



# UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI CAGLIARI

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(XXVII cycle)

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## Art. 1

### PhD schools and PhD courses

For the academic year 2011/2012 (27<sup>th</sup> Cycle) the University of Cagliari announces public competitions for the PhD schools and PhD courses listed below.

List of PhD programs available at UNICA (academic year 2011/2012):

<b>PhD school in BIOLOGY AND HUMAN AND ENVIRONMENT BIOCHEMISTRY</b>							
<b>Director: Prof. Angelo Cau</b>							
Website: <a href="http://people.unica.it/bbua/">http://people.unica.it/bbua/</a>							
PhD courses	Field	Coordinator	Positions	Scholarships funded by FSE	Scholarships funded by University of Cagliari	Other scholarships	Supernumerary positions for foreign students
<i>Biology and human and environment biochemistry</i>	05	Prof. Emanuele Sanna	18	6	2 (of which 1 reserved to foreign students)	1 DM 198/2003	none
<b>PhD school in PHILOSOPHY AND EPISTEMOLOGY</b>							
<b>Director: Roberto Giuntini</b>							
PhD courses	Field	Coordinator	Positions	Scholarships funded by FSE	Scholarships funded by University of Cagliari	Other scholarships	Supernumerary positions for foreign students
<i>Philosophical disciplines</i>	11	Prof. Annamaria Loche	6	2	1		1
<i>History, philosophy and didactics of sciences</i>	11	Prof. Marco Giunti	6		3 (of which 1 reserved to foreign students)		2
<b>PhD school in PHYSICS</b>							
<b>Director: Prof. Giovanni Bongiovanni</b>							
Website: <a href="http://dottorato.dsf.unica.it/">http://dottorato.dsf.unica.it/</a>							



PhD courses	Field	Coordinator	Positions	Scholarships funded by FSE	Scholarships funded by University of Cagliari	Other scholarships	Supernumerary positions for foreign students
<i>Physics</i>	02	Prof. Gianluca Usai	14	4	1 reserved to foreign students	1 DM 198/2003 1 INFN	4
<b>PhD school in CIVIL ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE</b>							
<b>Director: Prof. Gaetano Ranieri</b>							
<b>Website: <a href="http://people.unica.it/scudo/la-scuola/">http://people.unica.it/scudo/la-scuola/</a></b>							
PhD courses	Field	Coordinator	Positions	Scholarships funded by FSE	Scholarships funded by University of Cagliari	Other scholarships	Supernumerary positions for foreign students
<i>Architecture</i>	08	Prof. Antonello Sanna	6	2	1 reserved to foreign students		2
<a href="#"><u>Land engineering</u></a>	08	Prof. Giorgio Querzoli	6	2		1 DM 198/2003	2
<i>Structural engineering</i>	08	Prof. Barbara De Nicolo	6	1		1 DM 198/2003 1 GEASAR S.p.A	2
<i>Technologies for the preservation of the architectonic and environmental heritage</i>	08	Prof. Ulrico Sanna	4	2			1
<b>PhD school in INFORMATION ENGINEERING</b>							
<b>Director: Prof. Alessandro Giua</b>							
<b>Website: <a href="http://www.diee.unica.it/DRIEI">http://www.diee.unica.it/DRIEI</a></b>							
PhD courses	Field	Coordinator	Positions	Scholarships funded by FSE	Scholarships funded by University of Cagliari	Other scholarships	Supernumerary positions for foreign students
<i>Electronic and computer engineering</i>	09	Prof. Alessandro Giua	18	5	3 (of which 1 reserved to foreign students)	1 DM 198/2003	4
<b>PhD school in ENVIRONMENTAL AND LAND ENGINEERING AND SCIENCES</b>							
<b>Director: Prof. Alessandra Carucci</b>							
<b>Website: <a href="http://people.unica.it/scuoladisat">http://people.unica.it/scuoladisat</a></b>							
9	Field	Coordinator	Positions	Scholarships funded by FSE	Scholarships funded by University of Cagliari	Other scholarships	Supernumerary positions for foreign students
<i>Environmental and applied botany</i>	05	Prof. Gianluigi Bacchetta	6	1	1 reserved to foreign students	1 DM 198/2003	1
<i>Soil preservation, environmental vulnerability and hydrogeological</i>	04	Prof. Felice Di Gregorio	6	2		1 DM 198/2003	1



