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Call for applications for admission to PhD Programmes and for the awarding of 109 PhD scholarships, XLI cycle, academic year 2025/2026.

ART. 1 – CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

1.1 The University of Verona hereby announces a public selection for admission to its PhD programmes for the XLI cycle, academic year 2025/2026, with the awarding of no. 109 scholarships.

PHD PROGRAMMES		Positions funded with scholarship	Positions without scholarship
Ph.D.	Accounting and Management	6	0
Ph.D.	Industrial and Environmental Molecular Biotechnology	7	1
Ph.D.	Economics and Finance	5	1
Ph.D.	Philology, Literature, and Performance Studies	4	0
Ph.D.	Inflammation, Immunity and Cancer	8	1
Ph.D.	Computer Science	7	1
Ph.D.	Intelligent Systems Engineering	4	1
Ph.D.	Foreign Literatures and Languages	6	0
Ph.D.	Biomolecular Medicine	6	1
Ph.D.	Regenerative Medicine, Technological and Translational Surgery	3	1
Ph.D.	Nanosciences and Advanced Technologies	5	0
Ph.D.	Neuroscience, Psychological and Psychiatric Sciences and Movement Sciences	10	3
Ph.D.	Applied Life and Health Sciences	8	1
Ph.D.	Archaeology, Art History and History	6	0
Ph.D.	Clinical and Experimental Biomedical Sciences	6	1
Ph.D.	Surgical and Cardiovascular Sciences	4	1
Ph.D.	European and International Legal Sciences	5	1
Ph.D.	Human Sciences	6	1
Ph.D.	Smart Agrifood Sciences	3	0
	Total	**109**	**15**

1.2 The details of each PhD programme, including the number of positions and scholarships available, the criteria for the evaluation of qualifications (if provided), the dates of the admission exam sessions, the language, methods and criteria for selection are detailed in Annex 1 - *PhD programmes information sheets*, which constitutes an integral part of this Call. The Call for Application is published on the Official University Register (*Albo Ufficiale di Ateneo*) on each PhD Programme's website and on the following websites: Italian Ministry of University and Research (MUR)*,* Euraxess and Official Gazette (*Gazzetta Ufficiale*).

1.3 Any amendments or updates will be published exclusively on the PhD Programme's website.
The number of positions funded with scholarships may increase after the publication of the Call, in case additional funding is made available by public or private bodies, including PhD scholarships granted within specific international projects or by governments of foreign countries. Nevertheless, the deadline for applications will not be delayed. Scholarships to be funded by external bodies (other than

the University and the Ministry of University and Research) will be confirmed once the specific agreement with the funding body is signed.

1.4   In accordance with Italian Ministerial Decree no. 226/2021, in order for PhD courses to run, they may be subject to compliance checks on accreditation requirements carried out by the Italian Ministry of University and Research (MUR). In the event that a course is not accredited, the admission tests will not be held, and only in this case all interested applicants will be promptly notified. In the event that the outcome of the accreditation is not yet known at the time the competition procedures are carried out, the tests will be regularly held, and the winners will be conditionally pre-enrolled, awaiting the positive outcome of the accreditation procedure for each course. A negative outcome of the accreditation procedure will result in the non-activation of that course for the XL cycle and the conditionally pre-enrolled students will be promptly notified by e-mail.
This notice has the value of official notification to all effects. Applicants will not receive any further communication except as provided above.

ART. 2 – IMPLEMENTATION OF PhD PROGRAMMES

2.1   The XLI cycle of PhD programmes will officially begin on 1st October 2025. PhD programmes last three years, with the exception of the 4-year PhD programme in Economics and Finance.
The final defence of the doctoral thesis must take place within the month of May of the solar year after the conclusion of the PhD programme. The PhD degree is conferred by the Rector, after the candidate has successfully completed the doctoral programme and passed the final examination.

2.2   The awarding of the degree scroll is subject to the submission, by the PhD candidate, of their final doctoral thesis to the Verona University Open Archive (IRIS), where it shall be kept available for consultation. The University of Verona shall be responsible for submitting a copy of the doctoral thesis to the National Libraries of Rome and Florence, as specified by law.

ART. 3 – ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

3.1   In order to apply, it is required that applicants, regardless of their age and nationality:
   -    Hold an Italian university degree such as Laurea magistrale, Laurea specialistica or Laurea "vecchio ordinamento" (before Reform no. 509/1999); or
   -    Hold an academic qualification (i.e. Master of Science/Art) awarded by a Higher Education Institution which allows access to further studies (PhD level) at academic institutions in the issuing Country. Professional degrees (e.g.: Master in Business Administration - MBA, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery - MBBS, etc.) do not grant access to the PhD programmes.

3.2   Applicants who have not yet completed their Master's degree are also entitled to apply, provided that the degree is awarded by the day before the official starting date of the PhD programme. Their application will be considered as "**conditionally admitted**" and they will be required to submit their degree certificate or a self-certification (only for EU citizens, in accordance with Presidential Decree no. 445 of 28/12/00) to the PhD Office *(Area Ricerca – U.O. Dottorati di Ricerca dottorati.ricerca@ateneo.univr.it* at the time of pre-enrolment or later on, as long as within the day before the official starting date of the PhD Programme.

3.3   Applicants who are already enrolled in a PhD programme at the University of Verona may transfer to a different PhD programme (only if it offers a position without scholarship), provided they have passed the entry exam and been granted admission to the new course. Students who change courses must withdraw from their previous PhD programme and start the new programme in its first year.

3.4   Applicants who already hold a PhD degree will not be admitted to any programme with similar research topics. Applicants who have already benefited from a PhD scholarship or part of it, regardless of where and when are not eligible to be granted another scholarship.

3.5   All applicants will be **conditionally** admitted to the selection. If any of the aforementioned prerequisites are not satisfied, the university reserves the right to exclude applicants from the selection procedure for justified reasons **at any time**, even after the examination sessions have taken place.

ART. 4 – APPLICATION

4.1 Applicants can submit their application from **17 April 2025** to **20 May 2025 at 12.00 noon (Italian time, GMT+1),** exclusively using the online form available at *www.univr.it/applicationphd*.

The applicants have to:
- go to *www.univr.it/applicationphd* webpage*;*
- register to the online system by entering the information required (if not already registered);
- log in using their personal credentials (if current students of the University of Verona or already registered applicants);
- select the chosen PhD programme;
- fill out the online application form.

Specific *guidelines* on how to apply are available on each PhD Programme's website.
Each communication regarding the selection will show the **registration code** assigned at the application stage. Instructions for retrieving the code are available in special '**Guidelines**' on the web pages of each PhD Programme.

4.2 After filling out the online form, applicants should print a hard copy of it, sign it and send a scan of it together with the attachments listed in *Annex 1 - PhD programmes information sheets* **EXCLUSIVELY** by email to *phd.selection@ateneo.univr.it* by **20 May 2025, 1.00 p.m. (Italian time, GMT+1).** All application documents must be submitted in **pdf format as an e-mail attachment** and sent from the applicant's personal e-mail address, with the following e-mail subject: *"Application for the PhD programme in ……………..., Applicant's name and surname".* Should the application be submitted in a different way, including file sharing or cloud services, it will be **rejected**.

The overall file size of the e-mail should not exceed 20 MB. E-mails exceeding the size limit will not be delivered. The University e-mail system will send an automatic error message, which may be received by the sender up to several days after; it is the applicant's responsibility to check for this kind of message, which may be identified as spam by the mail provider. Receipt of the application and attached documents is confirmed by an automatic reply.

In case of large files to be sent, applicants may split their application documents into more than one e-mail message. In this case, the subject should be the same in each e-mail, i.e:
Application for the PhD programme in ……………..., Applicant's name and surname **– 1st part;**
Application for the PhD programme in ……………..., Applicant's name and surname **– 2nd part;** *etc.*

For technical issues, please contact: *phd.support@ateneo.univr.it*;
For further information or questions about this Call for Applications, please contact: *dottorati.ricerca@ateneo.univr.it*.

4.3 In order to avoid a system overload, applicants are highly recommended to fill out the application form well in advance instead of close to the deadline.
It is each applicant's responsibility to check that the procedure has been completed correctly. The university accepts no responsibility for late applications due to technical problems or software failure close to the deadline, overloading of communications and/or applicative systems, nor for any loss of communication due to incorrect or missing addresses or late notification of a change of e-mail contact, nor for any possible misunderstanding or problem caused by third parties, fortuitous case or force majeure.
Incomplete applications, missing any pieces of information and/or compulsory attachments shall not be considered. Additional material submitted after the deadline will not be accepted unless expressly required by the PhD Office.

4.4 Applicants may apply for more than one PhD programme. For this purpose, they must complete a separate online application form for each programme and send it together with the specific documentation listed in *Annex 1 - PhD programmes information sheets.*

4.5 All documentation must be in Italian or English or translated into one of the aforementioned languages at the applicant's responsibility.

4.6   The list of the applications duly received within the deadline will be published on each PhD
       Programme's website (see section "enrolment procedures").
       Applicants should check the information posted regularly. In case of any mistake, they should contact
       the PhD Office as soon as possible at *dottorati.ricerca@ateneo.univr.it*.

ART. 5 – APPLICANTS HOLDING FOREIGN DEGREES

5.1   Applicants holding a foreign degree must send, other than their application and qualifications required
       to apply for the selected PhD programme, the following documentation (pdf format) to show that their
       degree grants access to PhD courses:
       - Bachelor's degree certificate showing the exact name of the degree and the final score, supported
         by a certificate with a full list of the exams taken, the grades achieved and the academic grading
         scale (academic transcript/transcript of records);
       - Master's degree certificate showing the exact name of the degree and the final score, supported by
         a certificate with a full list of the exams taken, the grades achieved and the academic grading scale
         (academic transcript/transcript of records);
       - Declaration of enrolment/award of a master's degree and conversion of grades earned in countries
         other than Italy, to be completed by using the grade conversion tool provided on each PhD
         Programm's website;
       - Diploma Supplement (if available);
       - Any other document considered relevant to evaluate the applicant's academic qualifications (i.e.
         Declaration of Value, if already available).

       The official documents listed above, if issued in a language other than Italian or English, must be
       accompanied by a legal translation in either Italian or English, under penalty of exclusion.

5.2   If the applicant's academic qualification has already been officially recognised as equivalent to an
       Italian degree, the applicant must specify the Italian university that has recognized the degree to be
       equivalent and the details of the related Rector's decree. Foreign qualifications that have not been
       officially recognised will be subject to a standard validation procedure based on the documentation
       listed in paragraph 5.1 of this Call and with the sole purpose of fulfilling the application requirements
       for the PhD programme.

5.3   In addition to the above-listed documents, applicants may be requested to submit further
       documentation in order to validate their degrees.

5.4   Applicants holding a foreign qualification will be **conditionally admitted** to the selection. The eligibility
       of their degree (see item 5.1) will be verified at the end of the selection process, only for the applicants
       listed in the final rankings. In the event that a foreign qualification is not considered eligible, the
       applicant will not be entitled to enrol in the PhD programme, and their position will be offered to the
       next applicant in the ranking list.

ART. 6 - APPLICANTS WITH INVALIDITY, DISABILITY OR SPECIFIC LEARNING DISORDERS

6.1   The tests are organized taking into account the needs of applicants with invalidity, disabilities pursuant
       to law n. 104/1992, or with specific learning disorders (SLD) referred to in law no. 170/2010. The
       applicant with a certificate of invalidity and disability as per law n. 104/1992, or with a diagnosis of
       SLD, which intends to request the application of specific adaptations, must:

       - declare it when applying for the competition, in the text of the e-mail through which the application is
       sent according to the procedure described in art. 4.2;

       - send a specific request using the appropriate form (Annex 2), together with the necessary
       certifications and attachments, to be sent by e-mail to adattamentiprove@ateneo.univr.it. By
       completing the form, the applicant also makes the necessary declarations.

6.2   Requests for adaptation of the tests must be received within the same deadlines set for the application
       for the competition as reported in article 4.2.

6.3   The applicant with invalidity, disability pursuant to law no. 104/1992, or with SLD:

       - in the event of a test with a predetermined maximum time for its performance, he / she may request
       to use additional time (up to a maximum of 50% in the case of an applicant with disability or disability

pursuant to law no.104 / 1992; to the maximum extent 30% in the case of an applicant with SLD);

- they can also ask for further adjustments necessary due to the specific condition of invalidity, disability or SLD, and in relation to the type of test.

6.4 The applicant with SLD must present suitable certification, in the original or authenticated copy on plain paper, issued no more than three years ago, or after the eighteenth year of life, by structures of the National Health System (SSN) or by structures and / or specialists accredited by the same. To this end, the applicant can in any case send the certification in copy or scan by e-mail, declaring conformity with the original in the aforementioned adaptation request form.

6.5 The applicant with invalidity, or disability pursuant to law n.104 / 1992, must present suitable certification, in the original or authenticated copy on plain paper, issued by the competent medical commission for the area, proving the type and degree of disability and/or the degree of recognized handicap. To this end, the applicant may, in any case, send the certification in copy or scan by e-mail, declaring conformity with the original in the aforementioned application form for the aid.

6.6 The applicants referred to in this article may be admitted to take advantage of the measures provided for the test with the medical certification in their possession, even if not updated due to the limitation of the activity of the SSN for COVID-19 emergency, subject to, by the University, to subsequently request the integration of the documentation provided therein.

6.7 Applicants with invalidity, disability pursuant to law n.104 / 1992, or with SLD, residing in foreign countries, who intend to take advantage of the measures referred to in the preceding paragraphs, must submit the legalized certification, where required by the international standards in force, certifying the state of invalidity, disability or SLD, issued in the country of residence, accompanied by a translation, sworn and by an official translator or certified conforming to the original text by the Italian diplomatic representations, in Italian or in English. The university bodies in charge of examining the certifications referred to in the preceding paragraphs ascertain that the foreign documentation certifies a condition of invalidity, disability or specific learning disability recognized by Italian law. Pending the verification of the authenticity of the aforementioned documentation by the University bodies, the applicant who is a resident in a non-EU country is conditionally admitted to the entry test.

