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NOTICE OF COMPETITION FOR THE ADMISSION
TO PhD PROGRAMMES
AY 2020/2021 – CYCLE XXXVI
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Art. 1 - PhD programmes

For the academic year 2020/2021 (Cycle XXXVI) the University of Cagliari (UniCa) announces public selections for its PhD programmes, listed below:

	PhD PROGRAMME	AREA	POSITIONS	UniCa (MUR funds for postgraduate scholarships and UniCa funds) and UniCa Depts. SCHOLARSHIPS	OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS
1	<i>Philosophy, Epistemology, Human Sciences</i> In collaboration with Universidade de Lisboa (ULISBOA)	11a-11b-14-01	6	4 funded by UniCa (1 reserved for foreign candidates with foreign degree)	1 by CRS4
2	<i>Physics</i>	02	8	4 funded by UniCa (1 reserved for foreign candidates with foreign degree) 2 funded by Dept. of Physics	1 by INFN;
3	<i>Civil Engineering and Architecture</i> In collaboration with École Nationale Supérieure d'Architecture de Toulouse (ENSA) - Laboratoire de Recherche en Architecture (LRA); Université Toulouse Jean Jaurès e con Université Bordeaux Montaigne (UBM)	08a-08b 04-07-09 11a	5	4 by UniCa (1 reserved for foreign candidates with foreign degree);	
4	<i>Electronic and Computer Engineering</i> In collaboration with Southwest Jiaotong University (SWJTU)	09	9	4 funded by UniCa (1 reserved for foreign candidates with foreign degree); 3 funded by DIEE	

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5	<i>Industrial Engineering</i> In collaboration with Univerzitet u Novom Sadu - University of Novi Sad (UNS)	09	5	4 funded by UniCa (1 reserved for foreign candidates with foreign degree)	
6	<i>Mathematics and Computer Science</i>	01 13	9	4 funded by UniCa (1 reserved for foreign candidates with foreign degree); 2 funded by DIMI	1 by CRS4 dedicated to Gianluigi Zanetti
7	<i>Molecular and translational medicine</i> In collaboration with Université Laval (ULAAVAL)	05 06 03	5	4 funded by UniCa (1 reserved for foreign candidates with foreign degree)	
8	<i>Neuroscience</i> In collaboration with Université Laval (ULAAVAL); Université Clermont Auvergne (UCA)	05 06 11b	5	4 funded by UniCa (1 reserved for foreign candidates with foreign degree)	
9	<i>Life, Environmental and Drug Sciences</i> In collaboration with Taipei Medical University - College of Medicine and College of Pharmacy (TMU); Universidade do Porto (UPORTO)	05 03	5	4 funded by UniCa (1 reserved for foreign candidates with foreign degree)	
10	<i>Earth and Environmental Sciences and Technologies</i> In collaboration with Universitat de Barcelona (UB); Universitat de Girona (UdG)	04 05 03 07 08b	5	4 funded by UniCa (1 reserved for foreign candidates with foreign degree)	

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11	<i>Innovation Science and Technology</i> In collaboration with Pushchino State University; École Nationale Supérieure des Mines de Rabat ; Universidade de Aveiro (UA)	06 03 09 05 04 08b	7 (1 reserved according to art. 11, par. 2 of the Ministerial Decree no. 45/2013)	4 funded by UniCa (1 reserved for foreign candidates with foreign degree)	1 by CRS4
12	<i>Economics and Business</i> In collaboration with Sophia University Institute (IUS); Universitat Jaume I (UJI)	13	6	4 funded by UniCa (1 reserved for foreign candidates with foreign degree); 1 funded by DISEA	
13	<i>Legal Sciences</i> In collaboration with Université Sorbonne Paris Nord	12	4	4 funded by UniCa (1 reserved for foreign candidates with foreign degree)	
14	<i>History, Cultural Heritage and International Studies</i> In collaboration with Universidade Federal de Goiás (UFG)	10 11a 14	5	4 funded by UniCa (1 reserved for foreign candidates with foreign degree)	
15	<i>Philological and Literary, Historical and Cultural Studies</i> In collaboration with The University of Edinburgh (UoE) and Uniwersytet Jagielloński w Krakowie (UJ)	10	4	4 funded by UniCa (1 reserved for foreign candidates with foreign degree)	

For each PhD programme, specific details are given in the annexes available at <https://unica.it/dottoratoricerca>, forming an integral part of the present Notice of Competition and including: scientific and disciplinary areas, Coordinator's name, location, possible collaborating institutions, duration, research topics and educational objectives, university degree required to access, number of available ordinary and reserved positions, number of scholarships and granting institutions,

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selection procedures, reference person for each PhD programme. Any updated information will be published on the same webpage.

