

Public competition announcement for no. 70 PhD positions at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore – 33rd Cycle – Milan campus

**Art. 1
Opening**

For each PhD Programme included in the present competition, duration, number of positions, number of studentships, affiliated organisations, coordinator, sites and calendar of competition examinations are indicated.

The number of studentships may be increased as a result of funding from public and private institutions, provided that the related agreement is signed within the date of expiration of the present public announcement.

An increase in the number of available studentships may result in an increase in the number of positions opened for public competition.

PhD Programme in: ENTERPRISE, WORK AND INSTITUTIONS

Duration: 3 years.

Positions: 8.

Studentship-based positions: 6

of which

- 3 studentship-based positions aimed at research in the field of Comparative Labour and Social Security Law:

- two studentships are funded by Fondazione "Giacomo Brodolini", at whose headquarters in Rome any winning candidate that accepts the position commits to carrying out research;

- a finalised studentship is financed by the Research Centre of Industrial Relations of Cagliari and can only be assigned to a candidate born in Sardinia, or resident there at the time of submission of the application.

- 1 studentship-based position aimed at interdisciplinary research in the field of criminal law and criminology, co-funded by CSGP – Centro Studi "Federico Stella" on Criminal Justice and Criminal Policy, at whose headquarters in Milan the winning candidate that accepts the position commits to carrying out research.

Fee-based positions: 2.

Information: <http://dottorati.unicatt.it/impresa-lavoro-istituzioni>

Coordinator:

Prof. Gabrio FORTI.

The PhD Programme in Business, Work and Institutions responds to a scientific and educational project that intersects the areas of criminal law, public law of economics, trade law, labour and social security and international law.

Admission to the PhD Programme requires a Master's degree in Law or Economics or Political Sciences [corresponding to the classes of LMG / 1 (Law) - LM 56 (Economic Sciences) - LM 62 (Political sciences) - LM 63 (Sciences of Public Administration) - LM 77 (Economic and Business Sciences)] with a minimum score of 105/110, or equivalent qualification obtained abroad.

For the subject of Comparative labor law and Social Security, the minimum admission vote is 100/110 or an equivalent academic degree obtained abroad.

Admission to the PhD Programme is incompatible with enrolment and / or participation in the Specialisation School for Legal Professionals.

All candidates are required adequate knowledge of the Italian language and of another language; if the second language is other than English, the candidate shall still have to demonstrate sufficient knowledge of English.

In the application, candidates must declare, under their responsibility, the scientific project that they want to develop, and in particular:

- the intention to compete for one of the studentships aimed at research in the field of comparative labour and social security law financed by Fondazione "Giacomo Brodolini" of Rome, with a simultaneous obligation, if being awarded the studentship, to carry out research at the headquarters of the Foundation;
- only for candidates born in Sardinia and residing there at the time of application, the intention to compete for the studentship aimed at research in comparative labour and social security law financed by the Study Centre of Industrial Relations of Cagliari;
- the intention to compete for a studentship aimed at interdisciplinary research in the field of criminal law and criminology, co-funded by the CSGP - Study Centre "Federico Stella" on Criminal Justice and Policy;
- the intention to compete for a fee-based position.

The application may also include:

- a copy of any other qualification deemed useful for the evaluation, with list thereof on unstamped paper;
- a copy of the dissertation and the publications of the candidate deemed useful for the evaluation, with list thereof on unstamped paper;
- a copy of one of the following certificates of proficiency in English (which, in any case, is not a substitute verification of proficiency in English): BEC, British Chamber of Commerce, CAE, CPE, FCE, IELTS, TOEFL, Trinity College London Certificate.

Admission examinations:

On the proposal of the Teaching Panel, the Rector appoints:

- a general Examination Panel, for the assignment of positions with non-finalised studentships and fee-based positions, consisting of three tenured professors in the scientific disciplinary sectors to which the PhD Programme pertains, to which can be added no more than two experts, including foreign ones, from bodies and public and private research structures;
- a special Examination Panel, for the assignment of positions with studentships aimed at research in the field of comparative labour and social security law, consisting of three tenured professors of labour law;

- a special Examination Panel, to assign the studentship-based position aimed at interdisciplinary research in the field of criminal law and criminology, consisting of three tenured professors of criminal law.

The admission examination consists of:

- 1) an evaluation of the *curriculum* and the qualifications presented by the candidate;
- 2) a written test;
- 3) an oral exam.

In relation to the qualities and results assessed, each candidate is assigned max. 60 points for each of the three parts of the admission exam, for a maximum total score of 180 points.

The written and oral exams will be conducted in Italian and will consist of a review of the candidate's knowledge on topics of interest of the PhD Programme and research areas, as well as propensity to scientific research. The oral examination will be followed by an evaluation of the knowledge of a foreign language. If the second language is other than English, the candidate must still demonstrate sufficient knowledge of English.

Candidates scoring at least 40/60 in the evaluation of curriculum and qualifications are admitted to the written exam.

Candidates scoring at least 40/60 both in the evaluation of curriculum and qualifications and in the written exam are admitted to the oral exam.