6.8 The adjustments referred to in this Article are granted by the Examination Board.

6.9 Any clarifications may be requested by applicants by e-mail by contacting the Inclusion Unit at adattamentiprove@ateneo.univr.it.

ART. 7 – ENTRY EXAMINATION, EVALUATION AND SELECTION OF APPLICANTS

7.1 The entry examination consists of a selection procedure intended to ascertain applicants' academic background and aptitude for academic research and to ensure a comparative evaluation.

7.2 Details on the selection procedure and the evaluation criteria are provided in *Annex 1 - PhD programmes information sheets*.

7.3 Entry examination timetables are included in the *Annex 1 - PhD programmes information sheets*.
Any up-to-date notices regarding the selection procedure will be posted on the PhD Programme's website.
In order to be correctly identified, applicants will have to show the same ID – identity card, driving licence, passport – they used to register their online application. Should the exam be conducted online via live streaming on Zoom, applicants will be asked to keep their cameras on to allow the Examination Board to identify and see them during the interview.

7.4 A score of at least 40/60 is required to pass the entry examination unless differently specified. The evaluation of qualifications will be added to the oral exam score.
The evaluation of qualifications will be based on the documents submitted by the applicants. If the qualifications score has not already been specified in *Annex 1 - PhD programmes information sheets,* the Examination Board will decide the score for each qualification required.

7.5 For all types of positions announced, the Examination Board may reserve the possibility of drawing up separate ranking lists, taking into account the preferences expressed and the applications received. In the event that no suitable applicants are available on a ranking list (no applications, withdrawals, etc.),

the Examination Board may reserve the possibility of assigning the position, with or without a scholarship, to suitable applicants ranked in a different list of that same course, subject to verification of the requirements needed.

7.6 **Applicants will not be notified about the examination results.** The official final rankings, approved by Rector's Decree, will be published and displayed on the Official University Register (*Albo Ufficiale dell'Ateneo*) and on each PhD Programme's website.
Applicants may contest the final ranking after the publication of the selection results. In accordance with Law no. 241/1990 and subsequent additions and modifications, applicants have the right to access the selection records.

ART. 8 – EXAMINATION BOARDS

8.1 The Examination Boards shall consist of three members of the PhD Board. They may include – with no additional cost to the University – up to two Italian or international experts selected from companies or public or private research entities. The inclusion and nomination of such experts are compulsory if provided by a specific agreement.
Each Examination Board shall elect its own Chair and Secretary. The Rector's Decrees stating the members of the Examination Boards will be published on each PhD Programme's website after the deadline of the present notice.

ART. 9 – ADMISSION TO THE PhD PROGRAMMES

9.1 Successful applicants are admitted to the PhD programmes in merit-based ranking order until all the available positions on the programme have been granted. If the same marks have been scored by two or more applicants, the youngest one will get preference in ranking in accordance with Art. 3.7, Law no. 127/97 as modified by art. 2, Law 191/98. Should an applicant be successful in more than one ranking, they must choose only one PhD programme to enrol in. This choice results in automatic disqualification from other position(s).

9.2 Successful applicants who are admitted to a PhD programme must submit a pre-enrolment form online following the procedure available at *www.univr.it/enrolmentphd* within 15 days after the publication of the final rankings in order to register for their PhD programme, under penalty of exclusion.

9.3 Should an applicant fail to complete the online pre-enrolment procedure within the period stated for their relevant PhD programme, the University will consider they as having given up their position (with or without scholarship) in the programme, and this position will be reassigned to the next applicant on the merit ranking. The latter will be informed only by email and must enrol by following the procedure described in paragraph 8.2 within five days of the notification.

9.4 Applicants are advised that the University is required to check the truthfulness of any information or statement received. Should a declaration be found false or misleading, in addition to the loss of any benefits gained by the applicant on the basis of **a false declaration**, criminal sanctions for false statements and the forgery of documents shall apply (see Art.s 75 and 76 of Presidential Decree no. 445/2000). The University Administration will withdraw any benefits awarded to the applicant (such as a scholarship and fee concessions) and will not reimburse any of the fees paid. False declarations may also lead to possible legal action by the interested parties.

ART. 10 – PhD PROGRAMMES AND MEDICAL POSTGRADUATE SPECIALISATIONS

10.1 Students enrolled at a Medical School of Specialist Studies run by the University of Verona or by other Italian Universities are entitled to apply to this Call. Any provisions that differ from the above are specified in the section "Positions available" in Annex 1.

10.2 Upon pre-enrollment, the aforementioned students must provide a clearance ("*Nulla Osta*") certifying that the joint attendance between the Doctoral Program and the School of Specialisation is sustainable, even taking into account the distance between the seats of delivery of both courses. The clearance must be jointly signed by the Director of the School of Specialist Studies and the Coordinator of the PhD Programme and forwarded to the respective Boards.

10.3 During the period of joint attendance, due to incompatibility between the remuneration for the Postgraduate Specialisation and the PhD scholarship, the student will not receive the latter. Those scholarship instalments will be made available to the University's central administration.

ART. 11 – RIGHTS, OBLIGATIONS AND INCOMPATIBILITIES FOR PhD STUDENTS

11.1 Attendance to the PhD course involves **an exclusive and full-time commitment**; any activities other than training and research must be authorized by the Teaching Committee after obtaining the favourable opinion of the supervisor and the co-supervisor. PhD students holding a scholarship can undertake paid assignments limited to activities leading to acquiring new skills within the research path of the PhD Programme, provided that the PhD Teaching Committee has confirmed that the successful fulfilment of training, teaching and research activities of the Course is preserved. The remuneration of those authorized activities shall not exceed the value of the annual amount of the PhD scholarship as detailed in the following art. 11.1.
Subordinate employment contracts with public or private entities involving a continuous commitment for a fixed or indefinite duration are considered in determining the above remuneration. For PhD students who do not hold a scholarship, any real incompatibility between doctoral and work activities must be evaluated by the PhD Teaching Committee.

11.2 Public employees admitted to a PhD course, for the normal duration of the course can benefit from a leave from work as provided for in their employment contract or, if employed under public law, from study leave, if compatible with the needs of the administration, pursuant to art. 2, Law no. 476/1984, with or without salary and only if enrolled for the first time in a doctoral course, regardless of the subject field.

11.3 In accordance with the provisions of Law 33/2022, simultaneous enrolment in a PhD course and a **non-compulsory attendance** bachelor's/master's degree course, a non-medical specialisation course and a Level I or II master's course is permitted. Enrolment is subject to the approval of the respective Bodies, which must verify the sustainability of dual attendance for the achievement of the knowledge and skills required by each course. Simultaneous enrolment in a PhD course and a medical specialisation course is also permitted, pursuant to Article 7 of Ministerial Decree 226/2021 and regulated by Article 10 above. Simultaneous enrolment and, consequently, joint attendance of two PhD courses (except in the case of co-doctoral agreements or enrolment in international doctoral programmes aimed at awarding double or joint degrees) and of a PhD course and a degree/master's degree course involving compulsory attendance is not allowed: at the time of enrolment, the PhD Candidate must opt for one of the two courses. In the event of a false declaration and where a dual enrolment persists, the University shall issue a formal provision signed by the Rector annulling the enrolment on the course and proceed to recover any sums paid by way of a grant in accordance with the procedures laid down by law. The ban on double enrolment continues until the end of the last year of the Course (third/fourth year).

11.4 PhD students can spend up to a maximum of 12 months abroad for study purposes and/or internship activities at private or public foreign entities unless further directions are specified in *Annex 1 - PhD programmes information sheets.*

11.5 For regulations concerning PhD students' rights, obligations, incompatibilities and for what is not regulated by this Call please refer to *Regulations for PhD Studies*, available at the webpage PhDs > Find out more > PhD Regulations.

ART. 12 – SCHOLARSHIPS

12.1 The annual amount of the PhD scholarship is equal to Euro 16,243.00 gross of INPS social security charges as provided by law to be paid by the recipient. Scholarships are awarded for the entire duration of the PhD programme (3 years/36 months, 4 years/ 48 months) and instalments are paid on a monthly basis. The first instalment of October 2025 will be paid at the end of the same month provided that the student has submitted all the documentation required and is correctly pre-enrolled in their PhD programme **by 24 September 2025.** Otherwise, a two-month instalment will be paid at the end of November.
For PhD students coming from abroad, the first monthly instalment will be processed once they have notified the PhD office of their arrival in Verona. Payment will be made in the current month if such communication, as well as personal bank details, is sent by the 10th of the month. Otherwise, it will be processed the following month.

12.2 The scholarship will be increased by 50% during the authorised study periods abroad, even to PhD students who do not hold a scholarship. Should the student be suspended or excluded from the PhD programme, scholarship funds will be awarded only for the period in which they attended it.

12.3 The Call can include scholarships of a higher amount than the one prescribed by D.M. 247/2022 if they are funded through external funds or in the framework of specific research projects.

12.4 Scholarships have an annual duration and are renewed on the condition that the PhD student has completed all the activities intended for that year, as verified by the PhD programme Teaching Committee.

12.5 From the first year of the programme, every PhD student (with or without a scholarship) shall be guaranteed a research budget of not less than 10% of the annual scholarship amount in order to support their research activity in Italy and abroad.

12.6 PhD scholarships cannot be combined with other scholarships, except those granted by national or foreign institutions that allow the student to conduct PhD research abroad.

12.7 PhD students who are not awarded a PhD scholarship but fulfil the income requirements foreseen by law may apply for a scholarship within the *Bando per l'assegnazione delle borse per il diritto allo studio universitario* available at the following webpage www.univr.it/benefici

ART. 13 – STUDY FEES AND CONTRIBUTIONS PAYABLE

13.1 The following fees are required to be paid compulsorily <u>at the time of pre-enrolment</u> regardless of the due date of 31.12.2025 shown on the bulletin:

- Students with a scholarship must pay **€454.00** (€250.00 for tuition fees, €188.00 for regional study tax contributions, and €16.00 for stamp duty using the virtual stamping system) on a single payment to finalize the pre-enrolment;

- Students without a scholarship must pay **€204.00 (**€188.00 for regional study tax contributions and €16.00 for stamp duty using the virtual stamping system) on a single payment to finalize the pre-enrolment. Law no. 232/2016, art. 1, c. 262, prescribes that PhD students without a scholarship are exempted from the payment of tuition fees.

Any changes to the aforementioned amounts will be notified to PhD students in due time.

13.2 Students who are not awarded a scholarship but meet specific income requirements may request a reduction of the regional study tax contributions and/or student contributions by following the instructions published in the Rector's Decree at
https://www.univr.it/en/job-vacancies/studenti-e-laureati/riduzione-contribuzione-studentesca

Students meeting the following requisites are exempt from paying tuition fees and regional study tax contributions:

- students with a legal disability of at least 66% certified by the relevant health authority pursuant to Law no. 104/92; In order to obtain the facilities, interested candidates must send the appropriate request form for exemption/reduction of university fees for students with disabilities, available at this link, together with the documents indicated therein, at the same time as enrolling at inclusione@ateneo.univr.it.
- recipients of a regional scholarship;

Students meeting the following requisites are exempt from paying tuition fees:
- students meeting requisites established by art. 30, Law no. 118/1971;
- students receiving an Italian Government scholarship (for foreign students, the current application process is available on the Ministry of Foreign Affairs website);
- students without a scholarship.

PhD students with recognized disability (between 50% and 65%) will pay a reduced amount of € 404.00 (€200.00 for tuition fees, €188.00 for regional study tax contributions, and €16.00 for stamp duty using the virtual stamping system).

PhD students coming from developing countries, as annually identified by MUR, will be entitled to ask for a reimbursement of €100.00 for tuition fees.

ART. 14 – IPR

14.1 The intellectual and industrial property rights of any results achieved by PhD students – including, but not limited to, software, industrial inventions that may or may not be patentable, know-how, models, data and data collections – are governed in accordance with current regulations/statutory laws, the University regulations and, where applicable, in compliance with specific agreements signed with universities, enterprises/businesses or other parties involved.

14.2 In all cases, PhD candidates undertake to promptly notify the Coordinator regarding the achievement of any results and must agree not to disclose them or use them without the prior authorisation of the University. If collaborating with research groups, PhD students must sign a specific agreement for the recognition of intellectual property rights, maintaining the utmost confidentiality concerning all reserved information, data, and documents they may come into possession of while carrying out their activities at or on behalf of the University.

14.3 In all cases, PhD students are guaranteed the possibility of undertaking all the normal publication activities provided by the research and study programme, which shall be planned compatibly with the need to protect any possible results.

ART. 15 – FINAL REGULATIONS

15.1 The University of Verona is the Data Controller of applicants' personal data according to EU Regulation 2016/67; further information about data processing, data recipients, and rights of the data subjects can be found on the University of Verona webpage: *https://www.univr.it/en/privacy*.

15.2 Person responsible for administrative proceedings: dott.ssa Maria Gabaldo, Responsabile Area Ricerca, Via S. Francesco n. 22, Verona, phone. 045 802 8134 / 8078, e-mail: *dottorati.ricerca@ateneo.univr.it*

All matters not specified in this Call for Applications shall be governed by the *Regulations for PhD Studies* (available at the webpage: Admission to PhD Programmes > PhD Regulations) and relevant national laws and regulations.

15.3 Further information about the administrative procedure are available on the Dottorati di Ricerca website, on each PhD Programme's website and/or can be requested to the PhD Office: *Area Ricerca – U.O. Dottorati di Ricerca*, Via San Francesco no. 22, *phone. 00 39 045 8028134 / 8078,* e-mail: *dottorati.ricerca@ateneo.univr.it*

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The official text of this Call for Applications is drawn up in Italian language and available on each PhD Programme's website. This translation provides a summary in English for information purposes only. In case of discrepancies, the Italian version will prevail.