The available scholarships are 72: 60 are financed by the MUR funds for postgraduate scholarships and the budget of UniCa, 15 of which are reserved for foreign candidates holding a degree awarded abroad; 1 is financed by the National Institute for Nuclear Physics (INFN); 3 by CRS4 s.r.l., 1 of which is named after Gianluigi Zanetti; 2 are funded by the Dept. of Physics; 3 by the Dept. of Electric and Electronic Engineering (DIEE); 2 by the Dept. of Mathematics and Computer Sciences (DIMI); 1 by the Dept. of Economic and Business Sciences (DISEA).

Seven (7) additional scholarships funded by INPS are also available for the PhD programmes in Physics, Civil Engineering and Architecture, Electronic and Computer Engineering, Industrial Engineering, and Mathematics and Computer Science. They are reserved for the children and orphans of individuals registered for the Unified Management of Credit and Social Benefits, and of retired users of the Management for public employees. Scholarship recipients will be selected among the candidates who will gain a suitable position in the ranking lists for the admission to PhD programmes for the academic year 2020/2021, upon INPS verification of the right to benefit.

The scholarships below may also be available:

- A scholarship for the PhD programmes in History, Cultural Heritage and International Studies and in Philosophy, Epistemology, Human Sciences, in case the projects submitted within the initiative 'PhD programmes and Projects on Humanities, Cycle XXXVI - AY 2020/2021' promoted by Intesa San Paolo Onlus Foundation will be selected and admitted to the second part of the initiative, in the frame of which the University will have to select, among those who met the eligibility requirements indicated in the Rules to participate in the initiative, as specified in the PhD annexes, the candidates suitable to apply for 5 scholarships allocated by the Foundation;
- Scholarships funded by PON RI 2014-2020, Axe I - Investments in Human Capital, Action I.1 – Innovative PhD programmes with an industrial characterization, related to disciplinary and topic areas in line with the development tracks indicated by the National Strategy of Intelligent Specialization 2014-2020; and, in the frame of the Research and Innovation Transitional Plan 2015-2017 – Axe 'Human Capital', scholarships funded by the resources of the Development and Cohesion Fund on the topic 'Field of Innovation and consolidation of the National Strategy for the internal areas: from the basic services (education, health care and mobility) and from the projects of local development to the Strategies for the marginalized areas'. The scholarship recipients will be selected among the candidates who will gain a suitable position in the ranking lists for the admission to PhD programmes for the academic year 2020/2021. These scholarships are subject to the publication of a new Notice by MUR on the PhD programmes of Cycle XXXVI, and to the approval of financing of possible proposals submitted by UniCa.

The number of scholarships available for each PhD programme may increase in the event of further public and/or private funding, subject to the completion of the administrative steps before the completion of the enrolment procedure.



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The scholarships funded by external institutions will be awarded depending on the transfer of funds to UniCa.

The available positions are 88, 57 of which are ordinary and supported by a scholarship, 15 are without a scholarship; 16 are reserved positions: 15 are reserved for foreign applicants holding a degree issued abroad; 1 is reserved to company employees carrying out high-quality activities, according to art. 11, par. 2 of the Ministerial Decree no. 45/2013.

A potential position covered by an apprenticeship contract is also scheduled, subject to the recruitment of one of the applicants suitable to be admitted to the PhD programme in Economics and Business, by the company which formally expressed its interest in starting an advanced training apprenticeship.

If not awarded, the reserved positions will not be available as ordinary positions.

The PhD programmes will start only if, for each programme, at least four applicants will be selected and if they complete the enrolment procedure.

The PhD programmes last 3 years and start on 1st October.

Art. 2 - Eligibility requirements for selection

Admission to PhD programmes is open to graduates, regardless of nationality, holding (ref. to the [Italian university system](#)):

- a degree awarded according to the Italian Ministerial Decree no. 270/2004 (*laurea magistrale*);
- a degree awarded according to the Italian Ministerial Decree no. 509/1999 (*laurea specialistica*);
- a degree awarded according to the regulations established before the Italian Ministerial Decree no. 509/1999 (*laurea*);
- academic qualification (2nd cycle university degree: Master-level) issued by a foreign university recognized as equivalent. The foreign university degree must be evaluated as suitable and equivalent, in terms of duration, level of degree and fields of study to the degree listed above and providing access to PhD education in the awarding country.

