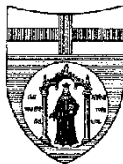


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UNIVERSITA' DEGLI STUDI DI GENOVA AREA RICERCA E TRASFERIMENTO TECNOLOGICO SETTORE DOTTORATO E ASSEGNI DI RICERCA

Notice of Public Exam for the assignation of three-years PhD scholarships granted by the Regione Liguria under the Programma Operativo Regione Liguria Fondo Sociale Europeo 2014-2020 (Operational Program Liguria Region - European Social Fund 2014-2020).

Last date for application submission: **10th July 2018.**

Chancellor's Decree n. 2917 dated 25/6/2018

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 Doctoral Research Courses in Universities, and subsequent modifications and integrations;
- Law 398 of 30.11.1989, published in the O.G. No. 291 of 14.12.1989 and subsequent modifications and integrations;
- Article 4 of Law 210 of 03.07.1998, published in the 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 the 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 the O.G. No. 172 of 26.07.2001 relating to the equal treatment regarding the right to university education;
- The University Student Rules and Regulations issued by Chancellor Decree No. 1218 of 16.09.2014, and subsequent modifications and integrations;
- Ministerial Decree, No. 270 of 22.10.2004, published in the 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 Ministry for University and Scientific and Technological Research, with decree No. 509 of 3 November 1999;

- Law No. 240 of 30.12.2010 published in the 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 Chancellor Decree No. 490 of 07.12.2011, published in the O.G. General Series No. 290 on 14.12.2011, and subsequent modifications and integrations;
- Ministerial Decree No. 45 of 08.02.2013, published in the O.G. No. 104 of 06.05.2013, with which the Rules and Regulations relative to the Doctoral Courses were issued and which determine the general criteria and the requirements for the setting up of the Doctoral Courses and the suitability of the venues, as well as the criteria for the establishment of the Doctoral Courses by the authorized institutes;
- Chancellor Decree No. 347 of 05.06.2013 containing the University's Rules and Regulations for the Doctoral Courses and subsequent modifications and integrations;
- Ministerial Decree Prot. 639 of 19.08.2014 and Prot. 760 of 6.10.2017 for the accreditation of the Doctoral Courses of the University of Genoa;
- The note by MIUR (Ministry of Education, University and Research) Prot. no. 11677 of 14.04.2017 on "Guidelines for the accreditation of Doctoral Courses";
- Ministerial Decree 25.1.2018, No. 40, with which the annual least amount of the grant to attend the Doctoral courses has been established at €15.343,28 gross, including social security expenses to be paid by the payee.
- The note by MIUR Prot. n. 3419 of 5.2.2018 on "Operative indications for Doctoral Courses 34th cycle academic year 2018/19";
- The Chancellor's Decree n. 1457 of 16.4.2018 concerning the notice of public exam for admission to the doctoral research courses of the 34th cycle;
- The Call for projects of high-level training, related to the three-year PhD scholarships on the ASSE 3 "Education and training" - Operational Program of the Regione Liguria FSE 2014-2020" (approved with Resolution of the Regional Council 30.11.2017 No. 992) and the applications presented by the University of Genoa;
- The Decree of the General Director of the Liguria Region n. 2257 of 14.5.2018, which approves the evaluation and ranking of the PhDs, with indication of the number of scholarships and of the relative amount of approved funding.

HEREBY DECREES

Art. 1 – Implementation

1. There is a public exam for the assignation of 39 three-years PhD scholarships granted by the Regione Liguria under the Programma Operativo Regione Liguria Fondo Sociale Europeo 2014-2020 (Operational Program Liguria Region - European Social Fund 2014-2020) and consequent admission to three-years PhD Courses - cycle XXXIV - with administrative seat at the University of Genoa.
2. These 39 three-years PhD scholarships are specified in the Scheda informativa (Information sheet), that is an integral part of the Call; for each project admitted to funding it is indicated:
 - the Coordinator of the course;
 - the Department coordinating for research;
 - the title of the curriculum to which the scholarship is assigned;
 - the amount of the scholarships;
 - the registred names of the projects related to every grant, with the information of the expected months abroad and the list of the partners which contribute to the realisation of the project.

Art. 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 conditionally admitted as long as they receive their degree within the final date of 31st October 2018.

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 above-mentioned 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, University and Research, “Rules and regulations concerning the access of foreign students to courses for the academic year 2018-2019”, available at the following address <http://www.studiare-in-italia.it/studenti stranieri/>.

