

Università degli Studi di Messina

PUBLIC COMPETITION, BY QUALIFICATIONS AND EXAMINATIONS, FOR ADMISSION TO N° 3 RESEARCH DOCTORATE COURSES ACTIVATED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MESSINA – 32nd CYCLE

THE RECTOR

- IN VIEW OF: the law of August 13rd, 1984 n. 476, “Norms regarding scholarships and research doctorate courses in Universities”, as integrated by art. 52, par. 57 of the law December 28th, 2001 n. 448;
- IN VIEW OF: the art. 19, par.1 of the law of December 30th, 2010 n. 240 that has modified art. 4 of the law of July 3rd, 1998 n. 210, that comprises norms regarding research doctorate courses;
- IN VIEW OF: the law of August 2nd, 1990 n. 241 that establishes: “Rules governing administrative procedures and the right to have access to administrative documents”, and subsequent amendments and integrations;
- IN VIEW OF: the Legislative Decree June 30th, 2003 n. 196 , “ Code concerning the protection of personal data” and subsequent amendments and integrations;
- IN VIEW OF: the Statute of the University Autonomy, issued with the Rector’s Decree (D.R.) n. 1244 of May 14th, 2012 (published in the Italian Government Official Gazette – General Series, n. 116 of May 19th, 2012) and modified by the Rector’s decree n. 3429 of December 30th, 2014 (published in the Italian Government Official Gazette – General Series, n. 8 of January 12nd, 2015) ;
- IN VIEW OF: the Ministerial Decree (D.M.) n. 45 of February 8th, 2013 “Regulation bearing the procedures for the accreditation of centers and of Research doctorate courses and the criteria for the establishment of doctoral courses by the accredited institutions”;
- IN VIEW OF: the “Guidelines for the accreditation of Doctoral courses”, as of the official Ministerial letter prot. n. 436 of March 24th, 2014 and the letter prot. N. 4289 of March 13nd, 2015 outlining “the operative procedures for the accreditation of Doctoral course A.y. 2016/17 ” prot. N. 6363 of March 11st, 2016;

- IN VIEW OF: the University of Messina regulation concerning Research Doctorate courses, issued with the Rector's Decree n. 1015/2016 of May 3rd, 2016;
- IN VIEW OF: the opinion expressed by the University's evaluation board of April 22nd, 2016 regarding the persistence of the eligibility requirements prescribed by the national regulations;
- IN VIEW OF: the deliberations of the April 7th 2016 of the Academic senate and the Board of Directors of April 8th 2016 in which are approved the 32nd cycle Research Doctorate courses; assigned the relevant scholarships and adopted all Agreements with public bodies and other Universities;
- IT IS RESERVED the faculty to modify and integrate this Public competition by publicizing the changes on the University of Messina's website at the following address:
http://www.unime.it/dottorati_di_ricerca/_bandi_dottorato

DECREES

Art. 1

Establishment of Research Doctorate (PhD) Courses

The 32nd cycle of Research Doctorate Courses is established with its administrative center at the University of Messina (here on denominated University).

The comparative selections for admission to the Doctoral courses – 32nd cycle, academic year 2016-2017, are announced, as indicated in the **attachments n. 1-3**, that are an integral part of this Public competition, where are indicated:

- The denomination of the Doctoral course;
- The type of degree required for admission;
- The characteristics of the Doctoral course and employment opportunities;
- The conditions and selection criteria and the evaluation of candidates;
- The number of positions with and without a scholarship;
- Any other document required and/or different procedure, according to art.10 of the University Regulation concerning Research Doctorates, here on denominated Regulation.

According to the mentioned Ministerial decree (D.M.) n. 45 of the February 8th, 2013 the Research doctorate courses will be activated after the favorable opinion expressed by the ANVUR on compliance to the Ministerial accreditation requirements.

Therefore, the positions and scholarships on competition will be assigned only after this positive evaluation.

The scholarships indicated in the **attachments n. 1 - 3** can be increased before the Course begins, in case financial support from other Universities and/or other private and public bodies will be available, and the relevant Agreements stipulated will have their juridical effects, while bearing in mind the deadlines for applications.

Information regarding these supplementary funds will be publicized on the University website at the address: http://www.unime.it/dottorati_di_ricerca/_bandi_dottorato

The duration of the courses is of three years with a predicted start the October 1st, 2016

Art. 2

Admission Requirements

Candidates can apply, without limits to citizenship, who at the deadline for applications, are in possession of a Specialist/Master degree or the old University degree or any other suitable qualification even obtained abroad, declared equivalent or recognized as suitable for access to the research doctorate courses on the basis of rules confirmed by relevant international agreements.

Those candidates who will obtain the qualification required by the October 31st, 2016 can also participate; in the case these candidates pass selection procedures and enroll in one of the Research doctorate courses, after having obtained the qualification, and not beyond the date above mentioned, must send to the Rector (Magnifico Rettore) of the University of Messina by PEC (Certified electronic mail) protocollo.pec@unime.it or directly at the University's registry office, or by Registered mail with return receipt to the address: Piazza Pugliatti, n. 1 – 98100 Messina, the self-certification with the date and signature (or the relevant certificates only in the case of academic qualifications obtained in NON European countries) accompanied by a copy of a valid identity card, indicating also: name of the University who issued the qualification, date in which it was obtained, type of qualification (specialist/master degree, old system degree), final evaluation.