The oral examination is passed if the candidate obtains a minimum score of 40/60 and demonstrates an adequate knowledge of a foreign language, and, if the second language is other than English, a sufficient knowledge of English.

The Examination Panel for the assignment of positions with non-finalised studentships and fee-based positions evaluates curriculum, qualifications and exams and assigns scores to the candidates competing for positions with non-finalised studentships and fee-based positions.

The special Examination Panel for the assignment of positions with studentships aimed at research in the field of comparative labour and social security law evaluates curriculum, qualifications and exams and assigns scores to the candidates competing for these positions.

The special Examination Panel for the assignment of the studentship-based position aimed at interdisciplinary research in the field of criminal law and criminology evaluates curriculum, qualifications and exams and assigns scores to the candidates competing for this position.

On the basis of scores obtained, the Examination Panels will form three merit-ranking lists: a general list of candidates for positions with non-finalised studentships and fee-based positions; a special list of candidates for positions with studentships aimed at research in the field of comparative labour and social security law; a special list of candidates competing for a studentship aimed at interdisciplinary research in the field of criminal law and criminology.

The finalised studentships are assigned according to the two special lists of candidates competing for these studentships. Candidates competing for finalised-studentship positions

may not be awarded non-finalised studentships, nor may they compete for fee-based positions.

Calendar of examinations:

Results of evaluation: Friday, September 8th, 2017;

Written examination: Tuesday, September 12th, 2017, 9.00 am, room C. 012, Milan campus, via Carducci 28/30;

Oral examination: for candidates to scholarships aimed at research in Comparative Labour and Social Security law, Tuesday, September 12th, 2017, 3 pm, room C.212, , Milan campus, via Carducci 28/30;

For candidates to generic scholarships and without scholarship, as well as for candidates to scholarship aimed at interdisciplinary research in the field of criminal and criminology law, Thursday, September 14th, 2017, 2:00 pm, room C. 018, Milan campus, via Carducci 28/30.

PhD Programme in: MANAGEMENT AND INNOVATION

Duration: 3 years.

Positions: 8.

Studentship-based positions: 5.

“Executive PhD” reserved positions: 1 position for COMAU S.p.a., employee, located administratively in Grugliasco (To), Via Rivalta 30, for the following research project: “Digital enterprises and organisational innovations: managerial implications”.

Fee-based positions: 2.

Information: <http://dottorati.unicatt.it/management>

Coordinator:

Prof. Eugenio ANESSI PESSINA.

Application for participation in the PhD Programme competition, with no restrictions with respect to age and nationality, is open to candidates holding a Master's degree (or a degree obtained under the education system prior to Ministerial Decree no. 509 of November 3rd, 1999) in economic, business-economic disciplines or similar, or an equivalent university degree obtained abroad and recognised as eligible.

In addition to the application, each candidate must enclose, under penalty of exclusion:

- a detailed curriculum vitae et studiorum;
- for graduate students: self-certification of the Master's degree obtained, with final mark and exam transcript, or certification of the qualification obtained abroad, with final mark and exam transcript;
- for undergraduate students: self-certification of enrolment in a graduate programme with exam transcript, or in an academic course abroad, with exam transcript;
- a motivational letter (max. 30 lines), in Italian or English, indicating the candidate's reasons for application, expectations and areas of interest;
- a research project (max. 2,000 words), in Italian or English, indicating the object, relevance, hypotheses and research methodology deemed most useful;

- two letters of recommendation, in Italian or English, issued by university professors or researchers of national and international scientific institutions.

The applicant may also enclose in the application:

- the certification of any further qualifications, such as postgraduate and specialisation courses, achieved in Italy and / or abroad, and exam transcripts;
- a copy of any other qualification deemed useful for the evaluation, with list thereof on unstamped paper;
- a list, on unstamped paper, of the publications deemed useful for the evaluation together with a copy of those that the candidate deems useful to make known to the Panel;
- any result of GMAT or GRE.

The admission exams consist in the evaluation of qualifications and an oral test.

In relation to the qualities assessed, the Examination Panel assigns each candidate max. 60 points for each of the two parts. Candidates scoring at least 40/60 in the evaluation of qualifications are admitted to the oral exam.

The oral exam will consist of an evaluation of the knowledge of the candidate on the general aspects of the topics of interest of the PhD Programme and propensity to scientific research. During the oral test, the Examination Panel will also verify knowledge of the English language. Pass mark for the interview is 40/60. Candidates, when applying, may submit a motivated request, subjected to the discretion of the Panel, to be allowed to take the oral examination in video call mode.

Calendar of examinations:

Results of the evaluation of qualifications to access the oral examination: Tuesday, September 19th, 2017;

Oral examination: Tuesday, September 26th, 2017, 9.00 am, room C. 212, Milan campus, via Carducci 28/30.

PhD Programme in: PERSON AND LEGAL SYSTEMS

Duration: 3 years.

Positions: 5.

Studentship-based positions: 4

Fee-based positions: 1.

Information: <http://dottorati.unicatt.it/persona-ordinamenti-giuridici>

Coordinator: Prof. Andrea NICOLUSSI.

In the 33rd cycle the following programmes are activated: Civil procedure, Criminal law, European Union Law, Canon and ecclesiastical law.

