CALL FOR PHD POSITIONS

Doctoral Programme in

«European Cultures. Environment, Contexts, Histories, Arts, Ideas»

Cycle 41

Academic Year 2025-2026

Summary

N.B. The English translation of this document is provided as a courtesy to the student community and has no legal standing. The Italian version, issued by Rector's Decree n. 373 of 16 April 2025 constitutes the sole authentic text and will be referred to in any legal matters.

Art. 1 – SUBJECT OF THE CALL

The University of Trento announces the **41st cycle** of the Doctoral Programme in "**European Cultures. Environment, Contexts, Histories, Arts, Ideas**" for the academic year 2025/2026.

Deadline for application: 29 May 2025 4:00 PM (CEST)

Places: n. 7

Scholarships: n. 7

The grants are financed as follows:
− **n. 7 scholarships** financed by the **University of Trento**;

The number of places funded by scholarships and/or covered by internship contracts or other forms of financial support may be increased if financing from other universities, public research bodies, or private organisations is made available after publication of this announcement and no later than one day before the assessment of qualifications. Any increase in scholarships or other means of financial support shall result in a corresponding increase in the total number of available places. Any such increase will be published on the PhD selection website.

Information about the scholarship:	https://www.unitn.it/it/studiare/tasse-borse-alloggi/borse-e-premi/borse-di-dottorato
Duration:	3 years
Beginning of the academic year:	1 November 2025
Programme Director:	prof. Federico Laudisa (Ph. +39 0461 282732; e-mail: federico.laudisa@unitn.it)
Doctorate website:	https://www.lettere.unitn.it/node/697
Selection's website:	https://www.unitn.it/en/phd/european-cultures-environment-contexts-histories-arts-ideas
Rights and duties of PhD students:	https://www.unitn.it/en/study/register/information-phd-students/rights-and-duties-phd-students

Official language of the Doctoral Programme: Italian

Specialized curricula:

1) **Philosophy.** Research lines: Ethical, pedagogical and political models; Philosophy of nature; Political theology; Dialogical philosophy; Applied aesthetics; Epistemology of natural sciences.

2) **Cultural Heritage.** Research lines: Rituality and representation; Research on cultural heritage; From conservation to protection; History of local territories and forms of the environment; Devotional forms and sites; Images of politics; Territorization processes of the past and present.

3) **History.** Research lines: Identities: from ancient times to the modern era; Forms of memory both written and oral; Community, family structure and conflicts in the medieval and modern ages; Administrative, economic, military and government structures in European empires; Wars and conflicts in European history.

Research Areas:

BIOS-03/B ANTHROPOLOGY
ARCH-01/A PREHISTORY AND PROTOHISTORY
STAN-01/B ROMAN HISTORY
ARCH-01/D CLASSICAL ARCHAEOLOGY
ARCH-01/E CHRISTIAN, LATE ANTIQUE AND MEDIEVAL ARCHAEOLOGY
ARCH-01/G METHODS OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESEARCH
ARTE-01/A HISTORY OF MEDIEVAL ART
ARTE-01/B HISTORY OF MODERN ART
ARTE-01/C HISTORY OF CONTEMPORARY ART
ARTE-01/D MUSEOLOGY, ART AND RESTORATION CRITICISM
PEMM-01/A PERFORMING ARTS
PEMM-01/C MUSICOLOGY AND HISTORY OF MUSIC
STAA-01/H HEBREW

PHIL-01/A THEORETICAL PHILOSOPHY
PHIL-02/A LOGIC AND PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE
PHIL-03/A MORAL PHILOSOPHY
PHIL-05/A HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY
PHIL-05/C HISTORY OF MEDIEVAL PHILOSOPHY
GEOG-01/A GEOGRAPHY
HIST-01/A MEDIEVAL HISTORY
HIST-02/A MODERN HISTORY
HIST-03/A CONTEMPORARY HISTORY
HIST-04/B HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY AND OF CHURCHES
HIST-04/C ARCHIVAL SCIENCE, BIBLIOGRAPHY AND LIBRARIANSHIP
PHIL-04/A AESTHETICS
STEC-01/B ECONOMIC HISTORY
GSPS-01/A POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY
GSPS-03/B HISTORY OF POLITICAL INSTITUTIONS

IMPORTANT

Intermediate (candidates, listed by ID number, excluded from the process after official checks and candidates whose foreign degree was not considered suitable by the Admissions Committee) and final stage selection results will be published on the announcement webpage. Publication on this webpage constitutes official notification. Candidates will not receive any personal notification.

