

JEWISH STUDIES

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Starting date of the PhD programme	01/11/2019
Duration	3 years
Language of the PhD programme	Italian
Mandatory stay abroad	Yes (6 months)

Research Topics	
-	Jewish history, culture and civilization from Biblical times to the present.
-	Archaeological testimonies concerning Jewish presence in Israel and the first settlements in Italy in the western diaspora
-	Jewish epigraphy, from the first documented testimonies, to the epigraphy of the first millennium e.v., up to the modern Age sepulchral one, with particular attention to Italy.
-	Hebrew paleography, paleo- Hebrew scripture, square script, epigraphical and papyrological evidence, Masoretic manuscripts and medieval script varieties, especially in Italy.
-	Hebrew manuscripts and books: Jewish codicology and paleography; Italy's role in the production and dissemination of Hebrew manuscripts and early Hebrew books.
-	Linguistics and history of the Hebrew language from its origins to modern Hebrew ('Ivrit).
-	History of Jewish thought: ideologies and theologies of pre-exilic Judaism, of the Second Temple period, of the Rabbinical age, of the late Middle Ages, up to the Modern and Contemporary Age.
-	Jewish mysticism and esoteric thought: the Qabbalah from its origins in XII century in Provence and Catalonia to the modern period. The role of Italy in the dissemination of Qabbalah in Europe.
-	Social and economic history of the Jews in the antiquity and the original characters of the Jewish presence in the Italian peninsula.
-	Jewish art: mosaics, catacombs and their paintings, micrography, miniatures, ritual objects up to modern and contemporary Jewish art.
-	Jewish literature: biblical age, rabbinical literature, medieval and modern poetry and profane literature, up to contemporary Hebrew and Israeli literature.
-	Jewish-Christian relationships: dialogue after two thousand years of persecution. The role of papacy and Italy.
-	History of anti-semitism. The Shoah period. Philosophy and theology of the Shoah: the Jews after Auschwitz between memory and negationism. Jewish philosophy: ancient, medieval and modern.

PhD Positions and Scholarship		
Position n.	Type of funding	Description
1	PhD Scholarship	Totally funded by the University of Bologna budget
2	PhD Scholarship	Totally funded by the University of Bologna budget
3	PhD Scholarship	Totally funded by the University of Bologna budget
4	PhD Scholarship	Totally funded by the University of Bologna budget
5	PhD position without Scholarship	

Entry 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 to be attached to the Call for application, if in the applicant's possession (only qualifications drawn up in Italian, English, French, German and Spanish will considered valid and assessed by the Admission Board)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Multi-annual research project proposal that must meet the following requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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). The exceeding part will not be evaluated. 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. <p>The research projects that successful applicants will 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.</p> - List of the publications (monographs, articles published on scientific journals, volume's chapters).

- List of the minor publications (conference papers, etc.).
- Teaching 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
- Working activity
- Vocational internships
- Study periods completed outside their countries of origin (e.g. Erasmus programme or other similar mobility programmes).
- Other qualifications attesting the suitability of the applicants (scholarships, awards, etc).

Entry exams (art. 4 of the Call for applications)

Examination type	Schedule (please, note that applicants shall not receive any communication concerning the exams schedule)	Examination results publication (please, note that applicants shall not receive any communication concerning the publication of results)
Qualifications and research project evaluation	Non-presential.	The results of the qualifications and research project evaluation shall be available online starting from the 12/07/2019 at the page http://studenti.unibo.it (please, select: (please, select “summary of the requests in progress” - “see detail” and open the pdf file “risultati valutazione titoli e progetto”)
Oral examination	Date	17/07/2019 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	Ravenna - Via degli Ariani 1 Dipartimento di Beni Culturali
	Time	10:00
	I 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.	
The results of the oral examination shall be available on the webpage http://studenti.unibo.it starting from 18/07/2019 (please, select “summary of the requests in progress” - “see detail” and open the pdf file “risultati prova orale”)		

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 5 points
- Publications: max 5 points
- Other qualifications: max 5 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 15 points
- description and structure of the proposal: max 10 points
- proposal feasibility: max 10 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 Programme. During the oral examination, knowledge of English and Hebrew languages will be assessed.

The oral examination is carried out in Italian.

Points relating to the oral examination shall be allocated on the basis of the following criteria:

- knowledge of the foreign languages: max 15 points
- research project presentation: max 20 points
- general knowledge of issues connected to the PhD Programme: max 15 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”.

Final ranking list and enrolment (arts.6 and 7 of the Call for applications)

After the publication of the results of the oral exam, the final ranking list will be available on the [Unibo website](#), selecting the relevant PhD Programme → “PhD programme information” at the bottom of the page in the section “Notices”.

Following the publication of the final ranking list, successful applicants must enroll on <http://studenti.unibo.it> by the deadline indicated on the [Unibo website](#), selecting the relevant PhD Programme → “PhD programme information”.