



NOTICE OF COMPETITION FOR ADMISSION TO THE COURSES OF PHD OF THE XXXVIII CYCLE

A.A. 2023-2024

ANNEX 1 TO DECREE NO. 1 OF 12 JULY 2023

PHD IN LEGAL AND POLITICAL SCIENCES			
ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS	Guglielmo Marconi' University		
PROPOSING STRUCTURE	DEPARTMENT OF LEGAL AND POLITICAL SCIENCES		
SCIENTIFIC AREAS	11- Historical, Philosophical, Pedagogical, Psychological Sciences 12 - Legal Sciences 14 - Political and Social Sciences	SS.SS.DD:	
		<i>IUS/01</i> - Private Law <i>IUS/05</i> - Economic Law <i>IUS/09</i> - Institutions of Public Law <i>IUS/10</i> - Administrative Law <i>IUS/12</i> - Tax Law <i>IUS/14</i> - European Union law <i>IUS/16</i> - Criminal Procedural Law <i>IUS/18</i> - Roman Law and Rights of Antiquity <i>IUS/21</i> - Comparative Public Law <i>M-STO/04</i> - Contemporary History <i>SPS/01</i> - Political Philosophy <i>SPS/02</i> - History of Political Doctrines <i>SPS/07</i> - General Sociology <i>SPS/08</i> - Sociology of Cultural and Communicative Processes	
COORDINATOR SCIENTIFIC	Prof. Ulrike Haider Quercia , Associate Professor of Comparative Public Law at the 'Guglielmo Marconi' University		
COURSE DURATION	3 Years		
POSTS	WITH GRANT Each candidate must indicate in the application whether he/she intends to compete only for grants financed with University funds or also for grants with a restricted theme and financed by PNRR funds. PNRR grants will be awarded with priority over internal grants, on the basis of the suitability	n. 4	Financed by the University
		n. 6	Financed with PNRR funds pursuant to Ministerial Decree No. 118 of 2 March 2023. Please note that in the event that the MUR does not pay the funding to cover the scholarships, they will not be disbursed, with the consequent forfeiture of the positions awarded to the successful candidates. The winners will therefore only be able to register following this ministerial verification.



	of the research project submitted.		
	WITHOUT GRANT	n. 2	The above-mentioned places will be allocated, in the order of the ranking list, to <u>grant applicants who are in</u> any case eligible in the relevant ranking, but with a lower score than the one with which the last grant was awarded.
	TOTAL POSITIONS	n. 12	
	SUPERNUMERARIES	<p>At the end of the competition, the Board of Teachers, having assessed the actual compatibility with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – the University's facilities; – the ability of the Teachers' Board to supervise the doctoral students in carrying out their training and research activities; – the possible employment of doctoral candidates, may admit an appropriate number of successful candidates in the ranking list who fall within the following situations, without a scholarship: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) recipients of research grants pursuant to Article 22 of Law 240 of 30 December 2010; b) foreign nationals who do not compete for scholarships; c) employees of Public Administrations, who may enjoy the leave of absence provided by collective bargaining for the period of the normal duration of the course or, for employees under public law, an extraordinary leave of absence for study purposes, compatibly with the needs of the administration, pursuant to article 2 of Law no. 476 of 13 August 1984 and subsequent amendments, with or without pay and unless explicitly waived, only if they are enrolled for the first time in a PhD course, regardless of the disciplinary field; d) recipients of an annual gross personal income equal to or higher than the scholarship, currently set at €16,243.00; e) citizens of States not belonging to the European Union, holders of scholarships awarded by the Italian Government or national and international institutions and holders of research scholarships funded by the European Union or other European or international scientific institutions; f) holders of a PhD apprenticeship contract who are not included in the places advertised; 	



