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Annex 1

PUBLIC COMPETITION NOTICE FOR ADMISSION TO THE PHD PROGRAM IN

“DIGITAL HUMANITIES – 39th CYCLE”

*(Pursuant to Art. 10 of Ministerial Decree No. 226/2021
using the resources allocated by Ministerial Decree No. 118/2023
Rector's Decree No. 254 of 10/08/2023)*



ART. 1

Establishment and Announcement of the Competition Notice

1. The 39th cycle of the PhD Program in “Digital Humanities” is hereby established, administratively based at Pegaso Online University, with a duration of three years.
2. The PhD Program in “Digital Humanities” – 39th cycle – will begin on December 1, 2023, and will end on November 30 of the third year, unless otherwise indicated by the Ministry of University and Research (MUR) and ANVUR.
3. As provided by Ministerial Decree No. 118 of March 2, 2023, through the activation of PhD programs on defined topics, the MUR aims to promote interdisciplinarity, participation in international networks, and cross-sectoral collaboration as outlined in the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (PNRR). PhD scholarships are awarded within the thematic areas specified in the aforementioned decree and in compliance with the eligibility criteria set out in Art. 7 of Ministerial Decree No. 118 of March 2, 2023. The PhD Program described herein involves the participation of companies in defining the training path, with mandatory study and research periods in a company, ranging from a minimum of 6 months to a maximum of 18 months, for scholarships funded under Ministerial Decree 118/2023. The companies involved in defining the training project co-finance 50% of the scholarship amount set at the ministerial level under this decree. For each thematic area, a mandatory study and research period abroad of 6 to 18 months at partner foreign institutions is required.
4. For the PhD Program referred to in paragraph 1, a specific descriptive sheet (Annex 1.A) is attached to this notice, which forms an integral part of it and specifies:
 - the administrative headquarters of the PhD Program;
 - the total number of available positions and their types;
 - the number and type of scholarships;
 - the procedures for the admission examinations;
 - the University web page dedicated to the PhD Program, referred to in paragraph 1 above, where all useful information regarding the training program, the competition schedule, and any notifications for candidates can be found.
5. The number of positions and scholarships specified in the descriptive sheet (Annex 1.A) attached to this notice may be increased following any additional financial resources from the University, regional and/or national and/or European and/or international sources. Each funding opportunity will be duly publicized on the University website at the link: <https://www.unipegaso.it/ricerca-scientifica/dottorati-di-ricerca>.
6. The number of scholarships may also be increased through funding from public and/or private entities, provided that the related agreement is signed no later than the application deadline for the competition. In such cases, these funds will increase only the number of scholarships and will not affect the total number of positions planned for each PhD Program under this notice.
7. The University reserves the right to revoke this competition notice, suspend or postpone the admission examinations, suspend or not proceed with the admission of winners, or suspend or not award all the scholarships provided for under this notice, for reasons that cannot



- currently be assessed or foreseen. In particular, the University reserves the right not to award scholarships or to suspend their disbursement if unforeseen circumstances arise that result in the termination of external public or private funding.
8. This notice, drafted in Italian and translated into English, is published electronically on the official website of Pegaso Online University at the link: <https://www.unipegaso.it/ricerca-scientifica/dottorati-di-ricerca>.
 9. The notice will also be published on the Euraxess website and on the website of the Ministry of University and Research.
 10. Any amendments will be announced exclusively through publication on the aforementioned official University website.

ART. 2 Admission Requirements

1. Applications for admission to the PhD Program referred to in Art. 1, paragraph 1 of this notice may be submitted, without any age or citizenship restrictions, by individuals holding one of the following qualifications:
 - Master's Degree awarded pursuant to Ministerial Decree 270/2004;
 - Specialized Degree awarded pursuant to Ministerial Decree 509/1999;
 - Degree obtained under the academic regulations in force prior to Ministerial Decree 509/1999, provided the legal duration of the program was at least four years;
 - An academic qualification equivalent to an Italian degree of at least four years, obtained at a foreign university.
2. Candidates who will obtain the qualification required for admission no later than **October 31, 2023**, may also submit an application, provided that at the time of submitting their application they have only the final degree examination outstanding, and that they commit to certifying the attainment of the qualification at the time of enrollment, under penalty of forfeiture. For these candidates, participation in the competition will be based on the weighted average of the grades obtained in the exams taken and the thesis currently being deposited.
3. All candidates are admitted to the competition procedure with reservation, pending verification of the self-declared statements pursuant to Presidential Decree No. 445/2000 and subsequent amendments.
4. The University may, at any stage of the procedure, even after the start of the PhD Program, verify the authenticity of the submitted declarations and request the presentation of original documents. The Rector may, at any time, by a reasoned decision, exclude candidates from the competition procedure or revoke admission to the PhD Program, should the requirements set forth in this notice not be met, without prejudice to criminal liability for false statements. Such decision will be communicated to the candidate at the PEC (certified email) address used for submitting the application.



