



UNIVERSITA' DEGLI STUDI DI GENOVA
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Notice of Public Exam for the admission to the doctoral research courses of the 29th cycle.
Last date for the presentation of applications: 20 September 2013.

Chancellor's Decree n. 907 of 30.07.2013

THE CHANCELLOR

Having taken the following into account:

- Law 476 of 13.08.1984, published in the *Gazzetta Ufficiale* (Italian Official Gazette, from now on O.G.) O.G. No. 229 of 21.08.1984 concerning the rules and regulations governing grants and Ph.D.s in Universities, and subsequent modifications and integrations;
- Law 398 of 30.11.1989, published in O.G. No. 291 of 14.12.1989 containing rules and regulations governing university grants, and subsequent modifications and integrations;
- Article 4 of Law 210 of 03.07.1998, published in O.G. No. 155 of 06.07.1998 and subsequent modifications and integrations;
- The Decree of the President of the Republic No. 445 of 28.12.2000, published in O.G. No. 42 of 20.02.2001, containing the legislative provisions relative to administrative documentation, and subsequent modifications and integrations;
- The Decree of the President of the Council of Ministers of 09.04.2001, published in O.G. No. 172 of 26.07.2001 relating to the uniformity of payment regarding the right to university education;
- The University Student Rules and Regulations issued by the Chancellor's Decree No. 228 of 25.09.2001, and subsequent modifications and integrations;
- Ministerial Decree No. 198 of 23.10.2003 containing the "Fund to Support Young Persons and to Encourage Student Mobility" and in particular article 3, as modified by the Ministerial Decrees of 09.08.2004 and of 03.11.2005;
- Ministerial Decree, No. 270 of 22.10.2004, published in O.G. No. 266 of 26.11.2004, containing the modifications to the rules and regulations concerning the rules for the didactic freedom of the universities, approved by the Minister for Universities and Scientific and Technological Research, with decree No. 509 of 3 November 1999;
- Ministerial Decree 18.06.2008 with which the annual amount of the grant to attend the Ph.D. courses has been established at €13,638.47 gross, including social security expenses to be paid by the payee;
- Law No. 240 of 30.12.2010 published in O.G. No. 10 of 14.01.2011 containing rules and regulations concerning the organisation of universities, academic personnel and employment, as well as Government Power of Attorney to boost the quality and efficacy of the university system;
- The Statute of the University of Genoa, issued by the Chancellor's Decree No. 490 of 7.12.2011, published in O.G. General Series No. 290 on 14.12.2011, and subsequent modifications and integrations;
- The memorandum from the Ministry of Education, Universities and Research protocol No. 2891 of 06.12.2012, thanks to which 21 grants have been awarded to the doctoral research courses of the 29th cycle;
- Ministerial Decree No. 45 of 08.02.2013, published in O.G. No. 104 of 06.05.2013, with which the Rules and Regulations relative to the Ph.D. courses were issued and which determine the general criteria and the requirements for the setting up of the Ph.D. courses and the suitability of the venues, as well as the criteria for the establishment of the Ph.D. courses by the authorized institutes;
- The memorandum from the Ministry of Education, Universities and Research the subject content of which is "Guidelines for the setting up of doctoral research courses academic year 2013/2014" of 22.05.2013;
- The Chancellor's Decree No. 347 of 05.06.2013 containing the University's Rules and Regulations for the Ph.D. Courses and subsequent modifications and integrations;
- The proposals for the setting up of Ph.D.s – 29th cycle – with administrative seat at the University of Genoa, presented by the University Departments and the relevant coordinating bodies for University research regulated by the Statute;
- The resolutions of the Academic Senate during the sessions of 28.05.2013 and of 23.07.2013;
- The resolutions of the Board of Governors during the sessions of 29.05.2013 and of 23.07.2013;
- The opinion of the Evaluating Unit of the University for efficiency and efficacy during the session of 15.07.2013;
- The agreement with the Foundation of the Italian Institute for Technology for the setting up of doctoral courses in "Bioengineering and Robotics", "Neurosciences", "Science and Technology of Chemicals and Materials" and "Science and Technologies for Electronic Engineering and Telecommunications", stipulated 25.07.2013;
- The agreement for the setting up of the doctoral course in "Bioengineering and Robotics" in partnership with the University of Cagliari, stipulated 30.07.2013;
- The agreements stipulated with other Institutions/Organizations for the financing of grants
- The resolutions of the Departments of the University of Genoa for the financing of grants;

