrees 629/2024 and 630/2024 are announced on the condition of positive verification of eligibility for PNRR support by the Ministry of University and Research. They are awarded subject to confirmation of funding by the Ministry.

Art. 2 - Call for application and admission criteria

1. Ca' Foscari University of Venice announces the 40th cycle of the National Doctoral Degree Programme in Polar Sciences for a. y. 2024/2025 in partnership with Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche- CNR, Istituto Nazionale di Oceanografia e di Geofisica Sperimentale - OGS, Istituto Nazionale Geofisica e Vulcanologia- INGV, Università degli Studi di BARI ALDO MORO, Università degli Studi di MESSINA, Università degli Studi di MILANO, Università degli Studi di MILANO-BICOCCA, Università degli Studi di MODENA e REGGIO EMILIA, Università degli Studi di NAPOLI "Parthenope", Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II, Università degli Studi di PADOVA, Università degli Studi di PERUGIA, Università degli Studi di TRENTO, Università di PISA, Università Politecnica delle MARCHE.

2. Ca' Foscari University of Venice also announces the call for applications for additional **6 subject-specific PNRR Scholarships** in the following PhD Programmes:

PhD Programme	Scholarship tipology
Philosophy and Educational Sciences	1 PNRR M.D. 630/2024 scholarship
Italian Studies	1 PNRR M.D. 630/2024 scholarship
Modern Languages, Cultures, and Societies and Linguistics	1 PNRR M.D. 630/2024 scholarship
Management	1 PNRR M.D. 630/2024 scholarship
Asian and African Studies	1 PNRR M.D. 630/2024 scholarship
Computer Science	1 scholarship funded by the National Agency for Cybersecurity - ACN

3. The PhD programmes will be activated *sub condicione* to the accreditation by the Ministry of University and Research under Ministerial Decree no. 226/2021.
4. Candidates are admitted to a PhD programme after passing a selection process that includes the **evaluation of academic qualifications and oral examination**. The Annexes define research topics, the number of available positions, admission requirements, and selection criteria used to determine the admission ranking for each PhD programme listed in paragraph 1 and 2.
5. The **calendar of the examinations** (which will run approximately from the 26 of August 2024), the composition of the Admission Panels and the dates when the final shortlist will be announced will be communicated with a notice published on the [University website](#) and in the online section of the Official University Register – Albo online) – on **22 August 2024**. Publication of the online calendar is the only notice given of the examination date.
6. After the evaluation of their qualifications, all candidates who are admitted to the oral examination will sit the exam as described in the notice referred to in the previous paragraph. Oral examinations can be taken online, but candidates wishing to do so must request this option when completing their application (see Art. 6) and be available on the day and at the time determined by the Committee. At the very beginning of the interview candidates must show, under penalty of exclusion, the ID they had attached to their application. Failure to be available online or to show up in person on the appointed day and time, or failure to show a valid identification document are grounds for exclusion from the selection process. The Admission Panel may decide to opt for the oral examination in online-only mode.
7. The number of available positions (including those funded by the PNRR) may be increased with a new provision in case of subsequent agreements and funding. Even if such an instance occurs, the deadline for applications remains unchanged.
8. The National Doctoral Degree Programme in Polar Sciences will last 3 years. The PhD Programme will start in December 2024 and will normally conclude by the end of November 2027. In general, the other PhD programmes last no less than three years and follow the academic calendar approved by the University. They will start by mid-September 2024 – except for scholarships funded by the PNRR, referred to in Annex “B” – and will normally end by the end of September 2027. For scholarships funded by the PNRR referred to in Annex “B”, the PhD Programme will start in December 2024 and will normally conclude by the end of November 2027 – except for the four-year Doctoral Programme in Management that will be completed by the end of November 2028. Enrolment in a PhD Programme requires a total and full-time commitment. The Faculty Committee of each PhD programme will assess the incompatibility of any extra activities carried out by their PhD students. Unless otherwise specified in the research project and/or in Ministerial Decrees 629/2024 and 630//2024, PhD students are required to spend a minimum of three months abroad for research, specialisation and training activities, subject to authorisation from the Faculty Committee.
9. The teaching and research activities of PhD programmes set up in agreement with other universities, both Italian and foreign, will be coordinated by the universities involved. The PhD title will be awarded jointly for national agreements and as a double PhD for international ones.

Art. 3 - Admission requirements

1. To apply, you must have one of the following:
 - “*Laurea Specialistica*” or “*Laurea magistrale*” (A second-level degree available in Italy since 1999 after completing five years (or more) of university studies);
 - an Italian degree obtained before the system introduced by Ministerial Decree No. 509 dated 3 November 1999, No. 509 as amended by Ministerial Decree dated 22 October 2004, No. 270 (*Laurea vecchio ordinamento – Old degree system*);
 - second-level university qualifications granted by AFAM institutions (Alta Formazione Artistica e Musicale, “Advanced Artistic and Musical Training”);

- a **Master's degree qualification obtained abroad** – comparable in terms of level and academic discipline to the Italian qualification granting admission to the PhD Programme and recognised as suitable for admission to the selection process under Art. 4 below.
2. The type of academic qualifications required for admission to the selection process and any further requirements for each PhD Programme are specified in the Annexes of this Call.
 3. If the equivalence (equiparazione) of the Italian degree obtained before Ministerial Decree 509/1999 (*Laurea vecchio ordinamento – Old degree system*) with the degree classifications of the "*Laurea magistrale*" (second cycle qualification) is requested in Annex "A", the equivalence must be self-certified by the candidate under Presidential Decree No. 445 of 28 December 2000, amended by Art. 15, paragraph 1 of Italian Law No. 183 of 12 November 2011. Equivalence cannot be self-certified by candidates if there is no univocal correspondence between the two degrees; where this is the case, candidates must request equivalence from the University that issued the degree in compliance with Ministerial Decree dated 9 July 2009.
 4. The Ministerial Decree dated 9 July 2009 establishes the correspondence between degree classifications for the "*Laurea specialistica*" (second cycle degree) set out by Ministerial Decree 509/99 and degree classifications for the "*Laurea magistrale*" (second cycle degree) set out by Ministerial Decree 270/2004.
 5. **Graduating students** can apply within the deadline set out in Art. 6 below, provided they obtain their degree **by 15 November 2024**. Candidates who do not receive the qualification within the deadline will be excluded.
 6. Candidates must have certified English proficiency of **at least B2 level** under the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) at the time of enrolment. They are otherwise allowed to acquire the certification **by 31 march 2025**. Failure to do so will exclude them from the PhD Programme. To learn more about the certifications accepted by the University and the exemption cases, see the [page on the University's website](#).
 7. No applications will be accepted from candidates who are already enrolled in other PhD programmes at Ca' Foscari University or, in the case of PhD programmes in partnership with Italian universities, at the partner institutions.
 8. Candidates who have renounced scholarships under the PNRR 38° and 39° cycle cannot be awarded PNRR 629/2024 and 630/2024 scholarships.

Art. 4 - International qualifications

1. To assess the eligibility of foreign qualifications, candidates must provide:
 - a) certificate (preferably translated into English or Italian) of an academic qualification comparable to *Laurea Magistrale* (Master's degree) or a second-level academic degree;
 - b) Transcript of Records from the university that awarded the degree, preferably translated into English or Italian;
 - c) *Diploma Supplement* (only for students who obtained their university degree in EU countries), or Declaration of Value ("*Dichiarazione di valore in loco*") issued by the relevant Italian diplomatic authority in the Country where the degree was obtained, or the [CIMEA Statement of Comparability](#) (Centro di Informazione sulla Mobilità e le Equivalenze Accademiche, Academic Equivalence Mobility Information Center), or the [Academic recognition by ARDI](#) complete with the [CIMEA Statement of Verification](#) of foreign second-level final qualifications for accessing the PhD programme.

Candidates must have a qualification that allows enrolment in a PhD programme in the country where the qualification was obtained.