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ART. 3

Academic Qualifications Obtained Abroad

1. Candidates holding a foreign academic qualification (equivalent to a specialized/master's degree or pre-reform Italian degree) may submit an application for admission by attaching their academic qualifications, accompanied by a translation in Italian or English. Such candidates are admitted to the competition with reservation and will be excluded from the competition – or, in the event of passing it, from the PhD Program they are enrolled in – if, upon verification, it is found that the qualification does not meet the requirements set forth in this notice and therefore does not allow enrollment in the PhD Program.
2. The foreign academic qualification must be comparable in terms of duration, level, and field of study to an Italian second-level academic qualification. The eligibility of the foreign qualification is assessed by the admission committee in compliance with the legislation in force in Italy and in the country where the qualification was awarded, as well as with the Treaties or International Agreements on the recognition of qualifications for the continuation of studies.
3. Before the start of classes, the translated and legalized academic qualifications, accompanied by a “Declaration of Value in loco” issued by the competent Italian Diplomatic Representations in the country where the qualification was obtained, must be submitted to the University PhD Office together with the enrollment application. Alternatively, candidates may submit a certificate of comparability of the foreign qualification issued by the ENIC-NARIC center in Italy (CIMEA), containing all the information necessary for the evaluation of the qualification. For qualifications obtained in a European Union country, the Diploma Supplement is sufficient.

ART. 4

Application for Admission

1. The application for participation in the selection process must be submitted, under penalty of exclusion, no later than September 15, 2023, at 11:59 PM (Italian time), following the procedure described in paragraph 2 below.
2. The application must be sent exclusively to the email address ufficio.dottorati@pec.unipegaso.it, to which the documents listed in Article 5 below must be attached, exclusively in PDF format, with the subject line: **“Application for Admission – PhD Program in Digital Humanities”**.
The certified email address ufficio.dottorati@pec.unipegaso.it.
3. Applications that are incomplete or submitted in ways or within timeframes other than those indicated in this article and in Article 5 below will not be considered.
4. To avoid system congestion, it is recommended to complete the registration procedure well in advance of the deadline. The University assumes no responsibility if the applicant is unable



to complete the registration procedure due to unforeseen circumstances, force majeure, or events beyond the Administration's control.

ART. 5

Documents to Be Attached to the Application for Admission

1. In order to allow for the evaluation of qualifications, the candidate must attach the following documents to the application for participation (Annex 1.B), submitted in accordance with the deadlines and procedures described in Article 4 above:
 - Application for participation in the selection process (Annex 1.B), to be completed in Italian or English, containing:
 - a) full name, tax code, date and place of birth, residence or domicile, telephone number, e-mail address, nationality;
 - b) the PhD program for which the candidate is applying;
 - c) the academic degree held;
 - d) any disability status, accompanied by appropriate documentation indicating the relevant percentage;
 - e) a declaration of commitment to promptly notify the certified email address ufficio.dottorati@pec.unipegaso.it of any change of address, telephone number, or e-mail address;
 - f) a declaration acknowledging that the candidate has read and understood the contents of this call for applications.
 - Copy of a valid ID;
 - *Curriculum vitae et studiorum, dated and signed, including consent for the processing of personal data in accordance with current regulations;*
 - One of the following documents relating to the academic degree:
 - a) **for those who have obtained an “old system” degree, specialist degree, or master’s degree from an Italian university:**
degree certificate or self-declaration of certification (indicating the study plan, examinations taken with grades, and the final examination result with grade);
 - b) **for those who have obtained their degree from a foreign university:** degree certificate (indicating the study plan, examinations taken with grades, and the final examination result with grade) accompanied by a comparability statement issued by CIMEA or a Declaration of Value issued by the Italian Embassy or Consulate;
 - c) **for those enrolled in the final year of an “old system” degree, specialist degree, or master’s degree at an Italian university and who have not yet graduated at the time of application:**
certificate of enrollment in the final year of study, with examinations taken and corresponding grades;
 - d) **for those enrolled in a foreign university and who have not yet graduated at the time of application:**



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- certificate of enrollment in the final year of study, with examinations taken and corresponding grades;
- Research project related to the topic of the PhD Program, drafted according to the standard template attached to this call (Annex 1.C);
 - List of any publications with their abstracts;
 - Any documents certifying knowledge of the foreign language indicated in the information sheet of the selected PhD program, as well as any additional language or computer skills;
 - Any documents relating to additional educational qualifications;
 - Optional reference letter from a university professor meeting ASN commission criteria or from a qualified international researcher;
 - List, on plain paper, of all documents submitted with the application.
2. All documents must be provided in Italian or English. Any document in a language other than Italian or English must be accompanied by a legalized translation into Italian or English, otherwise it will not be evaluated.
 3. Candidates bear full and exclusive responsibility for the accuracy of the information provided in the application for participation and in the attached documents. The Administration reserves the right to carry out checks and verifications as required by current regulations and may, with proper justification, at any time, adopt measures to exclude candidates who fail to comply with the provisions of this call or who do not meet the requirements therein.

