HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY. STUDIES ON HERITAGE, MEMORY AND CULTURES

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Starting date of the PhD Programme
01/11/2019

Duration
3 calendar years

Language of the PhD Programme
Italian and English

Mandatory stay abroad
Yes (6 months)

Research topics
- the genesis of the evolution of settlements and cities
- dynamics of territories occupation and economic and cross
- cultural interactions between different peoples
- conceptual frameworks: social complexity and ideologies (analysis of theological, philosophical, political, juridical aspects concerning institutions and mobility of social structures)
- symbolic relationship between memory objects;
- philosophical texts, or schools of thought, which are relevant for intellectual history and intercultural dialogue.

PhD positions and scholarships

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Positions linked to specific research subjects: during the oral examination, applicants may express their interest in one or more positions linked to specific research subjects. Considering the expressions of interest above, the Admission Board shall express its view on the suitability of the interested applicants, taking into account their specific skills, experience and aptitude.

Admission requirements
Please, see art. 2 of the Call for applications

Mandatory documents to be attached to the application
Please, see art. 3 of the Call for applications

Further qualifications that may be attached to the application, if in possession of the applicant (only qualifications attested by documents drawn up in Italian, English, French, German and Spanish shall be considered as valid and assessed by the Admission Board)

- Abstract of the second cycle master’s degree thesis. Undergraduate applicants may submit the draft of the thesis approved by their supervisor (please, note that abstracts cannot exceed 5,000 characters, including spaces and formula possibly used. The above figure does not include: the title of thesis, the outline, and images such as graphs, diagrams, tables etc. - where present);
- No more than 2 reference letters signed by Italian and international academics and professionals 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. Please, note that the above letters cannot be uploaded by applicants. When filling the online application form on http://studenti.unibo.it, applicants will be only allowed to provide the email accounts of the requested academic/professional. The latter shall receive an email from the University of Bologna providing for the instructions for uploading. Only letters in pdf format submitted before the expiry date and time of the Call shall be accepted.
- Multi-annual research project, with special emphasis on the activities to be completed during the first-year course. The proposal must meet the following requirements:
  o It must indicate in the cover page the research topic of the PhD Programme covered by the research project proposal and for which the applicant is applying
  o It cannot exceed 20,000 characters, including spaces and formula possibly used. This figure does not include: the title of project, the outline, references and images (such as graphs, diagrams, tables etc - where present);
  o It must include: the state of the art; description of the project; expected results; lead-time for implementation;
(proposed) criteria to be used to assess the findings obtained; references.
The research projects that successful applicants shall carry out during their doctoral career may possibly differ from
the project proposed at the application stage. This shall be defined together with the supervisor and approved by the
Academic Board.
- Motivational letter. This must 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 in extenso (monographs, articles published on scientific journals, volume chapters): max 8.
- Minor publications in extenso (conference papers, etc.): max 2.
- Professional Master courses completed in Italy (1st or 2nd level) relevant to the PhD Programme.
- Postgraduate vocational training programmes/specialisation programmes relevant to the PhD Programme.
- Thesis defended within the framework of Specialization Schools.
- Training activity carried out at university 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
- Vocational internships;
- Curricular and non-curricular training and guidance internships
- Documents attesting the knowledge of foreign languages
- Other qualifications attesting the suitability of the applicants (scholarships, prizes, etc).

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| Qualifications and research project evaluation          | The results of the qualifications and research project evaluation shall be available online starting from the 29/05/2019 at the page http://studenti.unibo.it (please, select “summary of the requests in progress” - “see detail” and open the pdf file “risultati valutazione titoli e progetto”)
| Date                                                    | 10/06/2019 In case that the oral examination cannot be completed in one day due to the large number of applicants, the oral exam schedule shall be made available at the webpage http://studenti.unibo.it together with the results of the qualifications and research project evaluation |
| Place                                                   | Bologna - Via Zamboni, 38 Dipartimento di Storia Culture Civiltà Aula Celio |
| Time                                                    | 9:30 a.m. |

Applicants can ask to take the exam remotely using Skype. For further details please refer to the relevant provision laid down in art. 4 of the Call for applications.

**Evaluation criteria**

Points will be allocated to applications out of a total of 100 on the basis of the following weighting:

1. **Qualifications and research project**
   - Minimum for admission to the oral exam: 30 points
   - Maximum: 50 points

   Only qualifications relating to the last 5 calendar years prior to the calendar year of publication of the Call for
applications shall be taken into consideration, with the exception of the University Degree (Diploma di laurea). Please,
note that qualifications must be consistent with the PhD Programme.

   Points relating to qualifications shall be allocated on the basis of the following criteria:
   - Graduation final mark. Undergraduates shall be evaluated on the basis of the Weighted Average Mark (WAM): max
     4 points
   - Publications: max 4 points
   - Other qualifications giving proof of the applicant expertise (Professional Master courses and Postgraduate
     vocational training, ecc.): max 7 points

   Points relating to the research project shall be allocated on the basis of the following criteria:
   - Scientific value and ground-breaking nature of the proposal: max 25 points
   - Description and structure of the proposal: max 5 points
   - proposal feasibility: max 5 points

2. **Oral examination**
   - Minimum for inclusion in the final ranking list: 30 points
- Maximum: 50 points
  Oral examination includes the presentation of the research project and is intended to assess the suitability of the applicant in respect of the pursuing of scientific research as well as the general knowledge of issues connected to the PhD course. During the oral examination, knowledge of English language shall be assessed.
  The oral examination is carried out in Italian or in English.
  Points relating to the oral examination shall be allocated on the basis of the following criteria:
  - knowledge of the English language: max 10 points
  - research project presentation: max 30 points
  - general knowledge of issues connected to the PhD course: max 10 points
Possible evaluation sub-criteria will be available on the [Unibo website](http://www.unibo.it), selecting the relevant PhD Programme ⇒ “PhD programme information” at the bottom of the page in the section “Notices”.

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