PhD Announcement Academic Year 2022/2023

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Application

The Call for applications for the 2022/2023 PhD Programs is officially open. Applicants, regardless of their nationality, age and gender are invited to submit their applications. Applicants can find all essential information in the relevant paragraphs of this guide.

Possible modifications to: requirements, submission procedures, available positions and/or scholarships, will be given, before the deadline, through the page [http://dottorati.uniroma2.it](http://dottorati.uniroma2.it).

Activated PhD Courses and Application Deadline

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Requirements

The call is open to all applicants with a second level degree obtained in Italy or abroad. The PhD Board will have to establish whether the degree awarded abroad could be considered equivalent to an Italian degree or not, through a specific assessment limited to the PhD call purposes.

The PhD description pages form an integral part of the call and duly provide the requirements for the admission along with the expected dates of the exams. Any changes to the dates will be available in each single PhD description page with a 15 days’ notice.

Foreign applicants

Foreign applicants are only those with a foreign citizenship, that is not Italian. Foreign applicants with a degree obtained in Italy are still considered foreigners for the PhD Call purposes. They must submit their applications with the online procedure described in the paragraph “Application procedure”. When entering their personal data in the online form, applicants are required to enter all the first names and last names on their passport. Moreover, applicants are invited to avoid the use of nicknames, shorts and terms of endearment since this will result in an invalid fiscal code assigned by the submission system.

During the online procedure, foreign applicants must choose only one of the following options:

1. to apply for the position and the scholarship as well or
2. to apply for the position only since they have their own source of funding (so-called Independent Candidates).

Independent Candidates (c.d. Foreign Country Fellows/Borsisti di Stato Estero) are allowed to skip the written exam and to hold the oral exam off site as well. Moreover, they will be placed in a separate ranking list.

In addition to the requirements of both the call for applications and the PhD description sheets, foreign applicants with a non-EU degree title must submit the Declaration of Value to the PhD Office, within 6 months from the enrolment date.

Applicants with disability

In accordance to art. 3 of Law 104/1992, candidates with disability equal or higher to 66% that needs assistance and/or additional time have to notify the University Committee for Students with Disabilities by email at the following addresses segreteria@caris.uniroma2.it and giovanni.larosa@uniroma2.it:
requests for ordinary assistance have to be sent at least 10 days before the first examination test;
requests for special technology assistance have to be sent at least 20 days before the first examination test.

All assistance forms are available at this link: [http://caris.uniroma2.it/?page_id=208](http://caris.uniroma2.it/?page_id=208).

**Application procedure**

1) Visit [http://gestione.dottorati.uniroma2.it/application/default.aspx](http://gestione.dottorati.uniroma2.it/application/default.aspx)

2) Register
3) Personal information: Edit all required fields showed by the system. Accept the terms and continue with the registration

4) Studies information: Edit all required fields showed by the system with particular reference to Master’s Degree, Bachelor’s degree if applicable, and continue with the registration

5) Studies information: Edit all required fields showed by the system with particular reference to Higher/Secondary School, and continue with the registration

6) Studies information: enter ALL exams taken during the university studies (both Master’s and Bachelor’s if applicable), and continue with the registration

7) Check the showed summary, edit if needed or confirm to proceed

8) Use the the emailed login data to enter the submission system
9) Start a new application by hitting the green button on the right side of the page
10) Select a PhD course from the drop down menu and proceed
11) Carefully read all the showed PhD course requirements
12) Accept the requirements and proceed
13) Accept the terms and proceed with the submission
14) Edit all required fields showed by the system for tab and proceed
15) Upload all required documents and proceed
16) Select the category you want to apply for among the available options from the drop down menu, confirm the chosen option and proceed
17) If you have chosen to apply for the scholarship, also chose one or more topic/s among the showed one, and proceed
18) Check the showed summary, edit if needed or confirm the application by hitting the apposite button
19) Print the receipt

Applicants can submit multiple applications. Each application must be started ex novo.

All foreign applicants are required to pay for the application fee of 35 euros ex post, that is only if finally admitted to the PhD. Further instructions will be provided by the PhD Office after the admission.

