



PSYCHOLOGY	
CYCLE	XL
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DURATION	3 years
STARTING DATE OF THE PHD PROGRAM	01/11/2024
POSITIONS PUT OUT TO COMPETITION	6
ADMISSION PROCEDURES	Assessment of QUALIFICATIONS and Research Project Oral Exam in PRESENCE or REMOTELY
ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS	Regardless of age and citizenship, applicants holding at least one of the following academic qualifications can apply for admission: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Laurea specialistica or Laurea magistrale (second cycle master's degree) – Laurea Vecchio Ordinamento (degree obtained under the previous Italian regulations); – Second cycle Master's degree obtained abroad, equivalent to the above mentioned Italian degrees and recognized as suitable for the admission to doctoral program Undergraduates can also apply for admission to the selection, with the obligation to obtain the degree by 31.10.2024
TRAINING OBJECTIVES	
The main aim of the PhD course is to train qualified researchers capable of planning and carrying out basic research focused on the research topic of the course and studies applied to clinical, social, educational, health and organizational contexts	
RESEARCH AREAS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Psychosocial processes in complex societies • Development and learning processes in typical and atypical contexts • Processes involved in clinical and social intervention • Work and organizational psychology 	

Position with Scholarship		
N°	<i>Funding entity</i>	<i>Research Topic, if any</i>
2	Scholarship funded by University of Parma (Ministerial funds)	
1	Scholarship co-funded by Fondazione Cariparma	

Position with Scholarship LINKED TO SPECIFIC TOPICS (art. 6 of the Competition notice)		
N°	<i>Funding entity</i>	<i>BOUND RESEARCH TOPIC</i>
1	Scholarship partly financed with UNIVERSITY funds and co-financed by the Department of Humanities, Social Sciences and Cultural Industries	Welcoming minors into the community and providing guidance on educational and life projects. A qualitative-quantitative study on representations, experiences and relationships

1	Scholarship co-financed with funds under the PNRR - Mission 4, Component 1, Inv. 4.1 (Ministerial Decree 629/2024 art. 9 "Public Administration") CUP D92J24000170006	Vertical educational continuity 0-10 years and developmental trajectories
		
1	Scholarship co-financed with funds under the PNRR - Mission 4 component 2 (Ministerial Decree 630/2024) and co-financed by the Company TICE Cooperativa Sociale CUP D92J24000280004	Neurodivergent voices: representations and stereotypes about neurodivergence
		

ADMISSION PROCEDURES

Assessment of QUALIFICATIONS: up to 60 points
(a minimum score of 35 points shall be required to be admitted to the Oral Exam)
ORAL EXAM: up to 60 points
Minimum score for ELIGIBILITY: 70/120

ORAL EXAM PROGRAM

THE ORAL EXAM TAKES IN THE PRESENCE and with the possibility of carrying out the interview **REMOTELY** for candidates residing abroad or temporarily abroad for study / work reasons. To this end, candidates must submit **a motivated REQUEST** as per the model attached to the competition announcement).

The ORAL test involves the presentation and discussion of the research project by the candidate and is aimed at verifying the candidate's aptitude for scientific research and his general preparation on topics related to the research topics of the doctoral course.

Foreign Language
the fluency of which shall be assessed during the Oral Exam

ENGLISH

The evaluation of the knowledge of this language will be oral and will consist in reading and translating of a scientific text.

SCHEDULE OF THE ADMISSION EXAMS

ASSESSMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS	It is the candidate's responsibility to verify the outcome of the evaluation of qualifications, which can be consulted in their reserved area by connecting to the page http://unipr.esse3.cineca.it/Home.do in the days preceding the date of the Oral Exam	
ORAL EXAM	DATE	2 nd September 2024
	TIME	02:30 pm (Italian Time)
	PLACE	ROOM A POLO DIDATTICO Via del Prato – 43121 PARMA - ITALY

FURTHER INFORMATION	The choice of the Research Topic to be expressed in Annex A is not binding on the assignment of the research project, and it is intended to assess candidates skills during the admission exam. The PhD research topic will be assigned by the Academic Board.	
	THE INTERVIEW MAY BE HELD ALSO IN ENGLISH	For foreign candidates, the admission examinations may be held in English at the candidate's choice.

LIST OF QUALIFICATIONS TO BE SUBMITTED AND THEIR ASSESSMENT		
MANDATORY DOCUMENTS TO BE ATTACHED TO THE ON-LINE APPLICATION		
ANNEX A	(art. 3.2 of the Competition notice)	
Identification Document	Scanned Copy of a valid identity document with photo (i.e. identity card, passport)	
Curriculum Vitae et studiorum	No specific CV format is required (see art. 3.2 of the Competition notice)	
Abstract of degree thesis	Abstract of the second cycle master's degree thesis. Undergraduate applicants must submit the draft of the thesis approved by their supervisor (abstract/draft of the thesis: 10.000 characters including spaces)	
Academic Qualifications	<p>Certificates and academic transcript of records for both Bachelor' and Master' degrees containing the following details for each degree held: (art. 3.2 of the Competition notice):</p> <p>University that granted the degree - Type of degree (first cycle/second cycle/single cycle)</p> <p>Name of the degree program - Date of graduation - Final mark - List of exams and corresponding scores (academic transcript of records) - Translation into Italian or English (only for degrees issued in languages other than Italian or English).</p>	
Research Project	<p>The research project shall consist of a maximum of 2500 words, be written in Italian or in English, and it must be an original research project (inedited, unpublished, personally developed by the candidate) and be structured as follows: theoretical introduction, relevance of the problem, research design and methodology, expected results and discussion, essential bibliography (maximum 5 bibliographic entries)</p> <p>The Research Project <u>does not represent a constraint with respect to the following choice of the doctoral thesis</u>, that shall be defined together with the supervisor and approved by the Academic Board.</p>	
LIST OF EVALUABLE QUALIFICATIONS		
(only qualifications attested by a document drawn up in Italian or in English)		
Graduation mark	Score related to the final mark:	Up to 10 points
Or	Score related to the average of the exam marks:	
Average of the exam marks (if the candidate will attain the degree no later than 31 October 2024)		
Graduation thesis	Congruence with the research topics of the PhD course and quality of the research methodology	Up to 5 points

Research Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Scientific value and internal consistency (aspects that will be considered: validity of the theoretical formulation, relevance of the problem faced, clarity of the objectives and appropriateness of the methodology, consistency of the expected results and relative discussion): 20 points ○ Formal and grammatical aspects: 4 points ○ Congruence with the research themes of the PhD course: 4 points 	Up to 28 points
The candidate's Curriculum Vitae et Studiorum will be evaluated based on the following qualifications and scores:		
Scientific Publications	Articles on national and international journals, papers presented at conferences or symposia, book chapters etc	Up to 10 points
Other Academic qualifications	First or second level master's degree obtained in Italy and/or specialization degree in subjects consistent with the research topics of this PhD programme	Up to 5 points
Other experiences (training, work, research, teaching, etc.)	study or research experiences abroad, prizes, scholarships and research grants (documented)	Up to 2 points
EVALUATION ORAL EXAM		
Interview Program	Evaluation CRITERIA	POINTS
The ORAL EXAM focuses on the knowledge of the English language, on the discussion of the research project, on the knowledge related to the research themes of the PhD programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ knowledge of foreign languages (English): 10 points ○ discussion and argumentation of the projec: 35 points ○ knowledge on at least one of the themes of the PhD programme and motivations for scientific research : 15 points 	Up to 60 points