



**DOCTORAL PROGRAMME in
NEURAL AND COGNITIVE SCIENCES
ADMISSION INFORMATION**

See [Overview](#)

Disclaimer: the tables below provide a quick outline of due dates and required documents. Please refer to the [Notice of Competition](#) for full information on conditions for applying.

REQUIREMENT	DEADLINE
online application and upload of documents	17 June 2020 1:00 p.m. (Italian time)
payment of the admission exam fee	17 June 2020
<i>for Italian degrees:</i> deadline for graduation	31 October 2020
<i>for foreign degrees:</i> deadline for graduation	12 October 2020
upload of foreign diploma or certificate	17 June 2020 (if available after 17 June, please send it by email to dottorati@amm.units.it within 15 October)

Documents to be uploaded	Mandatory -- Optional
NOTE: applications sent without the mandatory attachments will not be processed	
1. proof of identity (eg passport)	mandatory
2. curriculum vitae et studiorum	mandatory
3. university qualifications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. for graduates and near-graduates in Italy: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I) self-certification of all examinations and relevant scores of second-cycle degree programme, i.e. <i>Laurea magistrale</i> (LM), <i>Laurea specialistica</i> (LS) or <i>Laurea vecchio ordinamento</i> (LVO) II) self-certification of LM, LS or LVO final mark (only for graduates). Self-certifications can be drafted using the form available online, or using the online services of the concerned University. b. for graduates and near-graduates from abroad: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I) Transcript of Records including examinations and scores obtained. Where applicable, a Diploma Supplement can be submitted instead of the Transcript. 	mandatory

<p>II) Master diploma/certificate or equivalent qualification giving access to the Doctoral Programme (only for graduates). The foreign qualification must be comparable by level and course duration (and, where applicable, by subject area) with the required Italian degree and allow access to the PhD in the issuing country;</p> <p>III) Translation into Italian or English of the above documents, if issued in a different language.</p>	
<p>4. thesis abstract It must be submitted by both graduates and near-graduates, in English or Italian. We recommend to use the "Thesis Abstract form", as failure to do so may lead to exclusion.</p>	mandatory
<p>5. publications (max 3) and conferences presentations</p>	optional
<p>6. research project: candidates must submit a project consistent with the PhD sectors or research lines. We recommend to use the "Research Project form" available online for the project drafting, as failure to do so may lead to exclusion.</p>	mandatory

Applicants who hold a foreign degree and have never enrolled at this or other University in Italy must also upload their Secondary School certificate.

PLACES AND SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE			
Total number of non-funded places (code: SB)		1	
Total number of funded places		4	Note: - Candidates who accept a subject-specific scholarship are committed to the project topic. - Study/research abroad that entitles to a scholarship increase: 2 to 18 months for each PhD student (over 3 years)
<i>Scholarships</i> (code, total number and description)	D/1	1	Scholarship MUR/University co-financed by the Department of Engineering and Architecture with funds from POR FESR REGIONE LOMBARDIA "PAINLIFE" Project title: "Data Science to support decision making in chronic pain" CUP E91B19000640007 Principal investigator: Prof. Sara Marceglia NOTE: this scholarship does not include funding for research conducted abroad, except any supplementary funding from the pertaining department.
	MD/2	1	Scholarship MUR/University co-financed by the Department of Life Sciences with funds from I.R.C.C.S. La Nostra Famiglia Project title: "Body representation, neuropsychological profile and socio-emotional development of children with overgrowth syndromes, focusing in particular on functional framing of children affected by Beckwith-Viedemann and Sotos syndromes" CUP E91B19000640007 Principal investigator: Prof. Cosimo Urgesi Note: number of months abroad for the purpose of scholarship increase: max 6
	M/3-4	2	Scholarships MUR/University The topic must be consistent with the PhD sectors/research lines
RESERVED PLACES			
	RE	2	Highly-qualified staff employed in companies (industrial PhD) or public institutes or research centres (while remaining on salary from the employer) Note: The institution involved must sign an agreement with the University of Trieste before the candidate's enrolment.

RD 1 Position reserved to a candidate selected within the international mobility programme H2020-MSCA-ITN-2020, Project G-VERSITY - Achieving Gender Diversity, Grant Agreement no. 953326.
Principal investigator at UniTS: Prof. Andrea Carnaghi

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Required academic qualifications (see art. 2 of the Notice of Competition)

“Lauree vecchio ordinamento” (awarded in Italy before the D.M. 509/99 reform of the University system) All

“Lauree specialistiche” (LS) awarded in Italy All

“Lauree magistrali” (LM) awarded in Italy All

Selection criteria
Qualifications + interview
Maximum final score: **100** – minimum final score required for eligibility **50**

Evaluation
Qualifications (maximum final score **40** – minimum final score required **10**):

- curriculum vitae et studiorum maximum score **23**
- thesis abstract maximum score **10**
- publications and presentations in conferences maximum score **7**

Interview: maximum score **60** – minimum score required **20**

- Interview maximum score **40** – minimum score required **10**
- research project: maximum score **20** – minimum score required **10**

Note: The Examination Panel may decide to adopt evaluation subcriteria.

The [admission results](#) will be published online. The admission process includes the following steps: Assessment of foreign degrees >> Assessment of other qualifications >> Interview. The merit list will be published after approval by the Rector.

Examination schedule	Assessment of qualification	from 3 July 2020
	Interview	27 July 2020 at 9:30 a.m. (Italian time) , University of Trieste – Department of Life Sciences – W building (“palazzina W”) – San Giovanni Campus – Aula seminari – 1 st floor – Via Weiss 21 – TRIESTE
	Language(s) of the interview	Italian/English English only for non-Italian speaking candidates
	Language(s) tested in the interview	English (level of knowledge required: CEFR B2)
	Videoconference interview	Upon request of the candidates, the interview may be carried out by videoconference. The form is available on “Videoconference interview” and must be uploaded within the application deadline. Candidates wishing to take the interview remotely and failing to upload the appropriate form for videoconferencing within the deadline, can send their request by email to ncs.program@units.it up to 4 working days before the date of the interview, stating the reason for their late request. The Examination Panel will meet on 27 July 2020. The Panel may arrange with the candidate a different time for the interview.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (following publication of the Notice of Competition)

16/7/2020 Interview by videoconference only

22/02/2021	
05/09/2021	Scholarship MD/2 – CUP deleted