Those candidates, who for whatever reason do not communicate the attainment of the degree within the expected deadline or send incomplete, erroneous information, by means or different addresses from those indicated will be excluded from Courses.

The suitability of the foreign qualification will be verified by the Examining Committee of the Research Doctorate course according to the current laws in Italy and in the Country where the qualification was issued and in compliance with the Treaties and International Agreements concerning the recognition of qualifications for the continuation of higher education.

All candidates are admitted to selections with reserve of verification of the declarations, according to the President of the Republic Decree (D.P.R) n. 445/2000 and subsequent modifications and integrations.

The University can in any moment during procedures and even after the start of courses make check-ups on the truthfulness of the declarations produced. In the case of false declarations the University can arrange in any moment, by provision of the Rector, the exclusion of candidates from selection procedures or from the doctoral course, without prejudice to the penal responsibilities that thus derive.

Art. 3

Application to selection procedures

The application, together with the compulsory documents, as indicated in the **attachments n. 1 – 3** must be filled in electronically by using exclusively the form available at the online address: <https://unime.esse3.cineca.it> and by following the instructions on that website. At the end of the procedure a MAV form will be generated for the compulsory contribution of **€ 50 (fifty)** for

participation to the public competition that must be paid definitely by the day after the expiry date, penalty the exclusion from selection procedures.

For the candidates residing abroad, the contribution for the participation to selections can be paid by money transfer on the bank account IBAN: **IT 16W 02008 16511 000300029177** CODICE BIC SWIFT **UNCRITM1K66** entered to the University of Messina by specifying the reason for payment as hereby indicated: “ <surname and name of candidate>, contribution for the participation to the Research doctorate course in <denomination of the course>”. The candidates from the developing countries are exempted from the payment of the contribution mentioned above as defined in the Ministerial Decree n° 594 of August 1st, 2014.

The compulsory contribution for participation to selection procedures is not refundable for any reason at all.

The receipt of payment must be kept by the candidate and must be shown when requested.

Selection procedures will be active for 30 days from the day after the publication of the Announcement on the on-line notice board of the University at the online address http://www.unime.it/ateneo/_albo. At the expiry date the link will be deactivated and it will not be possible to fill in the application form.

All applications that will arrive after this deadline and/or sent in a different way or are incomplete will be excluded from selection procedures.

Integration of documents will not be admitted after the expiry date of the Public competition. In the application the candidate must indicate the curriculum of the course for which he/she wants to participate.

Candidates must attach only in a **PDF format** the documents requested in **attachments n. 1-3**;

European Union and NON European Union citizens who are in possession of foreign qualification/s obtained in a European Union and/or Non European Union country must attach a copy of the certificate/s of academic qualifications obtained from which are deduced the duration of the Degree course, the list of the examinations taken with the relevant mark, the name of the University who has issued the qualification, the date of the qualification and the final evaluation, with a relevant translation in the Italian or English language, care of and under the responsibility of the declarant, regularly dated and signed.

In the case of the candidate's admission to the course, this documentation must be produced and/or integrated at the moment of enrolment, according to art. 7 of the present Public competition.

The candidates with disabilities must specify in the application, according to the laws in force, the necessary aids and/or the necessity of additional time for the completion of examinations.

The insertion of untruthful information in the application form will mean the exclusion from the final list in order of merit and the automatic loss of the right to enrolment, apart from sanctions that are applied by the penal code and the related specific laws.

Self certifications, as specified in the paragraphs 46 and 47 of the D.P.R. n. 445/2000 and subsequent amendments and integrations, can also be used by:

- European Union citizens
- NON European Union citizens with residency permit in Italy regarding only the status, personal qualities and facts certified by Italian public bodies (specifically: a qualification obtained at an Italian University).

Art. 4 The Examining Committees

The Examining Committees for admission to the Research Doctorate Courses will be appointed by Decree of the Rector, on proposal of the Teaching board of the Course, according to art. 11 of the University of Messina Regulation. The above mentioned decree will be published after the expiry date for applications on the University's website at the link: http://www.unime.it/dottorati_di_ricerca/_bandi_dottorato will have formal notification value. The coordinator will then be informed of the publication and subsequently will take care of all consequential obligations and communications to all members concerned.

Art. 5 Examinations

The examinations of each Course indicated in the **attachments n. 1 - 3** of this public competition will be held at the University of Messina which is the administrative center of the Doctoral course. The examination timetable, with the indication of the place, the day, the month and the hour of the exams will be published after the Public competition's deadline on the website of the University of Messina, at the link: http://www.unime.it/dottorati_di_ricerca/_bandi_dottorato and will have the **value of official notification for candidates.**

In order to do examinations, candidates must exhibit a valid document of identity.

Candidates, who have a valid and motivated request and is allowed by the specific Course, can do the oral examination via *video-conference by means of specific software.*

The Committee in charge of the comparative evaluation of the candidates' qualifications must follow the following criteria in awarding the overall 100/100 points.

The evaluation of qualifications is carried out by the Examining Committee, who defines the criteria for the award of relevant points.

It is not required the presence of the candidates at the moment of that evaluation.

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS EVALUATED:

Up to a maximum of 30/100 points

(to be attached to the application in a PDF format)

- Master, specialist or old system degree thesis;
- university career (examinations, graduation mark);
- publications;
- any professional experience and other qualifications held by the applicant;
- Research project drawn up by the candidate, where it is expressly requested, which does not constitute an obligation for the subsequent allocation of the Doctoral thesis
- curriculum vitae.