Admission to the PhD Programme is incompatible with participation in the Specialisation School for Legal Professionals.

Upon application, candidates must indicate which programme they are competing for, and enclose a summary of their research project (about 5,000 characters, including spaces).

Admission to the PhD Programme requires a good knowledge of at least one foreign language and the presentation of a prestigious academic background evidenced by a Master's degree in law at the same university, or any other high-profile university or academic institution, Italian or foreign, obtained with an excellent score.

The PhD Programme in Person and Legal Systems connects the different branches of law, both positive and historical-philosophical, in view of the idea that the person is or should be "Grundnorm", the prime principle, of legal systems. In doing so, it provides a common horizon of meaning to the in-depth examination of individual issues in which can be put to good use both the specific method typical of legal disciplines (empirical-descriptive, logical and analytical, and logical and systematic) and interdisciplinary and international comparison approaches. In this perspective, which is original in the context of Italian PhD Programmes, the PhD Programme primarily aims at the doctoral training of lawyers specialised in individual scientific areas according to a method not inhibited by provincialisms in topic, area (national law) or time (law currently in force). The PhD Programme, therefore, in addition to the specific path of individual research that the student performs in a given discipline under the guidance of a tutor, envisages special interdisciplinary meetings, aimed at integrating all research perspectives with the points of intersection detectable with the other legal perspectives, and regarding, in particular, the protection of the person.

Admission exam

The admission examination consists in:

- a written test;
- an oral exam.

The Examination Panel assigns each candidate max. 60 points for each of the two parts.

Both exams will be conducted in Italian, and will consist of a review of the candidate's knowledge on topics of interest of the PhD Programme and its research areas, as well as propensity to scientific research. The oral examination, which includes the discussion of the research project presented by the candidate, will be followed by an evaluation of the knowledge of a foreign language. If the second language is other than English, the candidate must still demonstrate sufficient knowledge of English.

Candidates scoring at least 40/60 in the written exam are admitted to the oral exam. The oral examination is passed if the candidate obtains a minimum score of 40/60 and demonstrates an adequate knowledge of a foreign language, and, if the second language is other than English, a sufficient knowledge of English.

Calendar of examinations:

Written examination: Tuesday, September 26th, 2017, 9.00 am, room G. 152, Milan Campus, largo Gemelli 1;

Oral examination: Wednesday, September 27th, 2016, 3.00 pm, room C.211, Milan campus, via Carducci 28/30.

PhD Programme in: PSYCHOLOGY

Duration: 3 years.

Positions: 11.

Studentship-based positions: 7.

- 1 is a finalised studentship position aimed to develop the research project on: “Studi di programmi di intervento precoce per promuovere lo sviluppo socio-emozionale di bambini con problemi di salute e bisogno speciali” (Early intervention program to promote socio-emotional development in children with special healthcare needs), financed by the “Nostra Famiglia” Association, Ponte Lambro (CO);
- 1 is a finalised studentship position aimed to develop the research project on: “Efficacia e Legacy dello sport che include ed innova: quali indicatori?” (Indicators for the efficacy and legacy of inclusive and innovative sporting activities)

“Executive PhD” reserved positions: 1 position for COMAU S.p.a., employee, located administratively in Grugliasco (To), Via Rivalta 30, for the following research project: “Developing lines for HR in the fourth industrial revolution: Business Academy and training leverage to generate economic and social value”.

Fee-based studentships: 3

- Of which 1 position reserved for a candidates (research fellow) selected through a public competition – MSCA-ITN-ETN "Personal Technologies for Affective health" (AffectTech), Grant Agreement n. 722022, for the following project: “Virtual Reality based biofeedback training on mobile devices for stress management”.

Information: <http://dottorati.unicatt.it/psicologia>

Coordinator: Prof. Camillo REGALIA.

Candidates who wish to apply for the finalised studentship must indicate the topic they intend to compete for in their application, and present a research project consistent with the proposed topics.

The following documents must be submitted:

- detailed Curriculum Vitæ;
- a research project outlined in its key parts, including a study of feasibility and time requirements (max. 1,500 words). The document may be written in Italian or in English, and will be discussed in English at the oral examination;
- a motivational letter, indicating the candidate’s reasons for application, expectations and areas of interest;
- two letters by (national and/or international) academics pertaining to the psychological area, outlining an exhaustive profile of the candidate and pro-candidacy reasons;
- the certification of any additional qualifications and a copy of publications deemed relevant to the evaluation.

The “finalised studentships” may not be assigned to candidates competing for positions different from those related to the finalised studentships.

Admission to the PhD Programme is contingent upon a written test, the evaluation of the candidate's Curriculum Vitae, publications, other possible qualifications, the research project presented, and an oral exam.

The written examination will be based on the analysis and methodological commentary of research conducted in one of the research areas of psychology (for instance, General Psychology, Neuropsychology, Developmental Psychology, Social Psychology, Psychology of Organisations, Clinical Psychology, Dynamic Psychology).

The Examination Panel will provide candidates with the text of the research to be analysed and commented upon.

The written examination will assign a maximum score of 60/60. For admission to the oral examination, candidates shall reach a minimum score of 40/60.