The Selection Board will deliberate on its equivalence, in compliance with the current legislation in Italy and in the Country where it was issued, and with the international treaties or agreements concerning the recognition of qualifications for further studies for the sole purpose of the admission to the PhD programme.

The admission is also open to students who are going to graduate by 31st October 2020. These candidates will be admitted with reservation and will submit a certificate (only for degrees obtained abroad) or a self-declaration of their graduation together with a scanned copy of a valid ID. The certificate/self-declaration should be sent to dottoratiemaster@unica.it, or delivered in person.

If the applicant is evaluated positively to be admitted to a PhD programme but he/she will not be awarded the necessary degree by the above-mentioned date, he/she will lose that suitable position.



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Art. 3 - How to apply

To participate in the selection, candidates should apply through the online procedure available on the webpage ‘Servizi Online’ of UniCa website at <https://unica.esse3.cineca.it/> from the date of the publication of the present Notice of Competition to 27th August 2020 at 12:00 p.m. (local time).

The guidelines on how to apply are available at <https://unica.it/dottoraticerca>. At the following link, you will find a list of computers available for applicants: https://www.unica.it/unica/it/ateneo_s03_ss04.page.

According to the Italian Presidential Decree no. 445/2000, art. 46, applicants must provide the following information for the online procedure:

- name and surname, Italian tax identification code (*codice fiscale*) – for candidates applying for the first time, place and date of birth, residence address, telephone number, e-mail and current address where any possible correspondence related to the selection can be sent;
- citizenship;
- exact name of the selected PhD programme;
- name of the University degree, date of graduation, final grade, name of the issuing University;
- to possess the eligibility requirements reported in the notice of competition and to be aware of the text of the notice;
- to be aware of being subject to penalty if any information provided is later found to be untrue according to the Italian Presidential Decree no. 445/2000, art. 76;
- to have read the [notice](#) no. 2016/679 issued according to the EU Regulations and the Italian Law in force, about the protection of people regarding the treatment of personal data, as well as on the free circulation of data;
- to give the consent to communicate and disseminate his/her own personal data for the purposes of the present PhD notice of competition.

According to art. 20 of the Italian Law no. 104/92, applicants with disabilities must specify in their application the required assistance for their needs, including possible requests for additional time for the completion of the tests, by sending an e-mail to the PhD and Professional Master Office, which could involve SIA - UniCa Office for Disability.

The sensitive data reported for this purpose will be kept secret and processed in accordance with the provisions currently in force.

TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SELECTION, APPLICANTS MUST PAY A FEE OF EUR 23.00, NOT REFUNDABLE UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

The fee of EUR 23.00 can be paid through the PagoPA system, within two days from the date of submission of the application. Please, refer to the following link for further information about how to pay the selection fee: https://www.unica.it/unica/it/studenti_s02_ss01.page (*Istruzioni pagamento*).

IN THE EVENT OF NON-PAYMENT, APPLICANTS WILL BE EXCLUDED FROM THE SELECTION.

ITALIAN APPLICANTS HOLDING A UNIVERSITY DEGREE ISSUED IN ITALY OR ABROAD AND FOREIGN APPLICANTS HOLDING AN ITALIAN UNIVERSITY DEGREE

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Italian and foreign applicants holding a degree issued in Italy, at the end of the online compiling procedure, will have to upload the following documents in PDF format (each file not exceeding 1 MB):

- annex A “*Titoli valutabili e Curriculum Vitae*” (Qualifications to be evaluated and Curriculum Vitae) (form available at: <https://unica.it/dottoraturicerca>);
- annex B “*Dichiarazione sostitutiva di certificazioni del/i titolo/i di accesso con esami e voti*” (Replacement declaration of degree(s) listing exams and marks) - form available at: <https://unica.it/dottoraturicerca>; it can be substituted with a self-declaration downloadable at the webpage of the University issuing the degree (note that CERTIFICATES RELATED TO THE DEGREE CANNOT BE ATTACHED; YOU CAN ONLY ATTACH SELF-DECLARATIONS OR REPLACEMENT (SELF) DECLARATIONS FOR CERTIFICATIONS). Applicants holding a degree issued by the University of Cagliari can download their replacement declaration for certifications from their personal webpage, in the reserved area of the online Students’ services at <https://unica.esse3.cineca.it/>: “*Autodichiarazione Conseguimento Titolo con Esami*”;
- two-sided coloured scanned copy of a valid ID, with a clear photo;
- other assessable documents and/or required in the specific annex describing the selected PhD programme.