Without prejudice to the provisions of this article and the following art. 5 co. 7 and 6 co. 3, any notifications relating to the application will be emailed to the address linked to the account registered upon application. Candidates who are still enrolled or have recently graduated from the University of Trento are advised to check that their email address is valid at this link: Profile data. Any changes to personal contact details after the application is closed should be communicated to the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social Sciences and Humanities (phd.office-cssh@unitn.it).

Art. 2 – ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

1. Applications for admission to the selection process are accepted from candidates regardless of gender, age and nationality, who hold:

   a) an Italian "Laurea Specialistica o Magistrale" (Master's Degree) according to Ministerial Decree no. 270 of 22 October 2004, or a university degree awarded under the previous Italian regulations;

   b) or a second level degree awarded by an Italian "AFAM" Institute (Artistic and Musical Higher Education)

   c) or an equivalent degree qualification obtained abroad (Master's Degree) at a recognized academic institution, which:
   - allows access to an equivalent PhD course in the country/higher education system of origin (unless substantial differences are encountered);
   - is equivalent to the Italian *Laurea Magistrale* (Master's Degree), in terms of duration, level and subject area[1];
   - is considered suitable[2] by the Admission Committee for the sole purpose of the admission to the PhD Programme.

2. Applications are also accepted from candidates who have not yet obtained the required academic qualification but will do so by **31 May 2025**. In this case admission is "conditional" and applicants must submit the degree certificate to the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social Sciences and Humanities (email: phd.office-cssh@unitn.it) no later than **6 June 2025**. Failure to provide the certificate will lead **to exclusion**.

3. It's in the applicant's best interest to provide all elements necessary for evaluation, especially if the higher education system of the country where the title was obtained is not comparable with the Italian one.

   The Evaluation Committee reserves the right to ask applicants to provide additional documentation, if deemed necessary to be considered for the selection.

4. Applicants who have already obtained a doctoral degree can be admitted to the Doctoral Programme upon successful participation to the selection process and only if both subjects and the research area of the Doctoral Programme are different from the previous

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[1] For more information on the Italian University system visit the webpage: http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/study/new-degrees.html
[2] Suitability of foreign qualifications will be ascertained by the Admissions Committee in line with current legislation and international accords for further education.

Phd Programme. If a PhD student has already been awarded a PhD scholarship in the past (even for one month only) for a Doctoral programme in Italy, he/she cannot receive a Doctoral scholarship again[3].

5. The list of candidates (identified by ID number) whose academic degree awarded abroad has been considered not eligible for the admission selection by the Admission Committee will be published on the selection's webpage.

Art. 3 – THE DOCTORAL PROGRAMME

1. The research topics of the Doctoral Course cover the fields of philosophy, history and cultural heritage under a European perspective which refers to Europe as a macro-regional context and a historic-cultural horizon. Teaching and research activities of the Course are focused on developing wide methodological and interdisciplinary skills. PhD students are expected to reach full reliability and autonomy in their research work, to acquire specialized skills and to add new inputs to the Department's lines of research.

2. **Specialized curricula**

   The variety of methodological approaches of the Course are represented by three specialized curricula, that will enable the PhD students to go deeper into specific research fields, in the frame of a single scientific community.

   - *Philosophy.* The object of analysis of this specialized curriculum concerns the origins – ancient, medieval and modern – of European philosophical thought, considered along a number of axes: logical-linguistic, ethical-practical-educational, epistemologic and aesthetic. Focus will also be placed on the diverse religions of Europe as constitutive elements of the heritage common to the diverse range of European identities.