HEREBY DECREES

Article 1 – Implementation

1. There is a public exam for the admission to the 3-year Ph.D. courses – 29th cycle – as per **appendix A**, with administrative seat at the University of Genoa.
2. The public exam shall proceed according to the following instructions as indicated in **appendix A** for each course on the basis of:
 - qualifications/publications;
 - qualifications/publications and an examination;
 - qualifications/publications and an interview;
3. According to the present notice, by qualifications/publications we hereby imply the information contained in the application and in the curriculum vitae, reference letters, research projects, other qualifications mentioned under art. 3, paragraph 2, letter d), and paragraph 3 and 4.
4. The following information for each course is specified in appendix A:
 - the Coordinator of the course;
 - the Department or any relevant coordinating body for research;
 - the number of places and grants, specifying the amount and the funders, also in relation to single curricula, if present;
 - any in excess places for persons who have a foreign degree;
 - the amount of the second instalment relative to the contributions for the access and attendance of the course, for graduate students who do not benefit from a grant;
 - the names of partners, in the case of doctoral courses set up in partnership with other Universities and/or public or private bodies with the requirements of high cultural and scientific qualifications;
 - the awarding of dual and/or joint certification, in the case of doctoral courses in association or partnership with other Universities;
 - the information concerning the timetable, the contents and the testing procedures and the research themes for each course or course curriculum.For the grants funded by the Ministry under the Ministerial Decree N. 198 of 23.10.2003 and subsequent modifications, the main research field in which the winner of the grant shall have to carry out his/her research is also indicated.
5. The number of grants may be increased on the basis of special agreements with public or private bodies, to be defined before the expiry date of this public notice.
6. The increase in the number of grants can determine an increase in the number of possible Doctoral candidates, although the maximum number of places cannot exceed twice the number of grants of differing kinds which have been activated for the Ph.D. course. The places in excess as per paragraph 3 of art. 8 of the Rules and Regulations for the Ph.D. Courses of the University of Genoa are excluded from this calculation.
7. The information concerning the possible increase of the number of grants/places according to the previous paragraphs 5 and 6, as well as the timetable of the tests published in Appendix A of this notice of public exam, may be of updated/amended on the university internet site at <http://www.studenti.unige.it/postlaurea/dottorati/> up to 15 days before the beginning of the tests.

Article 2 – Admission Requirements

1. Candidates who – within the expiry date of this public notice – hold a degree which has been conferred according to the rules and regulations in force prior to the reform of didactic freedom in universities, or a specialist/II level degree or an equivalent foreign academic qualification, may apply for the selection procedure without age or citizenship limitations. Candidates who obtain their degree after the expiry date of this notice shall be admitted with reserve as long as they receive their degree within the final date of 31 October 2013.
2. In the case of a degree obtained abroad and judged suitable, if the qualification has not yet been deemed equivalent, the candidate shall require that this recognition be granted for public exam purposes only. In such cases candidates shall also enclose the following documents:
 - a) a translation of the academic qualifications duly notarized by the Italian diplomatic or consular office of the country in which the qualifications were achieved;
 - b) a “Dichiarazione di Valore” (Declaration of Worth) of the qualifications drawn up by the same consular body.
3. The decree of equivalence shall be accepted solely for admission to the public exam and to enrol on the course.
4. If the Italian diplomatic or consular office does not provide the documentation in time to apply, one should enclose all the documentation available. The consequent decree of equivalence shall be accepted on condition that the legal translation and the “Dichiarazione di Valore” (Declaration of Worth) be presented within the deadline for enrolment on the courses for the candidates who have been admitted.
5. The issuing of the abovementioned documentation and of a residence permit to participate in the tests and to attend the course to foreign nationals is regulated by the note of the Ministry for Education, Universities and Research, protocol No. 602 of 18 May 2011 (Rules and regulations concerning the access of foreign students to courses for the three year period 2011/2014), available at the following address <http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studentistranieri/5html>.

