



Area dei Servizi Istituzionali
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Ufficio Dottorati di ricerca

ATTACHMENT 8

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**PhD IN
NEURAL AND COGNITIVE SCIENCES
ADMISSION INFORMATION**

Overview [click here](#)

Website: <http://www.biologia.units.it/corsi/9/Dottorato-in-Neuroscienze-e-Scienze-Cognitive>

Email: ncs.program@units.it

DISCLAIMER: this is only an overview including the main deadlines and a checklist of items to be submitted. Exhaustive information on how to apply for admission is published in the Admission Announcement posted on the web page <http://www2.units.it/dott/en/> >> Admission Announcement.

REQUIREMENT	DEADLINE
online application and upload of documents	19 June 2017 1:00 p.m. (Italian time)
payment of the admission exam fee	19 June 2017
for Italian degrees: deadline for graduation	31 October 2017
for foreign degrees: the deadline for graduation is set at an earlier date to enable the Examining Board to assess the degree equivalence	30 September 2017
submission of foreign degree diploma/certificate (if available by 19 th June, please upload it; beyond that date, please email to dottorati@amm.units.it)	10 days after graduation (and in any event not later than 10th October 2017)

Documents to be uploaded	Mandatory / Optional
1. proof of identity	mandatory
2. curriculum vitae et studiorum , focusing experience prior to the PhD and degree thesis activities	mandatory

<p>3. university qualifications:</p> <p>a for graduates or near-graduates in Italy: self-certification of the exams and scores of both first and second level degrees or single-cycle degree Self-certification can be drafted using the appropriate form available on http://www2.units.it/dott/en/?file=DottBandi.inc >> application forms, or – where applicable – using the University’s online services.</p> <p>b for graduates from abroad: scan of the original - if available – Bachelor and Master diploma (or comparable qualification) and “Diploma Supplement” (DS) thereof. If the university does not issue the DS, the applicant needs to submit, for each qualification, a Transcript of Records certifying the date of graduation, the exact name of the awarded qualification in the original language, exams and scores;</p> <p>c. for near-graduates from abroad: scan of the original Bachelor diploma (or comparable qualification) and, both for Bachelor and Master, a Transcript of Records certifying the exams and scores. Certificates must give evidence of the exact name of the qualification (awarded or to be awarded) in the original language.</p> <p>Please note that if all documents as described in points b. and c., are issued in a language other than English or Italian, a translation must be included, along with the original document (see par. 4.2 of the Admission Announcement).</p>	mandatory
<p>4. for graduates and near-graduates: abstract of the degree thesis (i.e. Master degree or comparable qualification) to be drawn up according to the template available on http://www2.units.it/dott/it/?file=DottBandi.inc >> Application forms</p>	mandatory
<p>5. research project: All candidates must submit a project in one of the research areas of the Doctoral Course using the form available on http://www2.units.it/dott/en/?file=DottBandi.inc >> Application Forms.</p> <p>a. Candidates applying for scholarships co-funded by the European Social Fund (please tick the relevant box on the form) must submit a research project which needs to be consistent with the chosen ESF strategy, as well as with the research area of the PhD course. Successful candidates are bound to carry out the proposed research project, in accordance with the ESF requirements and other rules as specified in the Admission Announcement.</p> <p>b. Candidates applying for other scholarships/places shall submit a research project which will only be assessed for the purpose of admission to the PhD course. Successful candidates shall carry out their research programme on a subject, which must be consistent with the research area of the PhD course and agreed with the supervisor and approved by the PhD Board.</p>	mandatory
<p>6. publications (max 3) and presentations in conferences</p>	optional

PLACES, SCHOLARSHIPS, RESEARCH GRANTS AVAILABLE			
Total number of places available (excluding reserved places - see codes below: R/2 - R/3 - R/4)	6		
without scholarship – cod [SB(A4)]	1		
with scholarship (A1)	5	Note: - Candidates who accept an earmarked scholarship are committed to the pre-assigned topic. - Attendance abroad that entitles to a scholarship increase - min. max. of months for each PhD student (over 3 years) are 2 - 18	
Scholarships/Research grants available with indication of their code, total number and funding body			
	M/1	1	Scholarship MIUR/University
	FSE-EUS/2	1	ESF – EUSAIR/EUSALP scholarship funded by the through resources of the Region Friuli Venezia Giulia - European Social Fund - Operational Programme 2014/2020 The topic must be consistent with the PhD sectors/research lines and with the EUSAIR/EUSALP areas 12 months be spent abroad in one of the EUSAIR/EUSALP areas
	MD/3	1	University of Trieste + Department of Life Sciences funded by Fondazione Beneficentia Stiftung Project title: “Math anxiety: scale down its negative effects and promote mathematics learning at school” Principal investigator: Prof. Maria Chiara Passolunghi Note: number of months abroad for the purpose of scholarship increase: 5