EXAMINATIONS:

(Oral, written or written and oral)

up to a maximum of 70/100 points

I. selection on the basis of qualifications and oral or written examination:

Qualifications: up to 30 points

Oral or written examination: up to 70 points (the minimum pass grade is 42 points)

the minimum overall pass grade for admittance is 60 points

II. selection on the basis of qualifications, oral and written examination:

Qualifications: up to 30 points

Written examination: up to 40 points (the minimum pass grade is 24 points);

Oral examination: up to 30 points (the minimum pass grade is 18 points)

the minimum overall pass grade for admittance is 60 points

The tests of knowledge of the foreign language/s required by the Public competition, where expected, will be taken during the oral examination or autonomously.

The final mark of selection procedures, expressed **in one hundredths**, is the result of the sum of the points given to the examination and to the qualifications submitted for evaluation (qualifications and exam).

The results of the single evaluations of each candidate will be publicized at the Department, administrative center of the Course, on care of the President and the Secretary of the Examining Committee.

At the end of the assessments, the Examining Committee draws up the general ranking list in order of merit on the basis of the evaluation of the academic qualifications and the examination and draws up a list of candidates admitted and not admitted to the Doctoral course.

All Examining Committees must finish procedures within and not beyond the 15th of September 2016.

The final list in order of merit (*Graduatoria di merito*) will be published on the online Official noticeboard and on the University's website at the address: http://www.unime.it/dottorati_di_ricerca/_bandi_dottorato, and it has at all effects a **legal notifying value**.

Art.6

Admission to Courses

The candidates are admitted to the Courses according to what is regulated by the art. 9 of the University Regulation. All candidates are considered "admitted on reserve" according to their position in the final ranking list until all positions for the Doctoral Course are covered. The scholarships are granted according to the ranking in the final list in order of merit.

The candidate, on the basis of the final list in order of merit, who is admitted to the Course must express the acceptance of the position within 10 days from the publication of the final evaluations by sending an enrolment application according to what is specified in the following art. 7.

Not applying for enrolment will mean the loss of any right to admission to the Course.

In the case of loss of right or renunciation on behalf of any candidate admitted to Courses, until three months after the start of lessons, the unoccupied positions will be assigned on the basis of the order of candidates in the final ranking list.

In the case of equal points between two or more candidates preference will be given to the candidate with the more disadvantaged economic situation (ISEE income lower) and, in the case of further equal merit, the candidate with the lowest age will prevail.

For positions *without* scholarship, preference will be given to candidates with the lowest age.

The candidates who have already been admitted, on approval, to examinations according to art. 2 of this Public competition, and are in possession of suitable foreign qualifications, or those who will obtain the required qualification by the October 31st, 2016, in the case of suitable placement in the ranking list, can have access to the Course respectively after:

- a) favorable approval of the foreign degree;
- b) the actual attainment of the qualification, needed for selection, by the October 31st, 2016.

The holders of Research funds will be admitted after passing selection procedures as indicated by the art. 20, par. 10 of the abovementioned Regulation.

All public service employees will be admitted to Courses after passing the selection procedures according to art. 20, par. 13 of the abovementioned Regulation.

Art. 7

Enrolment to Courses

Candidates admitted to courses, with or without scholarship, must enroll by the deadline specified at art. 6, par. 2.

The candidate who participated at more than one selection and is placed as successful in more than one final list in order of merit must proceed by declaring his option right for one of the Courses within 10 days from the publication of the final lists of merit of all the Doctoral Courses in which he/she is admitted. Not completing enrolment procedures for the selected Course will mean the loss of any right to admission to all the Courses in which the candidate was admitted.

Candidates must use the enrolment procedure prepared by the University administration, available on the website: <https://unime.esse3.cineca.it> together with the declarations required by the Public competition and by the Regulation, in self-certification with all attachments

The application must be sent electronically by the expiry date, penalty the exclusion.

The Candidates admitted **with** a scholarship must pay *by MAV* for each year, university fees, the regional tax for study rights and the electronic stamp duty of the total amount of **€ 198,59**, not taking into account any new recalculation of the amount needed for university fees as determined by the competent Academic organs.

The candidates admitted **without** a scholarship must pay *by MAV* the first instalment (deposit) of the enrolment fee of **€ 400,17**, which comprises the regional tax for study rights, not taking into account any new recalculation of the amount needed for university fees as determined by the competent Academic organs, and the second instalment (balance) by the date of 31st of July of each year.

The candidates in possession of a foreign academic qualification **obtained in a European Union** country must attach to the enrolment application:

- certificate/s of the qualification/s possessed with attached a translation, in Italian or in English declared identical to the original text by the competent Diplomatic or Consular Authorities abroad.

The candidates in possession of a foreign academic qualification **obtained in a NON European Union** country must attach to the enrolment application:

- certificate/s of the qualification/s possessed with attached a translation, in Italian or in English declared identical to the original text by the competent Diplomatic or Consular Authorities abroad ;
- a *Dichiarazione di valore in loco* issued by the competent Diplomatic or Consular Authorities abroad, that certifies the duration of the degree course along with a list of the examinations taken and the relevant marks and also the academic value of the qualification in the Country that has issued it;

The candidates in possession of a qualification obtained abroad, who do not produce evidence of the documents required when matriculating, will be enrolled on reserve, and will be excluded from the doctoral course with the obligation to repay the scholarship rates wrongly received if they do not hand in the documents within six months from the start of the Course and/or, if verified, the qualification produced is not in compliance with the requirements indicated in the present public competition.