   - *History.* Central to the course will be the formation and development of European identities within a comparative perspective, from Greek and Roman civilization up to the present day. Particular attention will be devoted to the historical and historiographical relationship with the German-speaking world, to the building of traditions and of historical memory, and to the evolution of administrative, economic, military and governmental structures of European regions.

   - *Cultural Heritage.* The fields of research encompass the multi-faceted cultural heritage within European geographical and environmental space through the study of archaeological evidence, products of art and music, theatre history, documents and archives.

3. **Teaching Programme**

   For information on the teaching programme, please refer to the PhD programme website.

Art. 4 – APPLICATION

1. The application must be completed and submitted **by 4:00 p.m. Italian time on 29 May 2025** through the online system: https://www.unitn.it/en/apply/dott, that will be available within 3 working days after the release of the announcement.

   Applicants can access the online registration procedure in one of the following ways[4]:
   - **with a SPID account or CIE** (Electronic Identity Card): those who have an Italian Tax Code (codice fiscale) and an Italian identity document must access the registration with CIE (more information are available at https://www.cartaidentita.interno.gov.it/) or with SPID, the Italian Public Digital Identity System, which automatically certifies the identity of the person on the UniTrento systems and sets up an @unitn.it account.
   To request the SPID identity (useful for accessing various online services of the Italian Public Administration), please consult the website https://www.spid.gov.it/en/what-is-spid/how-to-activate-spid/
   - **with a UniTrento account**: those who already have an account issued by the University can access the registration procedure with the username they already have (name.surname@unitn.it).
   If you do not remember your password or for further information on UniTrento username and password: Account@unitn.it
   - **registration of UniTrento "guest" accounts**: anyone who does not have an Italian Tax Code can register a temporary account as a "guest". After enrollment, this account will be converted into a definitive @unitn.it account.
   To register a guest account: https://webapps.unitn.it/Registration/.

2. Participation in the selection process is subject to the payment of a non–reimbursable application fee of **€30.00** (thirty), by **PagoPA[5] system**, as indicated in the appropriate section of the application ('Selection participation fee').

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[3] Opinion from the National University Council (CUN) of 20 March 2008; Note from the Ministry of Education University and Research (MIUR) of 14 September 2010 n. 1746; art.6 par.2 of Law n.398 of 1989 "Regulations about university scholarships".
[4] To those who need a guest account we suggest to register well in advance of the deadline. It can take up to three working days for credentials to be issued.
[5] More information at: https://www.unitn.it/phd-pagopa

3. **Candidates will be considered totally responsible** of the successful submission of their application online. Administration highly recommends that candidates make sure to have received the notification email confirming that their application has been successfully completed and submitted.

   UniTrento refuses any responsibility for all those applications online not properly closed by candidates.

4. Incomplete or irregular applications, or applications transmitted in ways other than those set out in this article, shall not be considered valid and candidates will consequently be excluded from selection process.

5. All applicants are admitted to the selection **conditionally** upon ascertaining that they fulfill the admission requirements.

   The University of Trento has the right to verify the documents delivered pursuant to articles 71 et seq. of the Presidential Decree n. 445 of the 28 December 2000.

6. A candidate whose degree submitted does not satisfy the requirements specified in the art. 2 or the information provided in the application is not true, may be excluded at any time - from the selective procedure or even after enrolment and the beginning of the PhD course.

7. According to Italian Law no. 104/92, Art. 20 and to Italian Law no. 68/99, Art. 16 (1), applicants with special needs or with learning disabilities may explicitly request in their application specific measures or special assistance during the examinations, in accordance with their certification. In this case personal data will be processed in compliance with the current law as indicated in the GDPR Privacy notice.

8. Candidates are asked to enter information regarding the qualification required for entry to the doctorate in the 'Degrees' section. Specifically, candidates should add the "classe di Laurea" (degree subject area), the awarding university, the award date (or expected award date), and the final grade.

