

Call for PhD positions
Doctoral Programme – 33rd cycle
Academic year 2017-2018

N.B. Please note that only the Italian version of the present call issued with Rector's Decree n. 1616 of July 20, 2017 is legally binding; the English version is provided for information only.

SELECTION FOR THE ADMISSION

Academic Year 2017/2018 – 33rd Cycle

Deadline: August 29, 2017, 13:00 Italian time

1. INSTITUTION

The University announces the 33rd cycle of the Ph.D. Programme with the public call for admission to the below listed courses (Attachment n°1). The duration of all Ph.D. courses is three years, starting from 1st November 2017.

PhD COURSES
ACCOUNTING, MANAGEMENT AND BUSINESS ECONOMICS
BIOMOLECULAR AND PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES
BUSINESS AND BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCES
BUSINESS, INSTITUTIONS, MARKETS
EARTH SYSTEMS AND BUILT ENVIRONMENTS
EARTHQUAKE AND ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS
HUMAN SCIENCES
LANGUAGES, LITERATURES, AND CULTURES IN CONTACT
MEDICAL BIOTECHNOLOGIES
NEUROSCIENCE AND IMAGING
TRANSLATIONAL MEDICINE

The present call has been issued pending the validation of the PhD programmes by the Italian Ministry of Education and Scientific Research (MIUR).

Positions and scholarships will be awarded only in case of a positive assessment.

The number of scholarships may be increased by providing by other external funding, only if notified before the deadline of the present call.

The University “G. d’Annunzio” of Chieti-Pescara will participate to the project “Programma Operativo Nazionale FSE – FESR Ricerca Innovativa” Azione I.1 – “Dottorati Innovativi con caratterizzazione industriale” 2014-2020. In case of a positive result, additional scholarships will be available to eligible candidates in the ranking list of the selected doctorate.

2. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Applications for admission to the Ph.D. programme are accepted from candidates who, regardless of gender, age and nationality, hold an Italian “*diploma di laurea/laurea specialistica/laurea*”

magistrale”, or aim to obtain it by October 31, 2017 after the conclusion of the admission tests; or an equivalent second-level degree if obtained abroad (generally equivalent to a Master’s Degree), whose validity will be verified by the admission committee. Candidates with a degree from an Italian University, whether they are EU-citizens or NON-EU, may provide a self-attested certificate of the degree. They will be admitted pending verification.

The winners of a position without scholarship, previously enrolled, cannot be admitted to the competition tests for the same Ph.D. course they have attended.

The simultaneous attendance of the Doctorate together with a course of medical specialization is allowed with consequent reduction to a minimum of two years of the Ph.D. course.

The administrative office may, at any time of the procedure, check on the statements produced. In case of untruthful statements, the University may exclude the applicants from the Ph.D. course.

3. APPLICATION

Application for admission, one for each Ph.D. course for which the applicant intends to compete, must be submitted exclusively on-line by August 29, 2017, 13:00 Italian time. The on-line procedure will be open from July 26, 2017.

The applicant must connect at <http://udaonline.unich.it> and follow the instructions, filling in all required fields.

All applicants **MUST** upload a signed Xcopy of valid ID] (for UE citizens) or of a passport, showing the photograph, personal data, passport number, place and date of issue, expiration date and the stamp of the competent authority.

Candidates with disabilities must submit a medical certificate issued by the competent health authorities to the following e-mail address: scuolasuperiore@unich.it.

At the end of the procedure, applicants have to print the application form and present it to the examining board committee duly signed.

All the required documentation as indicated in the specific form (Attachment 1) of the PhD course must be attached in pdf format not exceeding 5 megabyte (MB) for each upload.

The candidates have the responsibility to verify that the procedure is duly completed. The administration is not responsible for any on-line applications improperly closed by candidates.

Incomplete or irregular applications or missing mandatory attachments will not be accepted and processed. After the online application is submitted,] it will not be possible to add any other documentation.

Applications that are not submitted as herein indicated will be rejected.

For further information regarding the online procedure contact Umberto Masotti – phone +39 0871 3556013, email: umberto.masotti@unich.it. For assistance and information: <http://www.unich.it/infostudenti> - phone + 39-0871 3556385.

4. EXAMINATION TEST

The admission examination to the Ph.D. Courses consists in the evaluation of the titles, an oral exam, according to criteria specifically indicated for each Doctorate (Attachment 1).

Candidates are required to present themselves on the day, time and established place (Attachment 1) without any further convocation. In order to attend the tests, the candidates must provide a valid identification document. In the case of remote examination, the President of the Examination Board will get in touch with the candidates, at the e-mail address indicated by the candidate in the application form.

5. EXAMINATION BOARDS

The examination boards/are appointed by the Rector. For Ph.D. courses articulated on several curricula there will be, however, a single competition test with one Examination Board. Different exams for each curriculum and for each exclusive project are possible; in this case the candidates will be required to make a specific choice.