		<p>g) those who, having already been selected within the framework of research programmes of the European Union or other international cooperation programmes, although not having submitted an application for admission to the competition within the terms established by the Announcement, apply for enrolment in the PhD programme. Enrolment is in any case subject to verification of the qualifications possessed and to the prior approval of the Board of teachers of the Doctorate, which, in the case of candidates holding a qualification obtained abroad, shall decide on the suitability of the qualification;</p> <p>h) those who are enrolled in PhD courses at foreign universities and have signed agreements with the University for the award of a joint PhD degree.</p> <p>It will be the responsibility of the University Administration to inform those entitled of how to proceed with registration.</p>
EXAMINATION TESTS		<p>Admission to the doctoral course requires:</p> <p>a) EVALUATION OF QUALIFICATIONS AND RESEARCH PROJECT</p> <p>The categories of qualifications that will be assessed, provided that they are relevant to the subjects covered by the PhD course, are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Degree mark. In the event that the candidate holds more than one degree, however relevant to the PhD Course, he/she must indicate the degree to be taken into consideration for the purposes of the assessment by the Selection Committee.✓ For undergraduates, the graduation mark will be calculated on the weighted average of the marks of all the examinations taken on the closing date of this notice.✓ Academic and academic qualifications relevant to the subject of the PhD course: Level I and II Masters, Postgraduate Courses, Postgraduate Diplomas, etc.✓ Scientific titles relevant to the topics covered by the PhD course (monographs, articles in journals, proceedings of conferences with national and international distribution, specific contributions in volumes, etc.).✓ Documented work and research activity, relevant to the subjects of the PhD Course, carried out at qualified Italian and foreign institutes. <p>The evaluation will be carried out on the basis of the score distribution established beforehand by the Selection Committee and made public, together with the evaluation criteria, by means of publication on the University's website.</p> <p>The research project should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ focus on the areas of research, listed in the "Research Areas" section of this form, and on the subjects related to one or more of the following scientific disciplines: Private Law (IUS/01); Economic Law (IUS/05); Institutions of Public Law (IUS/09); Administrative Law (IUS/10); Tax Law (IUS/12); European Union Law (IUS/14); Criminal Procedure Law (IUS/16); Ecclesiastical Law and Ancient Rights (IUS/18); Comparative Public Law (IUS/21); Contemporary History (M-STO/04); Political Philosophy (SPS/01);



History of Political Doctrines (SPS/02); General Sociology (SPS/07); Sociology of Cultural and Communicative Processes (SPS/08);

- ✓ be written in Italian or English;
- ✓ contain a maximum of 20,000 characters;
- ✓ be accompanied by references to specific documentary, bibliographical, analytical and critical sources;
- ✓ refer to appropriate research methodologies and techniques and should be divided into the following sections:
 - ☐ Denomination of the PhD Course and Cycle
 - ☐ Name of the candidate
 - ☐ Research title
 - ☐ Methodological and theoretical framework of research
 - ☐ Synthesis of the research programme
 - ☐ Research status
 - ☐ Essential bibliographical references

The research project will be evaluated taking the following aspects into account:

- ✓ Relevance to the scientific disciplinary fields covered by the PhD;
- ✓ Adequate documentary, bibliographical, analytical and specific critical sources;
- ✓ Adequacy and validity of the indicated research methodologies and techniques, with reference to its conduct;
- ✓ Multidisciplinarity or interdisciplinarity;
- ✓ Originality, innovation and topicality;
- ✓ Scientific validity;
- ✓ Progress compared to the state of the art;
- ✓ Innovativeness and originality;
- ✓ Clarity of argumentative structure and layout, consistency with the objectives to be achieved, not superficiality.

It should be noted that the research project, following the favourable outcome of the competition, may be modified by mutual agreement with the Tutor Lecturer assigned to the PhD student.

b) ORAL TEST

The oral test:

- ✓ will focus on the discussion of titles and the research project;
- ✓ will be aimed at ascertaining:
 - knowledge of the topics covered by the PhD;
 - the ability to present one's training curriculum,
 - the research attitude;
 - interests in deepening scientific knowledge;
 - design aptitude;
 - **knowledge of English or, alternatively, of another foreign language useful for carrying out the research project.**

The oral test will be assessed taking the following aspects into account:

- ✓ adequate knowledge of the subjects covered by the PhD and the Research Project;
- ✓ clarity of exposition and ownership of language;
- ✓ possession of an adequate research methodology;
- ✓ synthesis skills.