The citizens of NON European Union countries must also hand in a copy of their current Residence permit in Italy within 10 days after the start of all Doctoral course activities.

At the beginning of each year following the first year of the Course, the Doctoral student, admitted to attend the following academic year, must renew his/her enrolment by the 31st of October of each year, by using the specific procedure available at the website: <https://unime.esse3.cineca.it> . A fee will be applied of an amount that will be determined by the competent academic organs to all enrolments made after the expiry date.

The false declarations in the enrolment application will mean the exclusion from the final list in order of merit and loss of all rights.

In the above case, the University administration will retrieve any benefits conceded to the candidate and all fees already paid will not be reimbursed. False declarations will bring to a legal action by the interested counterparts for compensation.

Art. 8 Incompatibility

Candidates admitted to Doctoral courses and already enrolled at other courses, not compatible, according to art. 19 of the University Regulation, are obliged to request a temporary interruption of their academic career when they enroll at the Doctoral course.

Candidates who are enrolled at a School of specialization must also suspend their studies apart from the cases described in the following paragraph.

It is possible to combine the attendance of a Doctoral Course with that of a medical Specialization Course, and therefore have a reduction to a minimum of two years for the Doctoral Course according to the following general criteria:

- a) The candidate must be admitted to a Doctoral Course at the same University or a consortium where he attends the medical School of Specialization

- b) A combined attendance of both Courses can be allowed during the last year of the School of Specialization but the Doctoral course must be compatible with the activities and the commitments of the School and after an official authorization by the Teaching Board of the School
- c) The Teaching Board of the Doctoral Course will decide on granting the request for a reduction after having examined the research activity already carried out during the Medical Specialization Course and certified by the Teaching Board of the same Course
- d) During the year of combined attendance of Courses the candidate cannot receive the scholarship of the Doctoral course.

The Teaching Board of the Doctoral course and the Board of the School of Specialization will arrange the manner of the combined attendance of both Courses.

Art.9 Fees and Scholarships

The Research Doctorate scholarships have the duration of one year and are renewed after a specific verification by the Teaching Board of the completion of the previous year's Course programme together with an evaluation of the Research activities developed. Scholarships are paid after a positive evaluation of the activities carried out.

The rules in this article do not apply to holders of foreign scholarships or the recipients of financial support obtained within specific mobility programmes regulated by specific norms.

The whole annual amount of the scholarship, granted in monthly instalments, is equal to **€13.638,47** gross of withholding social security contributions that the Doctoral student must pay.

The value of the scholarship can be increased up to **50 %** of the amount for an overall period not longer than 18 months and more than 15 days if the Doctoral student is authorized by the Teaching Board to carry out research activity abroad.

The requests for study activity abroad, duly authorized by the Teaching Board together with information regarding the place, the period of stay and the motivation, must be sent by the Doctoral Course Coordinator to the Research Doctorate Management's Office at least *thirty days* before leaving in order to draw up the relevant Rector's decree.

Starting from the second year, it is expected a fund for the research activities in Italy and abroad according to art. 17 of the Regulation.

In the case of suspension, withdrawal or loss of rights of the Doctoral student who has a scholarship, the student is not entitled to the sum that remains of his scholarship.

The Doctoral student, when admitted to the Course, can decline the scholarship grant by sending an official communication to the Rector of the University. In this case, though maintaining his status, he/she loses all rights to the scholarship and the whole or partial amount can be attributed under the same conditions and terms to the first entitled Doctoral student without a scholarship from the moment in which the scholarship was declined.

The Scholarship is not combinable with any other scholarship apart from those granted by Italian or foreign institutions given to integrate Research activity of the doctoral student conducted abroad, and the exclusion of the specialization activities conducted abroad according to the law n. 398/1989.

The Research Doctorate scholarship is subject to separate INPS social security contributions (*Gestione separata INPS*) that are paid, according to the laws in force, for 2/3 of the amount by the University and 1/3 by the Doctoral student.

Art.10

Attendance, suspension, withdrawal and renunciation

The attendance of doctoral students is compulsory and requires an exclusive full-time commitment. The suspension, the withdrawal and the renunciation in continuing the Research doctorate course are regulated by the art.18 of the University of Messina regulation concerning Research Doctorate courses.

Art. 11

The treatment of personal data

According to the Legislative Decree n. 196/2003 and subsequent amendments and integrations, the University is obliged to respect the private nature of the information submitted by the candidate. By abiding to the relevant laws in force, all data submitted will be treated for the purpose of selection procedures and for the management of the Doctoral student's career.

Art. 12

Final norms

For anything not stated in this Public competition the norms and regulations contained in art. 4 of the Law n. 210/1998, in art. 19 of the Law n. 240/2010, in the Ministerial Decree (D.M n. 45/2013) and in the University of Messina's Regulation concerning Research Doctorates (D.R. n. 1015/2016) and other laws in force apply.

The presentation of the application form through the online procedure, as stated in art.3, implies the acceptance on behalf of the candidate of all the regulations in this public competition and those in the already mentioned University of Messina's Regulation concerning Research Doctorates (D.R. n. 1015/2016)

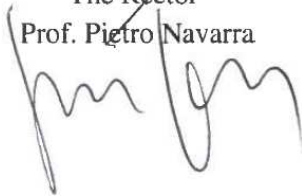
This Decree, written both in Italian and in English, will be published on the on-line notice board of the University at the address <http://www.unime.it/ateneo/albo>. The Announcement will be published on the EU websites of Euroaxess, on the Ministry of Education, University and Research (MIUR) website and on the University's website.