Article 3 – Application

1. Applications for the selection procedure shall be submitted by means of the online procedure available at the address <http://servizionline.unige.it/studenti/post-laurea/dottorato>, **by 12 o'clock (Italian time) of 20 September 2013** (expiry date of the public notice). The application date of submission is certified by the electronic system which, at the expiry of the deadline, will no longer allow access and the sending of the application. The electronic system will issue a receipt of the enrolment on the public exam, which the candidate must print out, sign and present it when and if admitted to the course.
2. Applications shall report (self-certification) – under the candidates’ responsibility and at the risk of exclusion from the public exam – the following information:
 - a) the applicant’s full name, tax code, date and place of birth, place of residence, contact telephone number and postal address chosen for the purposes of this selection. Foreign nationals should supply an address in Italy, otherwise that of their Embassy in Italy as the agreed place of domicile. Tax codes can be omitted by foreign applicants if unavailable, though this should be clearly stated;
 - b) the title of the Ph.D. course, and, if required, the curriculum and the research theme the candidate is applying for. The candidate may present his/her application for admission to no more than **two curricula in the same course**. **Please note that a separate application must be filled in for each course and/or curriculum chosen. Applications submitted after 12 o'clock of 20 September 2013 shall not be taken into consideration.**

- c) the applicant's citizenship;
 - d) the type and name of degree held, date, grade and name of the awarding University or the equivalent qualification granted by a foreign University, as well as the documentation in which its equivalence has been granted or the request for equivalence issued for admission purposes only as per art. 2. Should the candidate graduate after the expiry date for admission to the public exam selection procedure, as long as he/she holds a degree within and not later than **31 October 2013**, he/she shall be admitted with reserve and shall, **at the risk of exclusion**, complete the application by means of self-certification of the degree awarded to be presented to the *Servizio Alta Formazione*, by fax to the following number +39 – 010 - 2099539 enclosing a copy of a valid document of identity, **within and not later than 31 October 2013 (postmarks will not be accepted as proof of posting)**;
 - e) (only for the public exam selections that involve an interview) a statement whereby the candidate indicates the foreign language he/she wishes to prove knowledge of during the interview;
 - f) (only for foreign students participating in selections based on an interview) adequate knowledge of Italian;
 - g) (only for the public exam selections that involve qualifications and publications) adequate knowledge of English;
 - h) a commitment to communicate each/any change in residence or address in time;
3. The following documents should also be attached by means of the on-line procedure:
- a) an identity document;
 - b) the candidates' *curriculum vitae et studiorum*. The abovementioned *curriculum* may include all the information relevant to the subject themes of the doctoral course the candidate is applying for. This information, for example, may concern: previous research and/or work experience, any other qualifications (study qualifications included), certifications, publications, patents, etc.;
 - c) a research project concerning one or more research themes of the doctoral course candidates are applying for as indicated in appendix A (10 pages maximum);
 - d) a document containing the title and a brief description of their dissertation, as well as a list of the examinations, the marks and, if possible, a brief description of the relative syllabuses;
 - e) any other qualifications/publications relative to the research themes dealt with in the course, each one not more than 10 pages long;
 - f) candidates may choose not less than one and not more than three referees to support their candidature. These referees must be university professors or experts in the subject. They shall send reference letters within the expiry date of the public notice exam to the Coordinator of the doctoral course to the address indicated in Appendix A. The names, status and work place of the referees chosen by the candidates must be stated in the applications;
 - g) self-certification concerning the truthfulness of the statements given and the authenticity of the documents attached to the application. This statement shall be submitted using the form available on the online procedure webpage, which must be printed out, filled in and signed (by signature or certified electronic signature) by the person concerned and then attached by means of the online procedure.
4. Please refer to appendix A for information on other documents required for single courses or curricula.
All documents must be uploaded in PDF format.
5. The documents as per the previous paragraph 3 may be either in Italian or English. Please refer to appendix A for information on the submission of documents in other languages.
6. Pursuant to the Decree of the President of the Republic of the 28 December 2000, No. 445, the statements in the applications will be signed in the document as per paragraph 3, point c) and shall also have the status of self-certification; in the case of false documents and false statements penal sanctions foreseen by art. 76 of the abovementioned decree 455/2000 shall be applied. Should the rules and regulations concerning substitute statements (D.P.R. n. 445/2000 and subsequent modifications and integrations), not be applicable, candidates *are* however responsible (from a civil, administrative and penal point of view) for their statements.
- This Administration reserves the right to ascertain the truthfulness of such statements – as governed by laws in force. Candidates who make false statements shall automatically be excluded from enrolment and any grants awarded shall be retroactively withdrawn. Further administrative and/or penal sanctions foreseen by the laws and legislation in force may also be applied.
7. The University Administration cannot be held responsible for documentation which goes astray due to mistaken indications of residence and postal address given by candidates and / or due to the fact that candidates have not communicated any changes or have communicated them too late. Furthermore, this office cannot be held responsible for any mistakes in postal or telegraphic delivery.
- 8. The University reserves the right to enforce, even after the public exam is over, sanctions which exclude candidates who have failed to comply with or meet up to requirements herein established.**