SCORES ATTRIBUTABLE TO INDIVIDUAL TESTS	<p>The Commission has a total number of 100 points, distributed as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Research project: 40/60✓ Titles and publications: 20/60;✓ Oral test: up to 40 points <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Only candidates who score no less than 40/60 in the evaluation of their qualifications and research project will be admitted to the oral test;• The oral test is deemed to have been passed with a mark of not less than 25/40;• Once the oral test has been completed, the Commission draws up the overall merit list by adding up the marks obtained in the individual tests for each candidate;• Candidates with a minimum total score of 65/100 will be declared successful in the competition.
CALENDAR OF EXAMINATIONS	<p>The date, time and procedures for the oral test will be announced <u>at least 7 days in advance</u> through the publication of an appropriate notice in the "Announcements and Competitions" and "Research Doctorates" sections of the University website. By means of such notice, the fulfilment of the requirement of publicity of the acts shall be deemed to have been fulfilled, therefore <u>such publication shall be valid for all purposes as notification of the convocation.</u> Candidates to the admission competition are therefore required to present themselves on the day and at the time indicated without waiting for further personal communications in this regard, with a valid identity document.</p> <p>The absence of the candidate on the appointed day and time will be considered as formal renouncement of participation in the Competition.</p>
COURSE REGISTRATION FEE	<p>Candidates declared eligible and admitted without a grant and candidates admitted to the Course as supernumeraries are required, at the time of enrolment, to pay an <u>annual contribution of € 5,000.00 (five thousand/00 euros).</u> To this contribution is added the payment of the regional tax for the right to university study of the Lazio Region. Grant recipients are also required to pay the regional tax for the right to study.</p> <p><u>Contributions paid will not be returned under any circumstances, even in the event of exclusion from the PhD programme.</u></p> <p><u>Applicants may request payment in instalments, subject to payment of 50% of the tuition fee upon enrolment.</u></p>
TRAINING OBJECTIVES	<p>The PhD is aimed at the study of legal systems from an interdisciplinary perspective that, starting from a comparative-historical approach (the dynamics of political organisations), is based on a diachronic methodology aimed at establishing a convergence between legal and political sciences.</p> <p>Starting from this theoretical and methodological framework, the doctorate intends to deepen, on the one hand, the legal profile of the theories of the State and Public Institutions - in a line of investigation extended to their multiple conceptual branches and related disciplines (Private Law, Economic Law, Public Law Institutions, Administrative Law, Tax Law, Criminal Procedural Law, Comparative Public Law) - and, on the other hand, the political, historical and sociological interpretations of the notion of the State, its constituent elements, the political categories inherent to it, the ideological movements and international phenomena that have marked its conceptual evolution and structural transformations (Private Law, Economic Law, Public Law Institutions, Administrative Law, Criminal Procedural Law, Comparative Public Law), historical and sociological interpretations of the notion of State, of its constituent elements, of the political categories inherent to it, of the ideological movements and international phenomena that have marked its conceptual evolution and structural</p>



transformations (Contemporary History, Political Philosophy, History of Political Doctrines, History of International Relations, General Sociology, Sociology of Cultural and Communicative Processes, Sociology of Public Administration and Sociology of International Relations). Through the convergence of these areas of investigation it will be possible to proceed to an in-depth study of the overlapping dimensions of public action which, in the light of current international scenarios and their geopolitical implications, involves the formative, political and legal processes of state, sub-state and supra-state public institutions.

On the basis of these criteria, the PhD thus aims to analyse the general theories of the state and the processes of formation and transformation of political orders and historical events, in the perspective of globalisation, supranational integration and the use of new information and digital communication technologies.