Art. 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 noon (Italian time) of 10th July 2018** (the 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 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 Doctoral 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 of the same course. Please note that a separate application must be filled in for each course and/or specialization chosen. Applications submitted after 12 noon of 10th July 2018 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 31st October 2018, he/she shall be conditionally admitted and shall, at the risk of exclusion, complete the application by means of self-certification of the degree awarded to be presented to the Settore dottorato ed esami di stato by email altaformazione@unige.it enclosing a copy of a valid document of identity, within and not later than 31st October 2018;
 - e. 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. a commitment to duly communicate each/any change in residence or address;

3. the declaration of having read and accepted what is notified in the Scheda informativa (Information sheet, available at <https://unige.it/usg/it/dottorati-di-ricerca>) and to accept, in case of successful selection, the Regulations provided by the attached to the “Invito a presentare progetti di intervento di alta formazione relativi al finanziamento di borse triennali di dottorato di ricerca (DGR Regione Liguria n. 992/2017)” (“Call for projects of high-level training in the field of three-year PhD scholarships - DGR Regione Liguria n. 992/2017).
4. Candidates may choose not less than one and not more than three referees to support their candidature. The referees must be university professors or experts in the subject. The referee letters must be sent directly by the referees, within the expiry date of the public notice exam, to the Coordinator of the doctoral course to the email address indicated in the Scheda informativa (Information sheet). The names, status and workplace of the referees chosen by the candidates must be stated in the applications.
5. The following documents should also be attached by means of the on-line procedure:
 - a) a valid identity document, both sides should be scanned if it is an identity card or a driving licence;
 - b) the candidates’ scientific and professional curriculum. The aforesaid 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 Projects/grants of the doctoral course candidates are applying for as indicated in Scheda informativa (Information sheet) (10 pages maximum); this research project will be evaluated as practical test for the selection, together with the evaluation of the qualifications and the scientific-professional curriculum, in order to identify the candidate's aptitude for scientific research in terms of originality, feasibility, clarity in the definition of objectives, methods and expected results;
 - 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) any other documents required by the single courses or curricula indicated in Scheda informativa (Information sheet).

All attached documents must be in PDF format.

6. The documents as per the previous paragraph 5 may be either in Italian or English.
7. Pursuant to the Decree of the President of the Republic of the 28 December 2000, No. 445, the statements in the applications shall have the status of self-certification; in the case of false documents and false statements penal sanctions foreseen by art. 76 of the above-mentioned 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.
8. 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.
9. 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.

Art. 4 – Admission Procedures

1. Selective assessment for admission to the research doctoral courses - cycle XXXIV - is mainly concerned with establishing the candidates’ aptitude for scientific research and is carried out by each Committee in the

following manner. The Committee shall previously establish the criteria for the comparative assessment of the qualifications/publications, also to determine their suitability and the criteria to evaluate the written test and the interview. The Committee will then draw up the classification list of candidates who have qualified for the selections. The classification list of the candidates shall be posted in the Department / specific areas for the research courses before the interview.

2. The written test consists in writing a research project that candidate will attached to the application online, as specified in the previous Art. 3, comma 5, lett. c). The research project will be related to the themes of the Projects / scholarship described in the curriculum of the course (see Section “Modalità di svolgimento del progetto formativo” [“How to carry out the training project] of the Information sheet).
The pass mark for the written test is at least 40/60.
3. The interview consists in the discussion of the written test (research project) and the description of the candidate’s research area of interest, also on the basis of previous activities stated in his/her scientific-professional curriculum, without prejudice to any different instructions described in Scheda Informativa (Information sheet). 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.
In order to sit the exams, candidates shall be asked to exhibit a valid identity document. The interview will be held publicly.
The interview can be held by electronic means (i.e. videoconference), the candidate must show the original identity document of which he has deposited a certified copy at the time of the application.

Art. 5 - Examining Committee and their Functions

1. The Chancellor, at the request of the Teaching Body, appoints, by means of a decree, the committees charged with the task of carrying out the selective assessment of the candidates. The committees 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. At the close of each selection interviewing session the examining committee shall 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 committee, shall be posted the same day on the department notice-board, or that of another facility, where the exam took place.
3. Once the public exam tests have all been completed, the committee shall draw up the general list of successful candidates based on the sum of the marks achieved by each candidate in the single tests.
4. The final lists shall be announced on **10th August 2018**, and will appear solely on:
 - the noticeboard of the relevant research Departments/facilities for the research courses;
 - the noticeboard of the University;
 - on the Internet address <https://unige.it/usg/it/dottorati-di-ricerca>No information whatsoever shall be posted to candidates’ domicile.

Art. 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. 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, compatible with the needs of the administration they belong to, according to art. 2 of Law No. 476 of 13th August 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.
4. The winners of the scholarships must comply – in addition to the general provisions established by the University Regulations for the research doctorate – with the rules indicated in the annex to the Call for projects of high-level training, related to funding of three-year PhD research on ASSE 3 "Education and training" - Operational Program for the Regione Liguria FSE r2014-2020" (approved by Regional Council Resolution No. 30.11.2017 No. 992).

5. To this end, upon enrollment in the PhD course, the recipients must, by signing a formal declaration of scholarship acceptance:
 - a) formally undertake to carry out the planned research periods in companies or abroad, as envisaged by the project, and certifying that they are aware that failure to comply with the aforementioned condition may result in financial corrections on the basis of the planned service units abroad; activities unrealized or undetectable might lead to the total revocation of the amount financed for the project subject to non-compliance, if the non-compliance is due to the minimum mandatory periods required by law;
 - b) to certify that, at the moment, they do not benefit from other scholarships awarded for any reason and commit themselves for the entire duration of the grant, and that they do not to have other scholarships awarded for any reason whatsoever;
 - c) certify that they are aware that the substantial modification of the project objectives and expected results (where it has not been expressly authorized by the MIUR and the regional administration) may result in the revocation of the scholarship and the total return of any amounts already paid;
 - d) be aware that any negative judgment of the Academic Board and the consequent non-admission to the following year of the doctoral path, or any student's renunciation will result in the revocation of the sums already paid for the current year; failure to achieve the title will result in the revocation of the amounts already paid for the last year of the course.
6. The University of Genoa will provide for the recovery of sums paid and not due in case of non-compliance with the obligations.