Article 4 – Admission Procedures

1. Selective assessment for admission to the research doctoral courses is mainly concerned with establishing the candidates' aptitude for scientific research and is carried out by each Commission in the following manner:
- a) in the selections based on qualifications/publications, the Commission shall previously establish the criteria for the comparative assessment of the qualifications, also to determine their suitability;
 - b) in the selections based on qualifications/publications and an interview, the assessment of qualifications/publications shall be carried out by the Commission according to the previous point a).
Before the interview, the relative classification list of the candidates shall be posted in the Department / specific areas for the research courses.
The interview will include the illustration of the research activities the candidate is interested in, also on the basis of previous activities stated in his/her *curriculum vitae et studiorum*, without prejudice to any different instructions described in appendix A. The pass mark for the oral test is at least 40/60.
During the interview the candidate shall also prove his/her proficiency in a foreign language.
 - c) in the selections based on qualifications/publications and tests, the assessment of the qualifications/publications shall be carried out by the Commission in accordance with the terms in point a).
Before the exams, the relative classification list of the candidates shall be posted in the Department / specific areas for the research courses.
The exams consist in a theoretical and/or practical test, relative to the subjects and according to any other indications described in appendix A, and an interview.
The pass mark for the theoretical and/or practical test is at least 40/60.
The interview consists in the discussion of the first test and the description of the candidate's research area of interest, also on the basis of previous activities stated in his/her *curriculum vitae et studiorum*, without prejudice to any different instructions described in appendix A. The pass mark for the interview is at least 40/60.

During the interview the candidate shall also prove his/her proficiency in a foreign language.

2. Whatever the type of public exam, should candidates obtain equal marks, grants shall be awarded on the basis of their income, as per the Decree of the President of the Council of Ministers 9 April 2001, whereas, for places without a grant, priority shall be given to the youngest candidate.

3. In order to sit the exams, candidates shall be asked to exhibit one of the following identity documents:

- a) an identity card;
- b) a driving licence;
- c) a passport;
- d) a post office card;
- e) a gun licence.