According to art. 40 of the Italian Presidential Decree no. 445/2000, public bodies can no longer receive or request from private citizens certificates issued by other public institutions. Therefore, all qualifications must be provided only through a self-declaration of certifications or a self-declaration affidavit, according to articles 46 and 47 of the Italian Presidential Decree mentioned above. Publications and other qualifications issued by private bodies, which cannot be self-declared, must be provided in PDF format together with a self-declaration affidavit attesting their conformity to the original version, according to the articles 19 and 19-bis of the same Italian Presidential Decree.

In case the Annex A is submitted as incomplete, failure to use it to declare one’s qualifications and failure to provide them following the modes mentioned above, this can result in a partial or total non-evaluation by the selection committees.

Both the form and the documents attached will be acquired by the University at the closing of the online enrolment procedure.

DOCUMENTS CAN BE UPLOADED UNTIL 27TH AUGUST 2020, 12 P.M. (LOCAL TIME).

The EUR 23.00 fee can be paid from the date of the online submission of the application.

FOREIGN APPLICANTS HOLDING A UNIVERSITY DEGREE ISSUED ABROAD

Foreign applicants holding a university degree issued abroad must fill in the online application and upload the following documents in PDF format (each file not exceeding 1 MB):

- certificate attesting the award of a 2nd level foreign degree necessary to access a PhD programme, including exams and marks, with a translation in Italian or English;
- certificate attesting the award of a 1st level foreign degree, including exams and marks, with a translation in Italian or English;
- signed Curriculum Vitae preferably in EU format, in English or Italian;

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- up to 3 reference letter(s), in English or Italian, on institutional letterhead paper, dated and signed by a university professor or expert in the PhD scientific area(s), following the prescriptions of each annex;
- additional qualifications, certifications, publications (up to 5) and work experiences, detailed in English or in Italian;
- other possible documents, in English or Italian, required in the specific annex describing the selected PhD programme;
- two-sided coloured scanned copy of a valid ID, with a clear photo.

If the foreign degree has already been declared equivalent to the Italian degree reported in art. 2 by another Italian University, the candidate will report the reference of the University and the number of the Rector's decree declaring the equivalence.

Otherwise, if the foreign degree has not been considered equivalent, the Selection Board will deliberate on its equivalence, in compliance with the current legislation in Italy and in the Country where it was issued, and with the international treaties or agreements concerning the recognition of qualifications for further studies, for the sole purpose of admission to the PhD programme.

EU citizens can submit their replacement declarations according to articles 46, 47, 19 and 19-bis of the Italian Presidential Decree no. 445/2000.

Non-EU citizens, legally resident in Italy, can provide the above-mentioned replacement declarations, only with reference to situations, personal qualities and facts which can be certified or attested by Italian public bodies.

In case of missing or incomplete qualifications, and failure to provide them following the modes mentioned above, this can result in a partial or total non-evaluation by the selection boards.

Both the form and all the documents attached will be acquired by the University at the closing of the online enrolment procedure.

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IN CASE OF APPLICANTS WITH A DUAL CITIZENSHIP, ONE OF WHICH IS ITALIAN, THIS ONE PREVAILS ACCORDING TO ART.19, PAR. 2. OF THE ITALIAN LAW NO.218 OF 31ST MAY 1995.

FOREIGN CANDIDATES APPLYING FOR THE RESERVED POSITIONS CANNOT APPLY FOR THE ORDINARY POSITIONS.

If candidates apply for more than one PhD programme, each application form must be accompanied by the requested documents, as reported in this article, and the payment of a EUR 23.00 fee for each application.

NO COMMUNICATION WILL BE SENT TO APPLICANTS ADMITTED TO SELECTION.

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All applicants are admitted conditionally to the selection, and can be excluded in any moment, also after the admission tests, for lack of the requirements of this notice of competition.

The University will check the truthfulness of candidates' self-declarations/affidavits.

Without prejudice to criminal sanctions under the Penal Code and the related special laws (articles 75 and 76 of the Italian Presidential Decree no. 445/2000), if the University administrative offices detect that the information declared by the applicant is mendacious or false, he/she will not be able to enrol.

Applicants should communicate any change of residence or other address used to apply.

All necessary communications will be sent by e-mail. The University administration declines all responsibilities in the case of a failure in communication, caused by inaccurate information regarding the applicant's e-mail address, or in the event that the candidate does not communicate a change in the e-mail address.