2. The Admission Panel verifies the suitability of the foreign qualification according to regulations in force in Italy and in the Country where the qualification itself was awarded, and while respecting the international agreements concerning the recognition of qualifications for further education.
3. Candidates who do not have the documents referred to in the previous paragraph 1, letter c) shall be admitted to the selection procedure conditionally and, if successful, must provide them during the online registration procedure or in any case by 31/03/2025, the *Diploma supplement* or, if the qualification had been obtained outside the European Union, a copy of the diploma, translated and legalised in Italian or English language, together with the Declaration of Value ("*Dichiarazione di valore in loco*") issued by the relevant Italian diplomatic authority in the Country where the degree was obtained, or the [CIMEA Statement of Comparability](#) (Centro di Informazione sulla Mobilità e le Equivalenze Accademiche, Academic Equivalence Mobility Information Center), or the [Academic recognition by ARDI](#) complete with the [CIMEA Statement of Verification](#) of foreign second-level final qualifications for accessing the PhD programme.
4. In the event that the aforementioned documents provided by the candidate show that the academic qualification are not valid for the purposes of enrolment in an academic course equivalent to a PhD, the candidate shall no longer be allowed to continue on the PhD course and must return any funding already received.
5. At any time, the candidate may be required to submit further documentation to confirm eligibility.

Art. 5 - Required Qualifications

1. The following qualifications are mandatory for admission to all the PhD Programmes listed in this call:

- **curriculum vitae et studiorum** (preferably in the Europass European format);
 - **PhD research proposal:** information on how to draft a proposal is available for some PhD programmes on the [University website](#). Candidates can submit only one research proposal. The research proposal presented for the selection will not necessarily be the one developed by the PhD student during the PhD programme. The "Do No Significant Harm" (DNSH) principle, as per art. 17 - EU Regulation 2020/852, should be considered when drafting the proposal.
 - **A certificate listing exams and grades from your Master's degree** (related to *Laurea specialistica* or *Laurea magistrale / Laurea vecchio ordinamento / AFAM* second-level academic qualification, academic qualification obtained abroad); Italian and European Community citizens holding a qualification obtained in Italy must submit a self-declaration under the Presidential Decree No. 445 dated 28 December 2000, No. 445 as amended by Art. 15 paragraph 1 of Italian Law No. 183 dated 12 November 2011¹.
2. A maximum of two letters of reference from university professors, researchers or other experts in the field are optional qualifications for all PhD programmes. They must be submitted according to Article 6, paragraph 4 below. Annexes "A" and "B" list some further optional qualifications for each PhD programme.
 3. Qualifications must be uploaded through the online application only, as described in Article 6 below.

Art. 6 - Application form

1. The application form must be sent to the PhD Office **by 1 PM (Italian time) on 19 August 2024** following the online procedure described in paragraph 2 below and available on the [University website](#). Failure to follow this procedure results in exclusion from the selection.
2. The procedure involves two stages, both mandatory for admission to the selection process:
 - a) **You must fill in and save the online application request through the link provided for the specific PhD programme you are applying to.** You will receive a confirmation email with a univocal application code when the application is successfully saved. The code will identify you throughout the selection process (evaluation of qualifications, interview, etc.);
 - b) **Register on the University website.** This is necessary if you are admitted to the PhD programme, when you would need to confirm your acceptance (see Art. 10).
If you have already registered (for example, when participating in previous calls for applications or if you are a former student of Ca' Foscari), you can skip this step.
Access to the personal area for confirmation purposes will take place as follows, depending on your status:
 - once registered, applicants of Italian nationality or currently residing in Italy (including Ca' Foscari's ex-students) must log in through SPID/CIE.
PLEASE NOTE: access to the website will be possible from the day after registration referred to in paragraph 2.b. To obtain the SPID, visit [dedicated page](#). to obtain CIE, visit [dedicated page](#);
 - once they are registered, applicants of a nationality other than Italian who are not currently in Italy and have no student number and password may request their credentials through [this link](#).
3. Qualifications and publications, as described in Art. 5 and in Annexes "A" and "B", must be submitted in PDF format (maximum file size is 10 MB) and uploaded while filling in the online application form. Candidates may add, delete or modify the documents after completing the online application form described in section 2 above, provided they do so before the application deadline. It is mandatory that you attach a copy of a valid identity document.
4. Regarding reference letters, candidates must ask lecturers/specialists to submit their letters through the online procedure. In order to do so, candidates will enter the lecturers/specialists' email addresses when compiling the application, and the lecturers/specialists will receive an email with instructions on how to upload the reference letters. Such notification will be sent to them automatically only after the candidate has saved the application, as described in paragraph 2 above. Candidates will receive an email informing them that the reference letter was uploaded, but the letters will be visible only to the PhD Office and the Admission Panel. **Lecturers/specialists must upload reference letters by the application deadline.** Letters directly uploaded by candidates or delivered via other means will not be considered.
5. Candidates who intend to apply for more than one PhD Programme must submit a separate application, complete with the necessary documents, for each Programme.
6. All documents in the previous paragraph 3 must be written in Italian or English or translated into Italian or English by and under the responsibility of the candidates.
7. Except for access qualifications described in Art. 3, paragraph 5 above, all qualifications must be obtained by the application deadline.
8. Applications lacking the mandatory qualifications described in Art. 5 above will not be considered.

¹ As mere examples, you need to provide a *self-declaration* in cases such as enrolment in public registers, membership of professional orders, educational and professional qualifications. Non-EU citizens can use the *self-declaration* only for matters that can be confirmed by Italian authorities or under international agreements between Italy and their country of origin.

9. The University will verify the validity of all applications after the submission deadline. Candidates who submit invalid applications will be excluded from the selection process and informed by email.
10. Candidates with disabilities or learning difficulties intending to use the support provided under Italian Law No. 104 dated 5 February 1992 must write it in their online application, indicating the type of support, aids or compensatory measures required.
11. Candidates will be admitted to the selection process subject to the assessment that admission requirements are met; the verification procedure will comply with Art. 43 of Presidential Decree No. 445 dated 28 December 2000, n. 445. The University reserves the right to exclude candidates from the selection process at any time: the communication will be given to the e-mail address indicated by the candidate, under art. 6, paragraph 2. The University will also verify the truthfulness of self-declarations submitted by candidates: anyone submitting false declarations is punishable under the Italian Penal Code and all applicable laws.

Art. 7 - Admission Panels

1. The Admission Panels are composed of a minimum of three to a maximum of five members (a maximum of nine members only for PhD Programmes in partnership with at least three Italian universities), including the Chair. Gender balance will be considered whenever possible.
2. Up to two experts from public or private research institutions can join the Admission Panel, but the overall number of members must always be odd. The Panel may also seek the support of non-voting consultants to assess specific disciplines.
3. The Admission Panels may convene online.
4. Committees establish the assessment criteria and weighting of qualifications and examinations before the examination process, with regard to any aspects not covered by Annex "A" and "B".
5. During the assessment of qualifications, the Admission Panel can also use the information provided in the *curriculum vitae et studiorum* submitted with the application.
6. The Admission Panel, as part of the selection procedures, will assess the compliance of the research proposal with the requirements on "Do No Significant Harm" (DNSH), and ensure that the selection takes place in compliance with equal gender opportunities.

Art. 8 - Final shortlist

1. Eligible candidates will be admitted to each PhD Programme according to the shortlist ranking until all available positions are filled.
2. Admission to each PhD Programme will be based exclusively on the online shortlists published on the [University website](#) and in the online section of the Official University Register – Albo online, according to the terms laid down in the online notice described in Art. 2, paragraph 5. Publication of the shortlist fulfils the document publication requirement: names will be indicated for successful and eligible candidates only. Candidates admitted will not be individually notified.
3. PhD scholarships – described in Art. 9 – will be allocated according to the shortlist, regardless of the candidates' citizenship. In the case of equally ranked candidates, scholarship allocation will consider the candidate's household income (calculated according to the criteria set out in the current legislation governing access to higher education).
4. Candidates ranked in more than one shortlist must choose one PhD Programme only.
5. PhD scholarships awarded for specific topics will be assigned by the Admission Panel (also taking into account any additional requirements described in the annexes to this call for applications) based on the affinity with the research topics of the candidates' qualifications, their academic profile and the results of the selection examinations.
6. When a scholarship is linked to a specific topic, the winner cannot opt for a free-topic scholarship, regardless of the ranking position, even in the event of waiver and replacement referred to in art.11 below. The candidate(s) admitted with a PhD scholarship linked to a specific topic must develop the research theme indicated by the scholarship.