Disclaimer:

The official and legally binding announcement is the Italian one available at http://www.unime.it/dottorati_di_ricerca/bandi_dottorato.

This translation cannot be used for legal purposes and is only meant to provide information in English on the public competition for selection procedures. Changes and integrations in English will be published at http://www.unime.it/dottorati_di_ricerca/bandi_dottorato.

The Rector
Prof. Pietro Navarra



The person in charge of administrative procedures

A. Di Maria





UNIVERSITA' DEGLI STUDI DI MESSINA

PUBLIC COMPETITION, BY QUALIFICATIONS AND EXAMINATIONS, FOR ADMISSION TO THE RESEARCH DOCTORATE COURSES - 32nd CICLO

ATTACHMENT N° 1

Research doctorate in **Economics, Management and Statistics**

Curricula

In the application form the candidate will have to specify the curriculum of the PhD course for which he/she intends to participate:

1. *Economics;*
2. *Management;*
3. *Statistics.*

Coordinator

Prof. Luca Corazzini,
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Positions with scholarship

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Positions without scholarship

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Required degree

All the Master, Specialistic or Old Order Degrees, otherwise a similar academic qualification also obtained abroad, already declared equivalent by the Italian authorities, otherwise recognized adequate, only for the purpose of the participation to the selection for the admission to the PhD course, by the commission for the access. The board of professors could request to PhD students who have obtained a degree in sectors with limited lectures of economic nature to integrate their CV with further specific courses considering those offered by master degrees.

Requirements for foreign students

Knowledge of the Italian or English language.

An academic qualification equivalent to that required to Italian students, otherwise to hold a bachelor's degree and master for whom have obtained a degree in a foreign university where master, specialist and old order degrees courses are not expected; if the academic qualification is not declared equivalent to the Italian master's degree, it is possible to request the equivalence to the access commission, only for the access to the PhD course.

Description and objectives of the PhD course

The PhD course offers a training of education and research competitive at international level. The objective is to create a stimulating environment for highly motivated students holding potential adequate to undertake subsequent research activities both in academic field and in national and international research institutions.

Objectives include:

- a) Attracting Italian and foreign students motivated to carry out advanced research activities.
- b) Providing adequate theoretical and empirical skills in order to carry out research activities of high qualitative profile from an international point of view.
- c) Developing the capability to conduct research activities individually and/or within international research groups.

Expected career and professional opportunities

PdDs in Economics, Management and Statistics find employment both in private and public sectors. The first and more immediate possible future career is in the academic and institutional field as well as in private research institutions. The international fashion of the PhD (entirely in English language) will allow future PhDs to address their career both in Italy and abroad.

The activation of Summer and Winter Schools, as well as the considerable incentives for spending research periods in Universities and International Research Centers will allow PhD students to establish important scientific interactions useful to their professional integration in Italy and abroad. A second possible future career is in the private field. Nowadays, it exist in enterprises the need to take on professional figures able to understand and develop financial, management and decisional processes that can allow enterprises to understand in an effective fashion the globalized market. In the end, a third possible future career regards international entities such as, for example, the European Union, ONU, FMI and the World Bank. The PhD in Economics, Management and Statistics holds the expertises necessary to analyse the complex economic and statistical phenomenons that are considered by such entities.

Description of the training activity

Linguistics	Lectures and biannual cycles will be held in English. Even the writing of the final thesis is envisaged in English language The knowledge of the English language of PhD students will be verified during the admission exam.
Computer Science	The PhD course envisages the utilization of computer science systems and econometrics, data processing, and computation software for the writing of empirical and theoretical reports. For this purpose supplementary lectures will be arranged for the learning of software such as STATA, EViews, MATLAB, LIMDEP. Computer science laboratories will be also used for lectures.
Management of the research, of the knowledge of research systems and of the funding systems	Stages on topics and procedures concerning grants coming from the European Research Council or other funding sources such as international philanthropic foundations and other public and private entities will be arranged.
Valorization of research results and intellectual ownership	The PhD course encourages the participation of PhD students to congress and seminars for the dissemination their research results. Furthermore, PhD students will be invited to submit their scientific works to both national and international

	specialized journals. The PhD course envisages the creation of a dedicated section of working papers in order to provide a preliminary visibility to PhD students' scientific works that obviously have reached a maturation level that justify the public dissemination.
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Notes

The PhD course will include:

- 1) 2 pre-lectures in Mathematics and Statistics for students of the first year.
- 2) 5 "core" lectures in Mathematics, Econometrics, Microeconomics, Macroeconomics and Strategic Management for the students of the first year. The admission to the second year depend on the the acquisition of the aforementioned topics that will be verified by means of written exams.
- 3) Activation of "topic" lectures in order to enhance the scientific interaction among students of the second and third year with professors and members of the PhD board. Such lectures do not include final exams and can be attended by students on the basis on their options.
- 4) Biannual cycles.
- 5) Summer and Winter Schools attended by academics with an international reputation. With such schools it is expected to in-depth several topics of interest of the activities of PhD students.
- 6) Research visiting in Italy and/or abroad for a total maximum duration of 18 months for each PhD student.