<i>protection</i>							
<i>Geo-engineering and environmental technologies</i>	09 08	Prof. Aldo Muntoni	6	2		1 DM 198/2003	1
<i>Earth sciences</i>	04	Prof. Rosa Cidu	4	1	1		1

**PhD school in INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING**

**Director: Prof. Alessandra Fanni**

**Website: <http://www.diee.unica.it/sdinin/>**

PhD courses	Field	Coordinator	Positions	Scholarships funded by FSE	Scholarships funded by University of Cagliari	Other scholarships	Supernumerary positions for foreign students
<a href="#"><i>Industrial engineering</i></a>	09	Prof. Roberto Baratti	10	3	1 reserved to foreign students	1 DM 198/2003	1
<a href="#"><i>Mechanical design</i></a>	09	Prof. Natalino Mandas	6	2		1 DM 198/2003 reserved to foreign students	1

**PhD school in NEUROSCIENCES AND MORPHOLOGICAL SCIENCES**

**Director: Prof. Paola Sirigu**

PhD courses	Field	Coordinator	Positions	Scholarships funded by FSE	Scholarships funded by University of Cagliari	Other scholarships	Supernumerary positions for foreign students
<i>Neurosciences</i>	05	Prof. Alessandra Concas	10	3	1 reserved to foreign students	1 DM 198/2003	1
<a href="#"><i>Morphological and functional sciences</i></a>	05	Prof. Valeria Sogos	10	3	2 (of which 1 reserved to foreign students)		1

**PhD school in CHEMICAL AND PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES AND TECHNOLOGIES**

**Director: Prof. Anna Corrias**

PhD courses	Field	Coordinator	Positions	Scholarships funded by FSE	Scholarships funded by University of Cagliari	Other scholarships	Supernumerary positions for foreign students
<a href="#"><i>Chemical sciences and technologies</i></a>	03	Prof. Mariano Casu	12	3	1 reserved to foreign students	1 DM 198/2003 1 AUSI Consortium	1
<i>Pharmaceutical sciences and technologies</i>	03	Prof. Elias Maccioni	8	3		1 DM 198/2003	1

**PhD school in MANAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTING**

**Director: Prof. Aldo Pavan**



PhD courses	Field	Coordinator	Positions	Scholarships funded by FSE	Scholarships funded by University of Cagliari	Other scholarships	Supernumerary positions for foreign students
<a href="#">Economy</a>	13	Prof. Romano Piras	8	2	2 (of which 1 reserved to foreign students)		1
<i>Economy and business administration</i>	13	Prof. Ernestina Giudici	12	2	4 (of which 1 reserved to foreign students)		4
<b>PhD school in LAW SCIENCES</b> Director: Prof. Giancarlo Filanti							
PhD courses	Field	Coordinator	Positions	Scholarships funded by FSE	Scholarships funded by University of Cagliari	Other scholarships	Supernumerary positions for foreign students
<i>Contract law</i>	12	Prof. Valeria Caredda	10	2	3 (of which 1 reserved to foreign students)		1
<a href="#">Administrative law, information and public communication</a>	12	Prof. Paola Piras	10	3	2		1
<b>PhD school in MATHEMATICS AND INFORMATICS</b> Director: Prof. Marco Gaviano Website: <a href="http://phdmi.sc.unica.it/">http://phdmi.sc.unica.it/</a>							
PhD courses	Field	Coordinator	Positions	Scholarships funded by FSE	Scholarships funded by University of Cagliari	Other scholarships	Supernumerary positions for foreign students
<i>Informatics</i>	01	Prof. Giovanni Michele Pinna	8	3		1 DM 198/2003	
<i>Mathematics and scientific computation</i>	01	Prof. Giuseppina D'Ambra	4		2 (of which 1 reserved to foreign students)		1
<b>PhD school of HISTORICAL, POLITICAL, GEOGRAPHICAL AND GEOPOLITICAL SCIENCES</b> Director: Prof. Gianfranco Tore							
PhD courses	Field	Coordinator	Positions	Scholarships funded by FSE	Scholarships funded by University of Cagliari	Other scholarships	Supernumerary positions for foreign students
<i>Modern and contemporary history</i>	11	Prof. Giovanni Murgia	6	2	1		1
<i>History, institutions and international relations of Asia</i>	14	Prof. Bianca Maria Carcangiu	8	2	2 (of which 1 reserved to foreign students)		1