Evaluation of Curriculum Vitae, publications and other possible qualifications and the research project will assign a maximum score of 20/60.

During the oral exam, candidates will be asked to discuss their written exam, their Curriculum Vitae, their publications and any other possible qualifications.

During the oral exam, candidates will also be asked to briefly present their research project in English.

The oral exam will assign a maximum score of 40/60.

Candidates will be ranked in a final 120-point list, according to which positions will be granted.

Candidates (research fellows)) selected through a public competition – MSCA-ITN-ETN "Personal Technologies for Affective health" (AffectTech), Grant Agreement n. 722022 will be assessed by evaluating their curriculum vitae et studiorum, research project and any publications or certificates held.

Candidates who access the PhD Programme in Psychology are required to attend at least 75% of the lessons scheduled by the Programme each year, in order to be admitted to the following year. They are also required to complete a period of study / research abroad, for at least three months during the three years.

Calendar of examinations:

Written examination: Monday, September 25th, 2017, 2.30 pm, room G. 152, Milan campus, largo Gemelli 1;

Oral examination: Tuesday, September 26th, 2017, 10.00 am, room C.211, Milan campus, via Carducci 28/30.

PhD Programme in: SCIENCES OF THE PERSON AND EDUCATION

Duration: 3 years.

Positions: 16.

Studentship-based positions: 10

- 1 is a finalised studentship position aimed to develop the research project on: “Quale apprendimento per (ri)animare contesti educativi formali e informali?” (What kind of learning to revive formal and informal teaching contexts?) funded by the “Vedogiovane” Association in Borgomanero (NO);
- 1 is a finalised studentship position aimed to develop the research project on: “Aspetti neurofisiologici, psicologici e clinici del comportamento sociale ed emotivo funzionale e disfunzionale. Sviluppo di metodiche applicate alla diagnosi e all’intervento neuropsicologico” (Neurophysiological, psychological and clinical aspects of functional and dysfunctional social and emotional behaviour. Developing methodologies applied to diagnosis and neuropsychological intervention);
- 1 is a Thimus co-funded finalised studentship position aimed to develop the research project on: “Alta formazione per l’ambiente, pedagogia dell’impresa, ecologia integrale con riferimento a un caso emblematico di sviluppo di start up innovativa per la valorizzazione di lavori verdi nel quadro dell’ economia circolare, con particolare attenzione a scelte di green marketing” (Advanced training programme on environment, business pedagogy, and integral ecology with special reference to a case study on the development of an innovative start-up to promote eco-friendly professions in the framework of circular economy focusing on green marketing);
- 1 is a finalised studentship position aimed to develop the research project on: “Employability skills guadagnati tramite international work placements versus domestic work placements” (Employability skills acquired through international work placements versus domestic work placements) reserved to the research topic in “Higher Education, Internationalisation and Educational Strategies and Practices” funded by CERERE S.P.A.

“Executive PhD” reserved positions:

- 1 is a position reserved to employees of Istituti Clinici Scientifici Maugeri S.p.A. Società Benefit, legal head office in Pavia (Italy), aimed to develop the research project on: “Sviluppo di misure e metodiche di valutazione e intervento in ambito neuropsicologico e neuroscientifico” (Developing measures and methodologies for assessment and intervention in the fields of neuropsychology and the neurosciences);

for the research area “Higher Education, Internationalisation and Educational Strategies and Practices”:

- 1 position reserved to employees of Education management and consultancy LTD, legal head office in Sofia (Bulgaria), aimed to develop the research project on: “Internazionalizzazione delle Università in Bulgaria” (Internationalising universities in Bulgaria);

Fee-based positions: 4

Of which 1 position reserved for the research topic: “Higher Education, Internationalisation and Educational Strategies and Practices”.

Information: http://dottorati.unicatt.it/scienze_persona_formazione

Coordinator: Prof. Antonella MARCHETTI.

The PhD Programme consists of three curricula:

- Person, Development, Learning. Epistemological, theoretical and applicative perspectives;
- Education;
- History and Literature of the modern and contemporary ages.

To participate in the selection process, candidates are required to indicate in the application form which of the three Ph.D. research programmes they are competing for. They should also send, along with the documentation required by the Ph.D. offices, a research project and any recommendation letters that may testify to their research skills and aptitude.

A facsimile of the research project can be downloaded from the website: <http://scuoledidottorato.unicatt.it/scienze-della-formazione-scienze-della-persona-e-della-formazione-indirizzi-di-ricerca>

For the curricula in “Person, Development, Learning. Epistemological, theoretical and applicative perspectives” and “History and Literature of the modern and contemporary ages”, admission entails the evaluation of curriculum vitae et studiorum, research project, any publications and recommendation letters.

For the curriculum in “Education”, admission entails the evaluation of curriculum vitae et studiorum and research project.

Candidates awarded 40/60 points or more in the evaluation of qualifications are admitted to the oral exam, which includes the discussion of the proposed research project and assessment of mastery of English (at the discretion of the Examination Panel, a foreign language other than English may be considered, if indicated and duly motivated by the candidate).