Article 5 – Examining Commissions and their Functions

1. The Chancellor, at the request of the Teaching Body, appoints, by means of a decree, the commissions which will carry out the selective assessment of the candidates. The commissions are made up of at least 3 university professors for each course; they may be integrated by not more than 2 experts, who may also be foreign nationals, from public and private research institutions and structures.

2. Each examining commission shall establish the assessment criteria before viewing the applications and documentation submitted by the candidates.

3. At the close of each selection interviewing session the examining commission will draw up a list of the names of the candidates examined and their respective marks. The list, after having been undersigned by the President and Secretary of the commission, shall be posted the same day on the department notice-board, or that of another facility, where the exam took place.

4. Once the public exam tests have all been completed, the commission shall draw up the general list of successful candidates based on the sum of the marks achieved by each candidate in the single tests.

5. The final lists shall be announced on **2 of December 2013**, and will appear solely on:

- the notice-board of the relevant research Departments/specific areas for the research courses;
- the notice board of the Servizio Alta Formazione;
- on the Internet address

<http://www.studenti.unige.it/postlaurea/dottorati/>

No information whatsoever shall be posted to candidates' domicile.

Article 6 – Admission to the Courses

1. Candidates are admitted to the courses according to the order in which they appear on the final list until all available places have been assigned.

2. Candidates successfully positioned in the final list for a place in more than one doctoral course or curriculum **shall choose** only one of them, under penalty of expiration, according to the terms indicated in article 8.

3. Research grant holders adequately positioned on the final classification list shall be admitted to the courses without being entitled to a grant. They shall nevertheless maintain their research grant.

4. State employees admitted to the doctoral courses during the regular length of time for the course benefit from the leave provided for by collective bargaining or, for civil servants, special leave of absence for study purposes, compatibly with the needs of the administration they belong to, according to art. 2 of Law No. 476 of 13.08.1984, and subsequent modifications, with or without allowance and excluding an explicit waiver, only if they have enrolled for the first time in a doctoral course, whatever the specific field.

5. Those enrolled in a medical specialization course in the University of Genoa may be admitted, if they win the public exam, to jointly attend the doctoral course in the same University only if it is the last year of the school of specialization and on condition that joint attendance is compatible with the activities and commitment requested by the school, and prior to permission granted by the board of the actual school. During the year of joint attendance the resident / post-graduate student may not receive the doctoral grant.

6. However, the total number of candidates admitted to the courses shall in no case exceed the total number of places available, except for the places in excess as per paragraph 3 of art. 8 of the Rules and Regulations for the Doctoral Research Courses of the University of Genoa.

Article 7 – Grants

1. Grants are assigned according to the order of the final classification list.

2. Candidates who have been assigned the right to a grant may, in relation to the number and type of grants available, choose one among the various grants according to the order of the final classification list.

3. Candidates with equal grades will be granted funds on the basis of their incomes, as per D.P.C.M. 9 April 2001.

4. However, candidates who have been awarded a grant for a doctoral course – albeit for a single year – may not benefit from it twice.

5. The simultaneous use of other study grants is not allowed, except for those awarded by national or foreign institutions which integrate student research activities or training by means of trips abroad.

6. The annual gross amount including social security expenses to be paid by the recipient of each grant is indicated **Appendix A**.

7. The doctoral grant is paid in monthly instalments, it lasts one year and is renewed following the positive evaluation of the teaching body showing that the candidate carried out the research activities in a regular and fruitful way during the previous year.

8. The amount of the doctoral grant shall be increased by 50% for an overall period of not more than 18 months, if the graduate student is authorized to by the teaching body to carry out research abroad.

9. Starting from the second year, each graduate student will have, besides the grant, a budget for research activities in Italy and abroad which will not be less than 10% of the grant. If the graduate student does not receive positive evaluation for the renewal of the grant, or forfeits it, the amount not used is available to the University for the same purposes.