9. Candidates can apply for **only one of the specialized curricula** of the Doctoral Programme.

10. **COMPULSORY ATTACHMENTS** (failure to upload one or more compulsory attachments results in expulsion from the selection)[6]:

    A. **Identity document (ID):** a copy of the identity card (for EU citizens) or the passport (pages with photo, personal data, place and time of issue of the document, expiration date of the document.

    B. **Academic degree:**
       a. **Italian qualification**: **a self-declaration**, in accordance with Presidential Decree art. 46 no. 445 of 28.12.2000 and subsequent amendments, **of the list of examinations taken**, dates when the exams were passed, grades and credits obtained. A fac-simile is available for download on the selection webpage, but similar documents are also accepted as long as they contain the information required in the call. Graduates from the University of Trento may declare only the place and date of award / foreseen date of award as the other information will be collected ex officio.

       b. **Foreign qualification:**
       • **already obtained:**
         - a **certificate attesting to the possession of a second level university qualification** (see art. 2 paragraph 1 letter c), issued by the institution that awarded it. The certificate must indicate the type of diploma, the date it was awarded and the relative grade;
         - a **list of examinations** taken to obtain the qualification to access a Doctoral Programme (academic transcript of records of the Master's degree) with relative credits (if provided for in the university system of the country that awarded the qualification), marks, and rating scale. If the university studies carried out abroad are divided into first and second level, the Bachelor's degree and the list of examinations taken to obtain that degree (*academic transcript of records of the Bachelor's degree*) should also be attached.

       If the foreign academic qualification has already been recognized as equivalent[7] to a second cycle Italian qualification by the competent academic bodies of Italian universities, the equivalence provision (Rectoral Decree) must be attached in the appropriate section of the online application.

       • **to be obtained (the following two points refer to foreign degree applicants who have not yet obtained their degree, who expect to complete it by 31 May 2025 and are therefore "conditionally" admitted to the selection):**
       a **certificate of enrolment in a course of study that allows admission to a Doctoral Programme** (see art. 2 paragraph 1 letter c), with a **list of the examinations** successfully passed, credits obtained in each examination (if provided for in the university system of the country that awarded the qualification), marks, rating scale (academic

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[6] The ID numbers of candidates not admitted due to submission of incomplete applications will be published at: https://www.unitn.it/en/phd/european-cultures-environment-contexts-histories-arts-ideas
[7] Details at https://www.cimea.it/EN/pagina-riconoscimento-accademico

transcript of records) and the possible award date. If the university studies carried out abroad are divided into first and second level, the Bachelor's degree and the **list of examinations** taken to obtain that degree (academic transcript of records of the Bachelor's degree) should also be attached.

If the language of the above-mentioned documents is different from Italian, English, German, French or Spanish, the applicant will have to submit a translation in Italian or in English, which can be done by the candidate under her/his own responsibility, in order to allow the Admission Committee to evaluate the eligibility of the certificate, for the sole purpose of participation participating in this admissions process.

In addition, if available, also the following documents:
- *Academic degree (diploma)* of the required title (Master of Science/Art or equivalent) in the original language;
- *Diploma Supplement*[8](according to the model developed by the European Commission, the Council of Europe and UNESCO/CEPES), or;
- *Declaration of value*[9] which certifies that the educational qualification is valid in the country of achievement for being admitted to Doctoral programme (third level of higher education according to the Bologna Process - European Higher Education Area; EQF level 8), or;
- the *Statement of comparability - university qualification* [10] awarded by the ENIC-NARIC Center in Italy (CIMEA) that contains all the information necessary for the evaluation of the qualification.

C. **Summary of the final dissertation** (written in Italian or English) explaining the choice of the subject, the research methodology and the results obtained (max 5.000 characters, including spaces).

D. **Curriculum vitae in Italian or in English** preferably based on the Europass model, that includes, if any, a list of scientific papers, further more skills of research and any degree obtained by the candidate as a result of university graduate or postgraduate courses (Second level master's degree, Doctoral Programmes, specializations, advanced training courses, or other).

