



PUBLIC SELECTION FOR ADMISSION TO PHD PROGRAMMES WITH ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MOLISE – 42ND CYCLE – ACADEMIC YEAR 2026/2027

Art. 1 - Announcement of the selection

A public selection procedure is hereby announced for admission to 7 PhD programs of the 42nd cycle, based on qualifications and examinations or examinations alone. All PhD programs last three years.

Annex A, which is to be considered an integral and substantial part of this announcement, contains the list of established Courses, with an indication of any *curricula*, the number of places available, with and without scholarships, the type of scholarships, any restricted topics, the required admission requirements, the list of assessable qualifications and the related scores, the evaluation criteria and type of exam tests, and the schedule for the oral exam.

The same attachment, for each PhD course, provides a link to the website containing all the information relating to the procedure.

The number of scholarship positions may be increased following funding from public and/or private entities that become available after the announcement of the call for applications. The relevant agreements must be formalized no later than the date of issue of the Decree approving the documents.

For all doctoral courses, the start date of activities is set for November 1, 2026 and the end date of activities is set for October 31, 2029.

Pursuant to Article 3 of Ministerial Decree 226 of December 14, 2021, the above-mentioned PhD programs will be activated following accreditation or verification of the maintenance of accreditation requirements by the Ministero dell'Università e della Ricerca, with the approval of the Agenzia Nazionale di Valutazione del Sistema Universitario e della Ricerca.

This notice has the value of notification for all legal purposes.

Any changes, updates or additions will be made known by publication on the UNIMOL web page <https://www3.unimol.it/ricerca/scuola-di-dottorato/generiche/24>.



Failure to comply with the rules contained in this announcement will result in exclusion from the competition.

This call for applications is drafted in Italian and English, in accordance with the applicable regulations and the University Regulations for Doctoral Research.

Art. 2 - Types of Scholarships Available

1. University Scholarships

The scholarships referred to in this paragraph are entirely funded by the University of Molise.

1. PhD scholarships funded by the PR Molise FESR FSE+ Regione Molise 2021/2027

2. The scholarships funded by **PR Molise FESR FSE+ Regione Molise 2021/2027, advanced training programs in regional strategic sectors**, aim to encourage graduates to enter doctoral programs, contributing to the promotion of research in strategic areas.

3. Doctoral scholarships funded by third-party organizations

The scholarships referred to in this paragraph are funded by public and/or private entities. Some of these scholarships, as specified in **Annex A** for each PhD programme, are tied to the development of specific research topics identified by the funding body or envisaged by the project providing the financial support. The award and disbursement of such scholarships are subject to the effective acquisition of the corresponding funding.

ART. 3 - Admission Requirements

Applicants of any age and nationality may be admitted to a PhD programme provided that, by 31 October 2026, they hold a degree awarded under the Italian system in force prior to Ministerial Decree No. 509/99 (the so-called old system), a Specialist Degree (Laurea Specialistica) and/or a Master's Degree (Laurea Magistrale) awarded under Ministerial Decree No. 509/99 or Ministerial Decree No. 270/2004, a second-cycle academic qualification awarded by institutions belonging to the AFAM sector (Higher Artistic and Musical Education),



or an official foreign qualification equivalent to a second-cycle degree under the Bologna Process Qualifications Framework and corresponding to Level 7 of the European Qualifications Framework (EQF). Such qualification must grant access to doctoral studies at academic institutions and be recognised as suitable for admission to PhD programmes in Italy (i.e. a Master's Degree or equivalent qualification, in all cases including a final written dissertation prepared under the supervision of an academic advisor), and it must not present any “substantial difference” according to the principles of the Lisbon Recognition Convention and the national methodology adopted by the Italian ENIC-NARIC Centre (CIMEA).

The suitability of the foreign qualification is verified by the Admissions Committee for the sole purpose of conducting the tests, without prejudice to subsequent checks carried out by the Administration in compliance with the applicable legislation in Italy and in the country in which the qualification was issued, and with international treaties or agreements regarding the recognition of qualifications for further studies.