Annex 1 - PhD programmes information sheets

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Joint PhD Programme with the University of Udine
Coordinator: Prof. Ivan Russo</td></tr>
<tr><td>Programme duration</td><td colspan="2">3 years: 1st October 2025 – 30st September 2028
Thesis Defence: by May 2029</td></tr>
<tr><td>Website</td><td colspan="2">https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=1006&menu=ilcorso&tab=presentazione&lang=en</td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission requirements</td><td colspan="2">Any of the following:
- "Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.);
- A degree taken under the old Italian university system in force prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 599/1999;
- An equivalent foreign degree.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Learning outcomes, and languages and internationalization</td><td colspan="2">Information on learning outcomes and research topics are available on the website of University of Verona at this link
The Programme activities will be totally held in English.
During the 3 year programme, PhD students may spend a maximum 6 months period of training and research activities at a Host University or Research Center abroad.</td></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="3">Positions available</td><td>Positions with scholarships funded by the University of Verona</td><td>n. 3</td></tr>
<tr><td>Positions with scholarships funded by the University of Udine</td><td>n. 3</td></tr>
<tr><td>Total positions</td><td>n. 6</td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission procedure</td><td colspan="2">Italian and foreign candidates
- Evaluation of qualifications*
- Oral examination
Language for the oral examination: English
- English language skills are required</td></tr>
<tr><td>Oral examination</td><td colspan="2">Place: The oral examination will be held remotely, through Zoom. Instructions and link for the connection will be provided on the PhD Program web page after the publication of the list of candidates admitted to the oral examination.
Date: June 27, 2025
Time: 10:00 am</td></tr>
<tr><td>Evaluation criteria</td><td colspan="2">Evaluation of qualifications*: max. 30 points. Minimum pass grade: 21/30.
Oral examination: max. 70 points. Minimum pass grade: 49/70.
The final grade is the sum of the grades obtained in the evaluation of qualifications and the oral examination. The results will be published, as soon as available, on the PhD Program web page.

* The evaluation of qualifications is preliminary to the oral examination. Only candidates who will attain a minimum grade of 21/30 will gain access to the oral examination.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Qualifications subject to evaluation and related score</td><td colspan="2">- Curriculum vitae et studiorum (max. 10 points)
- Original research proposal of maximum 10.000 characters, spaces included, excluding the bibliography. The proposal should refer to one of the research topics indicated below. (max. 18 points)
- Nr. 2 reference letters released by university professors, scientific researchers or experts. (max. 2 points)

The whole documentation must be supplied in English or Italian.

Max. qualifications score: 30</td></tr>
<tr><td>Research topics</td><td colspan="2">1. Accounting and Performance Measurement

•   Accounting for sustainability
•   Accountability, corporate reporting and stakeholder engagement
•   Alternative forms of accounting and accountabilityESG Value relevance
•   Management compensation and corporate reporting
•   Audit and assurance quality</td></tr>
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	• Misbehaviours in accounting and reporting • Sustainability performance measurement and reporting • Governance, internal auditing and risk management • Governance and strategic decision making in public administration • Performance evaluation in public administration • Management accounting in public institutions • Public accounting and financial management in MENA countries 2. Management • Corporate Sustainability • New Business Models for Sustainability • Business model innovation, sustainability and servitisation • Circular economy and sustainability: ownership and governance structures and business models • Governance, strategic leadership and organizational behavior in entrepreneurial firms • Complexity management, foresight and resilience • From inter-organizational network to platform economy • Sustainable digital business model • Internationalization, digital transformation, sustainability • Internationalization and relocation strategies in a digital age 3. Marketing & Organisation • Transformative service research • New trends in consumer behaviour • Semantic textual analysis for social media marketing • Sustainability and innovation adoption in the food value chain • Food consumer behaviour analysis • Interactions between agribusiness, tourism and rural development • New trends in marketing • Marketing Management & Event Management in Sport and Tourism 4. Finance • Corporate finance, entrepreneurial finance and institutional investors • Bank regulation and financial stability • Long term investment horizons: insurance and pension schemes • Private capital market financing and investors: trends and new perspectives • Climate change, green and ethical finance: implications for the financial sector and SMEs financing and investment decisions • Blended finance for public infrastructure in the ecological and energy transition 5. Supply Chain Management • The role of third party logistics across the supply chain • Omnichannel strategy and customer service • Logistics and supply chain management within the circular economy practice • Supply chain strategy and risk management • Optimization and sustainability in transportation and distribution • Supply chain resilience • Logistics service quality • Retail supply chain strategy • Last-mile delivery and sustainability • Reverse logistics and sustainability.

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Ph.D. Programme in Industrial and Environmental Molecular Biotechnology Coordinator: Prof. Flavia Guzzo			
Duration	3 years: 1st October 2025 – 30th September 2028 Thesis Defence: by May 2029		
Website	https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=1190&menu=home&lang=en		
Admission requirements	_"Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university Degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.); _or a degree taken under the old Italian university system in force prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 599/1999; _or equivalent foreign degree.		
Programme learning objectives and languages	Information on the programme learning objectives and research topics are available on the web site of Verona University at the following link The programme activities will be totally held in English.		
Places available	For every type of research published in the call for application the candidates can express one or more preferences.		
	Scholarships funded by Univr	**n. 4**	The scholarships are intended to realize projects in the following fields: - n. 1 scholarship in **Industrial/Environmental sciences** (keywords: polyhydroxyalkanoates; microbial synthesis; waste valorization; biotechnological applications); - n. 1 scholarship in **Biomedical sciences** (keywords: protein biochemistry, enzymes, drug target, antimicrobial resistance); - n. 1 scholarship in **Plant Sciences** (keywords: viticulture; fruit maturation; phytohormonal regulation; molecular mechanism); - n.1 scholarship in **Plant Sciences** (keywords: light-use efficiency, environmental sustainability, genome editing, biophysics).
	Scholarships funded on external funds	**n. 3**	-n. 1 scholarship for a project entitled "**Biotechnological strategies to improve biomass and bioproducts production in microalgae and cyanobacteria**"; -n. 1 scholarship for a project entitled "**Leveraging emerging technologies for monitoring biodiversity and ecosystem functions in agroecosystems**; -n. 1 scholarship for a project entitled "**Structural and functional analysis of the genome using innovative approaches**".
	Places without scholarship	**n. 1**	-n.1 places without scholarship for a project entitled "**Influence of digestate application on carbon stock in grassland soils**".
	Total places	**n. 8**	

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Admission procedure	**Italian and foreign candidates** - Evaluation of qualifications* - Oral examination Language for the oral examination: Italian or English - English language skills are required
Oral examination	**Place:** Department of Biotechnology (room T.04) **Date:** June 19th 2025 **Time:** 10:00 a.m.
Evaluation criteria of examinations	*The evaluation of qualifications is a prerequisite for admission examinations. Only candidates who will attain a minimum score of 40/60 will gain access to the oral examination. The results will be published, as soon as available, on the PhD Programme web page. The oral exam is considered passed if the candidate has obtained a score of at least if the candidate has attained a minimum score of 40/60. The score obtained after the evaluation of the qualifications will be added to the score of the oral examination to determine the final merit ranking. Distinct rankings will be provided for every type of research published in the call for application, basing on the final score obtained. Applicants must include their ORCID (https://orcid.org/) in their CV.
Qualifications subject to evaluation and respective score	- Certificate with final graduation mark or certificate with marks of exams obtained during the academic career in case the degree is obtained after the application deadline.: **max. 20 points** **NB Foreign candidates** must hold a degree with a final grade ranging from good to excellent, indicate the maximum achievable degree grade, and convert the obtained grade to a 110/110 scale. - Graduation thesis (bachelor and master thesis): **max. 5 points** - Curriculum Vitae et studiorum: **max. 15 points** - Candidate's motivation letter: **max. 5 points** - Scientific publications: **max. 5 points** - Other qualifications the candidate considers relevant for the evaluation: **max. 3 points** - Post-graduate programme and/or Master: **max. 3 points** - Research experience at universities or research centres: **max. 3 points** - Prizes and grants: **max. 1 points** **Total qualifications score: 60**
Examination topics	- Plant Sciences - Biomedical Sciences - Bioresources - Environmental Sciences - Biomolecules

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<tr><td colspan="4" align="center">Ph.D. Programme in Economics and Finance
Coordinator: Prof. ssa Athena Picarelli</td></tr>
<tr><td>Programme duration</td><td colspan="3">4 years: 1st October 2025 – 30st September 2029
Thesis Defence: by May 2030</td></tr>
<tr><td>Website</td><td colspan="3">https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=1008&menu=home&lang=en</td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission requirements</td><td colspan="3">Any of the following:
- "Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.);
- A degree taken under the old Italian university system in force prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 599/1999;
- An equivalent foreign degree.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Curricula, learning outcomes and languages</td><td colspan="3">The programme is divided in two tracks:
- Economics (ECO)
- Mathematics and Data Analytics for Finance (MDAF)

In their application, candidates must indicate one of the two tracks.

Information on learning outcomes, planned activities and research topics are available on the website of the University of Verona at this link.
The Program activities will be totally held in English.</td></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="5">Positions available</td><td>Position</td><td>Track</td><td>n.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Scholarships funded by the University</td><td>ECO
MDAF</td><td>n.2
n.2</td></tr>
<tr><td>Scholarships funded by the Dept. of Economics within the project "Department of Excellence"</td><td>ECO/MDAF</td><td>n.1</td></tr>
<tr><td>Position without scholarship</td><td>ECO/MDAF</td><td>n.1</td></tr>
<tr><td>Total positions</td><td></td><td>n.6</td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission procedure</td><td colspan="3">Italian and foreign candidates
- Evaluation of qualifications
- Oral examination in English

The evaluation of qualifications is preliminary to the oral examination.
English language skills are required.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Oral examination</td><td colspan="3">Place: The oral examination will be held remotely through Zoom. Instructions and link for the connection will be provided on the PhD Program web page after the publication of the list of candidates admitted to the oral examination.

Date: 20th and 25th June 2025
Time: 09:00</td></tr>
<tr><td>Evaluation criteria</td><td colspan="3">Evaluation of qualifications: max. 60 points. Minimum pass grade: 40/60.
Oral examination: max. 60 points. Minimum pass grade: 40/60.
Only candidates who will attain a minimum grade of 40/60 will gain access to the oral examination.

The final grade is the sum of the grades obtained in the evaluation of qualifications and the oral examination. Candidates are eligible when they obtain an overall score of at least 80/120.

At the end of the process the committee will create two rankings, one for each category. Should a ranking receive no applications or no eligible candidates, the</td></tr>
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	committee may consider attributing the unassigned scholarship(s) to candidates eligible in the other ranking. The results will be published, as soon as available, on the PhD Program [web page]().
Qualifications subject to evaluation and related score	- Certificate with final graduation mark or transcript with exam grades in case of final graduation after the call deadline. (**max. 18 points**) - Curriculum vitae et studiorum of max. 3 pages. **(max. 15 points)** - Original research proposal of maximum 2,000 words excluding the bibliography. The proposal should include: i) the key research question(s); ii) the key literature; iii) the planned theoretical and/or empirical framework; and iv) the expected outcome. (**max. 15 points**) - Nr. 2 reference letters released by university professors. (**max. 6 points**) - Other qualifications (e.g., prizes, publications or additional courses) the candidate considers relevant for the evaluation. (**max. 6 points**) The whole documentation must be supplied in English or Italian. **Max. qualifications score: 60**
Examination topics	Economics (ECO); Finance, Mathematics (MDAF); Data analysis (ECO/MDAF).

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Ph.D. programme in Philology, Literature, and Performance Studies **Coordinator: Professor Massimo Natale**		
Programme duration	3 years: 1st October 2025 - 30th September 2028 Thesis Defence: by May 2029	
Website	https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=818&menu=home&lang=en	
Admission requirements	_"Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university Degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.); _or a degree taken under the old Italian university system in force prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 599/1999; _or equivalent foreign degree. PLEASE NOTE: A graduation mark or a similar academic qualification assessed on the basis of equivalence criteria, equal to or greater than 110/110, constitutes an indispensable requirement for admission. The requirement also applies in case of obtaining the degree after the expiry of the Call.	
Programme learning objectives, language and period abroad	Candidates can find further information about the programme objectives, its learning outcomes as well as the lines of research which are available for the new doctoral students, here The Programme activities will be held in Italian and partially in English or in other languages. It is mandatory to spend a minimum of 6 months abroad (even not consecutive over the course of the 3-years period) conducting study and research abroad.	
Places available	Scholarships funded by Univr	n. 4	
	Total places	**n. 4**	
Admission procedure	• Evaluation of qualifications* • Written examination • Oral examination The oral and the written examinations will be in Italian **Required Languages:** • Italian language skills are required. • In addition to Italian, the knowledge of one of the following languages: English, French, German, Spanish, will be verified during the oral examination. Additional language skills (English, French, German, and Spanish) certified or supported by documentation, will be taken into consideration during the "evaluation of qualifications" under the voice: "Other titles".	
Written examination	**Place:** to be defined **Date:** to be defined **Time:** to be defined The information will be published, as soon as available, on the PhD Program webpage.	
Oral examination	**Place:** to be defined **Date:** to be defined **Time:** to be defined The information will be published, as soon as available, on the PhD Program webpage.	
Evaluation criteria	* A preliminary selection is conducted through the evaluation of the qualifications (for a maximum of 20 pts). The passing score is 12/20. This preliminary evaluation score will be added to the other ones in order to compile the final merit ranking.	