Art. 9 - PhD scholarships

1. The PhD scholarship, which will be paid in monthly instalments, is € 16,243.00 per year, including social insurance contributions payable by the scholarship holder. It is exempt from local tax and income tax (IRPEF).
2. The PhD scholarship is renewable annually for the entire programme duration on the condition that the holder has completed the agreed activities every year, as verified by the PhD Faculty Committee.
3. The PhD scholarship may be increased by up to 50% for up to 12 months for three-year programmes (18 months for four-year programmes) in the case of a study period abroad authorised by the PhD Faculty Committee. This period can be extended up to an overall maximum limit of 18 months for Joint Research PhD Thesis programmes with foreign universities or activated in partnership. For the PNRR scholarships under Ministerial Decrees 629/20224 and 630/2024, the study and research period abroad is set by the project, and any changes must be authorized.

4. All PhD students with PhD scholarships are entitled to a budget for research activities in Italy and abroad, equal to at least 10% of the scholarship. For the National Doctoral Degree Programme in Polar Sciences, this budget is equal to at least 20% of the scholarship.
5. A PhD scholarship cannot be combined with either research grants or other scholarships assigned for any reason, except those granted by national or foreign institutions to integrate research or study periods abroad.
6. Candidates who received a PhD scholarship in the past cannot receive it again.

Art. 10 - Acceptance of the position and enrolment

1. To avoid exclusion, successful candidates must, **within three working days** from the date of publication of the shortlist on the University website (see online notice described in Art. 2, paragraph 5):
 - a) complete the online enrolment procedure;
 - b) pay the tax stamp and the regional tax for financial aid.
2. To complete the online application form, access the Personal Area of the website as set out in Art. 6, paragraph 2, and proceed as follows: Home > Students services > Enrolment (former students should instead proceed as follows: Admission and enrolment > Enrolment).

As to the documentation to be attached in this phase, please refer to the provisions on the [University website](#).

During the application process, the applicant must pay the relevant fees exclusively via PagoPA by clicking on the "Pagamenti" button at the end of the procedure.

[This page](#) contains instructions on how to make the payment.

3. Submission of the enrolment form and payment of the fees due within the prescribed three working days are mandatory requirements for acceptance of the position, under penalty of exclusion.
4. The enrolment procedure will be finalised in the back office by the Master and Post Lauream Office. Each student will receive an e-mail confirming the enrollment. The email will contain personal credentials (student identification number and password) to access the University's telematic and IT services. For students residing in non-EU countries, the enrolment procedure will be completed only after they have obtained their entry visa (by 31 March 2025).
5. If the successful candidate is a graduating student, they are required to promptly notify, upon graduation, the Master and Post Lauream Office by e-mail to postlauream@unive.it, sending only the declaration of certification if they are an Italian or EU citizen holding a degree obtained in Italy. The enrolment procedure will be completed only after the candidate has gained the access qualification, which must be obtained by 15 November 2024, under penalty of exclusion. For academic qualifications gained abroad, candidates must send appropriate certification attesting that they have obtained the qualification according to Article 4. Should the first-ranked candidate not accept the place, the candidate following in rank will be required, if they have not already done so, to submit the documentation mentioned above showing, under penalty of exclusion, that the qualification required for the access was obtained within the time limit referred to in Article 3, paragraph 5.
6. The Settore Orientamento e Accoglienza / Counselling and Welcome Sector will support non-Italian candidates with administrative formalities, such as the issue of visas, residence permits, tax codes and enrolment in the INPS "gestione separata" scheme.
7. If the candidate is a foreign state scholarship-holder, they must send the certification of the grant funder to the Master and Post Lauream Office by email to postlauream@unive.it.
8. Enrollment in the PhD programme is compatible with Bachelor's degree, *Laurea magistrale*, *Lauree a ciclo unico*, Postgraduate Schools, and Master of Research with no compulsory attendance. It is not allowed to be enrolled in two PhDs or in a PhD and a master with mandatory attendance at the same time. If you wish to attend an admissible second programme, you should promptly notify the Faculty Committee and the offices concerned.

Art. 11 - Waiver and replacement

1. In case of waiver of the position, and strictly within the prescribed three working days from the publication date of the final shortlist on the University website, the candidate must give notice via email to postlauream@unive.it. After three working days without any explicit communication of waiver, the candidate will anyway be considered to have given up the position.
2. If one of the candidates waives, the position will be offered to the candidate next in rank in the final shortlist, under the criteria expressed in Art. 8, paragraphs 3 and 6. Candidates will be notified only by email. Acceptance must be communicated within three working days from the date of notice, using the same procedure indicated in Art. 10, paragraphs 1 and 2.
3. If the candidate who waives the position is awarded a PhD scholarship linked to a specific topic, the scholarship may be reassigned, following the ranking, only to eligible candidates who had applied for the same scholarship.
4. If the candidate renounces after he accepted the position, the fees paid will not be returned.

5. In case of waiver after the beginning of the teaching activities, and in any case within the first four-month period, the Faculty Committee will evaluate the opportunity to fill the available position with another successful candidate according to the final ranking.

Art. 12 - Tuition fees

1. The amount for university fees in the a.y. 2024/2025 includes:
 - a) tax stamp of € 16.00;
 - b) regional tax for financial aid of € 186.00;
2. All PhD students are required to pay the tax stamp and the regional tax for financial aid only.
3. The amount of the regional tax for financial aid may be further reduced based on the student's financial status. Student fees will be calculated based on the "ISEE" declaration, including all reductions available to each student. Information regarding how to access fee reductions and relevant deadlines and how to submit the "ISEE" are available on Ca' Foscari [University website](#).

Art. 13 - PhD Programmes in Management: issue of qualification of Master of Research (Master Universitario di secondo livello)

1. PhD students enrolled in Management, who renounce to continue the studies or who achieve the PhD degree, will be awarded a *Master of Research (Master Universitario di secondo livello) in Management Studies*, according to Regolamento dei Dottorati di ricerca (PhD regulations). The issue of the qualification will take place only upon the request of the interested parties and upon fulfilment of all prescribed academic obligations.

Art. 14 - Processing of personal data

1. The University undertakes to use the personal data provided by the candidate for the fulfilment of the call procedures and for institutional purposes in compliance with the provisions laid down in Regulation EU 2016/679 ("*General Data Protection Regulation* - GDPR") and applicable national legislation (Legislative Decree 30 June 2003, no. 196 "Code regarding the protection of personal data") as amended from time to time. The information on personal data processing is published online at [this page](#).
2. In compliance with the principles set out in the law mentioned above, participation in the competition implies consent to publishing the personal data of successful and eligible candidates on the University website.

Art. 15 - Patents, privacy, intellectual property and personal data protection

1. By participating in this call, the candidate accepts the provisions of the University regarding patents, privacy and intellectual property, the protection of personal data and the treatment of the University for statistical or scientific research purposes.
2. In case of enrolment, the candidate undertakes to sign suitable declaration on the matter.

Art. 16 - Reference regulations and offices responsible

1. For all matters not provided for by this Call for Applications, reference should be made to Italian legislation governing PhD Programmes and to the current regulations of the University, the following in particular: "Regolamento generale di Ateneo" (General Regulations of the University), "Regolamento didattico di Ateneo" (Teaching Regulations of the University), "Regolamento dei Dottorati di ricerca di Ateneo" (Regulations of the University PhD Programme), "Regolamento Carriere degli Studenti" (Regulations of student careers), "Regolamento di Ateneo per la valorizzazione della conoscenza" (University Regulations for the Enhancement of Knowledge), as well as its Annex "Linee guida IP e riservatezza nei contratti di ricerca (IP Guidelines and Confidentiality in Research Contracts)", Ministerial Decrees on PNRR-funded scholarships, and relevant European regulations.
2. Further information on this Call for Applications can be found [here](#) or requested from the PhD Office by email phd.application@unive.it.
3. For more information on accepting positions and enrolment, as described in Art. 10 and Art. 11 above, contact the Master and Post Lauream Office by email to postlauream@unive.it (Director of Ufficio Post Lauream e Banche Dati, Educational Programmes and Student Services Area, Dr Gianluca Doro)
4. Under Article 5 of Law No. 241 of 7 August 1990, "New rules on administrative procedure and right of access to administrative documents" and subsequent amendments and additions, the Person in charge of the Procedure is Dr Sabrina Daneluzzi - Director of the PhD Office.