A qualification deemed unsuitable will result in exclusion from the exams. Specifically, for the purposes of this recognition, candidates must attach to the online application all documentation deemed relevant to the assessment of suitability. Completing the online application implicitly requires verification of the suitability of the qualification obtained abroad. Evaluation of the qualification will be possible only if the documents submitted contain all the necessary information containing the minimum elements for evaluation (type of qualification; normal duration of the course; official name of the academic institution awarding the qualification; date of award of the qualification; grade/grade of achievement) as indicated in the personal data sheet (**Annex A**) for each chosen Doctoral Program, to which reference should be made.

It is specified that, for academic qualifications obtained abroad, the final grade must be converted into the Italian scale of one hundred and ten (110/110), according to recognised equivalence criteria.

Graduating students may also apply for admission, provided they graduate by October 31, 2026, under penalty of forfeiture. Graduating students are required to submit documentation



relating to their graduation to the **Settore Scuole di Dottorato e Dottorati di Ricerca (mail: settoredottorati@unimol.it)** and the Segreteria Studenti (segreteriastudenti@unimol.it) by November 3, 2026, as specified in Article 5 below. These candidates are admitted conditionally.

When submitting the application for admission, the candidate self-declares that he or she meets the admission requirements set out in this article, pursuant to Articles 46 and 47 of Law 445/2000.

The University carries out appropriate checks, at any stage of the procedure, to ensure the veracity of the self-certifications provided by the candidate. If the checks determine that the declarations are false, the candidate will be excluded from taking the competitive exams or, if already registered because they won the competition, will be declared disqualified, without prejudice to the criminal penalties provided for in Article 76 of Law No. 445/2000.

ART. 4 - Simultaneous Enrolment and Incompatibilities

Concurrent enrollment in PhD programs and first- and second-level degree programs, including courses offered by Higher Institutes of Musical and Choreographic Studies, is permitted, even if receiving a PhD scholarship.

Simultaneous enrolment in PhD programmes and medical specialisation schools with admission restricted to physicians is permitted, provided that the related financial benefits are not received cumulatively. Since the remuneration associated with specialist medical training contracts is non-waivable pursuant to Legislative Decree No. 368/1999, candidates may waive only the PhD scholarship, except where the scholarship is funded under the PR Molise FESR FSE+ MOLISE 2021/2027. Concurrent enrollment in PhD programs and healthcare-related specialization schools open to non-physicians and other non-healthcare-related specialization schools is permitted, provided that the fees are not cumulated. In this case, it is up to the candidate to decide which fee to waive.

Simultaneous enrolment in more than one PhD programme, or in a PhD programme and a first- or second-level Master's programme, is not permitted. Simultaneous enrolment is assessed



with reference to academic years rather than to calendar periods.

Enrollment and registration for PhD courses are incompatible with the stipulation of a research contract pursuant to Article 22 of Law No. 240 of December 30, 2010.

The use of the PhD scholarship is incompatible with the use of research grants pursuant to art. 18, paragraph 5, letter f) of Law no. 240 of 30/12/2010.

The annual gross personal taxable income limit for receiving the doctoral scholarship is €16,243.00, excluding the scholarship.

Doctoral scholarships cannot be combined with research grants or other scholarships awarded for any reason, except those awarded by national or foreign institutions to supplement the scholarship holders' training or research activities with stays abroad, and with funding from the Fondo Giovani MUR.

In the event of subsequent incompatibility, the installments of the doctoral scholarship relating to the period for which they were unduly received must be returned.

ART. 5 – Procedures and Deadlines for Submitting Applications for Admission to the Selection Process

The application for admission to the selection process must be submitted exclusively through the *online procedure* available on the Student Portal, which can be accessed from the homepage of the website <https://unimol.esse3.cineca.it/Start.do> ("Student Portal and Online Services"). No paper documentation needs to be sent to the offices.

The online application procedure is open from the date of publication of the notice in the Official Gazette and of the call for applications on the University's Official Notice Board. Applications must be submitted within 45 consecutive calendar days from the date of publication of the notice in the Official Gazette, which is included in the calculation of the deadline. The application deadline is set at 11:59 p.m. on the forty-fifth (45) day. Should the forty-fifth (45) day fall on a public holiday, the deadline shall be extended to the first subsequent working day.

It is therefore recommended that you start the process well in advance to complete it by the



above-mentioned deadline.

Applications received after the indicated deadline or which are not transmitted according to the methods and terms of this article will not be considered valid.