Art. 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. In the case of equal grades, the evaluation of candidates' incomes prevails for the assignation of grants, 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 in the Scheda Informativa (Information sheet).
7. The doctoral grant is paid in monthly instalments, lasts one year and is renewed following the positive evaluation of the teaching body showing that the candidate carried out the required research activities in a regular and fruitful way during the previous year.
8. Failure to pass the evaluation and the consequent non-admission to the following year of the doctoral path, or any student's renunciation will result in the revocation of the sums already paid for the current year and the failure to achieve the title will result in the revocation of the amounts already paid for the last year of the course.
9. 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.
10. Starting from the first 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.
11. 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 August 1984.

Art. 8 – Schedule and contents of the application

1. Candidates who have been admitted to the doctoral courses shall submit their enrolment applications by means of the relevant online procedure (<https://servizionline.unige.it/studenti/post-laurea/confermaPL>), according to the following deadlines:

Within 10 August	publication of final lists
Monday 3 September	opening of enrolments for candidates who have been assigned a grant
Monday 10 September	last enrolment date for candidates who have been assigned a grant
Tuesday 11 September	publication of the list of names for places with remaining grants on the website https://unige.it/usg/it/dottorati-di-ricerca
Monday 17 September	last date for the enrolment of candidates who have been assigned a grant according to the publication of 11.9.2018
Tuesday 18 September	publication of the list of names for places with remaining grants on the website https://unige.it/usg/it/dottorati-di-ricerca
Monday 24 September	last date for the enrolment of candidates who have been assigned a grant according to the publication of 18.9.2018
Tuesday 25 September	publication of the list of names for places with remaining grants on the website https://unige.it/usg/it/dottorati-di-ricerca
Monday 1 October	last date for the enrolment of candidates who have been assigned a grant according to the publication of 25.9.2018
Tuesday 2 October	publication of the list of names for places with remaining grants on the website https://unige.it/usg/it/dottorati-di-ricerca
Monday 8 October	last date for the enrolment of candidates who have been assigned a grant according to the publication of 2.10.2018 and of candidates without grants published 2.10.2018
The timing of any other repechages for places with and without grants will be published on the website page https://unige.it/usg/it/dottorati-di-ricerca	

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 place with or without a grant. Even candidates who have not yet graduated must respect the aforementioned deadlines, besides having to send the required self-certification by the 31.10.2018.

Art. 9 – Withdrawals and Prohibitions

1. Enrolment on another course which assigns an academic qualification, even from other Universities, is not allowed.
2. 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.

Art. 10 - Access and Attendance Fees

1. All graduate students must pay the following amounts:
 - a. a stamp worth €16,00 (to be carried out exclusively by means of the on-line services at the following address: <https://servizionline.unige.it/studenti/unigepay20/>)

- b. the regional right-to-education as per tassa regionale per Regional Law 27 June 2012, No 22.

Art. 11- Organisation of the Courses

1. The course starts officially on 1 of November 2018 and lasts three years.
2. Admission to the doctoral course involves an exclusive and full time commitment.
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. 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 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 revoked.
5. 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 a Tirocinio Formativo Attivo (active apprenticeship for teachers) in the University of Genoa. 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. If the course interruption last more than 30 days, grants will be immediately withdrawn.
6. 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. In this case, it will apply the elements provided for paragraph 8, art. 7 of this public notice.
7. 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 regional tax as per art. 10, paragraph 1, letter b), in the amounts established yearly.

Art. 12 - Conferment of Qualification

1. The qualification of Postgraduate Doctor, abbreviated: "Dott.Ric" i.e. "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 committee, is either approved or rejected. If it is rejected, it will apply the elements provided for paragraph 8, art. 7 of this public notice.
The examining committee, with a 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 ricerca e trasferimento tecnologico (Research and Technological Transfer Area) - Settore dottorato e assegni di ricerca (PhD and Research Grants Sector)" and "Area Didattica e studenti (Didactic and Student Area) – Servizio alta formazione (High level academic training services) – Settore alta formazione (High level academic Sector)" and used for selection and career procedures of the graduate students as per Regolamento UE 2016/679 (GDPR – General Data Protection Regulation) and D.Lgs. n. 196 of 30/6/2003 (Personal Data Protection Code), as far as compatible.

Art. 14 – Availability and Information

1. This notice of public exam is available on the website of the University of Genoa at the following address <https://unige.it/usg/it/dottorati-di-ricerca>. Further information may be obtained directly from the "Area ricerca

e trasferimento tecnologico - Settore dottorato e assegni di ricerca” at the email address dottorato-assegni@unige.it.

THE CHANCELLOR

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