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Duration  
3 years

Academic year  
2013/2014

Programme start date  
01/01/2014

Programme held in  
Italian

Main Department  
Department of Experimental, Diagnostic and Specialty Medicine (DIMES)

Associated Unibo Departments
Department of Medical and Surgical Sciences (DIMEC)
Department of Biomedical and Neuromotor Sciences (DIBINEM)

Associated Universities
Università di Firenze - Dipartimento di Medicina Sperimentale e Clinica
Università di Siena - Dipartimento di Scienze Mediche, Chirurgiche e Neuroscienze
Università di pavia - Dipartimento Di Scienze Ematologiche, Pneumologiche Cardiovascolari Mediche E Chirurgiche
Università di Milano - Dipartimento di Scienze della salute
Università di Palermo – Dipartimento Biomedico di Medicina Interna e Specialistica (DIBIMIS)

Research topics
- Vascular Diseases
- Medical Surgical Sciences
- Dermatological Sciences
- Reconstructive Problems in Maxillofacial Surgery

Requirements
An Italian university degree (laurea specialistica/ magistrale - 3+2 years) or pre-reform degree (vecchio ordinamento - 4 years) or an equivalent degree obtained abroad. Also applicants whose degree will be awarded no later than December 31, 2013 can participate to the selection procedures.

Admission procedures
Evaluation of qualifications and research project
Oral examination

Notes on admission
The oral examination can be held only in presence of the applicant. No oral examination via Skype/webcam is allowed.

Mandatory documents to be enclosed with the online application (failure to comply with such requirements will result in the exclusion from the competition)

1. CV
2. copy of Bachelor's and Master's degree, list of exams taken with grades and final mark (in Italian or English)
3. only for those who do not hold a Master's degree when submitting the application: copy of the exams taken with grades

For documents listed at points 2. and 3., please note that:
- for degrees obtained in Italian Universities: upload a SIGNED self-declaration;
- for degrees obtained in non-EU Countries: upload the degree certificate issued by the relevant University;
- for degrees obtained in EU countries (except Italy): you can either upload a SIGNED self-declaration or the degree certificate issued by the relevant University, translated in Italian or English;
- all documents must contain the following information: personal data, name of the University, degree name, final score, transcript (see art. 2 of the call).

4. research project that the applicant would conduct during the PhD Programme, focusing on one of the research topics of the PhD Programme (max lenght: 6.000 characters; written in English). The research project must include:
   o state of the art
   o description of the project
   o goals of the project
   o project plan and timing
   o proposed criteria for the verification of results

5. reference letters from university lecturers (to be sent through the procedure available at this URL http://studenti.unibo.it)

Other documents to be enclosed, if available
- Printed publications that are accepted by scientific journals and related to the PhD research topics. The Admission Board will evaluate only publications in PubMed, considering the contribution given by the applicant.
- Any other relevant document (graduation thesis, scholarships, awards, attendance of courses, participation to Erasmus or other exchange programs, etc.)

Agenda

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Assessment criteria

Total score: 100/100

1. Assessment of qualifications and research project
   - minimum score required for the admission to the oral examination: 30
   - maximum score: 50
   Score is assigned as follows:
   - evaluation of the final grade (in the case of applicants who have a degree / master’s degree or Master’s course or graduation old system) or evaluation of marks obtained in the course of university studies (in the case of applicants not owing the degree, but will get it by December 2013): maximum score 5
   - graduation thesis: maximum score 5
   - research project: maximum score 30
   - publications: maximum score 10
   The results of the evaluation of qualifications and research project will be made public by posting them on the bulletin board of the Department where the examination took place and on the site [http://studenti.unibo.it](http://studenti.unibo.it), restricted access by University credentials (by selecting: sintesi delle richieste in corso → vedi dettaglio → risultati prova).

2. Oral examination
   - minimum score required in order to be listed in the final ranking: 30
   - maximum score: 50
   The oral examination will focus on the explanation and discussion of the methodological aspects of the applicant’s research project.
   The oral examination will assess the applicant’s aptitude for scientific research, as well as her/his general knowledge about the following topics: Methods on Basic and Clinical Research, discussion about the project.
   The results of the oral examination will be made public by posting them on the bulletin board of the Department where the examination took place and on the site [http://studenti.unibo.it](http://studenti.unibo.it) (by selecting: sintesi delle richieste in corso → vedi dettaglio → risultati prova2).
   The final ranking with details of winners will be published on the site [http://studenti.unibo.it](http://studenti.unibo.it), restricted access by University credentials.
   Any information concerning the publication of the final ranking will be available on [www.unibo.it/Dottorati/Bandi29](http://www.unibo.it/Dottorati/Bandi29).
   The Admission Board will not send any communication to the applicants about the outcome of the tests. It is the responsibility of the applicants to be informed on the outcome (see art. 6 of the call).

Language requirements

During the oral examination the applicant’s skills with the English language will be assessed.
The oral examination will be held either in English or Italian, depending on the applicant’s choice.
For foreign applicants the knowledge of Italian is not required.

Positions and scholarships

Total number of positions: 8, of which:
- 4 positions with scholarship granted by University of Bologna
- 4 positions without scholarship
Extra-quota positions: none