Art. 4 - Admission tests

The admission to PhD programmes is subject to a public selection, which verifies the applicant's preparation, his/her research attitude and knowledge.

The applicants' selection will be based on the assessment of their qualifications and CVs, and an interview, as it is specified for each PhD programme in the annexes attached to this notice of competition.

The evaluation criteria are established by the Selection Board, having a total of 100 points, distributed as follows:

- up to a maximum of 45 points
 - academic career: single-cycle degree (*laurea magistrale a ciclo unico*), 2nd and 1st cycle degrees (*laurea magistrale/specialistica + laurea*); Italian degrees awarded according to the regulations established before Italian Ministerial Decree no. 509/1999:
 - ~ weighted average of examinations marks
 - ~ final grade of degree
 - ~ duration of the academic career
- up to a maximum of 15 points
 - experiences and further qualifications:
 - ~ study, research or professional experiences abroad before and after the award of a degree
 - ~ further qualifications or additional documents/certificates achieved up to five years prior to the publication of this notice of competition (e.g.: postgraduate qualifications, language certificates, other qualifications and/or activities relevant for the purposes of the admission to the PhD programme);
 - ~ publications and professional experiences
- up to a maximum of 40 points
 - interview



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The Selection Board could define the assessment criteria and evaluate the candidates' qualifications also by video conference.

Those candidates who will obtain at least 30 points in the assessment of their qualifications and CV (academic career and experiences, and other degrees) are admitted to the interview.

The results of the assessment of qualifications and CVs will be published anonymously on the website of the University of Cagliari at <https://unica.it/dottoraticerca>.

The candidates will be interviewed by video conference. They will be identified by showing the same ID/passport attached to the online application, in order to ensure the transparency and publicity of the selection, as well as the equality among the candidates.

The selection tests will be scheduled within 15th September 2020.

THE DATES OF THE INTERVIEWS AND THE INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO ATTEND THEM WILL BE AVAILABLE AT <https://unica.it/dottoraticerca>

THE WEB PUBLICATION WILL BE THE ONLY OFFICIAL NOTICE FOR THE ADMISSION TESTS.

Therefore, the candidates should be available for their interview on the day and time scheduled for each PhD programme, with a valid ID/passport at hand.

The University of Cagliari declines any responsibility for any technical problem which might impede to give the interview.

If candidates are not present at the date and time indicated for the admission test or they don't answer at their account for the video conference interview, this will be considered as a waiver to the admission test.

The candidate obtaining a minimum score of 60/100 will pass the selection.

FOREIGN CANDIDATES HOLDING A DEGREE AWARDED ABROAD, APPLYING FOR THE RESERVED POSITIONS

Foreign candidates holding a degree obtained abroad, applying for the reserved positions supported by a scholarship, will be selected on the basis of the evaluation of their degrees, CVs and interview, as detailed in each PhD programme Annex.

The evaluation criteria are established by the Selection Board which has a total of 100 points, distributed as follows:

- up to a maximum of 40 points ■ CV
- up to a maximum of 20 points ■ reference letters
- up to a maximum of 40 points ■ interview

The Selection Board could define the assessment criteria and assess the qualifications also by video conference.

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Those candidates who are awarded at least 30 points for the evaluation of their degrees and CVs will be admitted to the interview.

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Art. 5 - Selection Board

The Rector appoints a Selection Board, upon proposal of the PhD programme Academic Board. It counts three or five full members and two alternates, selected among university professors and researchers. Up to two Italian/foreign experts in the scientific areas of the PhD programme, belonging to public or private research institutions, can join the Selection Board.

The collegial work activities of the Selection Board will be completed by digital means.

The Rector's decree appointing the Selection Board will be published on <https://unica.it/dottoratiricerca>, after the deadline for the submission of applications.

Art. 6 - Ranking list

The Selection Board will draw up the ranking list for reserved positions and ordinary positions, on the basis of the applicants' comparative evaluation, carried out in accordance with the criteria set out for the admission to each PhD programme, considering the total scores of each candidate. In case of candidates obtaining the same ranking position, the younger will prevail.

The ranking lists will be published on the webpage <https://unica.it/dottoratiricerca>.

NO COMMUNICATION WILL BE SENT TO THE SELECTED CANDIDATES.



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Art. 7 - Admission to PhD programmes

Candidates are admitted to PhD programmes according to the ranking list and the number of positions available for the selected PhD programme.

If any of the candidates admitted withdraws before the start of the programme or does not complete his/her enrolment within the deadline, or he/she is excluded due to false declarations provided, or he/she does not graduate by 31st October 2020, the next candidate(s) in the ranking list will take that place. If a candidate is admitted contemporarily to several PhD programmes, he/she can choose only one of them.