	MD/4	1	Scholarship MIUR/University co-financed by the Department of Life Sciences funded by IRCCS Burlo Garofolo Project title: "Molecular genetic studies of autism spectrum disorders and related phenotypes" Principal investigator: Prof. Tiziano Agostini Note: number of months abroad for the purpose of scholarship increase: 6
	MD/5	1	Scholarship MIUR/University co-financed by the Department of Life Sciences funded by Associazione italiana persone Down Project title: "Developmental paths of inhibitory processes in Down Syndrome: assessment and enhancement" Principal investigator: Prof. Maria Chiara Passolunghi Note: number of months abroad for the purpose of scholarship increase: 5
<i>Places with scholarships/research grants, reserved for graduates from foreign universities [R/1] with indication of their code, total number and funding body</i>		R(B)/1	0 --
<i>Places without scholarship, reserved for graduates from foreign universities [R/1]</i>		R(F)/1	0
<i>Reserved places without scholarship</i>	<i>Recipients of scholarships granted by foreign countries</i>	R(C)/2	0
	<i>Recipients of scholarships granted under international mobility programmes</i>	R(D)/3	0
	<i>Scholars selected under international agreements or programmes where UniTS is involved as coordinating or partner institution</i>	R/4	0
<i>PhD students from foreign universities admitted under joint supervision of thesis</i>			yes

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

<i>Academic qualification required: see Announcement (art. 2 - Requirements)</i>	
<i>"Lauree vecchio ordinamento" awarded in Italy</i>	All
<i>"Lauree specialistiche" awarded in Italy</i>	All
<i>"Lauree magistrali" awarded in Italy</i>	All
<i>Selection criteria</i>	Qualifications + oral examination/interview Maximum final score: 100 – minimum final score required for eligibility 50
<i>Evaluation</i>	Qualifications (maximum final score 40 – minimum final score required 10):
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • curriculum vitae et studiorum maximum score 23 • thesis / abstract maximum score 10 • publications (max 3) and presentations in conferences maximum score 7
	Oral examination/interview: maximum score 60 – minimum score required 20
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • oral examination/interview maximum score 40 – minimum score required 10 • research project: maximum score 20 – minimum score required 10

Note: The Examining Board may decide to adopt evaluation subcriteria

The admission results will be published on <http://www2.units.it/dottorati/> >> Admission to PhD Programme. The admission process includes the following steps: Assessment of foreign degrees >> Assessment of other qualifications >> Oral examination/interview. The merit list will be published after approval of the exam minutes by the Rector.

<i>Examination schedule</i>	<p><i>Oral examination/interview</i></p> <p><i>Language(s) of the interview</i></p> <p><i>Language(s) tested in the oral examination/interview</i></p> <p><i>Videoconference interview</i></p>	<p>17 July 2017 at 10:00 a.m. (Italian time), University of Trieste – Department of Life Sciences – W building (“palazzina W”) – San Giovanni Campus – meeting room (“Aula riunioni”) – 2nd floor – Via Weiss 21 – TRIESTE The Examining Board may decide to interview candidates on subsequent dates</p> <p>Italian or English. Only English for non-Italian candidates</p> <p>English (level of knowledge required: CEFR B2)</p> <p>Upon request of the candidates, the interview may be carried out by videoconference. The Videoconference interview form is available on http://www2.units.it/dott/files/VideoconfInterview.pdf Any candidates, who had not requested a video conference interview at the time of the application, can submit the request for video conferencing by sending an email to ncs.program@units.it up to four working days before the date of the interview, stating the grounds for their request. The Examining Board will arrange the start time with the candidates and will gather on 17 July 2017 at 9:00 a.m. (Italian time), at University of Trieste – Department of Life Sciences – W building (“palazzina W”) – San Giovanni Campus – meeting room (“Aula riunioni”) – 2nd floor – Via Weiss 22 – TRIESTE The Board may arrange with the candidate a different time for the interview.</p>
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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SUBSEQUENT TO THE PUBLICATION OF THE ADMISSION ANNOUNCEMENT

27 July 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scholarship MD/3 Note: number of months abroad for the purpose of scholarship increase: 5 - Scholarship MD/4 Note: number of months abroad for the purpose of scholarship increase: 6 - Scholarship MD/5 Note: number of months abroad for the purpose of scholarship increase: 5
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