Participation in the selection procedure is subject to the **payment of a mandatory, non-refundable application fee of twenty euros (€20.00). In the event of applications to more than one PhD programme, the fee must be paid separately for each application submitted.**

To pay the mandatory fee, applicants must use the PagoPA system by accessing the Reserved Area of the Student Portal at the following link: <https://unimol.esse3.cineca.it/Start.do>

Instructions for PagoPA payment methods are available at the following link: https://apistrapi.unimol.it/uploads/05_Modalita_di_pagamento_817785e2a2.pdf

The payment receipt must be carefully retained by the applicant and must be uploaded as required under the provisions of this Call for Applications.

On the [Student portal](#) of this University the candidate:

- 1) if you have never registered with this University, you must perform a new registration (from the specific "[Registration](#)" button in the left-hand menu), at the end of which the procedure issues your personal keys (username and *password*) which can be printed from the appropriate function (the [manual containing the instructions for registering on the Portal](#) is available on the University website);
- 2) The candidate who has already registered and has lost their Portal login credentials can reset them using the "[Reset Password](#)" function available on the page where login credentials are entered after clicking "**Login**" on the [Student portal](#). In this case, the system will automatically send the credentials to the candidate's personal email address provided during registration.

To register for the selection process, candidates (after accessing their personal page using the "Login" function and entering their credentials) must click on the "Menu" function in the top right-hand corner.

From the "Menu" you must enter the "Admissions Office" area and click on the "Admission Test"



function: on this page you must search for the competition you want to register for.

Documents to be attached (*each of the documents indicated in the following table must be uploaded as a single PDF file, considering that the size of each file uploaded to the Portal cannot exceed 60 MB*):

<u>MANDATORY DOCUMENTS TO BE UPLOADED ON THE PORTAL UNDER PENALTY OF EXCLUSION</u>		Attachment Number
Application for admission to the selection	drawn up using EXCLUSIVELY Annex 1	1
Valid photo identification document	double-sided scanning	2
Certificate * of achievement of each university qualification held, first and second level, indicating: 1. University that awarded the degree; 2. Type of degree (master's degree/single-cycle master's degree/old system, etc.); 3. Name of the degree course; 4. Degree class (only for qualifications obtained in Italy); 5. Date of graduation; 6. Final grade (It is specified that, for academic qualifications obtained abroad, the final grade must be converted into the Italian scale of one hundred and ten (110/110), according to recognised equivalence criteria).	Type of attestation 1. <u>Italian public universities</u> Self-certification ** pursuant to Articles 46 and 47 of D.P.R. No. 445/2000, dated and signed, of possession of the admission requirements requested in the information sheet for the chosen Doctoral Program. The candidate MUST MANDATORILY use the self-certification template (Annex 3) 2. <u>Universities of EU/non-EU countries</u> the certificate, the <i>Transcript of Records</i> of the <i>Bachelor's</i> and <i>Master's Degree</i> or the <i>Diploma Supplement</i>, if applicable. Candidates who have obtained academic qualifications abroad are also required to produce a document certifying the final grade achieved, converted into the Italian scale of one hundred and ten (110/110) according to officially recognised equivalence criteria. The candidate MUST MANDATORILY use the self-certification template (Annex 3) 3. <u>Private Italian universities</u> As an alternative to the certificate, they can attach a self-certification or the <i>Diploma Supplement</i>, if applicable.	3
<i>For candidates who, at the date of submission of the application, do not possess a second level qualification</i>	Certificate of exams taken and grades obtained, with the weighted average of exam grades indicated at the bottom (the weighted average is required only for undergraduates in Italian universities). The candidate MUST MANDATORILY use the self-certification template (Annex 3)	
<i>Curriculum vitae</i>	The candidate may use the Curriculum Vitae template (Annex 4).	4



Research project proposal (as required by Annex A of the selected PhD Programme)	The candidate <u>MUST MANDATORILY</u> use the template (Annex 5).	5
<u>ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS THAT CAN BE UPLOADED TO THE PORTAL</u>		
Other assessable qualifications (scanned into a single PDF file) <i>possibly possessed by the candidates</i>	indicated in the applicant information sheet (Annex A) of the selected PhD Programme and deemed relevant for evaluation purposes.	6
*Documents must be submitted in a language of your choice: Italian, English, French, German, Spanish, or Portuguese. ** Pursuant to current legislation, the University cannot accept certifications issued by other public administrations. Therefore, candidates' qualifications, attached to the application for admission to the competition, if issued by Italian public universities, must be self-certified.		