The public employee admitted to a PhD programme will enter on request and compatibly with the requirements of the administration extraordinary leave for reasons of study for the duration of the PhD programme and will receive a scholarship. In the case of admission without a scholarship, or where the candidate renounces it, the person in extraordinary leave maintains the usual economic and welfare conditions from the public administration where he/she is employed. If, after the award of the PhD degree, in the following two years the employee decides not to continue to work for that public body, he/she must recover the amounts already received. The period of extraordinary leave counts for the employee's career development, retirement and social security treatment.

Those civil servants who have already obtained their PhD degree, or who have been enrolled in a PhD programme for at least one academic year, benefiting from leave have no right to the extraordinary leave, either paid or not.

The students of a postgraduate medical school of the University of Cagliari who are admitted to a PhD programme the same University can attend both programmes. If the postgraduate student of the medical school attends the last year of the medical school, has the entry clearance of the School Board, and the activities undertaken in the two programmes are compatible, the duration of the PhD programme can be reduced to a minimum of two years.

The postgraduate student of a medical school, attending also a PhD programme, cannot be awarded a PhD scholarship.

Art. 8 - Enrolment in PhD programmes

In order to enrol, the successful candidates must first fill in the enrolment form available at <https://unica.esse3.cineca.it/Home.do>, upload a recent passport size photo in digital format (bitmap or jpeg), a scanned copy of a valid ID/passport and a self-certification (available at <https://unica.it/dottoraticerca>), filled in and signed, **within five days starting from the day of the publication of the ranking list.**

To complete the enrolment, candidates must pay a stamp duty of EUR 16.00 through PagoPA system within 4 days from the date of your application (ref. to the following link for further information about how to pay the stamp duty: https://www.unica.it/unica/it/studenti_s02_ss01.page (*Istruzioni pagamento*)). The stamp duty can be paid from the date of submission of your enrolment application.

ENROLMENT OF CANDIDATES HOLDING A FOREIGN ACADEMIC DEGREE

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Successful candidates holding a foreign academic degree, at their arrival in Cagliari, must submit to *Settore Dottorati e Master - Segreteria Post Lauream* the following documents:

1. original or certified copy of your 2nd level degree valid to access PhD education;
2. original legalized translation into Italian of your degree;
3. original statement of value (*Dichiarazione di valore in loco*) of the foreign degree issued by the competent Italian diplomatic representative in the Country where the academic qualification has been issued (<http://www.miur.gov.it/web/guest/dichiarazione-di-valore> - <http://www.cimea.it/it/servizi/procedure-di-riconoscimento-dei-titoli/glossario.aspx>), or a Diploma Supplement in original;
4. original or certified copy of your 1st level degree.

THE DOCUMENTS ABOVE MUST BE PREVIOUSLY SENT BY E-MAIL TO dottoratiemaster@unica.it WITHIN FOUR DAYS AFTER THE SUBMISSION OF THE ENROLMENT APPLICATION.

If unable to respect the deadline mentioned above, candidates holding a degree issued abroad should deliver the requested documents within a new deadline set in accordance with the PhD and Professional Master office. NO EXTENSION TO THIS SECOND DEADLINE WILL BE ALLOWED.

The foreign candidates must respect the “[Requirements for the admission of international students to Italian higher education programmes for the academic year 2020/2021](http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/)” (<http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/>; <http://www.universitaly.it/index.php/public/percorsi>).

ENTRY VISA PROCEDURES FOR FOREIGN SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES WILL BE PROCESSED BY THE OFFICE FOR INTERNATIONAL RESEARCHERS’ COOPERATION AND MOBILITY PROGRAMMES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CAGLIARI. APPLICANTS SHOULD REFER TO: Tiziana Cubeddu, Head of the Office, tel. +390706758442, email tcubeddu@unica.it; euraxess@unica.it, webpage https://www.unica.it/unica/it/ateneo_s07_ss05_sss02.page.

The enrolment procedure will be completed when the PhD and Professional Master office of the University of Cagliari will have verified the completeness and accuracy of the application and the required documents, as well as the receipt of the EUR 16.00 payment, within the deadline above.

Those successful candidates who do not comply with the requirements for their enrolment, will automatically be considered as withdrawn and the next candidate(s) in the ranking list will take their place; the University office will inform by e-mail the next candidates and invite them to enrol within a deadline specified in the email.