<i>and Africa</i>							
<b>PhD school in PHILOLOGICAL AND LITERARY STUDIES</b>							
Director: Prof. M. Cristina Lavinio							
Website: <a href="http://www.unica.it/filolog/dottorato.htm">http://www.unica.it/filolog/dottorato.htm</a>							
PhD courses	Field	Coordinator	Positions	Scholarships funded by FSE	Scholarships funded by University of Cagliari	Other scholarships	Supernumerary positions for foreign students
<i>Philological and literary studies</i>	10	Prof. M. Cristina Lavinio	12	4	2 (of which 1 reserved to foreign students)		none
<b>PhD school in TOXICOLOGY</b>							
Director: Prof. Gaetano Di Chiara							
Website: <a href="http://www.phdtoxicology.it">www.phdtoxicology.it</a>							
PhD courses	Field	Coordinator	Positions	Scholarships funded by FSE	Scholarships funded by University of Cagliari	Other scholarships	Supernumerary positions for foreign students
<i>Toxicology</i>	03 05 06	Prof. Gaetano Di Chiara	14	4	2 (of which 1 reserved to foreign students)	1 DM 198/2003	2
<b>PhD Courses</b>							
PhD courses	Field	Coordinator	Positions	Scholarships funded by FSE	Scholarships funded by University of Cagliari	Other scholarships	Supernumerary positions for foreign students
<i>Written sources of Mediterranean civilization</i>	11	Prof. Luisa D'Arienzo	4	2			1
<i>Biomedical engineering</i>	06 09	Prof. Giacomo Cao	6	2		1 DM 198/2003	2
<i>Engineering and environmental sciences</i>	09	Prof. Roberto Orrù	4	2			2
<i>Cardiovascular Sciences</i>	06	Prof. Francesco Marrosu	4		1	1 Department of Cardiovascular and Neurological Sciences	2
<i>Development and testing of anti-infective drugs</i>	05	Prof. Alessandra Pani	6	2		1 DM 198/2003 Reserved to foreign students	1
<i>Pediatric therapy and development pharmacology</i>	06	Prof. Renzo Galanello	4	2			1



For each PhD school or course, specific details are given in annexes available at <http://www.unica.it/pub/3/index.jsp?is=3&iso=47>: PhD school/course name, Directors and Coordinators, area code, description of research topics (available only in Italian), duration (number of years), the overall number of available places, associated universities, number of scholarships, additional places reserved for foreign students, supernumerary positions, entrance test procedures, contacts.

Scholarships available are 141; 81 funded by P.O.R. Sardegna F.S.E. 2007/2013 (European Social Funds) Obiettivo Competitività Regionale e Occupazione, Asse IV Capitale Umano, Linea di Attività 1.3.1”; 39 funded by the University of Cagliari; 17 funded according to D.M. n. 198/2003, 1 financed by the Department of Cardiovascular and Neurological Sciences of the University of Cagliari, 1 on selected topic sponsored by the Costa Smeralda GEASAR S.p.A.; 1 on selected topic sponsored by AUSI Consortium; 1 by the National Institute of Nuclear Physics (INFN); 19 scholarships are reserved for foreign students.

Scholarships funded by the program “P.O.R. Sardegna FSE 2007/2013 funding scheme are intended for the training and education of highly specialized HR units, in particular in the following fields of expertise: ICT, nanotechnologies and biotechnologies, sustainable development and energy sources, food research, and traditional materials. These grants are assigned only to those candidates who meet the requirements specified by art. 2 below, based on a ranking list, who are currently residing in Sardinia from five years or whose parents have resided in Sardinia for at least five years or whose parents are Sardinian emigrants.

Courses listed above will start only if at least three admitted students will enroll.

The number of scholarships may be increased with funding by public or private bodies as long as notification and agreement signature are provided by the date of students enrolment. The failure to finalize agreements with public and private bodies within the prescribed times will lead to grants not being assigned and, as a consequence, the reduction in the overall number of places on offer.

In case of additional scholarships, the number of positions available within PhD courses/schools may increase.

## **Art. 2**

### **Eligibility requirements**

Admission to the PhD programs is open, without any restrictions in terms of age and nationality, to candidates in possession of:

- a degree from the Italian university system (diploma di laurea specialistica ex D.M. n. 509/99)
- a degree from the Italian university system (laurea magistrale ex D.M. 270/04)
- a diploma di laurea awarded according to D.M. 3/11/1999, n° 509



- an equivalent qualification obtained from a foreign university and considered equivalent by the academic authorities also within specific cooperation and mobility agreements between UNICA and other Universities for the only purpose of admission to the admission exam.