E. **Research proposal:** a brief **description in Italian or, alternatively, in English of the research project**, whose topic must fall within one of the research subjects of interest of the Doctoral Program, specified in Art. 3 and must fall within one of the scientific-disciplinary fields (SSDs) listed in Art. 1.

The chosen SSD must be explicitly indicated in the appropriate section of the online application "Specialized curriculum and Research proposal".

Applicants have to submit only one research project proposal, filling in the "Research proposal" section of the online application, according to the following scheme:

- title;
- aims of the project (max 1.000 characters, including spaces);
- originality of the candidate's project compared to the current status of the research in the chosen field (max 5.000 characters, including spaces);
- methodology and timing of the research (max 3.000 characters, including spaces);
- essential and annotated bibliography (max 6.000 characters, including spaces).

It is also possible to include:
- activities the candidate would like to realize on the subject (e.g. seminars, research, meetings – max 1.000 characters, including spaces);
- foreign Universities/Institutes where the candidate plans to spend a research period and Italian or international professors/experts the candidate would be inviting for seminars or involving as supervisors in the Doctoral activities (max 1.000 characters, including spaces).

11. **OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS**:

- publications, if any, with the related list; publications must be submitted **in electronic format** through the online application;
- any certificate ascertaining a minimum level of CEFR[11] B2 in a language among English, French, German, or Spanish (Italian is an option only for applicants with a different mother tongue);

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[8] The Diploma Supplement is a document attached to the final qualification, intended to improve international "transparency" and to facilitate academic and professional qualification recognition (diplomas, degrees, certificates etc.). The Diploma Supplement must be issued by the same institution which has given the diploma. See: http://www.cimea.it/en/servizi/il-sistema-italiano-di-istruzione-superiore/diploma-supplement.aspx.

[9] See: http://www.cimea.it/it/servizi/procedure-di-riconoscimento-dei-titoli/glossario.aspx; http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studying/info-07.html.

[10]The University of Trento has signed an agreement with the CIMEA Association for the evaluation and verification services of foreign qualifications through the use of the Diplome platform. The statement of comparability of qualifications relating to the 55 countries of the Lisbon Convention can be downloaded directly and free of charge through ARDI – Automatic Recognition Database Italia

[11] See http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr.

- other documents useful to attest the candidate's ability to do research (documents about awards, academic activity and post-graduate research; certificate concerning scholarships, etc.).

Should candidates wish to add further documentation to the application after having already submitted the application, they may do so **by the deadline of the selection announcement** emailing ateneo@unitn.it. In this case, **the subject line should be**: Application ID - Candidate's Last Name and Name – Doctoral Course in European Cultures. Environment, Contexts, Histories, Arts, Ideas – 41st cycle – integrazione domanda). Documentation sent by other means will not be accepted.

12. For all purposes in law, the application is considered to be a self-declaration of personal details and information provided.

Art. 5 – APPLICANT EVALUATION

1. Upon hearing the Doctoral Programme Committee, the Rector appoints the Admissions Committee. It consists of at least three members chosen among Italian and foreign professors and researchers, who are experts in the scientific areas of the Doctorate. The Committee may also include up to two experts, even foreign, of public and private national and international research organizations.

2. The selection exams are intended to assess the applicant's preparation and aptitude towards scientific research with specific reference to the chosen research topic.

3. The selection takes place as follows:
   - assessment of curriculum vitae, qualifications and evaluation of the research proposal according to Art. 4 according to the criteria established by the Committee;
   - oral exam.

4. Candidates who also compete for any topic-specific grant, added after the publication of this notice, must explicitly request it **before the start of the evaluation of qualifications,** in accordance to the terms set on the selection webpage. These candidates will be evaluated on the knowledge of the specific subject matter(s) of that grant. The option for a topic-specific grant expressed by a candidate implies the preference of the candidate for the award of that specific scholarship with respect to all others.