Successful candidates must provide a self-certification attached to the application and declare:

- to be aware that a contemporary enrolment in more than one Italian/foreign University and/or higher education institution is prohibited, as well as the contemporary enrolment to more than one study course at the same university; and that he/she is not enrolled – and will not enrol - in another degree programme, professional master, PhD programme, for the entire duration of the PhD programme;



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- to be/not to be enrolled in non-medical schools of specialization; if enrolled, he/she commits to stop or suspend the attendance before of the enrolment in a PhD programme;
- to have/not to have been previously awarded another scholarship for a PhD programme;
- to have/not to have a research grant;
- to attend the PhD programme, as prescribed by its Academic Board, being aware that the admission to a doctorate entails an exclusive and full-time commitment, without prejudice to the law in force;
- to obtain the Academic Board authorization for work activities, also if already started at the moment of enrolment;
- to be aware that the scholarships are granted to students whose annual gross income does not exceed the amount of EUR 15,343.28;
- not to exceed a gross income of EUR 3,835.82 for the last trimester of the fiscal year 2020 and an annual gross income of EUR 15,343.28 for the fiscal year 2021; to communicate promptly if this limit has been exceeded, so losing the right to the scholarship and paying back the monthly amount of the scholarship received during the year in which the limit has been exceeded;
- to be aware that the scholarships cannot be combined with other scholarships, except those awarded by national or foreign institutions for periods spent abroad and deemed useful for the research and educational activities of the PhD student;
- to/not to benefit from another scholarship;
- to be interested in being granted a scholarship with a specific research topic;
- to be interested in being granted a NOP-RI 2014-2020 scholarship;
- to be interested in being granted a scholarship funded by INPS;
- the payment of those scholarships sponsored by public or private bodies depends on the transfer of the predetermined funds to the University of Cagliari;
- to be aware that the granting of a scholarship bounds the beneficiary to carry out a specific research topic;
- to be aware that the granting of scholarships funded by external bodies depends on the transfer of funds to the University of Cagliari;
- to be aware that the fruition of the scholarship entails the obligation to carry out, over three years, research and/or study activities at a university or a foreign research institution for a period of at least 6 months, on pain of the withdrawing the grant.

Art. 9 - Taxes and fees

The PhD students are exempted from paying an enrolment and attendance fee. For each academic year, of enrolment, they are required to pay the stamp duty and the Regional Tax for the right to university education (if due), according to the instructions published https://www.unica.it/unica/it/studenti_ss02_ss01.page (*Istruzioni pagamento*), within the deadlines below:

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Stamp duty	EUR 16.00	By the time of enrolment; at the beginning of each academic year within the deadline published on the official webpage https://unica.it/dottoratiricerca
Regional Tax for the right to university education (if due)	Amount determined by Regione Autonoma della Sardegna	Within 1 st March 2021

Art. 10 - Scholarships and Contracts of Advanced Training Apprenticeship

As indicated for each PhD programme in art. 1 and in the Annexes published on the webpage <https://unica.it/dottoratiricerca>, scholarships will be awarded on the basis of the ranking lists drawn up by the Selection Board.

Those scholarships with a specific research topic will be granted to candidates successfully positioned in the ranking list, obtaining the best score and a positive evaluation on the adequacy of their CV to that specific research topic.

Scholarship granting procedures, as well as information about fulfilments needed to allocate them, will be published on the webpage mentioned above.

The scholarships are annual and can be renewed provided that the PhD student has completed the programme of activities for the previous year, verified by the Academic Board.

The annual amount of the scholarship is EUR 15,343.28, gross of tax deduction (INPS “*Gestione Separata*” to the beneficiary: 1/3) and net of the University deduction (2/3).

The amount of the scholarship is increased to 50%, according and proportionally to the duration of the PhD student’s stays abroad at universities or research institutions, when authorized by the Academic Board or, upon its delegation, by the Coordinator, if the stay does not exceed 3 months. The increase on the scholarship is not paid when the PhD student stays in his/her country of origin or residence.

The scholarships are paid out exclusively to those PhD students who do not receive an annual gross income higher than EUR 15,343.28. Exceeding that limit will result in the loss of the scholarship and implies the duty to give back the monthly payments already received for a specific year.

Over the three-year PhD programme, PhD students holding a scholarship are required to carry out research and/or study activities at a university or a foreign research institution for at least 6 months. If a PhD student doesn’t complete his/her period abroad, the scholarship will be withdrawn, and he/she will be asked to give it back partially or totally.