Candidates who wish to apply for a “finalised studentship” or an “executive-reserved Ph.D. position” must state so in their application, and submit a research project that suits the project title for the research grant they are competing for. The “finalised studentships” or “executive-reserved Ph.D. positions” may not be awarded to candidates who did not compete for the specific grant; studentships that are not awarded will not add up to the remaining studentships.

Only for the research theme “Higher Education Internationalisation and Educational Strategies and Practices”, admission entails the evaluation of candidates’ curriculum vitae et studiorum, their proposed research project, a recommendation letter by a scientific or institutional advisor. Candidates awarded 40/60 points or more in this evaluation are admitted to the oral exam in English.

Candidates who compete for the finalised studentship aimed to develop the research project on: “Quale apprendimento per (ri)animare contesti educativi formali e informali?” (What kind of learning to revive formal and informal teaching contexts?) funded by the “Vedogiovane” Association in Borgomanero (NO) must be proficient in English and Spanish; they must have documented professional experience internationally in the field of

informal and non-formal teaching, teaching to adults, pedagogic planning and network creation between organisations in different countries; they must have a knowledge of the world of social cooperation and of the socio-educational, entertaining and training services sector for children, adolescents, young people and adults; they must be familiar with the eastern area of Piedmont and more specifically with its social networks, and socio-educational, entertaining and training services sector for children, adolescents, young people and adults; they must be competent in research and training activities, and in the collaboration with groups of social workers.

All documents must be in English.

A facsimile of the research project can be downloaded from the website: <http://scuoledidottorato.unicatt.it/scienze-della-formazione-scienze-della-persona-e-della-formazione-indirizzi-di-ricerca>

If candidates for the research theme “Higher Education Internationalisation and Educational Strategies and Practices” are abroad or unable to be present at the exam, they may take the examination via video conference.

Calendar of examinations:

- *Sciences of the Person and Education*

Results of the comparative evaluation: Friday, September 29th, 2017;

Oral exam: Monday, October 2nd, 2017, 8.30 am., room C. 014, Milan campus, via Carducci 28/30;

- Research topic in “*Higher Education Internationalisation and Educational Strategies and Practices*”:

Admission to the oral exam will be notified on Friday, September 29th, 2017, at <http://milano.unicatt.it/dottorati>

Oral exam: Monday, October 2nd, 2017, 3 pm, room C. 014, Milan campus, via Carducci 28/30.

PhD Programme in: LINGUISTIC AND LITERARY SCIENCES

Duration: 3 years.

Positions: 7.

Studentship-based positions: 5

Fee-based positions: 2.

of which 1 position reserved for the research topic "Higher Education Internationalisation and Educational Strategies and Practices".

Information: <http://dottorati.unicatt.it/scienze-linguistiche>

Coordinator:

Prof. Dante José LIANO

Admission to the PhD Programme is reserved for candidates holding a four-year degree in Foreign Languages and Literatures or a second-level Degree in classes LM/37 or LM/38. Candidates must indicate for which curriculum they intend to compete. Applications shall be accompanied by a report (max. five pages) in Italian on the candidate's studies, scientific interests and research area of interest.

In the written test, candidates shall prove they have acquired a personal aptitude to research and the ability to discuss in Italian a topic relating to the title of the PhD Programme.

The candidates admitted to the oral test shall prove their ability to discuss the research topics that they have dealt with as part of their studies. Language skills in the languages indicated in the application will also be assessed.

Only for the research topic "Higher Education Internationalisation and Educational Strategies and Practices", admission entails the evaluation of curriculum vitae et studiorum, research project proposed by the applicant, and a letter of recommendation by a scientific or institutional advisor. In case of positive evaluation of qualifications, candidates shall take an oral exam in English. All documentation must be in English. A facsimile of the research project can be downloaded from <http://scuoledidottorato.unicatt.it/scienze-linguistiche-letterarie-ammissione>

Calendar of examinations:

- *Linguistic and Literary Sciences*

Written exam: Monday, September 25th, 2017, 9.00 am, room C. 012, Milan campus, via Carducci 28/30

Oral exam: Thursday, September 28th, 2017, 9.30 am, room C. 215, Milan campus, via Carducci 28/30

- Research topic in "*Higher Education Internationalisation and Educational Strategies and Practices*":

Admission to the oral exam will be notified on Monday, September 25th, 2017 at <http://milano.unicatt.it/dottorati>

Oral exam: Thursday, September 28th, 2017 at 9.00 am, room C. 118, Milan campus, via Carducci 28/30.

PhD Programme in: SOCIOLOGY, ORGANISATIONS, CULTURES

Duration: 3 years.

Positions: 6.

Studentship-based positions: 5

- 1 is a finalised studentship position aimed to develop the research project on: "Neo-mutualismo tra welfare, lavoro e pratiche di collaborazione" (Neo-mutualism between welfare, work and collaboration practices);

Without scholarship: 1.

Information: http://dottorati.unicatt.it/sociologia_organizzazioni_culture

Coordinator: Prof. Emanuela MORA.