Foreign candidates must also submit their pre-enrollment application through the [University portal](#).

During the registration process, applicants may apply for multiple courses, but not for multiple *curricula* within the same program, if they meet the relevant requirements. In this case, they must re-register for each of the competitions of interest according to the procedures indicated above. However, this will not restrict the exam schedule. **Please note that if applications are submitted for multiple courses, the registration fee must be paid for each course applied for.**

All applications submitted by a single candidate are subject to the same rules set out in this article.

The application to participate in the selection process includes all attachments that are an integral part thereof and is drafted in the form of a self-certification, pursuant to Articles 46 and 47 of D.P.R. 445/2000 and subsequent amendments, and is valid as such for all legal purposes. The application submitted by the candidate must contain all the information necessary to evaluate the qualification being presented and verify its authenticity. The omission of even one element will result in the



self-certified qualification not being evaluated.

All candidates are admitted subject to verification of the declarations provided for admission to the selection process announced with this announcement, and at each stage of the selection process, including after enrollment, pursuant to art. 43 of T.U. no. 445/2000. The University of Molise reserves the right to carry out checks in accordance with art. 71 et seq. of D.P.R. 445 of December 28, 2000. If, following verification of the self-certifications provided, the qualification held is found not to meet the required requirements or the declarations provided are not truthful, the University may at any time, with a reasoned order from the Rector, exclude the candidates from the selection process or from the PhD Program, without prejudice to any resulting criminal liability. In this case, if the candidate is excluded after admission to the Program, he or she is also required to return any scholarship installments received.

After the deadline for this call, it will not be possible to change or add any attachments uploaded to the Portal. Candidates are encouraged to submit their online application well in advance of the deadline. It is the candidate's responsibility to ensure the online application process is completed correctly. Complaints regarding system malfunctions due to overloads encountered by candidates near the deadline will not be accepted. Pursuant to Article 75 of D.P.R. No. 445/2000, if the Administration finds, based on appropriate checks, that the content of the declarations made by the candidate is untrue, the declarant will forfeit any benefits that may have been obtained from the decision issued based on the false declaration. The University Administration assumes no responsibility for lost communications resulting from incorrect contact information or email addresses provided by the applicant, failure to notify or late notification of changes to these addresses, or for any online errors not attributable to the Administration itself.

Art.6 Candidates with disabilities and candidates diagnosed with DSA

The selection process is organized considering the individual needs of candidates with disabilities, pursuant to Article 16 of Law No. 104/1992 and subsequent amendments and additions, as well as candidates diagnosed with specific learning disabilities (SLD) pursuant to Law No. 170/2010.

Candidates with disabilities or DSA who intend to request aids and/or compensatory measures to



take the oral exam must request them, by the deadline of this announcement, by sending the [form](#) available on the University website at <https://www3.unimol.it/servizi/dettaglio/44> via certified email to amministrazione@cert.unimol.it, or exclusively from another certified email address.

This form must be accompanied by a certificate—original or certified copy on plain paper—issued by the competent local medical commission, certifying the recognized disability or DSA.

Candidates with disabilities or specific learning disabilities (SLD) residing in foreign countries who wish to benefit from accommodations must submit a certified certificate attesting to their disability or specific learning disabilities (SLD) status issued in their country of residence, accompanied by an official translation exclusively in Italian or English.

The Student Services Center for Disabled Students and Students with DSA will evaluate the possible recognition of additional time (up to a maximum of 50% more than the time scheduled for the test) and/or the provision of specific aids.

If such aids are unavailable or difficult to obtain in time for each admission test, the Student Services Center for Disabled Students and Students with DSA, after consulting the candidate, will propose a reasonable accommodation for the admission test.

The Delegates for Inclusion, Disability and Specific Learning Disabilities (SLD), and Equal Opportunities will propose the identified solution to the President of the Selection Committee, if already formally appointed, or to the Coordinator of the Doctoral Program, who will decide on the matter.

For further information, please contact the [Center for Services for Students with Disabilities and Students with DSA](#) at the email address disabiliabili@unimol.it and visit the Center's web pages available

at

[https://www3.unimol.it/servizi/Centro servizi per studenti disabili e studenti con DSA](https://www3.unimol.it/servizi/Centro_servizi_per_studenti_disabili_e_studenti_con_DSA).