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	Results will be published, as soon as available, on the PhD Program webpage.
	A pass in the oral examination will be awarded only if the score is at least 40/60.
	A pass in the written examination will be awarded only if the score is at least 40/60.
Qualifications subject to evaluation and respective score	• Certificate with final graduation mark or certificate with marks of exams obtained during the academic career in case of final graduation after the Call deadline: **max. 0 points**
	• Graduation Thesis (in case the thesis has been delivered but not yet defended, it is required the documentation/self-certification proving the delivering): **max. 5 points**
	• Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum: **max. 4 points**
	• Scientific publications: **max. 2 points**
	• Other titles the candidate considers relevant for the evaluation (certificates of language competences included in the list available here, or duly documented, only if minimum evaluation B1; master; post-graduate programmes; etc.): **max. 4 points**
	• Original research project, written in Italian or English (maximum seven 2,000-character pages, other than the bibliography), related to the PhD thesis that candidates wish to carry out: **max. 5 points**
	Max qualifications score: 20
Examination topics	In their application form, candidates are required to indicate a **single discipline (SSD)** on which they wish to be examined:
	PEMM-01/A – Performance studies
	PEMM-01/B – Cinema, Photography, Television and New Media
	PEMM-01/C – Musicology and Music History
	HELL-01/B – Ancient Greek Literature
	LATI-01/A – Latin Literature
	FICP-01/A – Classic and Late Antique Philology
	FLMR-01/A – Medieval and Humanistic Latin Literature
	FLMR-01/B – Romance Linguistics and Philology
	ITAL-01/A – Italian Literature
	LICO-01/A – Modern and Contemporary Italian Literature
	LIFI-01/A – Italian Linguistics
	LIFI-01/B – Italian Literature Philology
	COMP-01/A – Literary Criticism and Comparative Literatures

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<tr><td colspan="4" align="center">Ph.D. programme in Inflammation, Immunity and Cancer
Coordinator: Professor Vincenzo Corbo</td></tr>
<tr><td>Programme duration</td><td colspan="3">1st October 2025 – 30st September 2028
Thesis Defence: by May 2029</td></tr>
<tr><td>Website</td><td colspan="3">https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=627&menu=home&lang=en</td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission requirements</td><td colspan="3">_ "Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university Degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.);
_ Degree taken under the old Italian university system in force prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 599/1999;
_ Equivalent foreign degree.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Programme learning objectives, and language</td><td colspan="3">Information on Programme learning objectives and research topics are available on the web site of University of Verona at the following link
The program activities will be totally held in English.</td></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="5">Places available</td><td>Scholarships funded by Univr</td><td>n. 6</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Without scholarship</td><td>n. 1</td><td>n. 1 place reserved for the realization of the following research theme: "Development of an Interactive Platform for Digital and Computational Pathology: Integrating Generative Artificial Intelligence for Diagnostics and Education"

Supervisor: Prof. Aldo Scarpa

Attention: candidates interested in these positions must explicitly state it in the application form</td></tr>
<tr><td>Scholarships funded by Research Project</td><td>n. 1</td><td>n. 1 scholarship funded in the framework of a specific agreement and reserved for the realization of the following research theme: "A personalized nutrition and physical exercise intervention to enhance early-stage NSCLC outcomes: the STARLighT study"

Supervisor: Prof. Sara Pilotto

Attention: candidates interested in this position must explicitly state it in the application form</td></tr>
<tr><td>Scholarships funded by Centro Ricerche Cliniche di Verona s.r.l.</td><td>n. 1</td><td>n. 1 scholarship funded in the framework of a specific agreement and reserved for the realization of the following research theme: "Clinical determinants of early clinical phase success of translational therapeutics"

Attention: candidates interested in this position must explicitly state it in the application form</td></tr>
<tr><td>Total places</td><td>n. 9</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission procedure</td><td colspan="3">• Evaluation of qualifications*
• Oral examination
Language for the oral examination: Italian or English
• English language skills are required</td></tr>
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Oral examination	**Place:** The oral examination will normally take place in-person in Verona, with the exception of the following cases: (i) Italian and foreign candidates living abroad at the time of publication of this call; (ii) Italian and foreign candidates living in Italy at the time of publication of this call, and unable to hold the examination in-person due to injury, illness or another force majeure. In these cases, the oral examination will be held using the ZOOM platform. The link for the connection and relative instructions will be shared after the publication of the list of candidates admitted to the oral examination. It is understood that all candidates unable to sit the oral exam must promptly notify the secretariat and produce suitable evidential documentation. **Date:** June 25th 2025 **Time:** 09:00
Evaluation criteria	*The evaluation of qualifications is preliminary to the admission examinations. Only candidates who will attain a minimum score of 40/60 will gain access to the oral examination. Results will be published, as soon as available, on the PhD Program web page. A pass in the oral examination will be awarded if the candidate has attained a minimum score of 40/60. The score obtained after the evaluation of the qualifications will be added to the score of the oral examination to draw up the final merit ranking. For the positions tied to the execution of specific projects, separate rankings will be established.
Documents to be submitted and relative scores	- Certificate with final graduation mark or certificate with marks of exams obtained during the academic career in case of final graduation after the Call for application deadline: **max. points 15** - Graduation Thesis in full or a detailed description of the thesis project: **max. points 15** - Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum **max. points 15** - Motivational Letter (maximum length 5000 characters, space included): **max. points 8** - Scientific publications; **max. points: 2** - Any other documentation showing the desirable skills and personal qualities described above (e.g., awards, participation to workshops, certification of research activities at University or Research Institutions): **max. points 3** - Specialization Course and/or master's degree: max. **2 points** **Total qualifications score: 60**
Examination topics	Cellular Biology and Pathology, General Pathology, Immunology, Molecular Oncology

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<tr><td colspan="4" align="center">Ph.D. Programme in Computer Science
Coordinator: Professor Ferdinando Cicalese</td></tr>
<tr><td>Programme duration</td><td colspan="3">3 years: 1st October 2025 – 30st September 2028
Thesis Defence: by May 2029</td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission requirements</td><td colspan="3">_"Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.): final grade not lower than 106/110 or, for candidates not yet graduated, average of the grades awarded for the individual exams of the Master's programme, not lower than 27/30;

_or a degree taken under the old Italian university system in force prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 599/1999: final grade not lower than 106/110;

_or equivalent foreign degree: final grade equivalent to an Italian grade not lower than 106/110 or, for candidates not yet graduated, average of the grades awarded for the individual exams of the Master's programme equivalent to an Italian average not lower than 27/30. The conversion from the home institution scale to the Italian scale must be done by the candidate using the tool available at (link) and should be communicated and certified using the form available at (link).</td></tr>
<tr><td>Programme learning objectives and language</td><td colspan="3">Information on the programme learning objectives and research topics are available on the web site of Verona University at the following link
The Programme activities will be partially held in English.</td></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="5">Positions available</td><td>Scholarships funded by UniVR</td><td>n. 6</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Scholarships funded on external funds</td><td>n.1</td><td>n.1 scholarship for a project entitled "Dataset & Model Management in polyglot data lakes" (granted by HORIZON-INFRA-2024-EOSC-01-05: DataGEMS - CUP B37G24000600006)

Important: candidates interested in this position must explicitly state it in the Application Form</td></tr>
<tr><td>Places without scholarship</td><td>n. 1</td><td>n. 1 place for a project entitled: "NeuroPuls: NEUROmorphic energy-efficient secure accelerators based on Phase change materials aUgmented siLicon photonicS" on topics related to automated testing of software intensive systems (e.g., REST APIs, IoT, Smart Contracts)

Important: candidates interested in this position must explicitly state it in the Application Form</td></tr>
<tr><td>Total places</td><td>n. 8</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission procedure</td><td colspan="2">• Qualification Assessment*
• Oral examination
Language for the oral examination: English
English language skills are required.</td></tr>
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Coordinator: Professor Ferdinando Cicalese</td></tr>
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Thesis Defence: by May 2029</td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission requirements</td><td colspan="3">_"Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.): final grade not lower than 106/110 or, for candidates not yet graduated, average of the grades awarded for the individual exams of the Master's programme, not lower than 27/30;

_or a degree taken under the old Italian university system in force prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 599/1999: final grade not lower than 106/110;

_or equivalent foreign degree: final grade equivalent to an Italian grade not lower than 106/110 or, for candidates not yet graduated, average of the grades awarded for the individual exams of the Master's programme equivalent to an Italian average not lower than 27/30. The conversion from the home institution scale to the Italian scale must be done by the candidate using the tool available at (link) and should be communicated and certified using the form available at (link).</td></tr>
<tr><td>Programme learning objectives and language</td><td colspan="3">Information on the programme learning objectives and research topics are available on the web site of Verona University at the following link
The Programme activities will be partially held in English.</td></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="4">Positions available</td><td>Scholarships funded by UniVR</td><td>n. 6</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Scholarships funded on external funds</td><td>n.1</td><td>n.1 scholarship for a project entitled "Dataset & Model Management in polyglot data lakes" (granted by HORIZON-INFRA-2024-EOSC-01-05: DataGEMS - CUP B37G24000600006)

Important: candidates interested in this position must explicitly state it in the Application Form</td></tr>
<tr><td>Places without scholarship</td><td>n. 1</td><td>n. 1 place for a project entitled: "NeuroPuls: NEUROmorphic energy-efficient secure accelerators based on Phase change materials aUgmented siLicon photonicS" on topics related to automated testing of software intensive systems (e.g., REST APIs, IoT, Smart Contracts)

Important: candidates interested in this position must explicitly state it in the Application Form</td></tr>
<tr><td>Total places</td><td>n. 8</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission procedure</td><td colspan="3">• Qualification Assessment*
• Oral examination
Language for the oral examination: English
English language skills are required.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Oral Examination</td><td colspan="3">Place: The oral examination will be held remotely in a Zoom meeting. Instructions and link for the connection will be provided after the publication of the list of candidates admitted to the oral examination.
Date: to be defined</td></tr>
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	Time: to be defined
Evaluation criteria	A positive *qualification assessment* is a prerequisite for the admission to the written test and the oral examination. Only candidates whose score on the qualification assessment is at least 35 will be admitted to oral examination. The results of the qualification assessment will be published, as soon as available, on the PhD Program web page. For oral examination each admitted candidate will be assigned an additional score of max 50 points. Part of the oral exam will consist of technical questions meant to verify that the candidate has sufficient background on the principles and the foundations of computer science necessary for starting PhD. Only candidates for whom this score is at least 35 will be considered for the final ranking. The grade assigned for the qualification assessment will be added to the score assigned for the oral examination to obtain the final ranking. For the position without scholarship and the one funded on external funds there will be separate specific rankings. If for these positions, no candidates in the specific rankings are positively evaluated (total score >= 70), the Commission might decide to allocate these positions by considering (in decreasing order) the ranking for the scholarships funded by UniVR.
*Qualification Assessment: evaluation criteria and scores	• Certificate with final graduation mark and certificate with all grades obtained during the academic career (only certificate with all grades in case of final graduation after the Call for application deadline): **max. points 24** • Graduation Thesis: (or abstract of the thesis, for candidates who have not yet completed their master's programme): **max punti 8** • Candidate's letter of motivation according to the provided template: **max. points 8** • Scientific publications with a clear contribution of the candidate: **max. points 3** • Research experience at Universities or research centres: **max. points 3** • Teaching experiences (also tutoring, TA, lab supervision, etc): **max. points 2** • Other scientific and academic achievements useful for the evaluation of the candidate: **max points 2** **Total qualifications score: 50**
Examination topics	Computer Science

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Coordinator: Professor Nicola Bombieri</td></tr>
<tr><td>Programme duration</td><td colspan="3">3 years: 1st October 2025 – 30st September 2028
Thesis Defence: by May 2029</td></tr>
<tr><td>Website</td><td colspan="3">https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=1192&menu=home&lang=en</td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission requirements</td><td colspan="3">_"Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.);
_or a degree taken under the old Italian university system in force prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 599/1999;
_or equivalent foreign degree.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Programme learning objectives and language</td><td colspan="3">Information on the programme learning objectives and research topics are available on the web site of Verona University at the following link
The Programme activities will be partially held in English.</td></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="4">Places available</td><td>Scholarships funded by UniVR</td><td>n. 3</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Scholarship funded by Projects</td><td>n. 1</td><td>n. 1 place financed within the framework RIR IMPROVENET- Smart Manufacturing (Regione del Veneto - DGR 729/2024), CUP: D19J24000780007;borsa reserved for the realization of the following research project
"<i>Chatbots and Human-Centric Interfaces for the Optimization of Manufacturing and Innovation in Services 5.0.</i>"

Attention: candidates interested in this position must explicitly state it in the application form.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Places without scholarship</td><td>n. 1</td><td>n. 1 place in the framework of collaborative research with FINCONS reserved for the realization of the following research project:
"<i>Quantum-Inspired AI Models for Predictive Risk Assessment and Dynamic Pricing in Insurance</i>".
Attention: candidates interested in this position must explicitly state it in the application form.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Total places</td><td>n. 5</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission procedure</td><td colspan="3">• Evaluation of qualifications*
• Oral examination
Language for the oral examination: English
English language skills are required.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Oral Examination</td><td colspan="3">Place: The oral examination will be held by telematic means, via the Zoom platform. Instructions and link for the connection will be provided after the publication of the list of candidates admitted to the oral examination.
Date: to be defined
Time: to be defined</td></tr>
<tr><td>Evaluation criteria</td><td colspan="3">*The evaluation of qualifications is preliminary to the admission examinations. Only candidates who will attain a minimum score of 40/60 will gain access to the oral examination. The results will be published, as soon as available, on the PhD Program web page.</td></tr>
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<td>A pass in the oral examination will be awarded if the candidate has attained a minimum score of 40/60.

The score obtained after the evaluation of the qualifications will be added to the score of the oral examination in order to obtain the final ranking.

For the positions with or without scholarship funded by projects there will be separate specific rankings.