The Ph.D. in “Sociologia, organizzazioni, culture” (Sociology, organisations, cultures) originates from a long and fruitful experience in the field of Ph.D. programmes in "Sociologia e metodologia della ricerca sociale" (Sociology and methodology of social research) and in "Scienze organizzative e direzionali" (Management and organisation sciences). More specifically, it integrates theoretical and methodological knowledge in sociology with managerial and organisational knowledge, with the aim to merge advanced professional training for academic recruitment with professional training for companies and organisations on the job market at large.

To this aim, it relies on teaching staff composed of specialists in different scientific disciplinary sectors (theory and general sociology, sociology of work and organisations, sociology of culture and communication, sociology of welfare and services, sociology of innovative methodologies development, etc.), who are members of notable research networks in Italy and abroad, of which the Department of Sociology at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore is an important hub, and are also active in the field of the professions. Candidates admitted to the Ph.D. programme will have the opportunity to carry out their research and write their dissertation in one of the different fields in which teaching staff members are specialised: theory and general sociology, sociology of work and organisations, sociology of culture and communication, sociology of welfare and services, sociology of innovative methodologies development, sociology of family and education, sociology of migration, sociology of social services, etc.

Admission examination

The examination consists in a written test where candidates can show their theoretical and methodological competencies around a basic analytical category in sociology. More information on the written test is available on the official Ph.D. website. Candidates who pass the written test are then admitted to the oral examination, where they will expand on the topics presented in the written examination, and examiners can further test their knowledge and competencies in sociology. Skills in the English language will also be tested through a short conversation in English and/or reading and translation of a written passage. As an alternative, the entire examination may be carried out in English.

All candidates must attach to the application form their *curriculum vitae* to be assessed by the Board. The curriculum must be written in the European format, either in Italian or in English.

Students admitted to the Ph.D. programme in “Sociologia, organizzazioni, culture” at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore who carry out their research in Sociology of culture will have the opportunity to spend part of their research period at the Department of Sociology at Northwestern University in Chicago, and also to attend the Culture and Society Workshop there. Doctoral students may enrol in the Double Doctorate Programme in Sociology and Philosophy organised by Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore and Universidad de Navarra (in Pamplona, Spain). Students admitted to the Double Doctorate Programme will also attend an advanced training course in Philosophy (equal to a minimum of 30 ECTS) through the teaching programme of the Máster en Filosofía of Universidad de Navarra. In order to take part in this study path, students must spend at least one year at Universidad de Navarra. After the two years of training at the two universities, students will work on their doctoral dissertation at the university that best suits their topic.

Candidates who wish to participate in the selection process for the finalised studentship must submit, together with their Ph.D. application form, a short research project that shows commitment to the topic for which the scholarship has been created. The project should describe how candidates would organise their research in the topic mentioned; this preliminary project is not binding as research may undergo some adjustments over the first months of the Ph.D. programme, especially after meeting the supervising teaching staff of the centres that co-fund the scholarship. The project should not exceed 10,000 characters and must follow this structure: title; research objectives and research question(s); state-of-the-art scientific debate on the topic; research methodology; expected results.

The projects will be evaluated by a committee formed by the representatives of the research centres that co-finance the studentship (ARC, ModaCult, WWELL). The results of the evaluation will be communicated to the Examination Board that will compile the final ranking list of candidates by adding the marks obtained in the written and oral examinations. A specific ranking list will be drawn to define the winner of the finalised studentship according to the following criteria: evaluation of the research project presented, mark in the written examination, mark in the oral examination. The first-ranked candidate is awarded the scholarship.

In brief, the selection of candidates follows this order:

At the end of the admission procedure, two ranking lists are drawn:

A general list for the Ph.D. programme, which takes into consideration the results of the written examination and of the oral examination of all candidates. Candidates ranked between the first and the 4th position will be admitted to the studentship-based Ph.D. programme.

A dedicated list for the scholarship in “Neo-mutualismo tra welfare, lavoro e pratiche di collaborazione” (Neo-mutualism between welfare, work and collaboration practices) which takes into consideration the results of the evaluation of the research project presented by the candidates, the results of the written examination and of the oral examination. The first-ranked candidate is awarded the scholarship.

Candidates may send their application for one or both lists. In the event the same candidate is the winner in both lists, s/he may choose one, leaving the position in the other list open for the following candidate in ranking order.

A short description of the topic area for the finalised scholarship is provided below:

Neo-mutualism between welfare, work and collaboration practices

The point of view from which sociology has analysed growing collaboration phenomena between social actors after the 2008 crisis is manifold, and has continued to develop over the years. The most studied phenomena focus on: collaboration and waste reduction among consumers, digital platforms of peer-to-peer production and commercialisation of goods and services, and emerging neo-mutualistic forms in response to social and political representation needs, considered in a dynamic relation with traditional welfare. Despite different perspectives, scholars seem to agree that multifarious collaboration practices embody a high innovative potential that can impact on economic and social balance.

Several research groups in the Department of Sociology at Università Cattolica have long worked on these topics. To continue in this direction, a finalised studentship has been created in the 33rd Ph.D. cycle to advance theoretical knowledge and empirical research in this field.