Sensitive data will be stored and processed confidentially in compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR - EU Regulation 2016/679).



Art. 7 – Exam tests

The admission exam for the Doctoral programs is designed to ensure a proper comparative evaluation of candidates. The exam procedures and the grids containing the evaluation criteria are listed in **Annex A** and published on the websites of each individual program.

Candidates are required to appear on the day, at the time and at the place established, as indicated in Annex A, without waiting for further notice. This publication has the value of official communication: no personal communications are foreseen to the participants in the tests.

To take the tests, candidates must show a valid identification document.

A foreign language test may be required, as reported on the web pages of the individual courses in Annex A.

It is possible to request to take the oral exam via videoconference by selecting the option in the application form (Annex 1).

Art. 8 - Selection Committees and Results of the Admission Examinations

The Selection Committee for each PhD Programme shall be appointed by the Rector through a Rectoral Decree published on the University's Official Notice Board, upon proposal of the relevant Board of Academic Staff after the expiry of the call for applications. Each Selection Committee shall consist of three full members and an equal number of alternate members, selected from university professors and researchers with expertise in the relevant field, including those from other Italian or foreign universities.

In the case of PhD Programmes organised into different curricula, the Committee may be expanded to include one additional member, in addition to the three full members, for each curriculum. In the case of PhD Programmes established in cooperation with public or private institutions, the Selection Committees may be supplemented by an expert affiliated with such entities. That expert may express an opinion only about the selection of candidates submitting a research project related to the scholarship funded by the institutions to which the expert belongs. The Selection Committee shall not send any individual communication to candidates



concerning the outcome of the admission examinations. It shall be the sole responsibility of candidates to obtain information through the procedures described in Article 10 of this Call for Applications.

Art. 9 - Selection Criteria and Admission Examinations

The applicant information sheets relating to the individual PhD Programmes and attached to this Call for Applications (Annex A), which form an integral part hereof and to which full reference is made, specify the evaluation criteria, the scores allocated to the assessment of qualifications, the research proposal and the oral examination, as well as the dates, times and venues of the admission examinations. Such publication shall constitute official notification for all legal purposes. Each Commission has one hundred points available to evaluate each candidate, the allocation of which is regulated by the information indicated in the PhD Course profile - Annex A to the announcement - to which full reference is made.

For each PhD Programme, a minimum score threshold for admission to the oral examination may be established, where specified in the relevant information sheet (**Annex A**). Candidates who fail to achieve the minimum score in the assessment of qualifications and, where applicable, the research proposal shall not be admitted to the oral examination.

If indicated in **Annex A**, foreign students may be required to pass an oral exam in Italian (Level A1). Candidates are not required to be present for the assessment of qualifications and the evaluation of the research proposal.

The list of candidates admitted to the interview, indicating the score based on the evaluation of their qualifications and project proposal, will be published, as soon as it is available, before the oral exam, on the website <https://www3.unimol.it/ricerca/scuola-di-dottorato/generiche/24> together with the invitation to the oral exam.

To take the oral examination in person, candidates shall appear on the date and at the time indicated in the schedule published in the applicant information sheets (Annex A) relating to the individual PhD Programmes. For identification purposes, each candidate shall identify themselves



before the commencement of the oral examination by presenting, preferably, the same identity document previously submitted as an attachment to the application form.

Applicants may request, by indicating their preference in the application form for the selection procedure (Annex 1), to take the oral examination by videoconference. In such cases, they must connect on the date and at the time specified in the published schedule and in accordance with the procedures set out in Annex A for the relevant PhD Programme. In this case, candidates must ensure they have the necessary hardware and software to enable the videoconference connection and use a webcam to identify themselves to the Admissions Committee. The University of Molise assumes no responsibility for any technical reasons that prevent the remote oral exam from being conducted properly. These exclusion grounds do not apply if the candidate, with a valid identification document, shows up on the scheduled interview day in order to take the oral exam in person.

The oral exams are public and can be held in Italian or English.

The final score is given by the sum of the scores obtained in the evaluation of the qualifications, the project proposal and the oral exam.

Art. 10 Rankings

At the conclusion of the selection procedures, the Commission, based on the scores achieved by each candidate in the individual exams, draws up a single, overall ranking of merit for admission to the PhD Program.