**Editing an existing application**

Submitted applications must be edited before the deadline.
Enrolment

Admitted foreign applicants will receive the invitation letter from the PhD office along with further instructions. In particular they will be required to provide the following documents to allow the PhD Office to carry out the enrolment procedure:

a) in case of Independent Candidates:
   - non-EU citizens must provide:
     (i) a valid residence permit, or
     (ii) the VISA, or
     (iii) the documentation proving the ongoing visa application (a signed copy of the VISA application form, including the payment receipt for the visa processing);
   - both EU and non-EU citizens, must submit the documentation proving their financial statement such as, for example:
     (iv) a bank account balance of at least 5.800 euros
     (v) scholarship funded by the government of their country of origin
     (vi) scholarship funded by the Italian Ministry of foreign affairs
     (vii) the written declaration of any institution, both in Italy and abroad, that want to fund the PhD for whatever reason
     (viii) an employment contract
     (ix) family support by means of a written declaration along with valid identity document of one or more declaring family members

Under no circumstances an Independent Candidate may be a recipient of a University scholarship.

Under no circumstances the LazioDISU scholarship may be considered as a valid source of funding

b) in case of foreign applicants that have applied and have been selected for the University scholarship, non-EU citizens must provide:
   (i) valid residence permit, or
   (ii) the entry VISA, or
   (iii) the documentation proving the ongoing visa application (a signed copy of the VISA application form, including the payment receipt for the visa processing);

c) in case of foreign applicants that have applied for the University scholarship but not selected for the scholarship, in addition to the documentation indicated in the previous point b), they must submit the documentation proving their financial statement such as, for example:
   (iv) a bank account balance of at least 5.800 euros
(v) scholarship funded by the government of their country of origin
(vi) scholarship funded by the Italian Ministry of foreign affairs
(vii) the written declaration of any institution, both in Italy and abroad, that want to fund the PhD for whatever reason
(viii) an employment contract
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The deadlines for the enrollment, which will be made available on the PhD Office website, are referred to Italian applicants only. Foreign applicants will receive a specific communication by email.

Enrolled students accept to fully comply with the PhD Regulation of University of Rome Tor Vergata, issued by Decree of the Rector n. 706 of March 9th 2022, available at dottorati.uniroma2.it.

**Grounds for exclusion and application rejection**

Applicants will be excluded or application will be rejected if:

- All the requested documents and information are not provided within the deadline and in accordance with the rules laid down in the call, are not provided
- Either some or all requirements established in the PhD Description sheets are missing
- The application fee not payed within set out terms
- The signature, where explicitly requested, is missing
- The graduation day is later than the established enrolment date.
- The academic qualification awarded abroad is not recognized as equivalent to an Italian qualification.
- The Declaration of Value is not provided to the PhD Secretariat within the prescribed term
- The research activities and the starting date of the PhD are not arranged, in agreement with the Coordinator, within fifteen days from the enrolment.
- Fraudulent and/or false statements have been provided. Declarations made can be subject to random verification in any moment during the PhD duration; in this specific case the selected candidates will also have to pay compensation equal to the scholarship's amount received.
**Evaluation process**

The maximum cumulative score for each candidate, that takes into account both admission test and declared qualifications, is of 100 points.

The minimum threshold for the admission is a cumulative score of 60/100.

If the admission test includes an oral exam, the date of the exam can be communicated the day of the written exam.

The ranking lists, both provisional and final, will be made available at this page: http://dottorati.uniroma2.it.

Candidates will be admitted to PhD courses according to the final ranking lists until all available positions are assigned.

In case a candidate is present in more ranking lists, he/she has to choose only one PhD for the effective enrolment.

**Scholarships**

Similarly to the PhD positions, scholarships are granted according to the final ranking list. The scholarship gross amount is €20,037.45 per year including social security contributions (INPS) and it is exempt from IRPEF income tax. The scholarship will be granted on a monthly basis and has a yearly validity. It can be renewed for a maximum of three years if the candidate’s activities are positively evaluated by the PhD Board.

**More information and assistance can be requested to serena.sposato@uniroma2.it**

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