Calendar of examinations:

Written exam: Monday, September 18th, 2017, 9.00 am, room C. 012, Milan campus, via Carducci 28/30;

Oral exam: Tuesday, September 19th, 2017, 10.00 am, room C. 211, Milan campus, via Carducci 28/30.

PhD Programme in: HUMANISTIC STUDIES. TRADITION AND CONTEMPORANEITY

Duration: 3 years.

Positions: 9.

Studentship-based positions: 7.

- 1 finalised studentship aimed to develop the research project on: “Il Divisionismo nella cultura tra Ottocento e Novecento” (Divisionism in culture between the 19th and 20th centuries) funded by “Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio di Tortona”.

Fee-based positions: 2

Coordinator: Prof. Cinzia Susanna BEARZOT.

Information: <http://dottorati.unicatt.it/studi-umanistici>

Candidates who wish to apply for a “finalised studentship” must state so in the application, and submit a research project that suits the project title for the research grant they are competing for. The “finalised studentship” may not be awarded to candidates who did not compete for the specific grant; studentships that are not awarded will not add up to the remaining studentships.

Candidates may choose to conduct the entire examination in Italian or in English.

Calendar of examinations:

Written exam: Monday, September 18th, 2017, 9.00 am, room B. 007, Milan campus, piazza Buonarroti 30;

Oral exam: Wednesday, September 20th, 2017, 10.00 am, room C. 212, Milan campus, via Carducci 28/30.

Art. 2

Admission requirements

Application for participation in the competition, with no restrictions with respect to age and nationality, is open to candidates holding a Master's degree, or a degree obtained under the education system prior to Ministerial Decree no. 509 of November 3rd, 1999,

and its subsequent amendments and additions, or an equivalent university degree obtained abroad and recognised as eligible.

Applications may be submitted also by students who expect to obtain the qualifications referred to in the first paragraph **by October 31st, 2017**.

Italian, EU and non-EU candidates that obtained or will obtain a university degree abroad, **by October 31st, 2017**, for the sole purpose of admission to a PhD Programme will have to request recognition of its eligibility in the application form. To this end, the application shall be accompanied by appropriate documentation to enable the Examination Panel to rule on the request for eligibility.

Art. 3

Application form

Candidates who intend to participate in the competition must submit an application to the Rector of Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore by **Friday, September 1st, 2017**.

The application form is available at <http://dottorati.unicatt.it/concorsi-milano> **until 2 pm (local time) on the expiration date of the present public announcement**.

Unless otherwise stated, a printed and duly signed copy of the application form must be delivered by registered mail with return receipt to the following address: Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Ufficio Dottorati di ricerca - Largo Gemelli 1, 20123 Milan.

Receipt of applications shall be validated by post office date stamp.

In the application form, available in Italian and English, candidates shall precisely declare under their responsibility:

- personal information: surname, first name, fiscal code (for Italian nationals only), date and place of birth, citizenship, residence and domicile elected for the purposes of the competition;
- should candidates possess dual nationality, one of which is for a EU member state, they may opt for EU citizenship;
- the exact title of the competition being applied for;
- for graduate students: university degree, date it was obtained and name of the conferring university, or foreign degree;
- for undergraduate students: university degree candidates are studying towards, expected date it will be obtained and name of the conferring university (whether in Italy or abroad);
- foreign languages known.

Applications sent to affiliated institutions shall not be deemed valid.

Each application may refer to a single PhD Programme only. Applicants wishing to participate in more PhD Programme competitions must submit a corresponding number of applications, enclosing the necessary documentation.

The application form shall be accompanied by:

- *curriculum vitae et studiorum*;
- self-certification indicating degree held, or self-certified proof of enrolment attesting the degree that candidates are studying towards;
- an identification document, duly signed;
- fiscal code (for Italian nationals only);

- any further documentation specifically required by each PhD Programmes.
- receipt of payment of the selection fee (**not refundable**) of €100.00 by: credit card (VISA or MASTERCARD);

It is the candidates' responsibility to notify promptly of any change of residence or domicile elected for the purposes of the competition.

The University Administration assumes no responsibility for misdirected communication due to incorrect residence or domicile information provided by candidates or to absent or late notification of any changes thereof. The University Administration shall bear no responsibility for any postal errors in communication due to circumstances beyond their control.

The University reserves the right to adopt, also after the performance of the competition-related examinations, measures for the exclusion of candidates that do not have the prerequisites required or that did not comply with the indications of the public announcement.

Candidates with disabilities must specify in their application the aid required in relation to their disability, in accordance with Law no. 104 of February 5th, 1992.

Art. 4

Admission examinations

Unless otherwise stated, the admission exam consists of two parts, one written and one oral, designed to assess candidates' knowledge, skills and aptitude to scientific research. The oral examination includes a test of the knowledge of the foreign language/s indicated by the applicants.

The examinations may be conducted in a language other than Italian, upon the explicit and motivated resolution by the Admission Panel communicated to all candidates before the beginning of the examinations.

Unless otherwise stated, in relation to the qualities ascertained, the Examination Panel assigns each candidate max. 60 points for each of the two examinations.

Only candidates passing the written examination with a minimum score of 40/60 are admitted to the oral examination.

The oral examination is passed with a minimum score of 40/60.