10. The grants of the doctoral research courses are subject to the payment of INPS (National Social Insurance Agency) contributions for separate management according to Law No. 335 of 8 August 1995, art. 2, paragraph 26, and subsequent modifications, two thirds charged to the administration and one third to the grant holder. Graduate students benefit from all the associated rights and protection.

Study grants enjoy fiscal concessions referred to in art. 4 of Law No. 476 of 13.08.1984.

Article 8 – Application schedule and contents

1. Candidates who have been admitted to the doctoral courses shall hand in or send their enrolment applications to Area Formazione Permanente e Post Lauream (Permanent Education and Post graduate Area), Servizio Alta Formazione (High level academic training services) - via Bensa, 1 – 2nd floor – Genova - according to the following deadlines.

2 December	publication of final lists and opening of enrolments
9 December	last enrolment date for candidates who have been assigned a grant
11 December	publication of the list of the remaining grants/posts on the website http://www.studenti.unige.it/postlaurea/dottorati/
16 December	last date for enrolment for candidates admitted to the courses without a grant and for candidates who have taken over the remaining grants/posts published with the notice of 11 December;
18 December	publication of the list of any other remaining grants/posts on the website http://www.studenti.unige.it/postlaurea/dottorati/
23 December	last date to enrol for candidates who take over any remaining grants/posts published with the notice of the 18 December;

The abovementioned dates are binding under penalty of expiration and postmarks shall not be deemed acceptable as proof of posting.

If applications are not sent in within these dates, it will be considered as a withdrawal from the course and any grant.

If applications are sent by post, they must be sent in advance by fax to +39 - 010-209 9539 within the abovementioned deadline.

Any remaining places after the 23 December will be made known by the means mentioned above.

2. The winners, besides stating their personal data and indicating the course and, if requested, the chosen curriculum, shall also state the following in their applications:

- that they have not enrolled in any other doctoral course or other study course which assigns an academic qualification, even from another University or that they are enrolled on the last year of a medical specialization course in the University of Genoa and have obtained permission from the school board;
- that they will attend the doctoral course exclusively and full time according to the teaching body's instructions;

Grant holders shall also declare that:

- they have never before been awarded grants for doctoral studies;
- they will not add this grant to any other grant whatsoever except for those awarded by national or foreign institutions which may help to integrate doctoral research activities with trips abroad;

3. Enrolment applications should also include:

- a photocopy of an identity document, back and front;
- a passport photograph;
- (only for those who do not benefit from a grant) the receipts of the payment of the first instalment of the enrolment and attendance fee equal to € 461.00 including the cost of the revenue stamp, and the receipt of the payment of regional right-to-study tax as per art. 4 L.R. (Regional Law) 24.01.2006, No 2. The above-mentioned payments may also be made by means of the on-line procedure or by bank slip according to instruction at the address http://www.studenti.unige.it/tasse/pagamento_online.

Grant holders should just attach a €16.00 revenue stamp onto their application.

Article 9 – Withdrawals and Prohibitions

1. Enrolment on another course which assigns an academic qualification, even from other Universities, is not allowed, except for medical specialization courses, according to the instructions in art. 6, paragraph 5.

2. Exclusion due to serious default or unsuitable research activity results, in relation to the procedures established by the Teaching Body, shall cause the withdrawal of the grant and the obligation to return the instalments already received for that year.

3. Doctoral students with grants who drop out of the course during the year have the right to keep the portion of the grant which corresponds to the period of activity, if and only if the Teaching Body states that the students' activities up to that moment were regular and fruitful.

4. Candidates who are found to have made false statements shall be excluded from the course. Criminal punitive measures for the issuing of false documentation and untruthful statements may also be applied.