5. The Admissions Committee has an overall score of 100 points available, partitioned in the following way:
   - 20 points for the assessment of curriculum vitae and qualifications;
   - 30 points for the evaluation of the research project;
   - 50 points for the oral examination.

   In order to be admitted to the oral examination candidates must reach a minimum score of 30 after the assessment of qualifications and research project.

6. The interview will focus on the applicant's knowledge of the research area of the project and will be held in Italian.
   At any case, candidates are required to demonstrate language skills in two languages among French, English, Spanish or German as indicated below:
   - **for applicants who uploaded to the application a certificate** stating a minimum level of CEFR B2 in a second language among French, English, Spanish, or German, during the interview will be assessed the passive knowledge of another language among French, English, Spanish, or German, chosen by the candidate in the application;

   - for applicants who **didn't** upload to the application a certificate stating a minimum level of CEFR B2 in a second language among French, English, Spanish, or German, during the interview will be assessed the language knowledge in two foreign languages among French, English, Spanish, or German, one at an active level and one at a passive level, chosen by the candidate in the online application.

   The PhD programme is mainly taught in Italian. The candidates who have a different mother tongue than Italian must have a good knowledge of Italian language. This knowledge will be verified during the interview.

7. The oral exam is successfully passed with a minimum score of 30 points.

8. The assessment of the qualifications and of the oral exam will be available at the selection's webpage[12].

9. The interview may take place in one of two modalities (at the candidate's choice):
   a) at the University of Trento. Applicants are requested to show a valid ID document before the interview begins. Should the candidate fail to attend the interview for whatever reason this will be considered as renunciation of participation in the selection procedure;

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[12] The chosen candidates will be listed using their application ID.

b) by videoconference by using audio-video connection devices that allow the correct identification of the participants (by webcam) and the carrying out of the interview in public. The starting time of the interviews will be scheduled by the Commission. Candidates must provide the same identification document attached to the application form. Failure to participate on the day or at the appointed time, or not providing ID documents will result in exclusion from the competition. The University accepts no responsibility in the case of technical problems that do not guarantee the proper conduct of the interview.

Information regarding the date, time and place (University of Trento, if in presence) at which the interview will be held will be provided at least 20 days prior to the date of the interview on the competition website.

Any changes to the date of the interviews will be published on the same website.

Art. 6 – RANKING

1. The Committee draws up a merit-based ranking according to the scores obtained by the applicants from the qualification's assessment, the project and the interview.

2. Scholarships are assigned to eligible candidates based on ranking order.

3. The ranked list (using candidates' application IDs) will be published on the selection's website.

4. **By publishing the ranking, notification concerning the selection results is considered fulfilled**. Admitted candidates will not receive any personal messages.

Art. 7 – ADMISSION TO THE PHD PROGRAMME AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE OFFER

1. Applicants will be admitted to the Doctorate according to their rank in the final score list and until all available and eligible positions have been filled.

2. Should two candidates obtain the same score: as regards the awarding of the scholarship, the candidates' economic situations shall be the deciding factor, in accordance with the criteria established by the D.P.C.M. of 9 April 2001 and subsequent amendments and integrations; when neither candidate has applied for a scholarship, the younger of the two candidates will be selected.

3. If an eligible applicant withdraws **before the beginning of the Programme** (1 November 2025), the next applicant in the ranking list will be offered the place.

   This candidate is expected to accept the offer within **8 days** from the day after having received the notice from the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social Sciences and Humanities.

   If an eligible applicant withdraws or is excluded in the first three-month term of the first year, the Doctoral Programme Committee may decide to fill the vacancy with another candidate next in rank in the final score list.

4. Successful candidates must confirm that they accept the PhD place offered **within 8 days** of publication of the shortlist. Offers are accepted online, and instructions can be found at: https://www.unitn.it/en/study/register/information-phd-students/enrolling-phd.

