

PhD Programme Table - 38th cycle
Call for Applications for further PhD positions funded by Next Generation EU - NRRP
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PROGRAMME'S NAME	CIVIL, CHEMICAL, ENVIRONMENTAL AND MATERIALS ENGINEERING
DURATION	3 years
PROGRAMME START DATE	01/03/2023 (DD/MM/YYYY)
LANGUAGES	Italian, English
MANDATORY STAY ABROAD	3 months
COORDINATOR	Prof. Alessandro Tugnoli (a.tugnoli@unibo.it)
CURRICULA	1. Engineering of Infrastructure, Resources and Territory 2. Structural and Geotechnical Engineering 3. Chemical and Process Engineering 4. Materials Engineering and Industrial Biotechnology
PhD POSITIONS	4
ADMISSION PROCEDURE	Qualifications and research proposal evaluation Oral examination

Available Positions and Scholarships

Pos. n.	Financial Support	Description	Curriculum	Positions linked to a specific research topic
1	PhD Scholarship NRRP CN	Funded by the EU - NextGenerationEU with funds made available by the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (NRRP) - Campioni Nazionali (CN MOBILITY) - CUP J33C22001120001	1	Design and safety evaluation of connected and smart infrastructures through the study of the interaction between Road, Driver and Vehicle
2	PhD Scholarship NRRP CN	Funded by the EU - NextGenerationEU with funds made available by the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (NRRP) - Campioni Nazionali (CN AGRITECH) - CUP J33C22001150008	4	Valorization of agrowaste and/or agroindustrial by-products to obtain new biomaterials in the framework of the circular economy
3	PhD Scholarship NRRP PE	Funded by the EU - NextGenerationEU with funds made available by the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (NRRP) - Partenariati Estesi (PE2 - NEST) - CUP J33C22002890007	4	Production and characterization of polymers from renewable materials, to be applied in lithium batteries.
4	PhD Scholarship NRRP PE	Funded by the EU - NextGenerationEU with funds made available by the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (NRRP) - Partenariati Estesi (PE3 - RETURN) - CUP J33C22002840002	1	Climate change impact on flood, drought and landslide risk

Applicants awarded with PhD scholarships funded by Next Generation EU shall fulfil specific obligations foreseen in the relevant funding scheme and in the relevant regulations.

Admission Exams

The admission exams detailed schedule shall be published **starting from December 1st, 2022:**

- on the [University website](#), selecting the relevant PhD Programme > “More information”, at the bottom of the page in the section “Notices”;
- on [Studenti Online](#) (select “summary of the requests in progress” > “see detail” and open the .pdf file at the bottom of the page). **No personal written communication will be sent to applicants.**

Required and Supporting Documents to be attached to the application

All the documents listed below **shall be drawn up in English or in Italian**. In case of documents originally issued in any other language (e.g. identity document, qualifications), an official translation is required.

Only qualifications obtained **during the last 5 calendar years** shall be taken into consideration, except for the University Degree. The Admission Board will assess the relevance of the supporting documents to the PhD Programme.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS	
Identity document	Valid identity document with photo (i.e. identity card, passport)
Curriculum Vitae	No specific CV format is required. Applicants are required to the CV Summary, as first page of the CV (see form at the bottom of the present document).
Degrees	Documents attesting the awarding of the first and second cycle degrees, the exams taken and the marks obtained (see Art. 3 of the Call for Applications)
Research proposal	Multi-annual research proposal, with special emphasis on the activities to be completed during the first-year course . The proposal must meet the following requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - it must mention on the cover page the Curriculum (1,2,3 or 4) the applicant is interested to and the proposal is about; - it cannot exceed 20,000 characters, including spaces and formula possibly used. This figure does not include: the title of proposal, the outline, references and images (such as graphs, diagrams, tables, etc. - if present); - it must include: the state of the art; description of the proposal; expected results; outline of the proposed findings assessment criteria; references. <p>The research proposal that successful applicants shall carry out during their PhD career may possibly differ from the one proposed at the application stage. This shall be defined together with the supervisor and approved by the Academic Board.</p>
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS	
Thesis abstract	Abstract of the second cycle degree thesis . Graduands applicants may submit the draft of the thesis. Abstracts cannot exceed 5,000 characters, including spaces and formula possibly used. The above figure does not include: the title of the thesis, the outline, references, and images such as graphs, diagrams, tables etc.
Personal Statement	The statement shall include the reasons prompting the applicant to attend the PhD Programme and those relevant experiences and research interests , that make the applicant suitable for the specific PhD Programme (3000 characters maximum, including spaces).
Publications	Lists of publications (i.e. monographs, articles on scientific journals), minor publications (conference papers, etc.), abstracts and posters presented during national and international conferences, etc.
Other documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Postgraduate vocational training programmes relevant to the PhD Programme main research topics - Teaching activities carried out at academic level - Research activity of any kind - whether basic, applied, translational, etc. - carried out in any capacity, including when covered by research grants, and as a staff member of research projects - Work activity - Curricular or non-curricular professional internships