Participation in the competitive examinations is also open to students who will obtain their master of science by and not later than the date of the test of the admission exam. In this case, admission shall be granted with reservation and the candidate shall be expected to submit the necessary declaration as soon as he/she obtains the degree and, at all events, before his/her enrolment in the written test. Candidates must send the documents ( copy of ID and certificate) to the administrative office by fax ( +39 070 6756490) or by email to [dottoratiemaster@unica.it](mailto:dottoratiemaster@unica.it).

Failure to meet this requirement before the date of the written test shall result in the candidate being excluded from the admission test procedure.

### **Art. 3**

#### **Admission applications**

In order to apply, candidates must first register following the online procedure available at <https://webstudenti.unica.it/esse3/Start.do>.

Instructions for registration are published at <http://www.unica.it/pub/3/index.jsp?is=3&iso=47>.

Registration to the admission procedure must be completed before the deadline of 30 days after the publication of the present announcement in the official journal Gazzetta Ufficiale della Repubblica 4a Serie Speciale Concorsi, <http://www.gazzettaufficiale.it/>.

University provides several Internet access stations available to candidates at <http://www.unica.it/pub/4/index.jsp?is=4&iso=288>.

According to art.46 D.P.R. 445/2000, candidates must report in the application form:

- a. first name, last name, Italian tax identification number (codice fiscale), place and date of birth, residence, telephone, email and current address where correspondence for selection purpose must be sent.
- b. citizenship.
- c. the exact name of the PhD course/school the application is made for.
- d. academic degree awarded (specifying score obtained, date of award, awarding academic institution).
- e. to own entry requirements reported in the call and to be aware of the text of the call.
- f. to be aware of the penalties for forged attestations as reported in the D.P.R. n. 445/2000, art. 46.
- g. to be aware of the regulations of the Legislative Decree n 196 /2003 (law of privacy) and thereby accept personal data treatment for the PhD call purpose.



In accordance to art. 20 law no. 104/92, candidates with disabilities are entitled to extra time and/or assistance with the completion of the competition exam. Personal data will be treated according to the Legislative Decree n 196 /2003.

At the end of the registration procedure, applicants must print the receipt.

Based on the University rules for taxes and tuition fees for the academic year 2011/2012 in order to attend the entrance examination, applicants must pay a fee of € 21,00 according to one of the method reported at <http://www.unica.it/pub/4/index.jsp?is=4&iso=95> (Come pagare le tasse universitarie); payments may be completed not before two days after the online procedure.

Application form printed after completing the on line procedure, must be delivered in a sealed envelope by one of the following methods:

- by hand to the counter of the PhD Office Segreteria Post Lauream- Dottorati e Master Via San Giorgio n. 12 – ex Clinica Aresu – 09124 CAGLIARI, Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- sending it by registered letter with advice of receipt or an equivalent mail service to Università degli Studi di Cagliari, settore Dottorati e Master- Via San Giorgio n. 12 – ex Clinica Aresu – 09124 CAGLIARI;

The following documents must be attached to the application:

- Degree certificate with the transcript of records including grades;
- Curriculum Vitae, possibly European format, signed;
- List of publications and any further qualifications or additional documents /certificates to be assessed for the evaluation as reported below in art.4;
- Receipt of the payment of the application fee of € 21,00

The envelop must clearly bear : “Concorso per l’ammissione ai corsi di dottorato di ricerca XXVII ciclo” candidate’s name and last name and and the name of the PhD course/School the candidate is applying for;

Qualifications/certificates may be provided:

- originals
- authenticated copy sworn by the appropriate diplomatic authorities
- copy of the degree certificate with “dichiarazione sostitutiva dell’atto di notorietà” according to art. 19 and 47 D.P.R. n 445/2000 along with a copy of a valid ID through self-certifications according to art. 46 D.P.R. n 445/2000, along with a copy of a valid ID.

Application must be delivered to the University office Settore Dottorati e Master by 12:00 pm of the third working day after the deadline for applications (05.01.2012). In case of mail delivery, the postmark shall have no validity. Applications received after the deadline abovementioned, will be automatically and irretrievably rejected.