Documents to be attached

Documents that must be mandatory attached to the application form in pdf format, penalty the exclusion:

- scanned copy of a valid identity document with photo;
- curriculum vitae;
- research project written by the candidate, with maximum length of 1000 words on the topic on which he/she intends to focus during the course of study (that does not represent a constraint for the following assignment of the PhD thesis). The project will include a brief presentation of the scientific problem who the PhD student intend to face, a concise review of already existing results available in literature, a description of the methodology that he/she intends to adopt and a summary of possible expected results.

for candidates already having the eligibility education qualification:

- self-certification, including date and signature, stating the educational qualification: the Italian University that has released the degree, degree denomination, degree date, final grade, list of exams with corresponding grades and CFU when available:

Self-certifications can also be used by:

- European Union citizens;
- citizens of non-European Union Countries, regularly resident in Italy, limited to status, personal qualities and episodes that can be certified by public Italian subjects (more specifically an educational qualification obtained from an Italian University).

Candidates, EU citizens and non-EU citizens, with a foreign educational qualification obtained in non-EU Countries must attach the certification of degree (Bachelor's and Master's degree) that reports the duration of the course, the list of exams with corresponding grades, the University that has released the educational qualification, the date of achievement and the final grade with the translation in the Italian or English language,

written by the declarant, upon his/her responsibility, regularly dated and signed. Such candidates will be conditionally admitted to the selection and they will be excluded from the selection of the PhD course, after verification, in the case the educational qualification results ineligible for the call and it does not allow, therefore, the enrollment to the PhD course.

- Master's or specialist degree thesis (or analogous thesis);

for the candidates who have not achieved the eligible educational course yet (undergraduates):

- self-certification, dated and signed, indicating for the educational qualification; University in which they are enrolled, type of degree, denomination of the degree course, list of exams with obtained grade and corresponding obtained CFU;

Further qualifications that have to be attached to the application form if owned by the candidate:

- Two recommendation letters written by academic professors;
- publications;
- other qualifications owned by the candidate.

Evaluation criteria of qualifications and exams

1. Qualifications

The maximum score attributable to qualifications will be 30/100 points.

Assessable qualifications are:

- Master's, Specialist, Old Order degree thesis;
- academic carrier (exams' grades, final grade);
- possible publications;
- possible professional experiences and other qualifications owned by the candidate;
- research project elaborated by the candidate, that does not represent a constraint for the following assignment of the PhD thesis.
- curriculum vitae.

2. Exams: oral examination

The maximum score attributable to the oral examination will be 70/100 points and it will be considered passed with a minimum assessment of 42/100 points.

The oral examination is in English language.

The oral exam, for who is resident in areas distant more than 300 Km from the administrative headquarter can be done in telematic fashion through proper and specific software.

Minimal final assessment in order to be considered admissible: 60/100 points.

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The candidates from the developing countries are exempted from the payment of the contribution mentioned above as defined in ministerial decree n°594 of August 1st, 2014.

The bank transfer receipt must be carefully kept by the candidate and shown if requested.



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PUBLIC COMPETITION, BY QUALIFICATIONS AND EXAMINATIONS, FOR ADMISSION TO THE RESEARCH DOCTORATE COURSES - 32nd CICLO

ATTACHMENT N° 2

Research doctorate in

Philosophy

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Positions with scholarship

3 University of Messina

3 University of Palermo

Position without scholarship

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Required degrees

MA Degree (Equivalent to the Italian Laurea
Magistrale or Specialistica)

Requirements for foreign students

The compatibility of the foreign degree will be evaluated by the Selection Committee in accordance with the regulations that currently are valid in Italy and in the country where the degree was granted, or in accordance with treaties or international agreements related to the acknowledgement of educational qualifications for education and research purposes.

Description and objectives of the course

The Doctoral School staff conceives Philosophy as a discipline that is situated at the borders between different forms of knowledge, and allows their cross-fertilization from the methodological point of view and within an inter-disciplinary perspective. Thus this PhD course targets young researchers endowed with cognitive tools directed to contrast the disciplinary and professional fragmentation characterizing many actors operating in cultural and educational fields. A complex and globalized society requires its educational systems to prepare flexible actors, able to

appropriately use scientific competences and conceptual instruments to address its emergent challenges and multiple needs. Accordingly, this PhD course intends to offer qualified and frontier interdisciplinary doctoral education in line with the highest international standards, and to encourage stable cultural exchanges with outstanding international research institutions and scholars. The main goal is to train the students to become top level researchers, capable of producing original results in academic and (public or private) research environments. Additionally, this PhD course intends to prepare young researchers who are oriented to undertake a professional carrier in secondary school teaching, as well as anyone planning to work in the educational field, with the necessary cultural qualifications and methodological skills.

Employment and career opportunities provided

The PhD course is designed for students capable of applying innovative methodologies to philosophical, epistemological, historical and/or theoretical research. Accordingly, the targeted employment opportunities are: researchers in universities and public and/or private research institutions; leadership roles in educational institutions, and in structures and processes dedicated to staff training in companies; highly qualified secondary school teachers; philosophical counseling experts (several years ago, a group of professors belonging to the doctoral staff has created a master in Philosophical Counseling); operators in cultural institutions, or in management and highly qualified tertiary sector activities and structures.