5. Admitted applicants with a qualification that has not been awarded in Italy must deliver to the PhD Office - Cognitive, Social Sciences and Humanities, in advance by email (phd.office-cssh@unitn.it) if they had not already done so during the application phase – "Application procedure", the following documents **by 7 November 2025**:

   - original or certified copy of the **academic diploma of the Master degree** (Master of Science/Arts or equivalent) **together with the academic transcript of records**, possible official translations[13], legalized[14] or with an apostille affixed (*verify the fulfillment of the requirements set by the issuing country of the title*);
   - **Diploma Supplement** (if provided for by the university where the title was issued, it is commonly used within the member countries of the European Higher Education Area (EHEA));
     alternatively
   - **Declaration of Value** issued by the Italian diplomatic or consular representations country of origin of the institution that issued the title;
     alternatively

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[13] Details at: https://www.esteri.it/mae/it/servizi/italiani-all-estero/traduzione-e-legalizzazione-documenti.html
[14] Details at: https://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studying/info-13.html

- **Statement of comparability of foreign university qualifications** issued by the ENIC-NARIC Center in Italy (CIMEA[15]) that contains all the information necessary for the assessment of the qualification.

In case the Diploma Supplement, or the Declaration of Value, or the Statement of comparability are not available by November 8, 2022, admitted applicants must deliver a document showing that they asked the University/the Italian diplomatic or consular representations/the ENIC-NARIC center for the documents to be issued. Admission to the Doctoral Programme for successful candidates who do not provide the required above-mentioned documents by 7 November 2025 will be "conditional" and the applicants will be excluded from the Doctoral Programme if:
  - they do not deliver the documents within 6 months from the starting date of the Programme;
  - upon verification, their title is not in compliance with the requirements of this call for selection.

Forfeiture from the course will result in the obligation to return any monthly scholarship money received.

Art. 9 - ENROLMENT

1. The official registration in the doctorate, limited to short-listed candidates who have accepted the position according to the procedures in the preceding article, will automatically be made official as soon as the PhD Programmes requirements verification by the Ministry of Education, University and Research for the a.y. 2025-2026 has been completed.

   In case of no conferrable accreditation, candidates who have accepted the position will receive a timely notification via email and the fee for the Right to Education (TDS) will be refunded.

2. To complete the enrolment, the candidate who has obtained the qualification abroad, upon arrival in Italy, will have to show the official documents (in original or copy conforming to the original), relating to the academic path, already anticipated in a scanned form in phase of admission to the competition or during the matriculation process, to allow the appropriate verification of the validity of the qualifications, also through the national information centers on the recognition of foreign securities belonging to the ENIC-NARIC network. Until such time candidates are admitted to the course with reserve and may be excluded if they do not meet the requirements.

Art. 10 – INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS ON RESEARCH RESULTS AND PUBLICATIONS

1. Without prejudice to the Italian law on copyright (legislative decree 633/1941 and subsequent amendments), intellectual and industrial property rights on the results eventually achieved by the PhD student, including (but not limited to) softwares, industrial inventions patentable or not, know-how, models, data and data collection, are regulated in accordance with applicable laws and University regulations and, if necessary, according to the provisions in the individual agreements with universities, companies or entities involved[16].

2. Before the start of the research activity, the PhD student is required to sign a specific declaration of commitment to confidentiality in relation to the information, data and documents of a confidential nature that he / she may become aware of in carrying out his / her activity at and / or on behalf of the University. At the same time, each PhD student is required to sign a specific declaration of transfer of intellectual property rights to the University, so that they are aware of the application of the relevant legislation and the University Regulations on intellectual property and possibly a confidentiality agreement with the funding body, if required, if the position is funded by an entity external to the University.

Art. 11 PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA

In compliance to Article 13 of the "General Data Protection Regulation" (hereinafter, GDPR), the University of Trento provides to persons who want to participate in the selection procedures to be admitted to Doctoral Programmes (hereinafter "Data subjects") with the following information.

1. Data Controller
The Data Controller is the University of Trento, via Calepina n. 14, 38122 Trento (TN); email: ateneo@pec.unitn.it; ateneo@unitn.it.

2. Contact details of the Data Protection Officer
The data subjects may contact the Data Protection Officer (DPO or RPD) to have information about processing of their personal data by writing to: rpd@unitn.it.