**Candidates with a foreign academic degree**



Applicants with a foreign academic degree after registering online and the payment of the application fee of € 21,00, must provide the following documents in a sealed envelope:

- application form
- Skype account information/contact (only for foreign candidates residing abroad)
- colored copy of Identity Card or Passport (front and back) with a valid photo (only for foreign candidates residing abroad)
- receipt of the payment of the application fee of € 21,00
- degree certificate (in original or authenticated copy) with the transcript of records including grades, translated in Italian or English
- curriculum vitae preferably European format in English or in Italian, signed
- one or several letters of reference written in English or in Italian by Faculties of the University the degree certificate has been awarded by
- additional documents/titles/certifications in English or in Italian to be assessed for the evaluation procedure

Applicants may provide the above documents by:

- hand delivered at “Settore post lauream” located in Via San Giorgio n 12 –ex Clinica Aresu 09124 Cagliari, Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m;
- by registered delivery letter with return receipt (or equivalent system) to “Università degli Studi di Cagliari Settore Post Lauream” Via San Giorgio 12, ex Clinica “M.Aresu”, 09124 Cagliari, Italy; the envelope must bear “Concorso per l’ammissione ai corsi di dottorato di ricerca XXVII ciclo” candidate’s name and last name and the name of the PhD course/School the candidate is applying for.

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

Foreign university degree not validated by an Italian authority yet, will be evaluated by the Committee Board of the PhD program for the sole purposes of the admission to the PhD program the candidate wishes to apply for.

The above documents may be sent in advance by email to [dottoratiemaster@unica.it](mailto:dottoratiemaster@unica.it); the hard copies must be sent to the office within noon of the third working day after the deadline reported above.

In case of mail delivery, the postmark shall have no validity. Only the date of receipt, not the date of postage, will be considered.

Therefore, applications received after the deadline will be automatically and irretrievably rejected.

According to D.P.R. 445/200, EU citizens can submit self-certifications.

Extra EU citizens, residing legally in Italy, may provide self-certifications according to art. 46 and 47 of D.P.R. 445/2000.



If the applicant applies for more than one PhD School/course, each application form must be accompanied by the requested documents as reported in art. 2 and the payment of the application fee of € 21,00 for each application presented.

**No written communication of admission to the selection will be sent to applicants.**

The Administration Office decides upon admission of candidates to the examination. Access to the procedure may be denied where candidates do not meet the criteria for admission stated in the present document.

In accordance with art. 75 and art. 76 of the Decree of the President of the Italian Republic no. 445/2000, if the University administration offices should discover that the information declared by the candidate is incorrect or false, the applicant shall forfeit any benefits obtained by the legislative measure on the basis of false declarations.

The University administration declines all responsibility in the case of loss of documents, caused by inaccurate information regarding the permanent or habitual address of the candidate, by the failure of the candidate to inform the University of a change of address, or due to postal or telegraphic errors which are not attributable to the University Administration's offices.

**Art. 4**

**Admission Test**

The examination tests are done to verify the applicant's preparation, its research attitude and knowledge. Selection is based on one of the following method according to the academic board of the PhD program:

- assessment of qualifications and curriculum vitae, written test and interview;
- assessment of qualifications and curriculum vitae, and interview;

At the discretion of each Academic Board, the interview shall include an evaluation of one or more foreign languages. Written test and interview may be attended in a foreign language.

Written test topics to the admission to the PhD programs funded by P.O.R. Sardegna F.S.E. 2007-2013 are reported at the webpage <http://www.unica.it/pub/3/index.jsp?is=3&iso=47>.

Criteria for the evaluation of qualifications, curriculum vitae, written test and interview will be set by the Examination Boards for a final score of up to 100 points as follows:

- Academic carrier: up to 50 points divided for
  - Grades average : up to 20 points
  - Final degree mark: up to 20 points
  - Time to gain the degree: up to 20 points
- Studies, research experiences abroad pre and post lauream: up to 5 points.



- Further qualifications or additional documents /certificates gained within the last three years (masters, language certificates, training courses), publications and documented research activities: up to 5 points
- Interview or written test and interview: up to 40 points

Candidates will pass with a score not lower than 70/100. The Board of Examiners shall inform candidates about the date of publication of the list of candidates admitted to the interview.

Dates for interviews reported above may vary; the Board of examiners will inform candidates.