Article 10 – Access and Attendance Fees

1. Graduate students who do not benefit from a grant shall pay access and attendance fees in two instalments as follows:

- the first instalment together with the regional right-to-study tax as per art. 8, paragraph 3, lett. c), shall be paid on enrolment.
- the second instalment, specified in appendix A) for each course, shall be paid **by 30 June 2014**.

2. University fees and taxes, including the aforementioned regional tax, may vary yearly according to the decisions made by the relevant Authorities. The total of the second instalment for each course is established yearly for all the functioning cycles.

3. If payments are not carried out according to the above mentioned terms, interest shall be paid on arrears.

Article 11 – Organisation of the Courses

1. The course starts officially on 1 of January 2014 and lasts three years.

2. Admission to the doctoral course involves an exclusive and full time commitment, apart from the possibility of a specific discipline in relation to what is foreseen in art. 6 paragraph 4.

3. With the approval of the Teaching Body, doctoral students may take part in research activities carried out by the University provided they are in line with their academic studies.

4. Regardless of the subject theme chosen by the candidate as per the aforementioned art. 3, paragraph 3. letter c), during the course the doctoral student shall carry out the research assigned to him/her by the Teaching Body.

5. Doctoral students, as an integral part of their educational process may, subject to the Teaching Body's permission and without any increase to the grant, undertake support teaching in the degree courses and II level degree courses, as well as supplementary teaching, as long as it is well within the maximum limit of forty hours for each academic year. Medical doctoral students may take part in clinical-healthcare activities. Once the third year of the doctoral course is over, this limit is cancelled.
6. Doctoral students may take leave of absence from the course in the following cases which shall be fully and duly certified: maternity, paternity, illness, postgraduate Master degree attendance or attendance of *Tirocinio formativo Attivo (apprenticeship for teachers)* in the University of Genova Absences may be made up at the end of the course. Should this prove unfeasible, graduate students shall sit the final doctorate examinations with the graduate students of the following Ph.D. cycle. Should the course interruption last more than 30 days, grants shall be immediately withdrawn.
7. At the end of each year, doctoral students shall present the Teaching Body with a detailed written account of the activities carried out. The Teaching Body may ask for the account to be discussed according to procedures it has established. Then the Teaching Body, after conferring with the tutor, shall decide on admitting the doctoral student to the following year or to the final exam; should a student's performance be insufficient, they shall ask the Chancellor to order the exclusion of the doctoral student from the course.
8. Before the beginning of each course year, the graduate students who have been successfully admitted as per the above paragraph shall apply for enrolment for the following year. Students shall also – if required – pay the first instalment and the regional tax as per art. 10, paragraph 1, letter a), in the amounts established yearly.

Article 12 – Conferment of Qualification

1. The qualification of Postgraduate Doctor, abbreviated: "Dott.Ric" or "Ph.D.", is awarded once the course is over following a public discussion of a research dissertation which will contribute to the improvement of knowledge or methodologies in the chosen field of research. At the end of the discussion, the dissertation, with a joint written motivated decision of the examining commission, is either approved or rejected. The examining commission, with unanimous vote, may assign first class honours for outstanding scientific results.

Art. 13 – Personal Data Protection

1. The personal data supplied by candidates will be collected by the University of Genoa, Area Formazione Permanente e Post Lauream (Permanent Education and Post graduate Area), () Servizio Alta Formazione (High level academic training services), and used for selection and career procedures of the graduate students – as per Legislative Decree/Executive Order (D.L.vo) No. 196 of 30.06.2003.

Article 14 – Availability and Information

1. This notice of public exam is available on the website of the University of Genoa at the following address <http://www.studenti.unige.it/dottorati>. Further information may be obtained directly from the Servizio Alta Formazione (High level academic training services), via Bensa, 1 - second floor – Genova. *You may phone for information at + 39 - 010 - 2095795 Mondays to Fridays during office hours. Fax: + 39 – 010 - 2099539.*

Genoa, 30 July 2013

THE CHANCELLOR

Prof. Giacomo Deferrari

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