For courses with multiple *curricula*, the admission selection process and the selection committee are the same, as is the final merit ranking. Activation of each *curriculum* depends on the successful candidates' ranking, based on their choice in the application for admission to the selection process **(Annex 1)**.



Candidates who pass the admission tests and are awarded one of the available positions are admitted to the Courses, according to the order established in the single general merit ranking, up to the number of places available for each Doctoral Course.

The ranking list for admission to the Doctoral Program will be approved by Rector's Decree, subject to verification of the accuracy of the documents, and will be published on the [University's Official Online Noticeboard](#) and on the University website in the dedicated section: <https://www3.unimol.it/ricerca/scuola-di-dottorato/generiche/24>. **This publication constitutes official communication: no personal communications will be sent to applicants for the examinations, except in the case of vacant positions being filled.**

If a candidate is placed on multiple merit-based rankings for admission to different Doctoral Programs, they must choose only one of the Programs to which they are admitted and proceed with the corresponding enrollment. The Doctoral Program choice, made upon enrollment, is final and cannot be changed in any way. Failure to complete enrollment by the deadline indicated in Article 11 below will result in the forfeiture of the right to admission to the Program.

Following the express or tacit withdrawal of successful candidates, the relevant ranking will be used to assign the remaining places available up to the day before the course begins. Any remaining vacant places will then be assigned to those with suitable positions in the ranking, who will be notified by email by the *Settore Dottorati di Ricerca*.

Art. 11 - Course Enrollment Procedures

Starting from the day of publication of each ranking on the University Noticeboard, the winners will have 5 (five) calendar and consecutive days to complete their enrollment in the Doctoral Course, under penalty of forfeiture.

The enrollment application must be submitted online by accessing the Student Portal.

Candidates who do not complete their enrolment according to the methods and deadlines prescribed in the provision approving the ranking will be considered to have tacitly withdrawn.

Candidates with a foreign qualification admitted to a PhD program must attach the following



documents to their enrollment application:

- **for qualifications obtained in non-EU countries:** a copy, **in Italian or English** , of the first- and second-level qualification obtained abroad and the certificate indicating the exams taken and the corresponding grades, with the relevant translation and legalization attached, and a declaration of equivalent value issued by Italian diplomatic or consular representations or certificates of comparability and verification issued by ENIC_NARIC centers. The declaration of equivalent value must certify that the qualification is valid in the country where it was obtained for enrollment in an academic program similar to a PhD. If the above-mentioned declaration of equivalent value is not available by the indicated date, a document proving that the application for its issuance has been submitted to the relevant diplomatic representation must be submitted.
- **for qualifications obtained in EU countries:** Diploma and Diploma Supplement in English for undergraduate and graduate qualifications, or certificates of comparability and verification issued by ENIC_NARIC centers. The University reserves the right to require a Declaration of Eligibility for qualifications obtained in EU countries.

Candidates with a foreign qualification who fail to submit the required documentation at the time of enrollment are conditionally enrolled and must submit the above documentation within 60 days of enrollment, under penalty of suspension of their studies and subsequent disqualification. They are also required to return any scholarship payments they may have received. This provision also applies if, following verification, the qualification produced does not comply with the requirements set out in Article 3 of this notice.

ATTENTION: Non-EU citizens requiring a visa must pre-register on the University portal <https://www.universitaly.it> to apply for an entry visa.

Enrollment is completed only upon issuance of a study visa for Italy, which is the sole responsibility of Italian diplomatic representations abroad, regardless of acquired eligibility.

Non-Italian citizens admitted with a scholarship must submit, by the start date of the doctoral program, the tax code issued by *Agenzia delle Entrate* for the purposes of payment of the scholarship.

Non-EU citizens only must also attach a valid residence permit, if already issued, or a copy of the



application submitted to the competent authorities within 8 working days of entering Italy.

Foreign students must present themselves in person by 12/14/2026 at the Department of the Doctoral Program for which they enrolled. Failure to arrive by this deadline will be considered a withdrawal from the doctoral program.

Following enrollment, all PhD students are required to register on the [loginmiur platform](#) by completing the *Experiences section* .