Each Examination Board, for the evaluation of each candidate, has a maximum of one hundred (100) points. The candidate must achieve at least 60/100 to pass the exam.

6. RANKING LIST

Applicants will be admitted to the Ph.D. courses according to their positions in the final ranking until all available positions are filled. In the event of withdrawal of a successful candidate, unfilled positions will be offered to the next one on the list of eligible candidates. In case of same score] the younger of the two candidates will be selected. Moreover, in case of same score for the awarding of the scholarship, the candidates' economic situations shall be the deciding factor in accordance with D.P.C.M. of April 9, 2001 and subsequent amendments.

At the end of the competition procedure, the Examination Board sets up the ranking list based on the sum of the scores achieved by each candidate for each test.

There is only one single ranking list for the Doctorate courses in curricula. The activation of a single curriculum depends by the ranking of candidates that propose themselves for the specific curriculum.

For the positions with “exclusive project” (“tema vincolato”) the candidates will have to pass an additional test. If a candidate is admitted to two or more Ph.D. courses, he/she will choose to enrol in only one of them.

After the completion of the selection process, rankings will be exclusively published on the following websites: www.unich.it and Albo Pretorio.

7. ENROLMENT

Simultaneously to the publication of the ranking, an email will be sent to the winners at the email address indicated on the application form (candidates are required to use a personal email address (e.g. name.surname@provider). Nicknames are excluded).

Successful candidates shall confirm their acceptance within 15 (fifteen) days of receipt of the email, by downloading the form available at the webpage: http://www.unich.it/immatricolazione_scuola_superiore

The admission of candidates with degree obtained in a NON-EU country will take place after a declaration of validity “Dichiarazione di Valore”, issued by the competent Italian Consulate or Embassy in the country where the academic degree was issued or with the Diploma Supplement, legalized by the competent authorities.

Candidates with foreign scholarships: must submit a certificate attesting the scholarship issued by the foreign country or a copy of the application submitted to the competent authorities for the assignment.

Candidates who do not respect such procedures shall not be considered and replaced by the next-eligible candidate.

8. FEES

Ph.D. students are held exclusively to the payment of €140.00: Tassa Regionale Azienda DSU – Chieti – Università “G. d’Annunzio” - Ph.D. Course in “.....” XXXIII cycle, and the revenue stamp of €16.00 via MAV (payment by advice)

9. SCHOLARSHIP

The gross amount of the scholarship, according to art.1 of the Ministerial Decree of June 18 2008, amounts to € 13.638,47 per year; this amount includes I.N.P.S. - National Insurance Contributions.

The annual personal gross income limit for the acceptance of the scholarship is €16.000,00. In case of verified incompatibility, the amount of money unduly received has to be reimbursed. The reimbursement refers to the academic year or to a part of it.

The scholarship is granted for the entire course.

The payment is made monthly. Maternity leaves are granted, according to the ministerial decree n. 247 of July 12, 2007.

The amount of the scholarship can be increased by 50% for research periods spent abroad (maximum 18 months), previously authorized by the Ph.D. Course Coordinator. The scholarships are non-cumulative, that is they cannot be combined with other grants, except for those awarded by national or foreign scientific Institutions for activities related to study research periods spent abroad. From the second year of activity an additional budget not inferior of 10% of the scholarship will be granted to students.

10. DUTIES AND RIGHTS OF PH.D. STUDENTS

Doctoral students must attend the courses and carry out study research activities on a full-time basis. The students cannot contemporarily be enrolled in other Ph.D. courses or other specialization course in Italy or abroad withstanding what provided for medical specialization or for those authorized by the Ministerial office.

They can conduct a limited, additional or integrative teaching activity that shall not in any case compromise their doctoral activity. Such teaching activity must be allowed by the Professors' Board that defines its modalities.

Ph.D. students if authorized by the Ph.D. Coordinator could spend a period of study abroad and obtain further mobility allowance by University.

In case of unsatisfactory outcomes during the intermediate evaluations and/or unjustified and prolonged absence the Professors' Board is authorized to exclude the Ph.D. student from the course. The attendance of Ph.D. courses can be interrupted in the following cases: maternity, military service or alternatively civilian service, study or work opportunities, serious and documented illness.

11. PERSONAL DATA

The University "G. d'Annunzio", in accordance with the Legislative Decree 196/2003 ("Personal data usage"), shall use the personal details provided by the candidate only for the participation in the selection procedure. The candidates have the right to access to all documentations related to the contest according to the law in force.

12. REGULATIONS

For matters not disciplined by this call, please consult Ministerial Decree n. 45 of 8 February 2013 and the University rules for Doctoral Courses (Rector's Decree n. 488 of 24 July 2013).

Further information can be requested to: Scuola Superiore – phone +39 0871 3556077/6049, email:
scuolasuperiore@unich.it

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Attachment 1: *PhD Courses*