**Dates and venues of the competitions will be published on the web page [www.unica.it](http://www.unica.it) within the deadline of present call. Said publication shall be regarded as an official notice for the admission tests; no further notice will be given.**

In order to attend the competitions, the day of the examination candidates must provide a valid document of identification.

Those candidates who do not attend the day of the selection will be considered to have renounced.

**Foreign candidates competing for scholarships reserved to international students or for supernumerary positions with their own grant or no grant.**

Selection of foreign candidates applying for reserved scholarships for international students or for supernumerary positions will be based on titles, candidate's curriculum vitae evaluations, on interview and the assessment of foreign languages. Interview may be attended in a foreign language and, for those candidates, residing abroad and requesting specifically in the application form, may take place through videoconference over Skype subject to previous identification of the candidate.

Criteria for valuation are set by the examination Board. Examination Board has up to 100 available points in order to evaluate the candidate according to the following scores:

- curriculum vitae: up to 50 points;
- letters of reference: up to 20 points;
- interview: up to 30 points;

selection procedure will be passed if candidate gets a score of at least 70/100.

## **Art. 5**

### **Examination Boards**

Board of Examiners are appointed by the Chancellor, behind proposal of PhD Academic Board, for the comparative evaluation of the candidates. It is constituted by three members and two substitutes, chosen among the full-time faculty members and researchers for each PhD in the relevant area of study. Board members can be flanked by up to two experts of clear repute, whether Italian or foreign, from public and private universities and research organizations. The nomination of experts may be compulsory in case of the signature of an agreement with SME (art. 2195 codice civile, art. 17 Law n 317/1991).



Examination Boards appointment decree will be published on <http://www.unica.it/pub/3/index.jsp?is=3&iso=47>.

## **Art. 6 Rankings**

At the end of the evaluation procedure, the selection board will write up the minutes. The list of candidates with the scores assigned to written test, c.v., interview and valuation of titles will be available at the venue where the examinations took place. The Board shall draw up the ranking on the basis of the comparative evaluation of the candidates considering the total scores of each candidate. The ranking list will be published on the web site <http://www.unica.it/pub/3/index.jsp?is=3&iso=47>.

In case of candidates with the same ranking position, younger age will prevail.

**No written communication will be sent to selected candidates.**

## **Art. 7 Admission to the courses**

Candidates are admitted to the course according to the ranking list and until the completion of the number of places available in the competition. If any of the candidates admitted withdraws before the start of the course the next candidate(s) in the ranking shall take their place. If a candidate is admitted contemporarily to several PhD courses, he/she shall choose to attend only one of them.

Enrolment in a research doctorate is incompatible with enrolment in any other course at this or any other University.

The public employee, admitted to a PhD course will be granted, on request and compatibly with the requirements of the administration, extraordinary leave for reasons of study for the duration of the course and will receive a scholarship. In the case of admission without a study grant, or where the candidate renounces the scholarship, the person on leave maintains the usual economic and welfare conditions from the public administration by which they are employed. Public employees who already hold a PhD or who have previously been enrolled in a PhD course for at least one academic year, while on extraordinary leave, do not have the right to benefit from these conditions.

### **Supernumerary students**

Candidates are admitted as supernumerary and without scholarship, only to those PhD Schools/courses with supernumerary positions (Annexes).

The following candidates may be admitted as supernumerary:

- foreign candidates who passed the admission tests;
- foreign candidates who passed the admission tests holding a scholarships funded by national or international, public or private Institution;



- foreign candidates without scholarships, who has passed the admission tests and have declared in the application to be considered as supernumerary.

## **Art. 8**

### **Enrolment**

In order to enrol, successful candidates must first fill the enrolment form available at the web site <https://webstudenti.unica.it/esse3/Start.do> within five working days starting from the day of ranking publication, print it, sign, and then deliver or send it by registered letter with advice of receipt (or equivalent system of shipping in foreign Countries) to Segreteria post lauream, Università degli Studi di Cagliari, Via San Giorgio n. 12 – ex Clinica Aresu – 09124 Cagliari, Italy (Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m).

The following documents must be delivered:

- Signed enrolment application
- Receipt of the payment of € 20,12 for insurance and revenue tax
- Copy of Italian tax identification number (codice fiscale)
- Copy of a valid identification document
- Self - certification filled out available at <http://www.unica.it/pub/3/index.jsp?is=3&iso=47>.