Art. 12 - Contribution

For student fees and related exemptions, please refer to the [Student Fee Regulations](#) for the 2026/2027 academic year, to which you are fully referred. Withdrawal or exclusion from the doctoral program does not entitle you to a refund of tuition and fees paid.

Art. 13 Scholarships

Available scholarships will be awarded according to the ranking. In the event of a tie, for positions with scholarships, financial consideration will prevail, pursuant to the Decree of *Presidente del Consiglio dei Ministri* April 9, 2001, as amended. For positions without scholarships, preference will be given to the youngest candidate, in accordance with Art. 3, paragraph 7 of Law No. 127/1997.

Please note that for doctoral programs funded by the [PR Molise FESR FSE+ Regione Molise 2021/2027](#), positions must be filled with scholarships. Therefore, candidates awarded this type of scholarship and who proceed with enrollment must complete their doctoral program in the same scholarship-supported position. **Refusing the scholarship before the end of the doctoral program will result in the interruption of enrollment in the program and its subsequent forfeiture.**

Scholarships funded and/or co-funded by an external organization will be activated and disbursed to recipients subject to the University's receipt of the relevant amounts. The University assumes no responsibility for delays in payment of scholarships funded by external organizations to the recipient candidates, if such delays are due to causes attributable to the funding organization.

Scholarships are awarded for one year and must be renewed for subsequent years, subject to



admission to the following year by the Teaching Board.

The scholarship starts from the beginning of the course or, in the event of a later start of attendance, from the actual start of the course.

Effective July 1, 2022, the annual amount of the scholarship for attending doctoral research courses is set at €16,243.00 gross, including social security contributions to be paid by the recipient, pursuant to Ministerial Decree no. 247 of February 23, 2022. The scholarship is paid in monthly installments in arrears.

The scholarship is awarded exclusively to those who, in the calendar year in which they receive the scholarship, do not have a gross annual income greater than the amount of a scholarship year equal to €16,243.00, excluding the scholarship.

The PhD scholarship is subject to the payment of INPS social security contributions under the separate management system pursuant to Art. 2, paragraph 26, of Law No. 335 of August 8, 1995, as amended. Two-thirds of the contributions are paid by the University of Molise and one-third by the scholarship recipient. PhD students enjoy the related protections and rights. Recipients of the scholarship are enrolled in the INPS Separate Pension Scheme (Gestione Separata). Enrollment is handled by the University.

Scholarship recipients undertake, upon acceptance, not to exceed this income limit for each year of scholarship use. This income limit includes income from property, as well as any other type of emoluments, including occasional income. Income refers to the tax period of the calendar year in which the scholarship is most widely used. Scholarship recipients who exceed the personal income limit must repay the scholarship payments received in the year in which they exceeded the limit.

Scholarships cannot be combined with research grants or other scholarships awarded for any reason, except those awarded by national or foreign institutions useful for integrating, with stays abroad, the PhD student's training or research activities.

The scholarship amount is increased by 50% for the period of stay abroad normally required, for a maximum period of 6 months.

The scholarship is valid for one year and is renewed for each year of the course, provided that the doctoral student passes the exam for advancement to the following year.



Starting from the first year, each PhD student is guaranteed a budget for research activities in Italy and abroad, equal to 10% of the scholarship, in addition to the scholarship and within the financial resources existing in the budgets of entities accredited under current legislation, for reimbursement of expenses related to: registration for conferences and conventions both in Italy and abroad; missions in Italy and abroad; expenses related to registration for summer/winter schools or training courses; laboratory consumables; inventoriable materials necessary for PhD activities (e.g., small instruments, etc.); textbooks; software; expenses incurred for the purchase of bibliographic material; information and dissemination materials and/or services, subject to the authorization of the PhD Course Coordinator.

Anyone who has already received a PhD scholarship in Italy cannot apply for it a second time.

Art. 14 Rights and obligations of PhD students

Admission to the PhD program entails an exclusive, full-time commitment, according to the procedures indicated by the Teaching Board, without prejudice to the provisions of paragraph 4 and Article 10, paragraph 2, letter b of Ministerial Decree 226/2021. Each PhD student is ordinarily expected to carry out research and training activities, consistent with the PhD project, at highly qualified institutions abroad (Art. 12, paragraph 2 of D.M. 226/2021).