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Documents attesting the applicant’s foreign languages proficiency - Study periods completed by applicants outside their countries of origin (e.g. Erasmus programme or other similar mobility programmes) - Other qualifications attesting the suitability of the applicants (scholarships, prizes, etc.)
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Evaluation criteria*

Scores will be expressed in points out of 100, as follows.

1. Qualifications and research proposal evaluation

Minimum score for admission to the oral examination: 30 points, Maximum score: 50 points

Qualifications evaluation	University degree final mark and Weighted Average Mark (WAM). Graduates shall be evaluated according to the Weighted Average Mark (WAM)	20 points max
	Publications	3 points max
	Other evaluable documents	2 points max
Research proposal evaluation	Scientific value and ground-breaking nature of the proposal	12 points max
	Structure of the proposal	8 points max
	Proposal feasibility	5 points max

2. Oral examination

Minimum score for eligibility: 30 points, Maximum score 50 points

English language proficiency	5 points max
Research proposal presentation	25 points max
General knowledge of the research topics linked to the available PhD positions	20 points max

Oral examination aims to assess the suitability of the applicant for scientific research as well as the general knowledge of the research topics linked to the available PhD positions.

During the oral examination, the applicant’s English language proficiency shall be assessed.

The oral examination is carried out in Italian or in English.

* Possible further evaluation criteria will be available on the [University website](#), selecting the relevant PhD Programme > “More information”.

CV SUMMARY OF THE CANDIDATE (to be attached to the CV)

Surname _____
First name _____
Place and date of birth _____

Curriculum of interest for the Doctorate in Civil, Chemical, Environmental and Materials Engineering (select one):

- 1. Engineering of infrastructure, resources and territory
- 2. Structural and geotechnical engineering
- 3. Chemical and process engineering
- 4. Materials engineering and industrial biotechnology

TRAINING

Bachelor's degree (if more than one, repeat this section as needed)

Degree in: _____
Year of graduation: _____
University: _____
Country: _____
Formal duration of the course: _____ (years or fractions)

Weighted average of the marks obtained in the exams (GPA): _____
Minimum mark for sufficiency _____
Maximum possible mark _____
Average mark achieved by students¹: _____; reference set considered (e.g. degree course / subject area / university): _____

If the course provides for an overall final grade / verbal judgment (exams + final test) other than the GPA of the exams and the final test only:

Evaluation / mark achieved: _____
Grading scale adopted / minimum and maximum achievable mark: _____

Master's degree or single-cycle master's degree (if more than one, repeat this section as needed) Master in:

Year of graduation: _____
University: _____
Country: _____
Formal duration of the course: _____ (years or fractions)

Weighted average of the marks obtained in the exams (GPA): _____
Minimum mark for sufficiency _____
Maximum possible rating _____
Average mark achieved by students¹: _____; reference set (e.g. degree course / subject area / university): _____

If the course provides for an overall final grade / verbal judgment (exams + final test) other than the GPA of the exams and the final test only:

Evaluation / mark achieved: _____
Grading scale adopted / minimum and maximum achievable mark: _____

NOTES

¹ If the information is available. The average mark or the mark of 50% percentile (median) can be reported [specify which one].