Call for applications for admission to the National Doctoral Degree Programme in Polar Sciences and to PhD Programmes 40th cycle (a.y. 2024/2025)

Annexes: 2

Annex "A" - Fact sheets for the National Doctoral Degree Programme in Polar Sciences / Specifications and Fulfilments related to the PNRR-funded scholarships, as per Ministerial Decrees 629/2024 and 630/2024.

Annex "B" - Fact sheets for PhD Programmes in Philosophy and Educational Sciences, Italian Studies, Modern Languages, Cultures, and Societies and Linguistics, Management, Asian and African Studies and Computer Science (additional places with scholarship).



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Annex "A"

NATIONAL DOCTORAL DEGREE PROGRAMME IN POLAR SCIENCES

PHD PROGRAMME IN PARTNERSHIP WITH Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche- CNR, Istituto Nazionale di Oceanografia e di Geofisica Sperimentale - OGS, Istituto Nazionale Geofisica e Vulcanologia- INGV, Università degli Studi di BARI ALDO MORO, Università degli Studi di MESSINA, Università degli Studi di MILANO, Università degli Studi di MILANO-BICOCCA, Università degli Studi di MODENA e REGGIO EMILIA, Università degli Studi di NAPOLI "Parthenope", Università degli Studi di Napoli Federico II, Università degli Studi di PADOVA, Università degli Studi di PERUGIA, Università degli Studi di TRENTO, Università di PISA, Università Politecnica delle MARCHE

THREE YEARS PROGRAMME, TAUGHT IN ENGLISH

Research topics

The proposed national PhD program intends to create an "ecosystem" of knowledge based on different thematic components that will provide specializations on the following strategic sectors and application domains, which represent the 6 curricula in which the PhD of National Interest is organized:

1. Biology, Ecology and Biodiversity,
2. Human impacts,
3. Solid Earth,
4. Ocean and Cryosphere,
5. Astronomy, Space and Earth Observations,
6. Climate System.

Admission requirements

- *Laurea specialistica/magistrale* (second cycle/Master's degree);
- or degree obtained under the Italian university system in force prior to the Ministerial Decree no. 509/1999;
- or Master’s degree qualification obtained abroad.

The admissions qualification must be obtained no more than 10 years before the date of the issue of the call.

Places available

MUR/University scholarships	4
PNRR- funded scholarships 2 PNRR scholarships Ministerial Decree 629/2024 – 3.4 Digital and Environmental Transitions (CUP H74D24001440002) 1 bound to the topic “Emerging chemicals in polar atmospheric aerosols: facing new challenges in pristine environments”, based at Ca’ Foscari University with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and a period of study and research at companies or research centres (curriculum Human Impact)	13

1 bound to the topic "Analysis of micropaleontological assemblages from Antarctic marine sediment cores: the Pliocene as an analogue of the near future climate", based at the University of Pisa, with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and a period of study and research at companies or research centres (curriculum Solid Earth)

1 PNRR scholarships Ministerial Decree 629/2024 – 4.1 PNRR Research (CUP H74D24001430002)

1 bound to the topic "Trophodynamic indicators for estimating food web responses to cumulative impacts in the Barents Sea" based at Ca' Foscari University, with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months (curriculum Biology, Ecology and Biodiversity)

1 PNRR scholarships Ministerial Decree 629/2024– 4.1 Public Administration (CUP H74D24001420002)

1 bound to the topic "Physiological responses of polar organisms to global changes.", based at University of Padua, with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and a period of study and research at companies, research centres or Public Administrations (curriculum Biology, Ecology and Biodiversity)

9 PNRR scholarships Ministerial Decree DM 630/2024 (CUP H74D24001410004)

1 bound to the topic "Climate and cryosphere interaction in the Himalayas", based at Ca' Foscari University, with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and a period at company ISP-CNR of 6 months (curriculum Climate System)

1 bound to the topic "*Space Weather* and implications on UV radiation on cryosphere", based at Ca' Foscari University, with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and a period at company Out Of S.r.l. of 6 months (curriculum Astronomy, Space & Earth's Observation)

1 bound to the topic "Past and present interactions between the ocean, sediments and ice in Antarctica", based at Ca' Foscari University, with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and a period at company OGS of 6 months (curriculum Solid Earth). ([Description of the project](#))

1 bound to the topic "Snow cover in the Karakoram and Himalaya regions: current trends and future scenarios", based at the University of Milan with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and a period at company EvK2CNR of 6 months (curriculum Climate System)

1 bound to the topic "Geomatics integrated sensors for deformation monitoring in Antarctica" based at the University of Modena e Reggio Emilia, with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and a period at company Stonex Srl of 6 months (curriculum Climate System)

1 bound to the topic "The microalgal community of the Ross Sea (Antarctica) and the ocean-cryosphere interaction in a changing Southern Ocean", based at the University of Napoli Federico II, with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and a period at company Consorzio SINDBAD Scarl of 6 months (curriculum Biology, Ecology and Biodiversity)

1 bound to the topic "Macrozoobenthic community structure and bioaccumulation of trace elements along the trophic chain in the Terra Nova Bay (Antarctica)", based at the University of Napoli Parthenope, with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and a period at company Consorzio CoNISMa of 6 months (curriculum Biology, Ecology and Biodiversity)

<p>1 bound to the topic “Atmospheric variability in the Ross Sea: synoptic climatology and relationships to recent changes in salinity and sea ice concentration”, based at the University of Napoli Parthenope, with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and a period at company (Consorzio CoNISMa) of 6 months (curriculum Climate System)</p> <p>1 bound to the topic " Characterization of intense thunderstorm phenomena in mountain and foothill areas in the context of climate change", based at the University of Trento, with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and a period at company AMIGO S.r.l. of 6 months (curriculum Biology, Ecology and Biodiversity)</p>	
<p>Other scholarships</p> <p>4 funded by Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche – CNR 2 of which tied to Arctic themes supported by the Programme for Research in the Arctic (PRA) and 2 tied to Antarctic themes and supported by the National Programme for Research in the Antarctic (PNRA), with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months.</p> <p>2 funded by Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche – CNR (subject to the finalisation of the agreement), 1 of which tied to Arctic themes supported by the Programme for Research in the Arctic (PRA AE2023) and 1 tied to Antarctic themes and supported by the National Programme for Research in the Antarctic (PNRA AEA2023), with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months.</p> <p>1 funded by the Department of Environmental Sciences, Informatics and Statistics in partnership with Silicones Europe, bound to the topic “Impact of snow and snow melt on the distribution of cyclic volatile methylsiloxanes (cVMS)”, with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months (curriculum Human Impacts)</p> <p>1 funded by the Department of Environmental Sciences, Informatics and Statistics in partnership with the Italian Space Agency, bound to the topic “Study of survival in the Martian environment of thermophilic bacteria isolated from Antarctica: investigation of adaptation strategies and biotechnological potential in relation to in situ resource utilization”, with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months (curriculum Astronomy, Space & Earth’s Observation)</p> <p>2 funded by Istituto Nazionale di Oceanografia e Geofisica Sperimentale - OGS, of which 1 bound to the topic “Numerical modeling of the stability of the George V Land (East Antarctica) continental margin: interplay between glacio-isostatic adjustment and ice sheet dynamics over the past Late Pleistocene interglacials” (Description of the project) and 1 bound to the topic “Interactions between the subglacial lithosphere and Antarctic ice sheets”, with the obligation for the successful candidates to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months (curriculum Ocean and Cryosphere)</p> <p>1 funded by the University of Bari “Aldo Moro” bound to the topic “Morphological Analysis combining marine and terrestrial data in a glacial environment. The case study of the Terra Nova Bay Coast, Ross Sea, Antarctica”, based at the University of Bari "Aldo Moro", with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months (curriculum Solid Earth)</p> <p>1 funded by the University of Messina bound to the topic “Polar ecosystems undergoing change: role of key zooplanktonic species as vectors of microplastics in the Antarctic and periantarctic trophic network”, based at the University of Messina with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months (curriculum Biology, Ecology and Biodiversity)</p> <p>1 funded by the Università Politecnica delle Marche bound to the topic “Microbiome of Antarctic benthic invertebrates and its role in adaptation to freezing conditions”, based at Università Politecnica delle Marche with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of</p>	<p>16</p>