In the event that no candidate in the specific ranking is positively evaluated, the Commission reserves the right to reallocate the places by scrolling through the most closely related ranking.</td>
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<td>Qualifications subject to evaluation and respective score</td>
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- Certificate with final graduation mark or certificate with marks of exams obtained during the academic career in case of final graduation after the Call for application deadline: **max. points 22**
- Graduation Thesis: **max. points 10**
- Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum: **max. points 10**
- Candidate's letter of motivation: **max. points 6**
- Scientific publications with a clear contribution of the candidate: **max. points 5**
- Nr. 2 reference letters released by University Professors or scientific supervisors: **max. points 2**
- Research experience at Universities or research centres: **max. points 5**

Note: Scores are also awarded based on the distance from the date of acquisition of the title

Total qualifications score: 60</td>
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<td>Examination topics</td>
<td>Computer Architectures, Bioengineering, Physics, Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, Internet of Things, or Cyber-physical Systems.</td>
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Ph.D. programme in Foreign Languages and Literatures Coordinator: Professor Andrea Zinato	
Programme duration	3 years: 1st October 2025 – 30th September 2028 Thesis defence deadline: May 2029
Admission requirements	- "Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second level university degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.). - Italian M.A. obtained prior to the enforcement of the DM 509/9. - M.A. or equivalent foreign second level university degree.
Programme objectives, curricola, and languages	Programme objectives and learning outcomes of the Ph.D. programme can be found here. The programme is divided in **two** curricula: **1. Foreign Literatures and Cultures** **2. Foreign Languages and Translation** Candidates are required to choose **only one** of the above-listed curricula. According to their choice, candidates will enter a different selection procedure and shortlisted separately (see below). Should a curriculum receive no applications, or should the admission process produce no eligible candidates, the committee may consider the possibility to attribute the unassigned scholarship/s to candidates admitted to the programme in the other curriculum. Classes, lectures, seminars, etc. will be in Italian and English as well as in the languages of the Ph.D. programme (i.e. French, Spanish, German, Russian, Chinese).
Additional documents and evaluation	All candidates are asked **to submit the following documents for preliminary evaluation:** - M.A. thesis: max. score: **10 points**; - an academic CV stating any publications, conferences attended/contributed to or funding that applicants may have been awarded: max. score: **5 points;** - an original project, illustrating the type of research (topic, methodology, aims, etc.) candidates wish to carry out during their doctorate. Please include a select bibliography. The project must be written in Italian or in English and **should not exceed the maximum length of 9,000 characters** (spaces included). Candidates must also submit a statement giving the length of the project, **on penalty of exclusion from the selection**. The limit includes all text (title, abstract, in-text citations, figures, tables, captions, footnotes, etc.) but excludes bibliography: max. score: **25 points.** **Please note** a) it is recommended to check the project's feasibility by considering the main research areas and interests of the Ph.D. board members' (see here); b) both PhD tracks offer an additional project-based scholarship in the field of Inclusive Humanities (IH), with regard to the Ph.D. board members' research areas. Applicants who obtain a passing score but are not eligible for a IH scholarship will be evaluated for the attribution of non-project-specific scholarships funded by UniVR. c) should accepted applicants withdraw, scholarships will be attributed to the next best-ranked candidate. **Max. total score: 40 points.**

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Exam topics	During the oral exam (interview) candidates will be asked to answer questions related to the main research topics of the chosen curriculum and to illustrate and discuss their project.
	Results will be published on the Ph.D. programme web page (see here).
Ph.D. programme commitment and international mobility	Doctoral students must enrol on a full-time basis and may not hold outside employment. Any activity other than study or research must be authorized by the Ph.D. Board and by the supervisor and co-supervisor. During the programme (three years) and unless otherwise expressly provided and/or under specific and documented conditions, doctoral students must spend **at least six months total** abroad (in the EU or outside the EU) for authorized study and research activities. See the Ph.D. regulation for further information.

Track in *Foreign Literatures and Cultures*	

Admitted research areas	- French Literature - Spanish Literature - English Literature - Hispano-American literature - Anglo-American literature - German Literature - Slavic Studies - Comparative Literature		
Scholarships	Scholarships funded by UniVR	2	
	Departmental Inclusive Humanities scholarship	1	The track in Foreign Literatures and Cultures invites applications on research topics in the field of Inclusive Humanities. Suggested themes are: a) social, cultural, educational, professional and/or digital inclusion; b) diversity, understood as otherness, marginality or disability. While an interdisciplinary approach is welcome, the project should clearly address one of the following areas: English, French, Spanish and German literatures, as well as the Slavic languages and literatures. The project may cover any period from the Middle Ages to the Renaissance up to the Modern and Contemporary ages. Applicants must expressly state their interest in this scholarship on their application.
	Total	3	

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Preliminary evaluation

Shortlisting will be based on the evaluation of the documents listed above (CV, project, etc). In order to be admitted to the oral exam, candidates must obtain a minimum score of 25/40 points.

Oral exam

The oral exam will be in Italian or in English, as well as in the candidate's language of specialization (i.e. one among English, French, German, Spanish or Russian.

Language requirements

Good knowledge of Italian or of English.

Excellent knowledge of the Ph.D. specialization language.

Good knowledge of an additional language that the candidate can choose among the following: English, French, German, Spanish, Russian.

Please note

The knowledge of the Italian language is not compulsory. Nevertheless, the improvement of Italian language skills is strongly recommended during the doctoral course. The University Language Centre (CLA) offers Italian L2 language proficiency courses at different levels that can be attended with no additional costs by students regularly enrolled in the PhD program.
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Oral Exam

Place: TBA – candidates residing abroad may request a Zoom link.

Date: TBA – between June 12 and 30, 2025.

Time: TBA

Information concerning the link, date and time will be published as soon as possible on the Course webpage.

Minimum passing score: 40/60. The final admission list will be drawn up combining the results of the evaluation of CV, project, etc. and of the oral exam (total max 100/100).
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<td colspan="3" align="center">Track in Foreign Languages and Translation</td>
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<td>Admitted research areas</td>
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- French Language

- Spanish Language

- English Language

- Chinese Language
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<td>Departmental Inclusive Humanities scholarship</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>The track in Modern Languages and Translation invites applications on research topics in the field of Inclusive Humanities. Projects may address the following aspects: a) identification and hierarchical structuring of lexical, lexicographic, grammatical, etc. metalanguages, also taking into account a perspective of inclusion, with special reference to French and Spanish; b) specialised communication, also taking</td>
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			into account perspective of inclusion and accessibility, with special reference to English and Chinese. Applicants must expressly state their interest in this scholarship on their application.
	Total	3	
Admission procedure	**Preliminary evaluation** Shortlisting of candidates will be based on the evaluation of the documents listed above (CV, project, etc). In order to be admitted to the oral exam, candidates must obtain a minimum score of **25/40** points. **Oral exam** The oral exam will be in the candidate's language of specialization (i.e. one among English, French, Spanish or Chinese). **Language requirements** Good knowledge of the language of specialization; Good knowledge of Italian or of English. Language proficiency will be assessed during the oral exam. **Note: the knowledge of the Italian language is not compulsory**. Nevertheless, the improvement of Italian language skills is strongly recommended during the doctoral course. The University Language Centre (CLA) offers Italian L2 language proficiency courses at different levels that can be attended with no additional costs by students regularly enrolled in the PhD program.		
	Oral Exam **Place:** TBA – candidates residing abroad may request a Zoom link. **Date:** TBA – between June 12 and 30, 2025. **Time:** TBA Information concerning the link, date and time will be published as soon as possible on the Course webpage. Minimum passing score: **40/60**. The final admission list will be drawn up combining the results of the evaluation of CV, project, etc. and of the oral exam (total max 100/100).		

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Ph.D. programme in Biomolecular Medicine **Coordinator: Professor Lucia De Franceschi**	
Programme duration	3 years: 1st October 2025 – 30st September 2028; Thesis Defence: by May 2029
Website	https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=626&menu=home&lang=en
Admission requirements	_"Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.); _or a degree taken under the old Italian university system (prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 509/99); _or equivalent foreign degree

Curricula, programme objectives and learning outcomes, languages	The PhD programme is divided into 2 curricula:
	    1. Biochemistry
	    2. Clinical Omics
	
	 On the Application Form candidates will have the possibility to indicate their preference for one or more curricula
	
	 Programme objectives and learning outcomes of the Ph.D. degree programme can be found at the PhD Programme web site
	 The program activities will be totally held in English

Places available	Scholarships funded by Univr	n. 6	
	Position without scholarship	n. 1	Multiomic assessmet to guide immune-checkpoint treatment in non -small cell lung cancer
	Total places	**n. 7**	

Admission procedure	• Evaluation of qualifications* • Oral examination Language for the oral examination: Italian or English • English language skills are required
Oral Examination	**Place:** Classroom M. Pighi Lente Didattica Borgo Roma. Candidates residing abroad may take the oral examination via Zoom upon request in the application form. The link will be provided with the publication of the list of those admitted to the oral exam at the PhD Program web page **Date:** 26 and 27 June 2025 **Time:** 12.30 pm
Evaluation criteria	*The evaluation of qualifications is preliminary to the oral examination. To gain access to the oral examination, candidates must have attained a minimum score of 40/60 points. The evaluation will be made before the oral examination and the results will be published as soon as available, on the Verona University web site at the PhD Program web page. A pass in the oral examination will be awarded only if the score is at least 40/60. The score obtained by candidates after the evaluation of their qualifications will be added to the score of the oral examination in order to draw up the final merit ranking.
Documents to be submitte and relative scores	• Certificate with final graduation mark or list of marks obtained during the academic career in case of final graduation after the Call deadline (**max. score: 20 points)** • Curriculum Vitae et studiorum (**max. score: 25 points)** • Candidate's letter of motivation (**max. score: 0 points)** • Scientific publications (**max. score 5 points)** • Other qualifications that could be considered relevant (**max. score: 2 points)**

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Post-graduate program and/or Master (max. score: 3 points)
Nr. 1-2 reference letters released by professors of the university that conferred the academic title/titles (for both Italian and foreign candidates) (max. score: 0 points)
Research experience at universities or research centres (max. score: 5 points)

Max. total score: 60 points
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Examination topics	Biochemistry, clinical omics in translational medicine focused on cardiovascular, immune-hematologic disorders, iron metabolism and rare diseases.

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Ph.D. programme in Regenerative Medicine, Technological and Translational Surgery Coordinator: Professor Simone Giacopuzzi			
Programme duration	3 years: 1st October 2025 – 30st September 2028; Thesis Defence: by May 2029		
Website	https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=1193&menu=home&lang=en		
Admission requirements	_"Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.); _or a degree taken under the old Italian university system (prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 599/99); _or equivalent foreign degree		
Curricula, programme objectives and languages	The PhD programme is divided into 3 curricula: 1. Regenerative Medicine and Tissue Engineering 2. Robotic Surgery and Artificial Intelligence 3. Translational Surgery On the Application Form candidates will be required to indicate their preference for one curriculum Programme objectives and learning outcomes of the Ph.D. degree programme can be found at the PhD Programme webpage		
Places available	Scholarships funded within the project "Dipartimento di Eccellenza" *Curriculum Regenerative Medicine and Tissue Engineering (CMRIT)*	n. 1	Research themes: *3D-bioprinting* *Organoids* *Lab-on-chip technology*
	Scholarships funded within the project "Dipartimento di Eccellenza" *Curriculum Robotic Surgery and Artificial Intelligence* (CCRIA)	n. 1	Research themes: *Experimental robotic surgery* *Artificial intelligence applied to surgery* *Deep learning in surgery*
	Scholarships funded within the project "Dipartimento di Eccellenza" *Curriculum Translational Surgery (CCT)*	n. 1	Research theme: *Experimental oncology surgery*
	No funded scholarships *Curriculum Robotic Surgery and Artificial Intelligence* (CCRIA)	n. 1	Research theme: *Anesthesiological and resuscitation management of patients undergoing major robotic surgery*
	Total places	**n. 4**	
Admission procedure	• Evaluation of qualifications* • Oral examination Language for the oral examination: Italian and/or English • English language skills are required		
Oral Examination	**Place:** Ospedale Donna e Bambino, padiglione 29, Aula B, P. le Stefani 1, 37126 Verona		

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	Date: to be defined
	Time: to be defined
Evaluation criteria	*The evaluation of qualifications is preliminary to the admission examinations. Only candidates who will attain a minimum score of 25/40 will gain access to the oral examination. The results will be published, as soon as available, on the PhD Program web page.
	A pass in the oral examination will be awarded only if the score is at least 40/60.
	The score obtained by candidates after the evaluation of their qualifications will be added to the score of the oral examination in order to draw up the final merit ranking.
	According to their choice, candidates will be shortlisted separately in three merit ranking lists. Should a curriculum receive no applications or should the admission process produce no eligible candidates, the committee may consider the possibility to attribute the unassigned place/s to candidates admitted to the programme in another curriculum.
Documents to be submitted with the Application Form and relative scores	• Certificate with final graduation mark or list of marks obtained during the academic career in case of final graduation after the Call deadline (**max. score: 5 points)** • Graduation thesis (**max. score: 5 points)** • Curriculum Vitae et studiorum (**max. score: 6 points)** • Candidate's motivation letter **(max. score: 2 points)** • Scientific publications (**max. score 6 points)** • Other qualifications that could be considered relevant (**max. score: 6 points)** • Post-graduate program and/or Master (**max. score: 5 points)** • Research experience at universities or research centres (**max. score: 5 points)** **Max. total score: 40 points**
Examination topics	CMRIT: tissue engineering, regenerative medicine, stem cells, 3D-bioprinting CCRIA: robotic surgery, applied artificial intelligence, deep learning in surgery CCT: cancer biology, oncological surgery, laboratory research in oncological surgery with particular reference to cancer of the esophagus, stomach, liver and biliary tract

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Coordinator: Professor Adolfo Speghini</td></tr>
<tr><td>Programme duration</td><td colspan="3">3 years: 1st October 2025 – 30st September 2028;
Thesis Defence: by May 2029</td></tr>
<tr><td>Website</td><td colspan="3">https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=628&menu=home&lang=en</td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission requirements</td><td colspan="3">- "Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea Magistrale" (second cicle University degree): final grade greater than or equal to 102/110; in case of conditional admission (degree examination not yet passed), all the exams required by the study plan must be completed by the deadline of this call, with an average grade greater than or equal to 25/30;
- Degree taken under the old Italian University system (prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No 509/1999): final grade greater than or equal to 102/110;
- equivalent foreign degree: final grade equivalent to an Italian score greater than or equal to 102/110; in case of conditional admission (degree examination not yet passed), all the exams required by the study plan must be completed by the deadline of this call, with an average grade equivalent to an Italian score greater than or equal to 25/30. The grade must be converted by the candidate using the following converter (link) and self-certified through the designated form (link) with a handwritten signature.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Curricula, programme objectives and learning outcomes, languages</td><td colspan="3">The PhD programme is divided into three curricula:

1. Morphological and Clinical Nanomedicine

2. Sciences and Forensic Technologies

3. Nanomaterials and Chemical-Physical Technology

On the Application Form candidates will be required to indicate their preference for one or more curricula.