Training activities description

Foreign languages	To perfect foreign languages skills, the following activities are planned: guided reading of philosophical texts in their original language; study of English for general use; a period of at least six months in the country where the first spoken language corresponds to the main language of reference for the topic addressed by the student in her research work; Erasmus exchanges, according to the existing conventions.
Informatics	Evaluation and empowerment of the standard computer skills useful in data processing, bibliographical research and research results reports. The students will be able to refer to the IT experts of the departments involved in the course.
Research management, knowledge of research and research funding systems	Following the established practice, the students will be involved in their tutors' research projects, in particular with regard to the processes of redaction and submission of these projects, in such a way that the students will acquire knowledge about the current funding systems and possibilities.
Exploitation of research results and intellectual property	Following the established practice, the students, will be encouraged and supported in the process of preparation, submission and publication of their scientific contributions and, where appropriate, will be involved in the editorial boards of scientific journals.

Foreign languages	Some lectures and seminars will be held in English, French, German or Spanish.
Informatics	The students will have access to computer workstations connected to the university network.
Research management, knowledge of research and funding systems	The students will be involved both in the preparation of full grant proposals and in experimental design in order to make them independent in the development of projects and in the search for research funding.
Exploitation of research results and intellectual property	The contributions of the research activities will be published in international journals with a high impact factor, and presented by the PhD students at international and national conferences.

Documents to be attached

Necessary documentation to be included in pdf format, in the application under penalty of exclusion:

- scan of a valid identity document featuring the candidate's photograph;
- curriculum Vitae;
- a research project developed by the candidate (in case of successful selection, this project will not constrain the assignment to the candidate of her PhD research and thesis topics);

for candidates who already have the required qualifications to be admitted to this PhD course:

if the degrees are granted by an Italian university:

- Self-certification, with date and signature, indicating with regard to the qualification: the Italian University that granted the degree, type of degree, name of the related degree course, degree date of attainment, final mark, list of examinations indicating the related marks and earned credits, if any;

Self-certification may be used also by:

- EU citizens;
- non-EU citizens, legally with residency permit in Italy (states, personal qualities and events, with specific regard to the degree granted from an Italian university, have mandatorily to be certifiable and attestable by Italian public entities and institutions);

if the qualifications or degrees are granted by foreign universities or institution:

Candidates who are citizens of EU or non EU countries, and whose qualifications are granted from an institution belonging to a non-EU country, have to include in their application: (a) the certification of their qualifications (Bachelor and Master degrees), which has to indicate the duration of the course of study, the list of examinations and related marks, the university that granted the qualifications, the date of graduation and the final mark; (b) an Italian or English translation of this certification, redacted under the responsibility of the candidate, and dated and signed. The candidates will be provisionally admitted to the selection procedure; they will be excluded from the selection and the PhD program if, after the due checking procedures, it will appear that the qualifications do not meet the requirements of this announcement, and thus do not allow the enrollment in the PhD course.

- Master degree thesis (or thesis equivalent to the Italian ‘tesi di laurea’);

for candidates who are not yet in possession of the qualifications needed to be admitted to the PhD course (i.e., undergraduate students who are about to graduate):

- self-certification, with date and signature, indicating, with regard to the qualification: university in which the candidate is enrolled, type of degree, name of the degree program, list of examinations with related marks and earned credits, if any;

Additional documents to be included in the application, if possible:

- publications;
- professional experiences;
- other qualifications.

Evaluation criteria

1. Qualifications

The qualifications can be evaluated up to a maximum score of 30/100 points.

The qualifications that can be considered for the evaluation are:

- Master thesis, or a thesis of equivalent level;
- academic career (list of examinations, graduation marks);
- publications, if any;
- professional experiences and other qualifications, if any;
- the above mention research project elaborated by the candidate (in case of successful selection, this project will not constrain the assignment to the candidate of her PhD research and thesis topics);
- Curriculum Vitae.

2. Test: Oral Test

The maximum score achievable in the oral test will be 70/100 points. The minimum score necessary to pass the oral test is 42/100 points.

The test consists of an interview directed to assess the candidate's preparation, skills, inclination for scientific research, and motivations. The interview also aims to evaluate the candidate's knowledge of topics related to the PhD course training and methodological orientations, and includes the formal presentation of the research project proposed by the candidate.

During the interview, the candidate's knowledge of the chosen foreign language (English, French, German and Spanish) will be tested. During the oral examination the knowledge of the English language will be tested.

Foreign students are required to have a good knowledge of Italian language. If the candidate will present a specific and motivated request, the interview will be realized through telematic support.

The minimum score to be achieved in order for the candidate to be considered admissible to the PhD course is: 60/100.

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The receipt of the transfer must be carefully preserved and exhibited by the candidate in case of request.



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ATTACHMENT N° 3

Research doctorate in **Legal Science**

Curricula

In the application form the candidate will have to specify the curriculum of the PhD course for which he/she intends to participate:

- 1. Organization of the dominance and safeguard of the fundamental rights in the constitutional and historical-philosophic perspective;*
- 2. Civil jurisprudence. People and market on the internal and european legal rights;*
- 3. Penal safeguard and person guarantee in internal, compared, european and international jurisprudence: substantial and processual profiles;*
- 4. Enterprise, transports and public administration.*

Coordinator

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Positions with scholarship **5 UNIME**

Positions without scholarship **1**

Required degree

LMG/01 Class of master degrees in jurisprudence
LMG/01 Jurisprudence
22/S (specialistic in jurisprudence)
Degrees in jurisprudence (Old Regulation)

Requirements for foreigner students

The suitability of the foreign educational qualification will be verified by the assessment Commission of the PhD course in accordance with the regulations in force on the subject in Italy and in the country where the educational qualification itself has been granted and of the international treaties and agreements regarding the recognition of educational qualification for the continuations of studies.