Public sector employees admitted to doctoral programs may benefit, for the normal duration of the program, from the leave of absence provided for by collective bargaining agreements or, for public sector employees, from extraordinary leave for study purposes, consistent with the administration's needs, pursuant to Art. 2 of Law No. 476 of August 13, 1984, as amended, with or without pay and unless explicitly waived, only if they are enrolled in a doctoral program for the first time, regardless of the subject area.

Please remember that PhD students are required to comply with:

- the obligations and constraints established by the Regulations of the Doctoral Research Courses of the University of Molise, issued by Rector's Decree no. 256 of 10/03/2022;
- of all applicable rules and regulations of the University of Molise, including the rules regarding



student contributions established by the University.

Furthermore, PhD students are required to attend PhD courses and carry out all training, study, and research activities in the designated facilities and according to the procedures established by the PhD Course Teaching Board.

As part of their training program, PhD students carry out activities aimed at assessing both the results of their research and their presentation skills, according to the methods established by the Teaching Board.

By the end of each academic year, the PhD student is required to submit to the Teaching Board a report regarding the research activity carried out and the results achieved, as well as any participation in seminars and conferences and other scientific initiatives, together with any publications produced.

A positive evaluation by the Teaching Board, recorded in a specific report, entails the PhD student's advancement to the following year.

Following registration, the PhD student is required to use the institutional email address provided upon registration for institutional communications.

Further rights and obligations of PhD students are governed by Art. 23 of the current University Regulations on PhDs, to which reference is made.

Art. 15 Privacy Notice on the Processing of Personal Data

The data will be processed in accordance with Legislative Decree no. 196 of 2003 (Personal Data Protection Code) and its amendments and additions, as well as EU Regulation no. 2016/679 (General Data Protection Regulation, GDPR).

You can view the complete information on the processing of personal data at the following [link](#).

Art. 16 Person Responsible for the Administrative Procedure

The person responsible for the administrative procedure is identified, pursuant to art. 5 paragraph



1 of Law 241/90, as the Head of the *Area Terza Missione e Dottorati di Ricerca*, Dr. Antonella Fiorentino.

For information, please contact the *Area Terza Missione e Dottorati di Ricerca, Settore Scuole di Dottorato e Dottorati di Ricerca*, II Edificio Polifunzionale, Via de Sanctis, 86100 Campobasso, email: settoredottorati@unimol.it; telephone +39 0874 404427.

Art. 17 Publication

This call for applications, drafted in Italian and English, is published on the University's Official Online Noticeboard and on the University website in the section dedicated to PhD Programs.

The publication has the value of official notification to the interested parties for all legal purposes.

In the event of conflicts of interpretation, the Italian text of the tender notice will prevail.

All publications provided for in this announcement constitute official notification to interested parties for all legal purposes and consequences and, therefore, exempt the University of Molise from sending notifications and personal communications to candidates.

This call for applications will be published via a notice in the Official Journal of the Italian Republic, and will also be posted on the University website, in the PhD section, on the European website called "Euraxess," and on the website of the MUR. Any changes or additions to the content of this call for applications will be published on the University website, in the PhD section.

Art. 18 Final provisions

Candidates are admitted to the selection process subject to verification of the requirements set forth in the announcement, which will be carried out pursuant to Article 43 of DPR No. 445 of December 28, 2000. Anyone who makes false statements is punishable under the Criminal Code and specific laws. The exclusion decision will be communicated to the interested party at the email address indicated in the application. The University may at any time, even after the program has begun, verify the veracity of the statements submitted and, with a reasoned decision, exclude the candidate for failure to meet the requirements set forth in the announcement.

Failure to comply with the rules contained in this announcement will result in exclusion from the



competition.

The University assumes no responsibility for lost communications resulting from incorrect contact information provided by the candidate or from failure to communicate or late notification of changes to contact information, nor for any online errors not attributable to the University itself.

For anything not covered in this announcement, please refer to the applicable legislation and, in particular, the regulatory provisions referred to in the preamble, and the Regulations on Doctoral Courses, issued with Rector's Decree no. 256 of 10 March 2022.

Applying to participate in the selection process through the procedure described in Article 5 implies the candidate's acceptance of the provisions of this announcement and the Regulations for Doctoral Programs, as well as any agreements entered into by this University for the establishment of Doctoral Programs and the funding of scholarships.

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Prof. Giuseppe Peter Vanoli

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