Candidates can find further information about the programme objectives and its learning outcomes here

The program activities will be totally held in English.</td></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="2">Places available</td><td>Scholarships funded by Univr</td><td>n. 5</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Total places</td><td>n. 5</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission procedure</td><td colspan="3">• Evaluation of qualifications
• Oral examination
  Language for the oral examination: Italian and English for Italian candidates, English for Foreign candidates

• English language skills are required</td></tr>
<tr><td>Oral Examination</td><td colspan="3">Place: Palazzina di Medicina Legale, Dipartimento di Diagnostica e Sanità Pubblica. Candidates residing abroad may take the oral examination via Zoom upon request expressed in the application. The link will be published as soon as possible on the Course webpage

Date: June 19, 2025

Time: 9.30 a.m.</td></tr>
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Evaluation criteria	Oral examination, max score: 60 points. A pass in the oral examination will be awarded only if the score is at least 40/60. The score obtained by candidates after the evaluation of their qualifications will be added to the score of the oral examination to draw up the final merit ranking.
Documents to be submitted and relative scores	• Certificate with final graduation grade or list of the exam grades obtained during all the academic career in case of final graduation after the Call deadline (**max. score: 20 points)** • Graduation thesis (**max. score: 10 points)** • Curriculum Vitae and research experiences at universities or research institutes or centres (**max. score: 10 points)** • Scientific publications (**max. score 5 points)** • Other qualifications considered relevant (**max. score: 5 points)** • Short report illustrating the motivations, scientific interests and a proposal of a research project related to the topics of the Doctorate in Nanosciences and Advanced Technologies, in English (max 7.000 characters, spaces included) (**max. score: 10 points)** **Max. score: 60 points**
Examination Topics	• Nanomedicine applied to pediatrics: imaging, anatomy, morphology. • Forensic Toxicology, Forensic Genetics, Forensic Biochemistry, Forensic Pathology, Analytical Chemistry • Nanomaterials, nanobiomaterials, inorganic, organic and biomolecule chemistry, chemistry and physics of condensed matter and solid-state devices, physics applied to cultural heritage.

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Coordinator: Professor Michela Rimondini</td></tr>
<tr><td>Programme duration</td><td colspan="3">3 years: 1st October 2025 – 30st September 2028;
Thesis defence: by May 2029</td></tr>
<tr><td>Website</td><td colspan="3">https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=820&menu=home&lang=en</td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission requirements</td><td colspan="3">"Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university Degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.)
or an Italian university degree ("Laurea") obtained prior to the reform introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 509/1999
or equivalent foreign degree.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Programme objectives and learning outcomes, research lines and languages</td><td colspan="3">Information on the Programme objectives and its leaning outcomes, as well as on research lines available for new PhD candidates can be found at the following links:

programme objectives
research lines

Candidates are required, when possible, to indicate in their motivation letter one or more lines of research, in order of preference, among those available at the above-mentioned web page and which are of their interest.
Accordingly, candidates interested in applying for one of the additional, dedicated positions associated with a specific project (with or without a scholarship) shall indicate such interest in their motivation letter.

Programme activities will be held in Italian and partly in English.</td></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="2">Positions available</td><td>Scholarships funded by UniVR</td><td>n. 5</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Scholarships funded by other funds</td><td></td><td>Slots reserved for the realization of the following research projects:

1. Molecular diagnosis of neurodegenerative disease spectrum by in vitro amplification assays (Referent Prof. Zanusso)

2. Multiomic characterization of the intrathecal cell and molecular mechanisms linking Epstein-Barr virus and Multiple Sclerosis (Referent Prof.ssa Magliozzi)

3. Preclinical Modeling of Rare Genetic Neurodevelopmental Disorders: Mechanisms, Pathophysiology, and Therapeutic Insights (Referent Dr.ssa Bottani)

4. Dissecting the role of mitochondrial (dys)function in neurogenesis and in rare neurodevelopmental diseases (Referent Dr.ssa Bottani)

5. Strategies for deprescribing in Psychiatry (Referent Prof. Ostuzzi)

Please note: To be eligible, candidates must explicitly express in the application their interest in these projects.</td></tr>
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	Places without scholarship	n. 3	Slots reserved for the realization of the following research projects: 1. Changing patterns in the epidemiology of eating disorders and new therapeutic approaches (Referent Prof. Barbui) 2. Spastic myopathy: investigating pathophysiology and advancing clinical rehabilitation. (Referent Prof. Picelli) 3. Advancing psychosocial interventions for children exposed to trauma: From efficacy to implementation (Referent Prof. Purgato) **Please note**: To be eligible, candidates must explicitly express in the application their interest in these projects.
	Candidates may indicate one or more preferences among all slot types (with or without scholarship, bound to a specific research project or not).		
	Total slots	**n.**	13
Admission procedure	**Italian and foreign candidates** • Evaluation of qualifications (CV)* • Oral examination (in Italian or English) • English language skills are required		
Oral Interview	**Place:** online Zoom platform **Date and Time:** June 25th-26th-27th and 30th; 9 AM Information concerning the link, date and time will be published as soon as possible on the [PhD Programme webpage](#)		
Evaluation criteria of examinations	*The evaluation of qualifications (CV) is preliminary to the admission examinations. Only candidates who attain a minimum score of **15 points** will gain access to the oral examination. The results will be published, as soon as available, on the [PhD program web page](#). A minimum score of 40/60 is required to pass the oral examination. The score obtained after the evaluation of the qualifications (CV) will be added to the score of the oral examination in order to draw up the merit ranking. On the basis of the final score, separate rankings will be made for the places with scholarship funded by UNIVR not linked to a specific research project and, respectively, for each place (with or without scholarship) associated with a specific research project.		
Qualifications subject to evaluation, and relative scores	• Certificate with final graduation mark or certificate with marks of exams obtained during the academic career in case of final graduation after the Call for application deadline: **max. 7 points**. • Graduation Thesis (in pdf format) If the candidate has not yet discussed the thesis at the time of the submission, he/she is invited to upload the pdf containing the most updated version of the thesis, together with an accompanying letter of the thesis supervisor: **max. 7 points** • Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum (based on the format available at the following [link](#)): **max. 6 points** • Candidate's motivation letter with the indication, if possible, of one or more research projects and/or research lines among those available: **max. 7 points** • Scientific publications: **max. 3 points** **Total qualifications score: 30**		

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Examination topics	- Neuroscience, Neuropharmacology and Neurology - Psychological and Psychiatric Sciences - Movement Sciences

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Coordinator: Professor Simone Accordini</td></tr>
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Thesis Defence: by May 2029</td></tr>
<tr><td>Website</td><td colspan="3">https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=634&menu=home&lang=en</td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission requirements</td><td colspan="3">_ "Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.);
_ or a degree taken under the old Italian university system (prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 509/1999);
_ or equivalent foreign degree.</td></tr>
<tr><td>Curricula, programme objectives and learning outcomes, languages</td><td colspan="3">The PhD Programme is divided into 3 curricula:
1. Genomics
2. Epidemiology – Biostatistics
3. Microbiology – Infectious diseases
On the Application Form candidates will have to indicate their preference for one or more curricula.
Candidates can find further information about the programme objectives and its learning outcomes at the following link
The program activities will be partially held in English.</td></tr>
<tr><td rowspan="2">Places available</td><td>Scholarships funded by Univr</td><td>n. 6</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Scholarship funded by the Department of Diagnostics and Public Health</td><td>n. 1</td><td>n. 1 place reserved for candidates with a Master's Degree in Computer Science (class LM-18), Mathematics (class LM-40), Medicine and Surgery (class LM-41), Economics (class LM-56), Business Economic Sciences (class LM-77), and Statistics (class LM-82), for the realization of the following research project:

"<i>Production of mathematical models for the analysis of health and economic costs following the introduction of new antibiotics for the treatment of infections caused by Gram-negative bacteria multi-resistant to conventional therapies (FAIR project)</i>"

Attention: candidates interested in this position must explicitly state it in the Application Form.

The choice is binding and does not allow to compete for other positions in the application.</td></tr>
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	Scholarship funded by the Cystic Fibrosis Center of Verona (Azienda Ospedaliera Universitaria Integrata Verona)	n. 1	n. 1 place reserved for candidates with a Master's Degree in Medical, Veterinary and Pharmaceutical Biotechnologies (class LM-9), for the realization of the following research project: "*The role of nonsense mutations and innovative strategies for their suppression in Bone Marrow Failure Syndromes*" **Attention:** candidates interested in this position must explicitly state it in the Application Form. The choice is binding and does not allow to compete for other positions in the application.
	Place without scholarship	n. 1	n. 1 place reserved for graduates in Medicine and Surgery (class LM-41), and for specialist doctors (or students enrolled in the final year of the medical Postgraduate Specialisation) in Gynaecology, Paediatrics, Infectivology, and Internal Medicine, for the realization of the following research project: "*Development of tools and strategies to improve research on infections in vulnerable populations: creation of a centralized clinical database for studies on pandemic-risk infections and implementation of awareness campaigns aimed at the inclusion of pregnant women and children (PIPELINE project)*" **Attention:** candidates interested in this position must explicitly state it in the Application Form. The choice is binding and does not allow to compete for other positions in the application.
	Total places	**n. 9**	
Admission procedure	• Evaluation of qualifications • Oral examination Language for the oral examination: Italian or English • English language skills are required		
Oral Examination	**Place:** Classroom of the Biology and Genetics Section (Department of Neurosciences, Biomedicine and Movement Sciences) - Istituti Biologici Blocco B Ala Vecchia - Strada Le Grazie 8, 37134 Verona **Date:** 19 and 20 June 2025 **Time:** 9:00 a.m. For candidates residing in Italy, the exam will be face-to-face. For candidates residing abroad, it will be possible to take the exam via Zoom platform. Information concerning the link, date and time will be published as soon as possible on the Course webpage		
Evaluation criteria	A pass in the oral examination will be awarded only if the score is at least 40/60. The score obtained by candidates after the evaluation of their qualifications will be added to the score of the oral examination, after the oral examination, in order to draw up the final merit ranking.		

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	One specific merit ranking will be drawn up for the place with scholarship funded by the Department of Diagnostics and Public Health, one specific merit ranking will be drawn up for the place with scholarship funded by the Cystic Fibrosis Center of Verona (Azienda Ospedaliera Universitaria Integrata Verona), and one specific merit ranking will be drawn up for the place without scholarship.
	In the event that these places are not assigned, the Commission reserves the right to reallocate the places by scrolling the general merit ranking in compliance with the admission requirements.
Documents to be submitted and relative scores	• Certificate with final graduation mark or list of marks obtained during the academic career in case of final graduation after the Call deadline (**max. score: 20 points**) • Graduation thesis (**max. score: 5 points**) • Curriculum Vitae et studiorum (**max. score: 10 points**) • Scientific publications (**max. score: 10 points**) • Other qualifications that could be considered relevant (**max. score: 5 points**) • Post-graduate program and/or Master (**max. score: 5 points**) • Nr. 2 reference letters released by professors of the university that conferred the academic title/titles (only for foreign applicants) (**max. score: 0 points**) • Research experience at universities or research centres (**max. score: 5 points**) **Max. total score: 60 points**
Examination topics	Molecular biology, applied biology, human and medical genetics, epidemiology, statistics, clinical biochemistry, microbiology, infectious diseases.

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Ph.D. Programme in Archaeology, Art History and History **Coordinator: Prof. Renato Camurri**	
Programme duration	1st October 2025 – 30th September 2028 Thesis Defence: by May 2029
Website	https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=958&menu=home&lang=en
Admission requirements	_"Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university Degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.) (candidates should present an abstract of their dissertation or, if they suppose it is opportune, present the dissertation); _Degree taken under the old Italian university system in force prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 599/1999; _ Foreign degree equivalent to a Master (second level of University education according to the Bologna agreement – e.g. a Master of Art) giving admission to a Doctorate in the same country.

Curricula, learning objectives and language	The Programme is divided in three *curricula*:
	    1. Archaeology and Ancient History
	    2. Arts and Theatre
	    3. Historical, Political, Social, and Geographical Studies
	In the application form candidate will be required to choose one of the three *curricula* listed above.
	Information on Programme learning objectives and research topics are available on the web site of University of Verona at the following [link](#)
	Lines of research:
	• History and archaeology of the Mediterranean and near-eastern area from pre-classical antiquity to the early Middle Ages
	• Relationship between city and territory, man and environment
	• Political, social, religious, intellectual, territorial history and criticism of the sources from the Middle Ages to the Contemporary Age
	• History and critique of the arts from the Middle Ages to the Contemporary Age: works, sources, techniques, styles, contexts and models
	
	The doctoral activities will be held mainly in Italian; nevertheless, lessons and other activities in English may be planned, as well.