<p>study and research abroad of 6 months (curriculum Biology, Ecology and Biodiversity)</p> <p>1 funded by the University of Milano Bicocca bound to the topic “Paleoclimatic reconstructions from polar ice cores”, based at University of Milano Bicocca with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months (curriculum Climate System)</p> <p>1 funded by the University of Perugia bound to the topic “Polar dust sources (Arctic, Antarctic and Himalaya) in the Earth system”, based at University of Perugia bound with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months (curriculum Solid Earth)</p> <p>1 funded by the Istituto Nazionale di Geofisica e Vulcanologia (INGV) bound to the topic “Investigation of North Pole-South Pole asymmetries using Paleoclimatic Records: early warning and tipping points”, based at INGV with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months (curriculum Climate System)</p>	
<p>Total number of places available</p>	<p>33</p>

Admission procedure

Assessment of qualification and interview (possibility of video conferencing interview as described in Art. 2, paragraph 6 of the Call for Applications).

The interview will be held in English language.

The schedule of examinations (to be held approximately from August 26, 2024) will be available on the [University website](#) on the 22nd of August 2024.

Language/s

Candidates are required to have a certified English proficiency of at least the B2 level - under the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) - at the time of enrolment, or no later than March 31st, 2025 if acquiring it subsequently, otherwise they will be excluded from the PhD Programme (see Art. 3, paragraph 6 of the call).

Qualifications eligible for assessment

Required qualifications (described in Art. 5 of the Call for Applications)

Optional qualifications

- Up to two reference letters by university professors, researchers or other experts;
- Specialist master's or other postgraduate courses, including thesis title and abstract in English;
- Scientific publications with abstract in English;
- Research experience acquired at universities or research institutes;

Test and qualification assessment criteria

The Committee may assign up to 100 points as follows:

- Qualifications: 70 of which 42 for the PhD research proposal and 5 for each reference letter [minimum score for admission to interview (research proposal + qualifications) 50/70].
- Interview: 30.

Minimum admission score: 65/100.

Interview subjects

The interview, in English language, will involve a discussion of the candidate's research proposal and motivations, as well as evaluating skills acquired in subjects necessary for quantitative analysis and model generation such as mathematics and statistics. The interview will assess the candidate's competencies in foundation subjects as well as their motivation and adequate skills to fluently communicate in English language.

Further information

During the second or third year, all PhD students must carry out a study/research period an international university or research institute.

Specifications and Fulfilments related to the PNRR-funded scholarships, as per Ministerial Decrees 629/2024 and 630/2024

1 - General Standards:

1.1 PhD Programmes will be activated *sub condicione* to the accreditation provided by the Ministry of University and Research pursuant to Ministerial Decree 226/2021 and PNRR scholarships, as per Ministerial Decrees 629/2024 and 630/2024, shall be announced *sub condicione* to confirmation of funding, also by the Ministry.

1.2 PNRR scholarships, as per Ministerial Decrees 629/2024 and 630/2024, will be awarded *sub condicione* to the Ministry's positive verification of eligibility for PNRR support.

1.3 The PNRR-funded PhD scholarships, as per Ministerial Decree 629/2024, are all awarded for specific topics, and may include a compulsory period of study and research at companies, research centres or Public Administrations, and a compulsory period abroad in accordance with what is summarised in the table below and specified in this annex, which is an integral part of the call:

	periods abroad	periods at companies or research centres or public administrations
Ministerial Decree 629/2024 scholarships I 4.1 PNRR Research	minimum 6 months mandatory	Optional
Ministerial Decree 629/2024 scholarships I 4.1 Public Administration		mandatory at companies or research centres or Public Adm. (minimum 6 months, maximum 12 months)
Ministerial Decree 629/2024 scholarships I 4.1 Cultural Heritage		mandatory at companies or research centres or Public Adm, included museums, institutes and training institutions of the Ministry of Culture, archives, libraries (minimum 6 months, maximum 12 months)
Ministerial Decree 629/2024 scholarships I 3.4 Digital and Environmental Transitions		mandatory at companies or research centres (minimum 6 months, maximum 12 months)

It is specified that periods of study and research abroad, including non-continuous periods, from a minimum of six (6) months up to the maximum limit provided laid down in Article 9, Paragraph 3 of the Decree of the Minister of University and Research no. 226, dated 14 December 2021, should be provided over the three-year term.

1.4 The PNRR-funded PhD scholarships, as per Ministerial Decree 630/2024, are all awarded for specific topics, and may include a compulsory period of study and research at companies, research centres or Public Administrations, and a compulsory period abroad in accordance with what is summarised in the table below and specified in this annex, which is an integral part of the call:

	periods abroad	periods at companies
Ministerial Decree 630/2024 scholarships	minimum 6 months mandatory	mandatory minimum 6 months, maximum 18 months

It is specified that periods of study and research abroad, including non-continuous periods, from a minimum of six (6) months up to the maximum limit provided laid down in Article 9, Paragraph 3 of the Decree of the Minister of University and Research no. 226, dated 14 December 2021, should be provided over the three-year term.

1.5 The applicant, since the submission of the application, is aware in the following cases the scholarship shall be revoked:

- implementation of the PhD programme in a manner that differs from the project accepted for funding, where the necessary authorisation has not been previously requested and subsequently granted by the MUR (Ministry of University and Research);
- failure to carry out periods of study and research at companies or research centres or public administrations and abroad, as specified in the table above.

2 - PhD term:

2.1 The Programme has a duration of not less than 3 years. The PhDs related to the PNRR 629/2024 and 630/2024 places activated under this Call for application will start in December 2024 and are expected to end by November 2027. The four-year PhD Programme in Management will end by November 2028.

2.2 The activities of PhDs funded under PNRR Ministerial Decree 629/2024 and 630/2024 must still be launched by 13 December 2024.

3 - Disbursement of PhD scholarships:

3.1 The disbursement of PNRR-funded scholarships, as per Ministerial Decree 629/2024 and 630/2024, will take place starting in December 2024, *sub condicione* to the Ministry's positive verification of eligibility for PNRR support.

3.2 For the PhD student who has been awarded a PNRR scholarship, as per Ministerial Decree 629/2024 and 630/2024, there is no possibility of waiving the scholarship without forfeiting the PhD.

3.3 In the case of failure to obtain the degree, or in the event that the PhD student is not evaluated positively for the purpose of renewing the scholarship, or withdraws from the PhD programme, the Ministry will proceed to partial

revoke the funding. In the event of withdrawal, the PhD student is required to repay the amounts disbursed in relation to the current year at the time of withdrawal.

4 - Reporting:

4.1 Periodic reporting will be done through the dedicated online platform (<https://dottorati.mur.gov.it>) and using the forms therein. Each PhD student should produce a report indicating the time commitment (broken down into months at a company or research centre or Public Administration, onsite, abroad), and a summary of the main activities carried out, also stating that they comply with the principle of "no significant harm to the environment." It will be the responsibility of the PhD Programme Coordinator, through the same platform, to verify and validate what the PhD student has indicated.

5 - Statement of place acceptance:

5.1 A statement must be attached to the online registration application in which the applicant(s):

- acknowledge the provisions of Ministerial Decree no. 629/2024 and 630/2024;
- formally undertake to comply with the **principles and priorities of the PNRR** for all research activity:
 - the proposed and planned research activities will adhere to the "Do No Significant Harm" (DNSH) principle, i.e., won't do significant harm to the environment;
 - the exploitation of research results through appropriate circulation of the results pursued, however, in accordance with the principles of "Open science" and "FAIR Data" will be encouraged, while respecting intellectual property;

At the same time, they will certify that they are aware that failure to comply with these principles will result in revoking the scholarship;

- certify that they are aware that the modification of project objectives and expected results (where not previously communicated to, and evaluated by, the MUR) will result in the revocation of the scholarship and the full refund of any amounts already paid;
- certify that they are aware that any negative judgment of the Teaching Board, and the consequent non-admission to the following year of the PhD programme, will result in the revocation of the sums already disbursed for the current year, and that failure to obtain the qualification will result in the revocation of the sums already disbursed for the final year of the programme;
- certify that they are not currently receiving any other scholarship in any capacity awarded, and undertake, for the duration of the scholarship, not to benefit from any other grant in any capacity awarded, except for those eligible under current national regulations.
- certify that they have not waived PNRR scholarships for the 38th and 39th cycle.