### **Enrolment of candidates with a foreign academic degree**

In order to enrol, candidates holding a foreign academic degree must provide the following documents along with the one listed above to the Segreteria post lauream, Università degli Studi di Cagliari

- original of their degree or authenticated copy
- sworn Italian translation and legal authentication of their degree
- original declaration of validity (dichiarazione di valore in loco) of the foreign degree issued by the competent Italian diplomatic representative in the Country where the academic qualification has been attained (<http://www.cimea.it/default.aspx?IDC=31>).

The above documents must be delivered within four working days following the on-line enrolment application.

In case of impossibility to respect the abovementioned deadline, candidates may file in the requested documents within a new deadline set in accordance with the office “Settore dottorati e master”.

Foreign candidates must respect the “requirements to the admission of international students to Italian Universities courses for the three-year period 2011-214 (<http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/>)

The enrolment procedure will be completed upon verification by the administrative office of the University of Cagliari of the receipt of the payment of € 20,12 within the deadline reported above. Students who do not complete their enrolment within the deadline will automatically be considered as



withdrawn and the next candidate(s) in the ranking list shall take their place; the University office will inform by email the next ranked candidates and invite them to enrol within the deadline reported above.

Candidates, must provide a self-certification attached to the application and must declare:

- that he is not enrolled in degree courses, Italian or International university masters, other PhD courses;
- that he is not enrolled in university schools of specialization; if enrolled, commits himself to stop or suspend the study before of the beginning of the PhD courses;
- that he is not enrolled in any specialization school and if so, he commits himself to suspend or interrupt the course before enrolling into the PhD course/school;
- that he has/ has not previously benefited from other Italian scholarships for a PhD course;
- that he has /has not a research grant;
- that he will attend the PhD course according to the rules set by the Boards of the PhD school/course
- that he will ask for authorization the Board of the PhD school/course to continue or begin working activities;
- that scholarships are granted to students whose annual gross income does not exceed the amount of Euro 13.752,00;
- that he will not benefit, for the fiscal year 2012, from an annual income greater than Euro 13.752,00 and commits himself to communicate promptly an eventual excess of the limit of income paying back the monthly amount of the scholarship received if the student's income exceeds the limit;
- that he is aware that scholarships cannot be combined with other scholarships, except those awarded by national or foreign scientific institutes for periods spent abroad and deemed useful for the research activities of the PhD student;
- (for those scholarships on selected topic only) to opt/ or not opt for the scholarship funded by \_\_\_\_\_ on the specific research topic \_\_\_\_\_;
- that he is aware that the scholarship is assigned specifically to carry on a specific research project
- the payment of those scholarships sponsored by public or private bodies are strictly bound and depend on o the financial transfer to the University of Cagliari of the predetermined amounts.

For scholarships funded by P.O.R. Sardegna F.S.E. 2007/2013, successful candidate must declare that he is possession of the requirements reported in art.1 of the present call.

### **Art. 9**

#### **Annual taxes and contributions**

Annual tuition fees of € 266,32 + € 20,12 must be paid by successful candidates for insurance coverage and revenue tax within the deadlines reported below:

fee of € 20,12	insurance = Euro 5,50	Date of enrolment
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	revenue tax = Euro 14,62	
tuition fees of € 266,32	first payment = Euro 157,32	within 30/04/2012
	second payment = Euro 109,00	within 30/09/2012

Payment of the fee may of € 20,12 may be completed according to the instruction published at <http://www.unica.it/pub/4/index.jsp?is=4&iso=95> (Come pagare le tasse universitarie), starting from the second day after the online enrolment application and within four days of this date.

Upon the decision of the Board of Directors of the University of Cagliari tuition fees may vary for the next years. Tuition fees and fees for insurance and revenue tax of the second and third years must be paid within the deadlines published by the Settore post lauream at <http://www.unica.it/pub/3/index.jsp?is=3&iso=47>.

#### **Art. 10**

#### **Scholarships**

Based on the comparative evaluation of the admission tests by the Board of Examiners, the scholarships are assigned according to the criteria described above in art.1.with priority to the scholarships funded by P.O.R Sardegna F.S.E. 2007/2013. Scholarships funded by P.O.R Sardegna FSE 2007/ 2013 are reserved for those candidates who, besides the eligibility requirements reported above in Art. 2, are resident in Sardinia for at least five years, their parents are Sardinian residents since five years, or children of Sardinian emigrants.

The scholarship covers the entire time duration of three years PhD program.