3. Purpose of the processing and legal basis

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[15] The University of Trento has signed an agreement with the CIMEA Association for the evaluation and verification services of foreign qualifications through the use of the Diplome platform. The statement of comparability of qualifications relating to the 55 countries of the Lisbon Convention can be downloaded directly and free of charge through ARDI – Automatic Recognition Database Italia
[16] See Protection and valorisation of intellectual property

The University of Trento processes personal data as part of the performance of its public interest tasks and, in particular, for the purposes of carrying out this selection procedure and complying with a legal obligation (Art. 6, par. 1, lett. e) and c); Art. 9, par. 2, lett. g) of the GDPR).

4. Nature of the provision of data
The provision of personal data is necessary for participation in this procedure and failure to provide such data will result in the impossibility of taking part. The provision of special health-related data (for candidates with disabilities) is optional, but failure to provide it will result in the impossibility of accessing the requested support tools.

5. Data processing methods
The processing of personal data shall be carried out manually, by automated means and/or by telematic means by authorised staff according to their tasks and in compliance with the principles of lawfulness, correctness, transparency, adequacy, relevance, accuracy, integrity and confidentially (GDPR, art. 5, par.1,). No automated decision-making processes, including profiling, are carried out.

6. Categories of recipients
In addition to all the University personnel acting for the above-mentioned purposes, personal data may be disclosed to third parties, public and private entities (es. MUR, ANVUR) in order to fulfil the abovementioned purposes, including any financing subject in relation to the funded scholarships. Personal data may also be disclosed to third parties in compliance with a legal obligations and/or provisions of the Public Security/Judicial Authorities.

7. Transfer to non-EU countries
If, within the abovementioned purposes, personal data are transferred to non-EU countries, this transfer will be performed within the limits and under the terms as per art. 44 and seq. of the GDPR.

8. Data retention period
Personal data will be stored as long as necessary to fulfil the purposes of this procedure, and anyway, as long as it is necessary by law. In any case data will be stored for the time indicated by the current law and/or by the University regulations on managing and storage of documents issued by the University within its institutional activities.

9. Rights of the Data subjects
Data subjects may exercise the rights referred to in Articles 15 et seq. of the GDPR at any time. In particular, data subjects have the right to obtain from the Data Controller the access, the rectification or the integration of personal data and, if the legal requirements are met, the erasure, the limitation or the opposition to the data processing operation. In case there is an infringement of the GDPR on the processing of personal data, Data subjects have the right to lodge a complaint with the Italian Data Protection Authority by virtue of article 77 of the GDPR or to engage in legal proceedings.

Art. 12 – REGULATIONS

1. For matters not explicitly mentioned in the present announcement, please refer to Law no. 398 of 30 November 1989, to art. 4 of Law n. 210 of 3 July 1998 as amended in Art. 19, paragraph 1, of the Law of 30 December 2010, n. 240, to the Ministerial Decree no. 226 of 14 December 2021, to the University Regulations on Doctorates of Research of the University of Trento issued with the Rector's Decree n. 250 of 11 March 2022, to the Students Honor Code issued with the Rector's Decree n. 416 of 13 June 2016 and to the Internal Regulations of the Doctorate in European Cultures. Environment, Contexts, Histories, Arts, Ideas approved by the Board of the Department of Humanities on April 27, 2022 and subsequent amendments and to other relevant provisions contained in the existing regulations.

2. This call for applications, together with an English version, will be published on the University of Trento's website, the Euraxess website and the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research's website.

3. The person responsible for the administrative procedure is the Head of the Education and Student Services Management of the University of Trento. The reference office is the PhD Office Humanities and Cognitive Science Area, email: phd.office-cssh@unitn.it. The Selection Committee is responsible for the applications selection procedure, from the evaluation of the qualifications to the interview, from the drafting of the minutes to the formulation of the merit rankings.

4. Any changes or additions to this Call will be published on the selection webpage listed in art.1.