



ALMA MATER STUDIORUM  
UNIVERSITÀ DI BOLOGNA

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## PHD PROGRAMME TABLE

### Call for applications for the admission to the PhD programmes (42<sup>nd</sup> cycle) - A.Y. 2026/2027 First round

PROGRAMME'S NAME	<b>ECONOMICS</b>
DURATION	4 years
PROGRAMME START DATE	01/11/2026 (DD/MM/YYYY)
LANGUAGE	English
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CURRICULA	1. Economics 2. European Doctorate in Law and Economics
PhD POSITIONS	6
ADMISSION PROCEDURE	Qualifications evaluation Oral examination

### Available Positions and Scholarships

Pos. n.	Financial Support	Description	Curriculum
1	<b>PhD Scholarship</b>	Totally funded by the University of Bologna general budget	European Doctorate in Law and Economics
2	<b>PhD Scholarship</b>	Totally funded by the University of Bologna general budget	Economics
3	<b>PhD Scholarship</b>	Totally funded by the University of Bologna general budget	Economics
4	<b>PhD Scholarship</b>	Totally funded by the University of Bologna general budget	Economics
5	<b>PhD Scholarship</b>	Totally funded by the University of Bologna general budget	Economics
6	<b>PhD Scholarship</b>	Funded by MUR in the framework of the "Dipartimenti di Eccellenza" initiative	Economics

The yearly gross amount of the scholarships awarded for the PhD Programme in "Economics" is €18,341.04.

All winners of PhD positions must fulfil the study and research obligations decided by the Academic Board, as well as the obligations set out in the relevant regulations, in the call for applications, in the funding schemes and in any agreements relating to specific positions.

### Admission Exams

	DATE AND TIME	RESULTS
<b>Qualifications evaluation</b>	Applicants' participation is not required	Available from <b>13/04/2026</b>
<b>Oral examination</b>	Date: starting from <b>15/04/2026 – 9.00 am CEST</b> Place: Remotely, using Microsoft Teams	Available from <b>17/04/2026</b>

The results of the qualifications evaluation, as well as the oral examination detailed schedule, shall be available on the webpage [Studenti Online](#) (select "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 concerning the examinations results.**

## Required and Supporting Documents to be attached to the application

Only documents **in Italian or English** will be considered valid and will be assessed by the Admission Board. Identity documents and diplomas/degree certificates issued in a language other than Italian or English must be accompanied by an official translation. The translation must be carried out by an authorized body or by the awarding university. Only qualifications obtained in the last 5 years will be taken into account, with the exception of university degrees. The Admission Board will assess the relevance of the supporting documents to the PhD programme.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS	
<b>Identity document</b>	Valid identity document with photo (i.e. identity card, passport)
<b>Degrees</b>	Documents attesting the awarding of the first and second cycle degrees, the exams taken and the marks obtained (see Art. 3.2 of the Call for Applications)
<b>Curriculum Vitae</b>	The CV must be drawn up in English
<b>CV Summary</b>	Curriculum Vitae summary drawn up using exclusively the <a href="#">relevant form</a> , downloadable from the <a href="#">PhD programme Unibo webpage</a> . The form is a Word document: applicants are required to fill it using a computer (not by hand), save it as a .pdf and upload it on <a href="#">Studenti Online</a> .
<b>GRE Certificate</b>	Certificate of achievement in the GRE test ( <u>mandatory only for those applying for the Economics curriculum</u> )
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS	
<b>Personal Statement</b>	The statement should include <b>the reasons why the applicant wishes to join the PhD programme and the relevant experience and research interests</b> that make the applicant suitable for the specific PhD programme (3000 characters maximum, including spaces).
<b>Reference Letter/s</b>	<b>No more than 3 reference letters</b> signed by <b>Italian and/or international academics and professionals</b> in the research field, which do not form part of the Admission Board, attesting the suitability of the applicant and his/her interest for the scientific research. Letters shall be uploaded following the procedure on <a href="#">Studenti Online</a> , detailed in the Call for Applications (Art. 3.2).
<b>Publications</b>	Full text publications (e.g. monographs, articles on scientific journals, volume chapters) – max 5
<b>Other documents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- English language proficiency certificates (e.g. TOEFL, IELTS, Cambridge Assessment)</li> <li>- Other qualifications attesting the suitability of the applicants (scholarships, prizes, etc.)</li> </ul>

## Evaluation criteria \*

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

- 1. Qualifications evaluation** - Minimum score for admission to the oral examination: 30 points, Maximum score: 50 points

Second cycle degree final mark. Graduands (or graduates coming from Universities that award degrees without a final mark) shall be evaluated on the basis of the Weighted Average Mark (WAM)	13 points max
Curriculum Vitae. This includes the academic prestige of the universities where the degrees, master and doctorate courses were held, reference letter(s), publications (if available), results of the GRE test, English language knowledge certified with IELTS, TOEFL or Cambridge Assessment	25 points max
Personal Statement	12 points max

- 2. Oral examination** - Minimum score for eligibility: 30 points, Maximum score 50 points

English proficiency	10 points max
General knowledge of the PhD programme's main research topics and of the research topics linked to the available PhD positions	40 points max

Oral examination aims to assess the suitability of the applicant for scientific research as well as the general knowledge of issues encompassed by the PhD Programme. **The oral examination is carried out in English.**

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