Focusing on the constituent elements of the State, the question of forms of government, the protection of rights, the relations between authority and freedom, between the regulatory regime and negotiating autonomy, the articulation of public powers, economic and administrative profiles and recent developments also at an international level (sovereignty, representation, political-economic integration, globalisation, security, citizenship, immigration, technological progress, ecological transition and international crises). In this perspective, the preliminary definition of the methodological order relating to the status of the individual disciplines is aimed at fostering a historical investigation of power understood as a place of convergence between law, politics, history and philosophy and subject to a constant critical comparison between a universalist and supranational approach and one dedicated to the study of its individual national variants.

The preceding lines of enquiry, declined on the fundamental concepts of legal and political systems and extended to complementary disciplinary fields (historical, cultural and social) related to the current configuration of the State, will be directed towards a scientific in-depth study of political, philosophical, historical, sociological and legal theories, capable of enabling the development of a systematic knowledge of theoretical and empirical research methodologies, which in turn will be a prerequisite for the acquisition of specific scientific skills capable of fostering a critical understanding of the morphology and dynamics of legal, political, institutional, social and cultural phenomena.

To this end, the doctoral course will be set up on a twofold and complementary level, that of the formation of basic interdisciplinary skills, common to the various research areas, and that relating to the refinement and enhancement of specific scientific profiles, enhancing the sharing of methodological and conceptual tools that, starting from a common research area and general interests and supported by a specific teaching design, constitute the prerequisite for a specialised and characterising approach to the various objects of investigation.

AREAS OF RESEARCH

- State doctrines and the formation of the concept of the State, in legal science and political doctrine.
- History, development and functioning of state institutions and political systems in the light of the most recent transformations due to technological progress.



- Analysis of the epistemic foundations of power and the political categories of the state (sovereignty, representation, constitutionalism) in the light of recent historiographical contributions.
- Legal and political profiles of citizenship and their historical evolution.
- The digitisation of public administration and the evolution of its regulatory framework.
- Forms of state and forms of government and systems for the protection of fundamental rights in a comparative perspective.
- Intermediate bodies, federalism, regionalism, including tax autonomy.
- Public powers: the market and economic law.
- The phenomena of globalisation, security, terrorism and international crises, and immigration, in the light of geopolitical categories.
- The debate on governance processes in the European and international arena.
- Regulatory imperativeness and private autonomy between sources of different degree and functionality.
- Study of international relations, their historical and sociological development and trends in contemporary scenarios.
- Analysis of traditional political cultures and contemporary ideological movements, with particular reference to democratic issues and the relationship between authority and freedom.
- Analysis of socio-cultural and political processes in the light of European integration processes and the phenomenon of globalisation.
- The transformation of the state's constitutional, regulatory, bureaucratic and tax structure following the introduction of supranational policies and regulations (such as the NRP and the 2030 European Agenda for Sustainable Development).

The doctoral research area for projects carried out with a grant pursuant to Ministerial Decree No. 118 of 2 March 2023 aims to investigate some of the main axes of the digital transition and the ecological transition in order to analyse the impacts that these transitions may have on the functioning of the public administration, its relations with citizens and users of public services, as well as on the State, its relations in the European Union, its legislation and its institutions in general. Attention will also be paid to the role of taxation in fostering both the ecological and digital transition as well as to significant comparative profiles with other European legal systems.

The research projects submitted for which it will also be possible to apply for thematic grants pursuant to Ministerial Decree No. 118/2023 must relate to the topics indicated and fall within one or more of the following scientific disciplines

- ✓ Economic Law (IUS/05); Institutions of Public Law (IUS/09); Administrative Law (IUS/10); Tax Law (IUS/12); European Union Law (IUS/14); Comparative Public Law (IUS/21);

The applicant must indicate in the application whether he/she intends to compete only for grants financed with University funds or also for grants with a restricted theme and financed by PNRR funds. PNRR grants will be awarded with priority over internal grants, on the basis of the suitability of the research project submitted.