Scholarships are paid out exclusively to those who will not receive, during the doctoral programme, an annual income greater than Euro 13.752,00. Exceeding the limit in income will result in the loss of the scholarship and implies the duty to return the monthly payments already received for that particular year.

The annual amount of the scholarship is Euro13.638,47 including social welfare charges (INPS).

The grants cannot be added to other study grants awarded for any purpose, except for those from Italian or foreign institutions which serve to supplement the educational activities or research of the grant-holders with stays abroad.

The amount of the scholarship shall be increased by 50 % for periods abroad.

Scholarships will be credited by monthly deferred payment.

Payment is subject to approval by the Coordinator of the PhD course on the basis of the candidates' research progress. Students who has benefitted from a PhD scholarships cannot apply a second time for



another PhD scholarship. In case of renunciation to the scholarships, the PhD students has to pay the tax set for the academic year of reference.

There are no tuition fees for the PhD students holding a scholarship. However a fee of € 20,12 is required for insurance and revenue tax.

## **Art. 11**

### **Rights and obligations of PhD students**

PhD students must attend the courses and carry out study and research activities on a full-time basis according to the PhD programme approved by the PhD course Board.

At the end of each academic year, PhD students shall submit to the Academic Board a detailed report on the educational and/or research activities performed. Based on the evaluation of the credits acquired by the student, the Academic Board admits the PhD student to the following year or to the final examination. A PhD student cannot be enrolled in any other PhD course, or course of study, whether in Italy or abroad. However a PhD student may spend up to 18 months in other universities, research institutes, centers and laboratories, in Italy and abroad. Time spent abroad must be approved by the Academic Board.

PhD students must carry out the research project previously agreed with the PhD Academic Board.

A negative evaluation on the part of the Academic Board – at the end or during the academic year - shall entail the loss of the right of participation in the PhD program and the obligation to refund the scholarship funds received, if any, for the current year.

PhD students who cannot attend the courses for a prolonged period of time, due to illness, pre- and post-partum leave as provided for by the law, are entitled to suspend attendance to the courses to the extent justified by the documentation submitted. Such periods could be recovered upon authorization of PhD Academic Boards.

## **Art. 12**

### **Granting of the title**

The Ph.D. degree is conferred at the end of doctoral programme and is awarded by passing the final examination: candidates will defend the thesis in front of the Board of Examiners. The final thesis, with the previous authorization of the Professors' Board, may be written in a foreign language.

The final examination may be repeated only once. The Examination Boards conferring the Ph D title are nominated in accordance with the University PhD regulations.



### **Art. 13**

#### **Personal Data treatment**

All the documents regarding personal data treatment based on Art. 13 of the Legislative Decree n 196, 30.06.2003 (personal data protection regulations) are available on the web site: <http://www.unica.it/pub/3/show.jsp?id=360&iso=192&is=3>.

### **Art. 14**

#### **Responsible of procedures and access rights to administrative acts**

The responsible for administrative procedures is Ms. Monica Melis, Post Lauream Coordinator post lauream activities office. Candidates may have access to call procedure acts within the mean of D.P.R. 184 dated 12/04/2006. Requests shall be sent to: Università degli Studi di Cagliari, segreteria post lauream, settore dottorati e master, Via San Giorgio n. 12 – ex Clinica Aresu – 09124 CAGLIARI.

### **Art. 15**

#### **Final rules**

For all matters not provided by this document, refer to PhD rules of University of Cagliari and PhD School rules, art. 4 of Legge n° 210 dated 3/07/1998, and to D.M. n 224, 30/04/1999 - Regolamento in materia di Dottorato di Ricerca - and to Chancellors' decrees D.R. n° 2216, 26 Agosto 1999 and D.R.460, 09.12.2005. For scholarships funded by P.O.R. Sardegna F.S.E. 2007/2013 (European Social Funds) Obiettivo Competitività Regionale e Occupazione, Asse IV Capitale Umano, Linea di Attività I.3.1, refers to the documents published by Regione Autonoma della Sardegna on 29.06.2010 and the funding agreement signed on 7.12.2010 between Regione Autonoma della Sardegna - Assessorato della Pubblica Istruzione, Beni Culturali, Informazione, Spettacolo e Sport- Direzione Generale della Pubblica Istruzione - Servizio Formazione Superiore e Permanente e dei Supporti Direzionali and this University.

F.to Il Rettore  
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