Places available	Scholarships funded by Univr *Curriculum in Archaeology and Ancient History*	n. 2	
	Scholarships funded by Univr *Curriculum in Arts and Theatre*	n. 2	
	Scholarships funded by Univr *Curriculum in Historical, Political, Social, and Geographical Studies*	n. 2	
	Total places	**n. 6**	

Admission procedure	• Evaluation of qualifications* • Written examination Language of the written examination: Italian or English • Oral examination Language of the oral examination: Italian (for foreign candidates, English or French) • English language skills are required According to their choice, candidates will be shortlisted separately in three merit ranking lists. Should a curriculum receive no applications or should the admission process

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	produce no eligible candidates, the committee may consider the possibility to attribute the unassigned scholarship/s to candidates admitted to the programme in another curriculum.
Written examination	**Place:** to be defined **Date:** to be defined **Time:** to be defined The information will be published, as soon as available, on the PhD Program web page
Oral examination	**Place**: The oral examination will be held in Verona, via San Francesco 22, Dipartimento di Culture e Civiltà. **Date:** to be defined **Time:** to be defined The information will be published, as soon as available, on the PhD Program web page.
Evaluation criteria	*The evaluation of qualifications is preliminary to the written examination. Only candidates who will attain a minimum score of 20/30 will gain access to the written examination. The results will be published, as soon as available, on the PhD Program web page. A pass in the written examination will be awarded if the candidate has attained a minimum score of 20/30. A pass in the oral examination will be awarded if the candidate has attained a minimum score of 25/40. The final score will be the sum of the evaluation of their qualifications and the score of the oral examination.
Qualifications subject to evaluation and respective score	• Certificate with final graduation mark or certificate with marks of exams obtained during the academic career in case of final graduation after the Call deadline: **max. 5 points** • Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum: **max. 10 points** • Scientific publications: **max. 5 points** • Original research project, written either in Italian or in English (maximal length: 7 pages of 2000 characters including spaces and bibliography): **max. 10 points** **Max qualifications score: 30**
Examination topic	The oral exam consists of the discussion of the project and of topics referring to the PhD Programme's research lines. Candidates should be able to understand and translate a short text in one of the following European languages (but not the mother tongue of candidates): English, German, French, Italian only for non-Italian native speakers.

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Ph.D. programme in Clinical and Experimental Biomedical Sciences Coordinator: Professor Davide Gatti			
Programme duration	3 years: 1st October 2025 – 30st September 2028; Thesis Defence: by May 2029		
Website	https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=633&menu=iscriversi&tab=comeiscriversi&lang=en		
Admission requirements	_"Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.); _or a degree taken under the old Italian university system (prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 509/99); _or equivalent foreign degree		
Programme objectives and learning outcomes, languages	Candidates can find further information about the programme objectives and its learning outcomes at the following link The program activities will be held in Italian and partially in English		
Places available	Scholarships funded by Univr	n. 6	
	Places without scholarship	n. 1	n. 1 place for the realization of the following research theme: "*Validation and collaboration in the development of a microCT method for the study of metabolic bone pathologies*" **Attention:** candidates interested in this position must explicitly state it in the Application Form. The choice is binding and does not allow you to compete for other positions in the application.
	Total places	**n. 7**	
Admission procedure	• Evaluation of qualifications* • Oral examination Language for the oral examination: Italian or English • English language skills are required		
Oral Examination	**Place:** The oral examination will be held by telematic means, via ZOOM. Instructions and link for the connection will be provided after the publication of the list of the valid applications received on the Course website. **Date:** to be defined **Time:** to be defined		
Evaluation criteria	*Evaluation of qualifications is a pre-requisite for admission to the oral examination. Only candidates with a minimum score of 40/60 will be admitted to the oral examination. The results will be published, as soon as they are available, on the Course website. **A pass in the oral examination will be awarded only if the score is at least 40/60.** The score obtained by candidates after the evaluation of their qualifications will be added to the score of the oral examination in order to draw up the final merit ranking.		

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Documents to be submitted with the Application Form and relative scores	• Certificate with final graduation mark or list of marks obtained during the academic career in case of final graduation after the Call deadline: (**max. score: 15 points**) • Graduation thesis: (**max. score: 10 points**) • Curriculum Vitae et studiorum: (**max. score: 6 points**) • Candidate's letter of motivation: (**max. score: 1 point**) • Scientific publications: (**max. score: 8 points**) • Other qualifications, prizes and grants that could be considered relevant: (**max. score: 5 points**) • Post-graduate program and/or Master: (**max. score: 5 points**) • Two (2) letters of recommendation issued by professors from the University where the degree was obtained or from an equivalent academic qualification obtained abroad, or by professors from the University of the Specialization Course and/or Master's program (for all Italian and foreign candidates) (**max. score: 2 points**) • Research experience at universities or research centres: (**max. score: 8 points**) **Max. total score: 60 points**
Examination topics	Research areas that are relevant to Biomedical and Clinical Sciences, with particular emphasis on skills, experiences and attitudes of the Candidates

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<tr><td colspan="4" align="center">Ph.D. programme in Surgical and Cardiovascular Sciences
Coordinator: Professor Andrea Ruzzenente</td></tr>
<tr><td>Programme duration</td><td colspan="3">3 years: 1st October 2025 – 30st September 2028;
Thesis Defence: by May 2029</td></tr>
<tr><td>Website</td><td colspan="3">https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=1011&menu=home&lang=en</td></tr>
<tr><td>Admission requirements</td><td colspan="3">_"Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.);
_or a degree taken under the old Italian university system (prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 599/99);
_or equivalent foreign degree</td></tr>
<tr><td>Curricula, programme objectives and learning outcomes, languages</td><td colspan="3">The PhD programme is divided into 3 curricula:
1. Surgical Oncology
2. Cardiovascular Sciences
3. Odontostomatology
On the Application Form candidates will be required to indicate their preference for one or more curricula
Programme objectives and learning outcomes of the Ph.D. degree programme can be found at the PhD Programme webpage
The program activities will be totally held in English</td></tr>
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<tr><td>Scholarships funded by Edwards Lifesciences Sarl</td><td>n. 1</td><td>n. 1 scholarship funded in the framework of a specific agreement and reserved for the realization of the following research theme:
" Verona Heart Valve Project"

Attention: candidates interested in these positions must explicitly state it in the application form.

The choice is binding and does not allow to compete for other positions in the application</td></tr>
<tr><td>Places without scholarship</td><td>n. 1</td><td>n. 1 place reserved for the realization of the following research theme:
Impact of coronary microvascular dysfunction in the patient with dilated cardiomyopathy

Attention: candidates interested in these positions must explicitly state it in the application form.

The choice is binding and does not allow to compete for other positions in the application</td></tr>
<tr><td>Total places</td><td>n. 5</td><td></td></tr>
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Admission procedure	• Evaluation of qualifications* • Oral examination (the applicant will declare which Curriculum she/he is applying for) Language for the oral examination: English • English language skills are required
Oral Examination	**Place:** Ospedale Policlinico "G.B. Rossi", Piazzale L.A. Scuro n. 10 – 37134 – Verona – Classroom to be defined Candidates may take the oral examination via Zoom upon request expressed in the application; the link will be published as soon as possible on the Course webpage **Date:** to be defined **Time:** to be defined
Evaluation criteria	*Evaluation of qualifications is a pre-requisite for admission to the oral examination. Only candidates with a minimum score of 25/40 will be admitted to the oral examination. The results will be published, as soon as they are available, on the Course webpage A pass in the oral examination will be awarded only if the score is at least 40/60. The score obtained by candidates after the evaluation of their qualifications will be added to the score of the oral examination in order to draw up the final merit ranking.
Documents to be submitted with the Application Form and relative scores	• Certificate with final graduation mark or list of marks obtained during the academic career in case of final graduation after the Call deadline (**max. score: 5 points)** • Graduation thesis (**max. score: 5 points)** • Curriculum Vitae et studiorum (**max. score: 6 points)** • Candidate's motivation letter **(max. score: 2 points)** • Scientific publications (**max. score 6 points)** • Other qualifications that could be considered relevant (**max. score: 6 points)** • Post-graduate program and/or Master (**max. score: 5 points)** • Research experience at universities or research centres (**max. score: 5 points)** **Max. total score: 40 points**
Examination topics	Physics – Biology – Biochemistry – Physiology – Fluid dynamics – Biomaterials – Cardiology – Cardiac Surgery – Basic Laboratory Methods – Molecular Biology and Genetics in Cardiovascular Research – General Surgery – Dentistry – Head and Neck Surgery – Data analysis and statistics

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Ph.D. Programme in European And International Legal Sciences Coordinator: Professor Riccardo Omodei Salè	
Programme duration	3 years: 1st October 2025 – 30th September 2028; Thesis Defence: by May 2029
Website	https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=625&menu=home&lang=en
Admission requirements	_"Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.); _or a degree taken under the old Italian university system (prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 509/1999); _or equivalent foreign degree. The PhD programme requires a full time and exclusive work-related commitment (Article 12, M.D. 226/2021). Exceptions may be granted only i) to allow students to participate to public competitions required to carry out professional activities, and ii) to students without a scholarship.
Programme languages	The programme activities will be held mainly in Italian, and partially in English, French, Spanish, Portuguese and German.
Programme objectives	Programme objectives and learning outcomes of the Ph.D. degree programme can be found at the Verona University web site

Students admitted to the Ph.D. Programme are required to spend a minimum of 6 months, even if not continuous, (over the course of the 36 month-long programme) abroad conducting research at foreign Universities, Research Centres, or other relevant Public Institutions.

On the Application Form candidates are required to select one of the examination topics listed in the section "**Examination topics**". The research project shall be based on the chosen topic, on which candidates will be assessed during the oral examination. A choice of more than one examination topic is not allowed.

Verona University has stipulated three **international cooperation agreements** for the internationalization of the PhD Programme aimed at the award of the Joint (A and B) or Double (C) PhD degree:

A) Cooperation Agreement with the Faculty of Law of Regensburg University (academic years 2025-2030) concerning legal disciplines related to European Private Law of Patrimonial Relationships;

B) Cooperation Agreement with the Faculty of Law of Bayreuth University (academic years 2020-2025);

C) Cooperation Agreement with the Faculty of Law and Political and Social Sciences (DSPS) - Université SORBONNE Paris Nord (USPN)

D) Cooperation Agreement with the Faculty of Law of the Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais (academic years 2024-2028)

E) Cooperation Agreement with the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences of Universidad Abierta Interamericana (academic years 2024-2029)

Candidates interested in the above mentioned A) and B) international programmes are required to express their interest in the Application Form, committing themselves to take a German language test. Candidates interested in the D) international programme are required to express their interest in the Application Form, committing themselves to take a Portuguese language test. Candidates interested in the E) international programme are required to express their interest in the Application Form, committing themselves to take a Spanish language test.

Candidates are also required to fill in Attachment A (collaboration with the Regensburg University) or the Attachment B (collaboration with Bayreuth University) or the Attachment D (collaboration with the Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais) or Attachment E (collaboration with the Universidad Abierta Interamericana) and declare |

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	to be in possession of the specific requirements mentioned in the agreements. The above-mentioned candidates will have to pass a further selection, based only on the CV and the other relevant documents, at the partner University in accordance with what reported in the respective agreements. Candidates interested in the internationalisation programme sub C), after enrolling in the doctorate, will have to take care of the necessary formalities for the activation of a thesis co-tutoring, for which a B2 level or higher French language competence is required.		
Available positions	Scholarships funded by Univr	n. 5	
	Places without scholarship	n. 1	
	Total positions	**n. 6**	
Admission procedure and evaluation criteria	**All candidates (whether residing in Italy or permanently resident abroad):** for admission to the competition the candidacy must necessarily be integrated with the following documentation (see below for details and score): • research project, • curriculum vitae et studiorum, • separate list of publications if any. The selection will be composed of two parts: 1) evaluation of qualifications and evaluation of research project (score: **min 42, max 70 points**), 2) oral examination (score: **min 18, max 30 points**). **Stage 1: evaluation of qualifications and research project** The evaluation of qualifications and research project is preliminary to the oral examination. To gain access to the oral examination (Stage 2), candidates must have attained a minimum score of 42/70 points. The results will be published on the PhD Program web page. **Stage 2: oral examination** Only the candidates having passed the minimum score required in the first stage (min. 42 points) will be admitted to the oral examination. To succeed in the oral examination, candidates shall obtain the score of at least 18/30 points. The score obtained by candidates in Stage 1 will be added to the score of the oral examination (Stage 2) in order to draw up the final merit ranking.		
	Languages for the oral examination • All candidates: Italian or English (to be indicated in the Application Form) **Required Languages:** The knowledge of at least one of the following languages (to be indicated in the Application Form), in addition to the language selected for the oral examination, is mandatory and will be tested during the oral examination: • Italian (where the language chosen for the oral exam is English) • English • French • Spanish • German		

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	• Portuguese In case of multiple selection, the knowledge of all the selected languages will be considered mandatory.
Stage 1 - Evaluation of qualifications and evaluation of research project	**Place:** Law Department, Verona University **Date:** to be defined **Time:** to be defined Candidates may NOT be present. Candidates who obtained at least 42/70 points (Stage 1) will be admitted to the oral examination. The list of candidates admitted to the oral examination (Stage 2) will be published on the Verona University web site at the section of the PhD Program web page.

Stage 2 - Oral examination	**Place:** Law Department, Sala Jacopo D'Ardizzone, Verona University. Candidates residing abroad may take the oral examination via Zoom upon request in the application form. The link will be provided with the publication of the list of those admitted to the oral exam at the PhD Program web page
	
	Date: to be defined
	
	Time: to be defined
	
	The Admission Examination Committee will evaluate if and to what extent candidates are fit for the PhD programme. The evaluation will be based on:
	
	    a) The topic and quality of the research project submitted by the candidate
	
	    b) Motivation and attitude to research
	
	    c) Knowledge of one of these foreign languages: Italian, French, English, German, Spanish, Portuguese.
	
	To pass the oral examination candidates must have obtained a score of at least 18 points out of 30.

Documents evaluated during **Stage 1**	• Curriculum Vitae et studiorum with a degree certificate with final mark (or list of marks obtained during the academic career in case of final graduation after the Call deadline) and list of scientific publications (**score: max 10 points**) • Copy of scientific publications (maximum no. 5): (**score: max 6 points**) • Other qualifications that could be considered relevant for the evaluation (**score: max 4 points**) • Original research project, written in Italian or English, with a maximum length (limit to be respected under penalty of exclusion) of 6000 words including any footnotes and excluding bibliography. The project must report the chosen topic's code (see below) (**score: max 50 points**) **Score: min 42, max 70.**

Examination topics	On the Application Form candidates are required to select one of the examination topics listed below under penalty of exclusion. The research project shall be based on the chosen topic, on which candidates will be assessed during the oral examination. A choice of more than one examination topic is not allowed.
	
