



PhD Programme in Economic Sociology

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The University of Brescia announces that the call for application to the PhD Programme in Economic Sociology for the academic year 2010/2011 will be soon published at the address: <http://www.unibs.it/on-line/ateneo/Home/Ateneo/Concorsibandiegare/articolo436.html>. The length of the Programme is three academic years and 4 students will be admitted, all with scholarships available. The deadline for applying is on **15 September 2010**. The programme and the scholarships will start from 1st November 2010.

The selection of the foreign candidates will be on requirements and interviews.

Foreign candidates' admission requirements

Foreign candidates must hold a M.A. before the deadline for the application (B.A. degrees do not constitute minimum requirements for admission) in disciplines such as Economics, Sociology, Political Sciences, Social Sciences, and Business Administration. They must prepare and send: 1) a research project within the field of economic sociology (see below for details); 2) one letter of recommendation by university professors or experts in the field (see below for details); 3) a curriculum vitae, including an e-mail address to be contacted; 4) university career including examinations passed, graduation mark, final GPA-grade point average and an extended abstract of the Master dissertation; 5) scientific publications or any other qualification title, such as professional experiences, TOEFL, IELTS and other competence standard certifications, 6) two copies of the ID certified by the Italian Embassy of their country.

The research project must touch upon a typical economic sociology theme (see: <http://www.unibs.it/on-line/dss/Home/Inevidenza/ResearchDoctorateinEconomicSociology.html>), should include title, author, literature review, research hypotheses, research design, methodology and tools, and references. The expected length of the project is about 25000 characters. It should be sent via email to omelio@amm.unibs.it and segdss@eco.unibs.it by explicitly mentioning PhD Programme in Economic Sociology Application in the email's object. The deadline is on 15 September 2010.

The letter of recommendation must include information on the signed person, on the type of relation between the candidate and the signed person, on the scientific attitude and personality of the candidate, on his/her research skills. Please, ask the signed person to mention the PhD Programme



in the letter title. The letter can be scanned and sent by email to omelio@amm.unibs.it and segdss@eco.unibs.it by the signed person in advance, but must be sent via post before 15 September 2010 to the postal address below.

All the documents (excluded the research project that must be sent by email) must be sent to the following address: Ufficio Protocollo, Piazza Mercato 15, 25121 Brescia. The envelope must report: “Domanda di partecipazione al concorso di Dottorato di Ricerca XXVI ciclo, a.a. 2010/2011”.

The deadline to receive the documents is on 15 September 2010. Every non-complete or non-regular application will not be considered valid.

The Commission will notify the eligibility to candidates before 27 September 2010.

Interviews

On 27 September 2010, the candidates will be interviewed by the Commission in order to ascertain their preparation, skills and aptitude for scientific research and personal motivation. The interview will also aim at verifying the applicant’s knowledge of economic sociology and will include the applicant’s formal presentation of his/her research project. The interview will be conducted by the Commission in English.

Upon request (in case, please contact segdss@eco.unibs.it before 15 September 2010), foreign candidates who cannot get to Brescia will be interviewed via Skype or other on-line communication platforms. To allow the Commission to identify the candidate, candidates are requested to have a webcam, and to send via email to omelio@amm.unibs.it and segdss@eco.unibs.it all the information requested.

All the interviews of the admitted candidates will take place on 27 September 2010 from 10 AM at the Faculty of Economics Sala Riunioni, Via San Faustino 74/B, 25122 Brescia.

Scholarships and Benefits

The amount of the scholarships is about 13000 Euros per year tax free. Foreign students will be hosted in a university residence room for three years at the department’s expenses. All the students will have a research fund to cover research expenses (e.g., conferences’ attendance, summer school fees), a workstation at the dept offices, the free access to university libraries and online libraries, including Elsevier, Springer Verlag, Science Direct, Oxford, Wiley and JSTOR, among others, an official email and a WebPage on the dept website.

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