Description and objective of the PhD cours

The PhD course aims at providing to PhD students a high specialistic education of interdisciplinary nature, within the reference area. The curricula aim to offer a global vision of the most evolved jurisprudential and doctrinal elaborations in the respective subject areas. Such a concern will require, as it has already been highlighted, a multidisciplinary approach, that is not limited to a single prospective (private, commercial, constitutional, penal, international, administrative, historical-philosophic) but that will aim to integrate different aspects in order to build PhD culturally ready to accomplish further in-depth scientific studies and who are also able to undertake the freelance and to assume a commitment in national and supranational institutions.

The focus on the methodology represents a moment of special cohesiveness and, at the same time, of valorization of the respective peculiarities of the various sectors that are object of the research. Beyond of the same contexts, it is therefore prospected the acquisition of a rigorous legal method for the purpose of the identification of right ways for the interpretation and application of legal regulations.

Expected career and professional opportunities

Academic career; forensic activity in all fields and *specifically* in civil, penal and administrative ones; preparation to open competitions for positions as functionary in the European Communities; access to open competition for magistrature and notarial positions; employment in enterprises and bodies that operate in the specific sectors; employment in public authorities; working activity in international organizations operating in the correspondent sectors; In order to achieve such objectives, the PhD student will accomplish also collaboration protocols with professional orders, public administrations and enterprises.

Description of the training activity

Linguistic	A part of courses will be held in English
Computers science	Knowledges of computer science will be investigated
Management of the research, of the knowledge of research systems and of the funding systems	The research, managed by means of the use of the department's library and computer science tools, aims to fulfill objectives, also of practical relevance in the logic of the safeguard of the territorial needs. Moreover, it will aim to provide the knowledges required for the presentation of research project in internal and european contexts.
Valorization of research results and intellectual ownership	The results of the research will be leveraged by means of the publication in important national journals.

Documents to be attached:

Documents that have to be mandatory attached to the application form in pdf format, penalty the exclusion:

- scanned copy of a valid identity document with photo;

- research project written by the candidate (that does not represent a constraint for the following assignment of the PhD thesis);

for candidates already having the eligibility education qualification:

- self-certification, including date and signature, stating the educational qualification: Italian University that has released the degree, degree denomination, degree date, final grade, list of exams with corresponding grades and CFU when available:

Self-certifications can be used also by:

- European Union citizens;
- citizens of non-European Union Countries, regularly resident in Italy, limited to status, personal qualities and episodes that can be certified by public Italian subjects (more specifically an educational qualification obtained from an Italian University).

the candidates, EU citizens and non-EU citizens, with a foreign educational qualification obtained in non-EU Countries must attach the certification of degree (Bachelor's and Master's degree) that reports the duration of the course, the list of exams with corresponding grade, the University that has released the educational qualification, the date of achievement and the final grade with the translation in the Italian or English language, written by the declarant, upon his/her responsibility, regularly dated and signed. Such candidates will be conditionally admitted to the selection and they will be excluded from the selection and PhD course, after verification, in the case the educational qualification results ineligible for the call and it does not allow, therefore, the enrollment to the PhD course.

- Master's or specialist degree thesis (or analogous thesis);

for the candidates who do not have achieved the eligible educational course yet (graduand):

- self-certification, dated and signed, indicating for the educational qualification; University in which they are enrolled, type of degree, denomination of the degree course, list of exams with obtained grade and corresponding obtained CFU;

Other qualifications that can be included

- scientific publications;
- professional experiences;
- any other qualification owned by the candidate;
- curriculum vitae.

Evaluation criteria

1. Qualifications

Maximum: 30/100.

Assessable qualifications are:

- Master's degree, Specialist degree or other similar degree;
- academic carrier (exams' grades, final grade);
- publications;
- professional experiences and other qualifications owned by the candidate;
- research project elaborated by the candidate, that does not represent a constraint for the following assignment of the PhD thesis.

2. Exams: written and oral examinations

Written

It consists in a composition aimed at verifying the preparation, ability and attitude to the scientific research of candidates, relatively to the chosen PhD curriculum.

Oral

It consists in a discussion - that can be done in English, French, German or Spanish upon a request by the candidate - that aims to assess the preparation, ability and attitude to the scientific research and motivations of candidates, relatively to the chosen PhD curriculum. Furthermore, the discussion aims at verifying the knowledges of the candidates on the topics concerning the educational and methodological orientations of the PhD student and it requires the formal presentation of the proposed research project.

During the oral examination the knowledge of the language chosen by the candidate (**English, French, German or Spanish**), will be verified in case the examination will be held in Italian.

The maximum grade attributable to the written examination will be 40/100 points, and it will be passed with a minimal assessment of 24/100 points. The maximum grade attributable to the oral examination will be 30/100 points, and it will be passed with a minimal assessment of 18/100 points. The oral examination, upon motivated request from the candidate, will be done in telematic mode by means of specific and adequate software.

Minimal final assessment in order to be considered admissible: 60/100 points.

Only for candidates having legal residence abroad, it is compulsory to pay the participation fee by bank transfer to the account number: IT 16W 02008 16511 000300029177; BIC SWIFT Code: UNCRITM1K66, name of the University of Messina, specifying the reason for payment as indicated below " < full name of applicant > participation doctoral contribution in LEGAL SCIENCE". The candidates from the developing countries are exempted from the payment of the contribution mentioned above as defined in the Ministerial Decree n° 594 of August 1st, 2014.

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