	    1) Private Law (GIUR-01/A)
	    2) Commercial Law (GIUR-02/A)
	    3) Economic Law (GIUR-03/A)
	    4) Labour Law (GIUR-04/A)
	    5) Constitutional Law and Public Law (GIUR-05/A)

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	6) Administrative Law and Public Law (GIUR-06/A)
	7) Tax Law (GIUR-08/A)
	8) International Law (GIUR-09/A)
	9) European Union Law (GIUR-10/A)
	10) Private Comparative Law (GIUR-11/A)
	11) Public Comparative Law (GIUR-11/B)
	12) Criminal Law (GIUR-14/A)
	13) Roman Law and Roman Foundations of European Law (GIUR-15/A)
	14) History of Medieval and Modern Law (GIUR-16/A)

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Coordinator: Professor Lorenzo Bernini</td>
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<td>Programme duration</td>
<td>13 years: 1st October 2025 – 30st September 2028
Thesis Defence: by May 2029</td>
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<td>Sito web</td>
<td>https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=630</td>
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<td>Admission requirements</td>
<td>- "Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.);
- or a degree taken under the old Italian university system (prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 509/99);
- or equivalent foreign degree.</td>
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<td>PhD students' committment</td>
<td>Attendance of the PhD course involves an exclusive, full-time commitment; any activity other than training and research must be authorized by the Board of teachers with the approval of the supervisor and co-supervisor.

In particular, for PhD students with a scholarship, the paid activities must be limited to those aimed to the acquisition of skills related to the training of the PhD, after assessing the compatibility of these activities with training, teaching and research activities of the course. The remuneration of the work activities authorized for doctoral students with a scholarship must not exceed the value of the annual amount of the scholarship.

Doctoral students without a scholarship who request authorization to work must, at the time of enrollment or when requested by the coordinator, submit appropriate documentation to certify the commitment to attend training activities and the possibility of carrying out research work (employment contract or letter documenting an agreement with the employer aimed at encouraging the fulfillment of the obligations of the doctoral student). In the absence of such documentation the board will not be able to authorize the work activity.</td>
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<td>Curricula and educational aims</td>
<td>In the Application Form candidates will be required to choose one of the four curricula listed below and indicate whether they are applying for positions with a scholarship or the position without a scholarship:
1. Philosophy
2. Education (International collaboration with Aalborg University, DK; Vytautas Magnus University Kaunas, LT)
3. Psychology (International collaboration with Lund University, SE; Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, BE; Eindhoven University of Technology, NL; University of York, UK)
4. Sociology

The candidates' research topics must be included in the research lines of the PhD Programme in Human Sciences (illustrated in the website at the following link):

1. Quality education, personal and organizational development
2. Human relations, social justice and inclusion
3. Human and non human

Those who apply for the curriculum in Education can choose the 'Medical Education' scholarsphip. This option excludes them from competing for the scholarships funded by Univr.</td>
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<td>Programme languages</td>
<td>Course activities will be conducted in English with exceptions related to curriculum-specific training requirements.</td>
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International training	During the 3 year programme, PhD students with scholarship are required to spend a period of at least 3 months of training and research activities at a Host University or Research Center abroad.
	The mobility period is recommended, not compulsory, for PhD students without scholarship.
	PhD students enrolled in the Psychology curriculum are required to participate in training and research at a Host University abroad for at least 9 months (consecutive or not).
	During the period abroad the PhD scholarships will be increased of 50%.

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Places available	Scholarships funded by Univr - Curriculum in Philosophy	n. 1	
	Scholarships funded by Univr - Curriculum in Education	n. 2	
	Scholarships funded by Univr - Curriculum in Psychology	n. 1	
	Scholarships funded by Univr - Curriculum in Sociology	n. 1	
	Scholarship for the 'Medical Education' Project – TaLC (Teaching and Learning Center) – Curriculum in Education	n. 1	Attention: -Candidates interested in this position must indicate 'Medical Education' in the application for the competition after selecting the Curriculum in Education. This indication excludes them from participating for the scholarships in Education funded by Univr. -Research projects that are not consistent with the topics covered by this scholarship will not be taken into consideration. -A specific ranking will be drawn up to assign this position.
	PhD positions without scholarship	n. 1	
	Total places	**n. 7**	
	After the examinations 6 separate merit rankings will be drawn up: 1. *Curriculum* in Philosophy; 2. *Curriculum* in Education; 3. *Curriculum* in Psychology 4. *Curriculum* in Sociology; 5. *Curriculum* in Education – 'Medical Education' Project 6. Position without scholarship Furthermore, for the sole purpose of assigning the position without a scholarship in case the relevant ranking is found to be empty, a general ranking will be compiled that integrates the rankings of the four curricula (Philosophy, Pedagogy, Psychology, and Sociology) based on the score obtained by the eligible candidates. The position without a scholarship will be offered to the candidate who achieved the highest score, excluding the scholarship winners.		

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Evaluation procedure and scores	The evaluation will be composed of two stages: 1. Evaluation of qualifications and extended abstract of an original research project (score: min 40, max 60 points) 2. Oral examination (score: min 27, max 40 points) **1. Evaluation of qualifications and extended abstract of an original research project** The evaluation of qualifications and extended abstract of an original research project (see the section "Documents to be submitted" for a detailed description) is preliminary to the oral examination. To gain access to the oral examination, candidates must have attained a minimum score of **40/60** points. The results will be published on the PhD Programme web page. **2. Oral examination** (only for candidates who have passed the evaluation of qualifications and research project) Language for the oral examination: English or Italian (or another language chosen by the candidate among French, German, Spanish for curriculum in Philosophy). The evaluation will be based on: - the knowledge of the topic (research literature) and scientific field presented in the research project; the topic must be consistent with the research areas of the PhD Programme in Human Sciences - the knowledge of the requested foreign language (see below) - the motivation to undertake a PhD programme. To pass the oral examination candidates must have attained a minimum score of **27/40** points. The score obtained by candidates in Stage 1 will be added to the score of the oral examination (Stage 2) in order to draw up the final merit ranking. **Foreign language requested:** The knowledge of the English language is mandatory to get admitted to all curricula. Furthermore, for the curriculum in Philosophy the candidate will have to demonstrate knowledge of the language of the reference authors. **Applicants who do not speak Italian** are not requested to demonstrate a knowledge of the Italian language in order to be admitted to the PhD programme. The PhD Programme offers Italian language courses to students; a basic knowledge of the Italian language is requested by the end of the II year of attendance.

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Oral Examination	**Place:** Aula seminari 3 (Room T15), Chiostro S. Maria della Vittoria, Lungadige Porta Vittoria 41 The oral examination can be taken via the Zoom platform for people who make an explicit request, being in the following conditions: people residing abroad, people who are abroad during the examination period for proven work and/or study reasons. **Date:** June 19, 2025 **Time:** 9 a.m. The list of the persons admitted to the oral exam will be published, as soon as available, on the <u>PhD Programme webpage</u>
Documents to be submitted and relative scores	- Certificate with final graduation mark and list of marks obtained during the academic career, or list of marks obtained during the academic career in case of final graduation after the Call deadline: max. score **14** points; - Curriculum vitae et studiorum (including research experiences and any publications and certification of the level of the English knowledge): max. score **6** points; - Candidate's letter of motivation including a brief report explaining the candidate's scientific interests and the reason why they chose to apply for the PhD in Human Sciences at the University of Verona (max. 5,000 characters, spaces included): max. score **6** points; - No. 2 reference letters released by professors of the University that conferred the academic title or from other Universities: max. score **2** points (submitting reference letters is not mandatory); - Extended abstract of an original research project, written in English or Italian, of maximum 2,000 character (including spaces), other than the bibliography, in a research area of interest for the candidate and consistent with the research areas of the <u>PhD Programme in Human Sciences</u>: max. score: **32** points. **Score for the evaluation of qualifications and extended abstract of an original research project to pass this stage: min 36, max 60 points.** **Please note:** - Extended abstracts that do not comply with the maximum length requirement will not be considered for evaluation. - If the evaluation of the extended abstract is 0 points, the other qualifications will not be evaluated. - If two or more extended abstract are submitted, the application will not be considered. - Using AI-based tools for content generation, such as large language models (LLMs), generative AI, and chatbots (like ChatGPT), is not acceptable. Candidates are responsible for the originality, validity, and integrity of the content of their submissions. During the evaluation process, the committee may use anti-plagiarism software and tools that detect the use of AI.
Contacts	Curriculum in Philosophy: <u>federico.leoni@univr.it</u> Curriculum in Education: <u>paola.dusi@univr.it</u> Curriculum in Psychology: <u>marinella.majorano@univr.it</u> Curriculum in Sociology: <u>debora.viviani@univr.it</u>

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	Ph.D. Programme in Smart Agrifood Sciences Coordinator: Prof. Alessandra Maria Bossi		
Duration	3 years: 1st October 2025 – 30th September 2028 Thesis Defence: by May 2029		
Website	https://www.corsi.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=1191&menu=home&lang=en		
Admission requirements	_"Laurea specialistica" or "Laurea magistrale" (second cycle university Degree, e.g., M.A., M.Sc.); _or a degree taken under the old Italian university system in force prior to the one introduced by the Italian Ministerial Decree No. 599/1999; _or equivalent foreign degree.		
Programme learning objectives and languages	Information on the programme learning objectives and research topics are available on the web site of Verona University at the following link The programme activities will be totally held in English.		
Places available	For every type of research published in the call for application the candidates can express one or more preferences.		
	Scholarships funded by the Department within the project "*Dipartimento di Eccellenza*"	n. 3	The scholarships are intended to realize projects in the following fields: - n. 1 scholarship in *Investigations on microbial interactions in recently introduced phytophages for the development of sustainable control techniques: the case of Popillia japonica* - n. 1 scholarship in *Metabolic engineering for the production of vanillin in plants* - n. 1 scholarship in *Use of innovative sensors for monitoring winemaking*
	Total places	**n. 3**	
Admission procedure	**Italian and foreign candidates** - Evaluation of qualifications* - Oral examination Language for the oral examination: Italian or English - English language skills are required		
Oral examination	**Place:** The oral examination will be held at the Dept of Biotechnology of the Verona University. The room will be provided with the publication of the list of those admitted to the oral exam on the PhD Programme webpage **Date:** June 23rd 2025 **Time:** h 10:00		
Evaluation criteria of examinations	*The evaluation of qualifications is preliminary to the admission examinations. Only candidates who will attain a minimum score of 40/60 will gain access to the oral examination. The results will be published, as soon as available, on the PhD Programme web page. A pass in the oral examination will be awarded if the candidate has attained a minimum score of 40/60. The score obtained after the evaluation of the qualifications will be added to the score of the oral examination in order to draw up the final merit ranking. Distinct rankings will be provided for every type of research published in the call for application, basing on the final score obtained.		

Annex 1 - PhD programmes information sheets

Qualifications subject to evaluation and respective score	• Certificate with final graduation mark or certificate with marks of exams obtained during the academic career in case of final graduation after the Call for application deadline: **max. 10 points** The Final graduation mark should be converted in 110 using the tool provided on the webportal; additionally each mark of each exam should be converted in 30 • Graduation thesis (bachelor and master thesis): **max. 5 points** • Curriculum Vitae et studiorum: **max. 28 points** • Candidate's motivation letter: **max. 2 points** • Scientific publications: **max. 5 points** • Other qualifications the candidate considers relevant for the evaluation: **max. 3 points** • Post-graduate programme and/or Master: **max. 3 points** • Research experience at universities or research centres: **max. 3 points** • Prizes and grants: **max. 1 points** **Total qualifications score: 60**
Examination topics	• Plant Sciences • Food Science and Technology • Chemical Sciences • Environmental Sciences

Allegato 2

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- di essere (*barrare la/e opzione/i corretta/e*):

  ❑ persona con invalidità o persona con disabilità ai sensi della L. 104/92, come da documentazione allegata;

  ❑ persona con Disturbo Specifico di Apprendimento (DSA), come da documentazione allegata;

- che la documentazione allegata è prodotta in copia conforme all'originale in mio possesso;

- che quanto attestato nella documentazione allegata non è stato revocato, sospeso o modificato;

- di essere consapevole che in caso di dichiarazioni mendaci, falsità in atti e di uso di atti falsi, incorrerò nelle pene stabilite dal codice penale e dalle leggi speciali in materia e decadrò, con effetto retroattivo, dai benefici eventualmente conseguenti al provvedimento emanato sulla base della dichiarazione non veritiera.

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  ❑ tempo aggiuntivo del _____ % (può essere indicata una percentuale massima del 50% in caso di persona con invalidità/disabilità, e una percentuale massima del 30% in caso di persona con DSA)

  ❑ affiancamento di tutor scelto dall'Ateneo per la lettura delle domande;

  ❑ affiancamento di tutor scelto dall'Ateneo per l'assistenza nella scrittura;

Allegato 2

- ❑ video ingranditore
- ❑ calcolatrice non scientifica
- ❑ altro (*indicare*): _____

DICHIARO

- di aver preso visione del bando e dell'informativa agli interessati (ai sensi dell'art. 13 del Regolamento UE 679/2016) nello stesso riportata o richiamata;
- di essere consapevole che il trattamento dei dati personali forniti attraverso la compilazione del presente Modulo è svolto nel rispetto del Regolamento UE 679/2016 e delle applicabili disposizioni nazionali in materia di protezione dei dati personali, esclusivamente per le finalità e secondo le modalità operative indicate nel bando di concorso/selezione e nell'informativa sopra citati;

ALLEGO

- copia di un documento di identità in corso di validità;
- copia della documentazione attestante la condizione di disabilità/invalidità/DSA sopra dichiarata (completa di tutte le pagine).

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