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Annex "B"

Fact sheets for PhD Programmes in Philosophy and Educational Sciences, Italian Studies, Modern Languages, Cultures, and Societies and Linguistics, Management, Asian and African Studies and Computer Science (additional places with scholarship)

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Places with PNRR-funded scholarships:

PhD Programme	Places with PNRR M.D. 630/2024 scholarship
1 - PHILOSOPHY AND EDUCATIONAL SCIENCES	1
2 - ITALIAN STUDIES	1
3 - MODERN LANGUAGES, CULTURES, AND SOCIETIES AND LINGUISTICS	1
4 - MANAGEMENT	1
5 - ASIAN AND AFRICAN STUDIES	1
TOTAL	5

Specifications and Fulfilments related to the PNRR-funded scholarships, as per Ministerial Decree 630/2024

Specifications and Fulfilments related to the PNRR-funded scholarships, as per Ministerial Decree 630/2024 are contained in "A" of this Call for applications.

Places with other scholarship:

PhD Programme	Places with scholarship
6 – COMPUTER SCIENCE	1
TOTAL	1

1- PHD IN PHILOSOPHY AND EDUCATIONAL SCIENCES
PHD PROGRAMME IN PARTNERSHIP WITH UNIVERSITÉ PARIS | PANTHÉON – SORBONNE, FRANCE
CURRICULUM IN PHILOSOPHY – CURRICULUM IN EDUCATIONAL SCIENCE
ITALIAN-TAUGHT PROGRAMME
CUP H74D24001450004

The PNRR MD 630/2024 scholarship concerns the Educational Sciences Curriculum

Research topics:

*Educational Sciences Curriculum: **General Pedagogy; Cognitive Sciences; Social Pedagogy; Intercultural Pedagogy; Labour Pedagogy; Developmental Psychology; Methodology and General Didactics; Technologies for Education and Didactics; Social Psychology; Neuroscience; Special Pedagogy; System Assessment and Educational Research; Philosophy of Education***

Admission requirements

- *Laurea specialistica/magistrale* (second cycle/Master's degree);
- or a degree obtained under the Italian university system in force before the Ministerial Decree no. 509/1999;
- or a second-level university qualifications granted by AFAM institutions (Alta Formazione Artistica e Musicale, “Advanced Artistic and Musical Training”);
- **or a Master’s degree qualification obtained abroad.**

Places available

<p>1 PNRR Ministerial Decree 630/2024 scholarship bound to the topic “Evaluation and development of soft skills in the secondary school teaching profession” co-financed by ENAIP.</p> <p>with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and of 12 months at ENAIP.</p>	1
Total number of places available	1

Admission process

Assessment of qualifications and oral interview, with the possibility of interviewing remotely as provided in Article 2, paragraph 6 of this Call for Applications.

The interview will be in Italian.

The schedule of examinations (to be held approximately from August 26, 2024) will be available on the [University website](#) on the 22nd of August 2024.

Languages

Candidates must have certified English proficiency of at least B2 level under the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) at enrolment. They are otherwise allowed to acquire the certification by 31 March 2025. Failure to do so will exclude them from the PhD Programme (see Art. 3, paragraph 6 of the call).

The PhD programme is mainly taught in Italian. Candidates who are not native Italian speakers are expected to have a good knowledge of Italian, which will be assessed during the interview.

Qualifications accepted for assessment

Required qualifications (described in Art. 5 of the Call for Applications)

Optional qualifications

- Up to two reference letters by university professors, researchers or other experts;
- Postgraduate diplomas;
- Postgraduate specialisation courses, attended either in Italy or abroad;
- Research activity carried out in private and/or public bodies under contracts, scholarships, research assignments, either in Italy or abroad;

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- Publications.

Evaluation criteria for the interview and the qualifications

The Admission Panel has 100 points to be awarded as follows:

- Up to 57 points for qualifications, 43 of which for the PhD research proposal and 3 for each reference letter. The minimum score for admission to the interview (research proposal + qualifications) is 28/57.
- Up to 43 points for the oral interview.

*The minimum score to qualify for ranking is **60/100**.*

Interview content

The candidate's scientific qualifications, research proposal and curriculum vitae.

2 - PHD IN ITALIAN STUDIES

PHD PROGRAMME IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ALPEN-ADRIA-UNIVERSITÄT KLAGENFURT (AUSTRIA)

ITALIAN TAUGHT PROGRAMME

CUP H74D24001460004

Research topics

Editing, analysis and interpretation of literary texts from the Middle Ages to the contemporary period, either in Italian or by Italian authors who have written in Latin, Greek, Provençal, Old French, as well as in modern languages or dialects or jargons. Relationship between the Italian language, literature and culture, and ancient and modern cultures and literatures which have come into contact with the former. Vernacular versions and translation of texts especially to and from Latin. Issues in historical linguistics and the history of Italian linguistics, of Medieval Latin-based languages and Italian dialects and the description of varieties of Italo-Romance languages of the past and the present. Literary civilisation of north-eastern Italy. Perspectives of Italian literary criticism.

Admission requirements

- *Laurea specialistica/magistrale* (second cycle/Master's degree);
- or a degree obtained under the Italian university system in force before the Ministerial Decree no. 509/1999;
- or second-level university qualifications granted by AFAM institutions (Alta Formazione Artistica e Musicale, "Advanced Artistic and Musical Training");
- **or a Master's degree qualification obtained abroad.**

The required qualifications must not have been obtained more than five years before the publication of the call.

Places available

1 PNRR Ministerial Decree 630/2024 scholarship bound to the topic "Marketing as self-narration" co-financed by Fondazione Rubelli, with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and a minimum of 6 months at Fondazione Rubelli.	1
Total number of places available	1

Admission process

Assessment of qualifications and oral interview, with the possibility of interviewing remotely as provided in Article 2, paragraph 6 of this Call for Applications.

The interview will be in Italian.

The schedule of examinations (to be held approximately from August 26, 2024) will be available on the [University website](#) on the 22nd of August 2024.

Languages

Candidates must have certified English proficiency of at least B2 level under the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) at enrolment. They are otherwise allowed to acquire the certification by 31 March 2025. Failure to do so will exclude them from the PhD Programme (see Art. 3, paragraph 6 of the call).

Qualifications accepted for assessment

Required qualifications (described in Art. 5 of the Call for Applications)

Optional qualifications

- Up to two reference letters by university professors, researchers or other experts;
- Thesis or, if it is still being written, the part of it that is available;
- Postgraduate scholarships;
- Attendance of postgraduate specialisation courses with a duration of at least six months;
- Academic publications.

Evaluation criteria for the interview and the qualifications

The Admission Panel has 100 points to be awarded as follows:

- Qualifications: 50 points, of which 40 for the PhD research proposal and 2 for each reference letter [minimum score for admission to the interview (research proposal + qualifications) is 30/50]
- Interview: 50.