At the end of the examinations, the Examination Panel compiles a merit-based ranking list on the basis of the marks obtained by the candidates in each examination.

In order to be allowed to take the examinations, candidates must show a valid identification document pursuant to Art. 35, second Paragraph, of Presidential Decree no. 445 of December 28th, 2000 (identity card, driving license, passport).

Art. 5

Examination Panels

The Examination Panels for admission to the PhD Programme are appointed by the Rector, upon the proposal of the Teaching Panel. Each will consist of three tenured academics, to whom no more than two (also foreign) experts from institutions and public and private research institutes may be added.

The composition of the Panels will be published, after the expiration date of the present public announcement, at <http://dottorati.unicatt.it/concorsi-milano>.

Art. 6

Admission to PhD Programmes

Unless otherwise specified, candidates are admitted to the Programmes according to the final merit-based ranking list, until coverage of the number of positions opened for each PhD Programme has been completed. Should successful candidates withdraw before the beginning of the Programme, the positions will be covered by the candidates next in line in the ranking.

Successful candidates in more than one ranking list shall opt for one PhD Programme only.

Provided that they are successful in the admission examinations, research fellows holding grants may be admitted to a PhD Programme as supernumerary in the fee-based positions, retaining their grant, upon condition that the PhD Programme in which they enrol refers to the same scientific area of research for which they are enjoying research grants.

Art. 7

Enrolment

Competition winners must hand or send Ufficio Dottorati di ricerca dell'Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore - Largo Gemelli 1, 20123, Milan, within 7 (seven) days from the day after receipt of request via email, the following documentation:

- application form to enrol in the PhD Programme available online;
- no. 2 card-size photographs;
- Personal Tax Data Form;
- receipt of payment of the admission fee

Art. 8

Incompatibility

Attendance of the PhD Programme is not compatible with enrolment in other study programmes, postgraduate schools (except for medical specialisation schools), other PhD Programmes (except in the case of joint dissertation supervision agreements) and with attendance of TFA.

Art. 9

Aid and studentships

Tuition fees for the Programme at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore are set out annually by the Board of Directors.

PhD students enrolled at 33rd Cycle are required to pay annually the PhD Programme tuition fees amounting to € 1.500,00, to be paid in two instalments, the first upon matriculation or renewal of enrolment, the second on June 30th each year.

The enjoyment of a studentship to attend the PhD Programme is compatible with other income earned, also on a regular basis, in the calendar year of the studentship, provided that such income does not exceed the amount of the studentship itself. Should these income limits be surpassed, the studentship shall be revoked for the year in question. For the verification of the income limits, studentship assignees shall annually declare the income earned and notify exceeding of the prescribed limit.

The studentships are annual and are renewed provided that the PhD students have completed the programme of activities set for the previous year.

The amount of the studentship, paid in monthly instalments, is € 13,638.47 per year, before social security charges. The studentship is subject to the payment of social security contributions (INPS separate management) pursuant to Art. 2, Paragraph 26, of Law 335 dated of August 8th, 1995, and subsequent amendments. The studentship is exempt from local income tax and personal income tax (IRPEF).

The studentship amount shall be increased by max. 50 percent, for a period not over 18 months, if the PhD student is authorised by the Teaching Panel to conduct research abroad.

Starting from the second year, to each PhD student, with or without a studentship, is granted a sum covering research activities in Italy and abroad amounting to 10% of the annual gross amount of the studentship, equal to € 1,363.85.

Candidates previously in receipt of studentships (even if partially) may not receive PhD studentships.

Art. 10

Public employee

To public employees admitted to the PhD Programme applies current legislation on leave of absence or special leave.

Art. 11

Certificates and documents in foreign language

Certificates and documents in a foreign language must be translated and legalised by the competent Italian diplomatic or consular offices abroad, and must comply with the national regulation.

Art. 12

Rights and Obligations of PhD students

PhD students are required to regularly participate in the activities set out in their curricula, and to commit to individual and guided study programmes and to carrying out the research activities assigned by the Teaching Panel.

PhD students are also required to consult the Code of Conduct of Università Cattolica and to comply with its principles and aims.

Art. 13

Public disclosure

This public announcement is published on the website of Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore at <http://dottorati.unicatt.it/concorsi-milano>, on the *Euraxess* European website and on the MIUR website.

Art. 14

Final provisions

This public announcement was originally written in Italian and has been translated into English for easy reference only. The Italian version will be considered definitive for any questions of interpretation.

For any matter not expressly contemplated in this public announcement, the provisions indicated in "Regulatory Norms of the PhD Programmes and PhD Schools of Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore" and regulation in force shall apply.

Further information can be obtained from the Ufficio Dottorati di Ricerca, Via Carducci 28/30, 20123, Milan (**office hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9.30 am to 12.00 pm; Wednesday from 2.30 pm to 4.30 pm), phone no. 027234.5633, mail: dottorati.ricerca-mi@unicatt.it or at <http://dottorati.unicatt.it/concorsi-milano>.

Head of the procedure of the present selection is Dr. Roberto BRAMBILLA, Head of Postgraduate Education Services and Research Partnership, Via Carducci 28/30, Milan.