The PhD scholarships cannot be added to other grants awarded for any purpose, except for those from Italian or foreign institutions useful to integrate the PhD student’s educational and research activities with periods abroad, nor to any other research fellowship.



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The scholarships will be paid in monthly deferred payments. The payment of the first monthly instalment will be done after the conclusion of the administrative and fiscal procedures needed to allocate them, after PhD students will have provided all the relevant documents.

Those PhD students who benefited, although partially, of a PhD scholarship in the past, cannot apply a second time for another PhD scholarship.

According to the regulations in force about advanced training apprenticeship for research and education, a PhD position covered by an apprenticeship contract with the company indicated in the annex, which expresses its interest in starting an advanced training apprenticeship for the AY 2020/2021, can be assigned for the PhD programme in Economic and Business Sciences.

Those applicants showing their interest in apprenticeships at the moment of submitting their application will be interviewed by the company on their motivations and the research project after the conclusion of the admission tests.

The company can employ candidates obtaining the best evaluation during the interview, regardless of their ranking position, who are not older than 29 at their recruitment. If the candidate selected for the apprenticeship has been awarded a scholarship, he/she must renounce to it.

The University and the company will sign an agreement through a specific protocol, including details of the PhD programme and the research project to be carried out during the apprenticeship.

The successful candidates will start the PhD programme and will be employed by the company.

Each apprentice will be supported by a University tutor for the PhD programme and a company tutor for the vocational training.

The PhD apprentice's activities will be evaluated by the Academic Board every year in order to confirm the apprenticeship contract.

The PhD apprentice will achieve his/her degree after the completion of the advanced training apprenticeship, and after the final examination.

Art. 11 - PhD students' attendance and obligations

The admission to a PhD programme entails an exclusive and full-time commitment. The PhD students should attend their PhD activities on a full-time basis according to the PhD programme approved by the Academic Board, also with reference to the level of English to be acquired at the end of the PhD programme. The PhD students can work as tutors, provide integrative teaching activity and be employed according to the Rules and Regulations about PhD programmes in force at UniCa.

At the end of each academic year, the Academic Board evaluates the PhD student's activity, through appropriate forms of assessment, under which he/she can be admitted to the following year or, on a reasoned decision, excluded in the event of a negative evaluation. The exclusion from the programme may be asked also in case of non-participation in the organized activities, unjustified and prolonged absences, or if the PhD student works without the prior authorization of the Academic Board.

Being excluded means losing the PhD student's position and the scholarship, if due.

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The attendance and the scholarship will be suspended in case of maternity leave, severe, prolonged and certified illness.

The period of suspension will be made-up at the end of the PhD programme, whose legal duration is 3 years.

Art. 12 - Award of the PhD degree

The PhD degree is awarded upon completion of the PhD programme, after passing a final examination, consisting in the defence of a PhD thesis in front of an Examination Committee, selected and appointed according to the Rules and Regulations on PhD programmes.

Art. 13 - Incompatibility

The enrolment in a PhD programme is incompatible with the enrolment in other undergraduate, PhD, specialization courses, professional masters or non-medical specialization schools at the University of Cagliari or other Italian and foreign universities

Those PhD students who attend a non-medical specialization school will be suspended from their specialization course until the end of the PhD programme.

Art. 14 - Personal data treatment

The University of Cagliari is the controller for the personal data treatment, according to the EU Regulations 2016/679 about the protection of individuals with regard to the treatment of personal data, as well as the free circulation of these data and the Italian law currently in force. The notice on data treatment for the category 'citizens' is available at https://www.unica.it/unica/it/utility_privacy.page.

Art. 15 - Responsible person for procedures

According to art. 5 of the Italian Law no. 241, issued on 7th August 1990, the responsible person for the administrative procedures is Ms. Monica Melis, Head of the PhD and Professional Master Office, tel. +390706756494, e-mail dottoratiemaster@unica.it.

Art. 16 - Reference

The laws and regulations for PhD programmes (Law of July 3rd 1998, no. 210, art. 4, as amended by the Law of December 30th 2010, no. 240, art. 19; the Ministerial Decree of February 8th 2013, no. 45, containing "*Regulations about the procedures for the accreditation of locations and PhD programmes and criteria for the establishment of PhD programmes by accredited bodies*"; the Rules and Regulations on PhD programmes in force at the University of Cagliari) are the reference documents for all the matters not listed in this announcement.

Art. 17 - Publicity

The present notice of competition will be published, in Italian and English, on the website of the University of Cagliari, on the website of the Ministry of University and Research (MUR), and on the

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