*The minimum score to qualify for ranking is **60/100**.*

Interview content

The interview will focus on the candidate's thesis (or the part of it that is available) and research proposal. Aptitude for research and expertise in the academic discipline of the proposal will also be assessed

3 - PHD IN MODERN LANGUAGES, CULTURES AND SOCIETIES AND LINGUISTICS

PHD PROGRAMME IN PARTNERSHIP WITH SORBONNE UNIVERSITÉ, FRANCE

PHD PROGRAMME IN COLLABORATION WITH UNIVERZA NA PRIMORSKEM/UNIVERSITY OF PRIMORSKA, SLOVENIA

CURRICULUM IN MODERN LANGUAGES, CULTURES AND SOCIETIES – CURRICULUM IN LINGUISTICS

PROGRAMME TAUGHT IN ITALIAN AND IN THE LANGUAGES OBJECT OF STUDY

CUP H74D24001470004

The PNRR MD 630/2024 scholarship concerns the Curriculum in Modern Languages, Cultures and Societies

Research topics

Modern Languages, Cultures and Societies Curriculum: They include the areas listed below, encompassing stylistic, rhetorical, philological, historical, and epistemological aspects, considered from a culture-specific and/or a cross-cultural perspective:

- Anglo-American cultures and literatures
- English language, culture and literature
- English-speaking postcolonial cultures and literatures
- French and Francophone cultures and literatures
- Hispanic American cultures and literatures
- Iberian languages, cultures and literatures (Spanish, Catalan, Portuguese)
- Lusophone cultures and literatures of Latin America and Africa
- German and Austrian languages, cultures and literatures
- Slavic and Balkan area languages, cultures and literatures: Albanian, Bulgarian, Czech, Croatian, Greek, Polish, Russian, Serbian, Slovenian, and historical Slavic-ecclesiastical language areas.
- Scandinavian languages, cultures and literatures
- Comparative literature

Within the academic disciplines in the sectors mentioned above, there will be disciplinary approaches and contributions based on the study of languages (Language and translation) applied to foreign literatures and cultures (e.g., stylistic, rhetorical, computational, philological, translation, etc.); as well as comparative and interdisciplinary approaches and contributions, always having as their aim the study of literary texts and cultural phenomena. In comparative and interdisciplinary studies, the principle of the centrality of culture and literature of reference will be crucial, in which language students will deepen their research and write the related doctoral thesis.

Admission requirements

- *Laurea specialistica/magistrale* (second cycle/Master's degree);
- or degree obtained under the Italian university system in force before the Ministerial Decree no. 509/1999;
- or second-level university qualifications granted by AFAM institutions (Alta Formazione Artistica e Musicale, "Advanced Artistic and Musical Training");
- or **Master's degree qualification obtained abroad.**

Places available

1 PNRR Ministerial Decree 630/2024 scholarship bound to the topic "Analysis of texts in Italian, English, and Spanish (original and translated or transcreated texts through GenAI), in medical, technical, fashion-design, legal, financial and business fields", co-financed by Landoor srl (<https://www.landoor.com>)

with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and a minimum of 6 months at Landoor srl.

Total number of places available

1

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Admission process

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Assessment of qualifications and oral interview, with the possibility of interviewing remotely as provided in Article 2, paragraph 6 of this Call for Applications.

The schedule of examinations (to be held approximately from August 26, 2024) will be available on the [University website](#) on the 22nd of August 2024.

Languages

Candidates must have certified English proficiency of at least B2 level under the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) at enrolment. They are otherwise allowed to acquire the certification by 31 March 2025. Failure to do so will exclude them from the PhD Programme (see Art. 3, paragraph 6 of the call).

Candidates are required to specify in their CV the knowledge of two languages chosen from: Albanian; Bulgarian; Catalan; Czech; English; French; German; Modern Greek; Polish; Portuguese; Russian; Serbo-Croatian; Slovenian; Spanish; Swedish, German.

Qualifications accepted for assessment

Required qualifications (described in Art. 5 of the Call for Applications)

Optional qualifications

- Up to two reference letters by university professors, researchers or other experts;
- Academic publications;
- Other degrees and academic qualifications obtained in Italy or abroad (specialist Master's courses, postgraduate schools, postgraduate specialisation courses, PhDs);
- Research grants and postgraduate scholarships.

Evaluation criteria for the interview and the qualifications

The Admission Panel has 100 points to be awarded as follows:

- Up to 50 points for qualifications, 40 of which for the PhD research proposal and 2 for each reference letter (minimum score for admission to interview: 40/50).
- Up to 50 points for the oral interview.

Minimum score to qualify for ranking: 60/100

Interview content

the interview (in Italian) involves a discussion of the candidate's area of interest, research proposal and any scientific work submitted, in addition to an assessment of proficiency in the two foreign languages chosen. International candidates will take their interview in a bridge language other than their mother tongue (English, Spanish, French or German); their proficiency in Italian will also be assessed.

4 - [DOTTORATO IN MANAGEMENT](#)

DOTTORATO IN CONVENZIONE CON **SKEMA BUSINESS SCHOOL (FRANCE)**

CORSO DI DURATA QUADRIENNALE, TENUTO IN LINGUA INGLESE

CUP H74D24001490004

Research topics

Accounting, Organization theory and design, Human Resource management, Strategic Management, Marketing, Industry studies, Innovation and entrepreneurship, Sustainability, Network Theory, Technology Management, Financial Management and corporate reporting, Corporate governance and financial markets, Banking and finance, Innovation for social and environmental impact, Managerial Economics, Game Theory, Critical Management, Business and Economic History, Behavioural Economics, Operations Research, Labor law and industrial relations. Students are encouraged to participate in the activities of the Venice School of Management's Research Lab.: Agri-Food Management & Innovation, Digital Impact Lab, Centre for Automotive & Mobility Innovation, Network Organisation, Information, and Strategy, MacLab Management of Arts and Culture Lab, Industry and Labour 4.0, Public and No-Profit Management, Sustainability Lab, Lab International Management to Asia.

Admission requirements

- *Laurea specialistica/magistrale* (second cycle/Master's degree);
- or a degree obtained under the Italian university system in force before the Ministerial Decree no. 509/1999;
- **or a Master's degree qualification obtained abroad.**

The required qualifications must not have been obtained more than eight years before the publication of the call.

Places available

1 PNRR Ministerial Decree 630/2024 scholarship bound to the topic "Innovation and Regulation in Medical Technologies" co-financed by Regenlab (https://www.regenlab.com/) with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and a minimum of 6 months at Regenlab	1
Total number of places available	1

Admission process

Assessment of qualifications and oral interview, with the possibility of interviewing remotely as provided in Article 2, paragraph 6 of this Call for Applications.

The interview will be in English.

The schedule of examinations (to be held approximately from August 26, 2024) will be available on the [University website](#) on the 22nd of August 2024.

Languages

Candidates must have certified English proficiency of at least B2 level under the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) at enrolment. They are otherwise allowed to acquire the certification by 31 March 2025. Failure to do so will exclude them from the PhD Programme (see Art. 3, paragraph 6 of the call).

Qualifications accepted for assessment

Required qualifications (described in Art. 5 of the Call for Applications)

Optional qualifications

- Up to two reference letters by university professors, researchers or other experts;
- Academic publications including working papers;

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- Other certification that candidates consider useful in support of their applications (score obtained in GRE*, GMAT, TOEFL or other standard tests; specialist master's or other postgraduate courses; statements of research experiences in other universities or research institutions; awards and certificates). (*) The PhD Office receives GRE scores directly. Candidates taking GRE tests must enter the following code: **0881**. For more information on GRE tests, see <http://www.ets.org/gre>.

Evaluation criteria for the interview and the qualifications

The Admission Panel has 100 points to be awarded as follows:

- Up to 75 points for qualifications, of which up to 45 for the PhD research proposal, 5 for each reference letter (minimum score for admission to interview 50/75).
- Up to 25 points for the oral interview.

Minimum score to qualify for ranking: 60/100.

Interview content

Discussion of the research proposal and possible future developments, discussion of previous education and research, motivation for study and research at doctoral level with full-time commitment for a four-year programme, assessment of English language skills at advanced level.

Further information

The title of *Master of Research in Management Studies* will be awarded, pursuant to Article 13 of the call.

5 - PHD IN ASIAN AND AFRICAN STUDIES

PHD PROGRAMME IN PARTNERSHIP WITH HEIDELBERG UNIVERSITÄT, GERMANY

PROGRAMME TAUGHT IN ENGLISH AND IN THE LANGUAGES OBJECT OF STUDY

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Research topics

PhD research proposals are related to: Languages, cultures, history, thought, art and economic-legal institutions of Asia and North Africa.

As regards the PhD in partnership with Universität Heidelberg, Germany, the topics focus on "Transcultural studies", in particular: human and social sciences that deal with the connections in the North African and Eurasian area with a transcultural approach (diachrony or synchrony) transcending the limits imposed by national borders and by the institutions that reproduce them. Research objectives may concern topics such as: alternative visions of cohesion and transnational governance; multinational cooperations and their impact on collective identities; communication and cross-cultural contacts; social engagement, narratives and representations; the changing senses of aesthetics; and, in general, how these activities and attitudes challenge, disrupt or alter existing institutions, attitudes and practices.