EDUCATIONAL TRAINING AND RESEARCH METHODOLOGY	<p>The Doctorate in Legal and Political Sciences is based on training processes characterised by the use of a combination of disciplinary and interdisciplinary methodological approaches aimed at ensuring the development of research and the study of the most relevant issues relating to legal and political systems in a historical and international perspective.</p> <p>The valorisation of research results, ensured by a constant and progressive exchange between lecturers and doctoral students, will take the form of initiatives enabling the doctoral students themselves to increase their individual skills in the direction of innovative and open-ended paths, in order to perfect their understanding of the topics covered by the course (general theories of the State; legal and political systems, their genesis, their relations, their historical evolution and transformation; categories, concepts and interpretations of power and contemporary ideologies).</p> <p>To this end, the course provides a range of training programmes that, on the basis of the specific scientific expertise of the members of the College, aims to define a legal (domestic, European and comparative), historical, philosophical and political profile of doctoral students characterised by a high degree of specialisation, consolidated, at the same time, by the use of comparative methods and such as to be situated in a dual and related diachronic and synchronic dimension. This prerequisite for investigations should foster a critical understanding of current phenomena and their possible outcomes, both in the national and in the European and international context.</p> <p>The relative didactic offer, divided into common activities and specialised activities, therefore envisages 1) specific training activities with interdisciplinary content and in particular various ad hoc teaching modules structured in frontal and interactive lecture cycles progressively open to the direct participation of PhD students, with final assessment and 2) specialisation courses on topics related to the training objectives of the doctorate. These activities will be supplemented by participation in seminars, conferences and study days as well as bibliographic updating seminars. These meetings - structured in lecture cycles that are progressively open to the direct participation of the doctoral students (who will be able to make use of the University's research facilities and linguistic and computer laboratories) and conducted by the members of the panel, in collaboration with the University professors and in particular those of the Department of Legal and Political Sciences to which the doctorate belongs, and those of the Department of Human Sciences - will also involve other scholars from Italian and foreign universities and research centres, in order to perfect the students' specialised skills and to enhance the sharing of a plurality of alternative and complementary methodological and conceptual criteria.</p>
EMPLOYMENT OUTLETS	<p>At the end of the PhD course, the researcher will be equipped with in-depth interdisciplinary skills and adequate methodological tools to tackle the study of the metamorphoses taking place in the State and in public authorities, as well as of the consequent organisational and relational structure of the relative administrative and economic apparatuses, and will thus be able to perform functions of high responsibility within the organisational and managerial frameworks of public administrations, international bodies, non-profit organisations and local, national or international private enterprises. The researcher - specialised in the legal, organisational and political analysis of public administrations and enterprises operating for change policies - will in fact present himself as a professional with skills in decrypting and evaluating institutional processes in different sectors and operating</p>



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	<p>environments. Able to cope with the new political and legal orientations and in possession of a scientific qualification responding to current professional needs, at the end of the course, the scholar will be able to embark on a career in the legal professions of businesses and companies. He/she will also be able to perform high-level consultancy work in state, regional and EU public administrations, as well as embark on an academic career. In particular, in addition to opening up preferential opportunities in university and higher education, the doctorate favours employment in research organisations and public and private associations.</p> <p>Further outlets can be identified in the civil service in international organisations and in European Union bodies and institutions, in private companies operating in the field of the European Union and in the fields of public relations and diplomatic careers, consultancy activities and sociological research.</p>
OFFICE FROM WHICH TO REQUEST INFORMATION	<p>PHD OFFICE UNIVERSITY OF STUDIES 'GUGLIELMO MARCONI' Via Plinio, 44 00193 - ROME Tel. 06/37725205 PEC: dottoratidiricerca@pecunimarconi.it e-mail: dottoratidiricerca@unimarconi.it web. www.unimarconi.it</p>
DEADLINE PRESENTATION QUESTIONS	<p><u>Applications must be received, under penalty of forfeiture, within 30 days of the day following the publication of the relevant notice in the Official Gazette - IV Special Series - in accordance with the procedure indicated in Article 4 of the notice.</u></p>