Languages: Ainu, Arabic, Aramaic, Armenian, Azeri, Chinese, Coptic, Korean, Hebrew, Japanese, Hindi, Marathi, Mongolian, Neo-Greek, Pali, Persian, Russian, Sanskrit, Syriac, Thai, Tibetan, Turkish, Urdu, Vietnamese.

Admission requirements

Laurea specialistica (second cycle/Master's degree) in one of the following subject areas: 1/S - Cultural anthropology and ethnology; 2/S - Archaeology; 13/S Publishing, multimedia communication and journalism; 15/S Philology and classical literature; 16/S – Modern philology; 17/S – Philosophy and history of science; 18/S Theoretical, moral political and aesthetic philosophy; 22/S - Law; 39/S - Conference interpreting; 40/S – Italian language and civilisation; 41/S - African and Asian languages and literature; 42/S - Modern European and American Languages and Literatures; 43/S - Foreign languages for international communication; 44/S Linguistics; 49/S Empirical research methods for social sciences; 51/S Musicology and musical heritage; 55/S Tourism development and management; 59/S Corporate advertising and communication 60/S – International relations; 70/S - Political science; 72/S - Religion studies; 83/S Economics for environment and culture; 88/S Cooperation and development studies; 89/S Sociology; 93/S - Ancient history; 94/S - Contemporary history; 95/S - History of art; 96/S - History of philosophy; 97/S - Medieval history; 98/S - Modern history; 99/S European Studies; 102/S - Theory and techniques of legal texts; 104/S - Translation of literary and technical texts; 5/S archival and librarianship; 10/S architectural and environmental assets; 11/S conservation of scientific heritage and industrial civilisation; 12/S conservation and restoration of the historical-artistic heritage; 15/S Ancient philology and literatures ; 54/S urban and environmental territorial planning ; 82/S science and technology for the environment and the territory; 100/S techniques and methods for the information society; 101/S communication theory, 24/S Class of specialised degree programmes in computer science for the humanities, 38/S Class of specialised degree programmes in engineering for the environment and territory, 64/S Economics, 74/S Class of specialised degree programmes in science and management of rural and forestry resources.

or *Laurea magistrale* (second cycle/Master's degree) in one of the following subject areas: LM-1 Cultural anthropology and ethnology; LM-2 Archaeology; LM-14 Modern philology; LM-15 Ancient philology, literature and history; LM-19 Information and publishing systems; LM-36 Languages and literature of Africa and Asia; LM-37 Modern Languages and Literatures European and American; LM-38 Modern languages for international communication and cooperation; LM-39 Linguistics; LM-45 Musicology and musical heritage; LM-49 Tourism development and management; LM-52 International relations; LM 56 – Economics science, LM-59 Public, business and advertising communication sciences; LM-62 Political science; LM-64 Religion; LM-76 Environmental and cultural economics; LM-78 Philosophical studies; LM-81 Development co-operation; LM-84 Historical studies; LM-88 Sociology and social research; LM-89 History of art; LM-90 European Studies; LM-94 Specialist translation and interpreting; LMG/01 Law; LM-5 Archivistis, Bibliography and Library; LM-10 Conservation of architectural and environmental heritage; LM-11 Conservation and Restoration of Cultural Heritage; LM-43 IT Methodologies for the

Humanities; LM-48 Urban and Environmental Territorial Planning ; LM-73 Forestry and Environmental Sciences and Technologies ; LM-75 Science and Technology for the Environment and the Territory ; LM- 91 Techniques and Methods for the Information Society; LM- 92 Theories of Communication. LM-94 Specialised translation and interpretation; LMG/01 Law.

- or a degree obtained under the Italian university system in force before the Ministerial Decree no. 509/1999, harmonised under the Ministerial Decree dated 9 July 2009;
- **or a Master's degree qualification obtained abroad in an academic discipline comparable to the Italian qualification granting admission to the PhD Programme.**

In-depth knowledge of at least one of the languages listed for the research topics supported by the candidate's curriculum vitae et studiorum. The Admission Panel will verify that the candidates meet the background qualification requirements at a preliminary meeting.

Places available

1 PNRR Ministerial Decree 630/2024 scholarship bound to the topic "Buddhist and Tibetan Studies", co-financed by Unione Buddhista Italiana, with the obligation for the successful candidate to carry out a period of study and research abroad of 6 months and a minimum of 6 months at the Unione Buddhista Italiana.	1
Total number of places available	1

Admission process

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Languages

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Candidates are required to specify in their CV the knowledge of one of the following languages (ancient or modern): Ainu, Arabic, Aramaic, Armenian, Azerbaijani, Chinese, Coptic, Georgian, Syriac, Hebrew, Hindi, Japanese, Korean, Marathi, Mongolian, Modern Greek, Pali, Persian, Russian, Sanskrit, Thai, Tibetan, Turkish, Urdu, Vietnamese.

Qualifications accepted for assessment

Required qualifications (described in Art. 5 of the Call for Applications)

Optional qualifications

- Up to two reference letters by university professors, researchers or other experts;
- Academic publications;
- Other degrees and academic qualifications obtained in Italy or abroad (specialist master's courses, postgraduate schools, postgraduate specialisation courses, PhDs);
- Research grants and scholarships

Evaluation criteria for the interview and the qualifications

The Admission Panel has 100 points to be awarded as follows:

- Up to 50 points for qualifications, 40 of which for the PhD research proposal and 2 for each reference letter [the minimum score for admission to the interview (research proposal + qualifications) is 35/50, of which 30 must be for research proposal].
- Up to 50 points for the oral interview.

The minimum score to qualify for ranking is 60/100.

Interview content

The interview will be conducted in English and involve a discussion of the candidate's area of interest, research proposal and any scientific work submitted, and a review of argumentation skills; Proficiency in the chosen foreign language will also be assessed.

6 - [PHD IN COMPUTER SCIENCE](#)

PHD PROGRAMME IN PARTNERSHIP WITH MASARYKOVA UNIVERZITA, CZECH REPUBLIC

ENGLISH-TAUGHT PROGRAMME

Research topics:

All topics related to the academic discipline in question, regarding both theoretical foundations and applications: the research topics developed in the PhD programme focus on the following: Bioinformatics, Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition, Deep Learning, Computing Systems and Performance Evaluation, Data and Web Mining, Databases, Distributed and Parallel Systems and Algorithms, Formal Methods in Computers Science, Foundation of Programming Languages, Cybersecurity, System and Network Security, Web Security, Cryptography, Multimedia Information Systems, Human-Computer Interaction, Program Analysis and Verification, Web Technologies, Data Science.

Admission requirements

- *Laurea specialistica/magistrale* (second cycle/Master's degree);
- or a degree obtained under the Italian university system in force before the Ministerial Decree no. 509/1999;
- **or a Master's degree qualification obtained abroad.**

Places available

1 scholarship bound to the project "Esperanto: Security of modern and heterogeneous web applications" (26_MAN_PHD_Università Ca' Foscari Venezia) co-financed by the National Cybersecurity Agency– ANC (P.I.: prof. Stefano CALZAVARA) (provided the relevant agreement is signed)	1
Total number of places available	1

Admission process

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Languages

Candidates must have certified English proficiency of at least B2 level under the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR) at enrolment. They are otherwise allowed to acquire the certification by 31 March 2025. Failure to do so will exclude them from the PhD Programme (see Art. 3, paragraph 6 of the call).

Qualifications accepted for assessment

Required qualifications (described in Art. 5 of the Call for Applications)

Optional qualifications

- Up to two reference letters by university professors, researchers or other experts;
- Scientific activity;
- Academic publications;
- Postgraduate diplomas.

Evaluation criteria for the interview and the qualifications

The Admission Panel has 100 points to be awarded as follows:

- Up to 70 points for qualifications, 42 of which for the PhD research proposal and 5 for each reference letter (the minimum admission score for the interview is 50/70).
- Up to 30 points for the oral interview.

The minimum score to qualify for ranking is 60/100.

Interview content

Computer sciences disciplines relevant to the topic of the candidate's research proposal.