ART. 6

Admission Tests and Evaluated Qualifications

1. The admission test for the PhD Program is intended to assess the candidate's aptitude for scientific research. The candidate must also demonstrate a good knowledge of the foreign language specified in the PhD Program information sheet attached to this call (Annex 1.A).
2. The selection procedure includes an **evaluation of qualifications**, which necessarily involves the submission of a research project, and an **oral examination**.
3. The aforementioned **research project** must include:
 - Project title;
 - Project objectives and its connection with the scope of the PhD Program;
 - Methodology and expected results;
 - Degree of feasibility;
 - Essential bibliography, up to a maximum of 12 titles.
4. The submitted research project will not constitute a binding work plan in the event of admission to the PhD Program.
5. The **competition schedule will be published on the University website indicated** in the PhD Program Information Sheet (Annex 1.A) by the Chair of the Examination Committee.
6. The publication of this call, the information contained in the Program Sheet (Annex 1.A), and the competition schedule constitutes official notification for all legal purposes. Therefore, candidates who have not been notified of exclusion must take the examination, without any



further notice, according to the indicated schedule.

7. Any changes to the date and time of the selection tests will be published on the same University website indicated in the PhD Program Information Sheet (Annex 1.A).
8. The Examination Committee, as set out in Article 7 below, has **120 points** available for candidate evaluation, divided as follows:

TITLES **Max 40 points**

RESEARCH PROJECT **Max 20 points**

ORAL EXAMINATION **Max 60 points**

The minimum score required to access the oral examination is **30 points**.

9. For the **evaluation of qualifications**, without prejudice to the autonomy of the Examination Committee, the following documents may be assessed:
 - a) **Degree** consistent with the topics addressed in the PhD Program **Max 10 points**
(or, for graduating students only, valid certificate of enrollment)
 - b) **Degree grade** **Max 10 points**
(or, for graduating students only, the weighted average grade of the exams taken)
 - c) **Monographs and publications in peer-reviewed journals or series** **Max 10 points**
(already published or with publisher's statement of acceptance and forthcoming publication)
 - d) **Post-graduate qualifications** (specialization diploma, advanced training courses, master's degrees of at least one year issued by Universities or qualified research institutions) **Max 4 points**
 - e) **Any professional and research experience** **Max 4 points**
(research fellowships, periods of study and research abroad – including Erasmus –, awards from national and international scientific societies)
 - f) **Other documents considered relevant** **Max 2 points**
(participation in research activities, reference letter from a university professor meeting ASN commission criteria or from a qualified international researcher, appointment as subject expert, language certificate)
 - g) **Research project** **Max 20 points**



(prepared according to the instructions in paragraph 3 above)

For those graduating by **October 31, 2023**, the weighted average grade (replacing the final degree grade referred to in point b) must be calculated as follows:

- multiply each exam grade by the corresponding number of credits (with “30 cum laude” considered as 30);
- sum all the obtained products;
- divide the result by the sum of the credits of graded exams;
- multiply the resulting average by 110 and divide by 30 (thus obtaining the score out of 110).

The weighted average is not required for students graduating from foreign universities.

10. For the **evaluation of the oral examination**, without prejudice to the autonomy of the Admission Committee, the following criteria are applied:

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| a) <i>Clarity of presentation</i> | Max 10 points |
| b) <i>Ability to summarize</i> | Max 10 points |
| c) <i>Critical thinking and adequate knowledge of the topics related to the submitted qualifications</i> | Max 15 points |
| d) <i>Ability to conduct part of the interview in the foreign language indicated in the PhD Program Information Sheet (Annex 1.A)</i> | Max 5 points |
| e) <i>Ability to answer in-depth questions on the submitted research project</i> | Max 20 points |

11. The oral examination is considered passed if the candidate obtains a minimum overall score of **40 points out of 60**.

ART. 7

Examining Committee and Related Tasks

1. For admission to the PhD Program covered by this call, an Examination Committee will be appointed by Rector's Decree, composed in accordance with Article 14 of the Regulations on Doctoral Research Programs referred to in the preamble.
2. The aforementioned Rector's Decree appointing the Committee will be published on the University website at the following link: <https://www.unipegaso.it/ricerca-scientifica/dottorati-di-ricerca>.
3. The Examination Committee will be responsible, among other things, for defining:
 - the competition schedule, to be published on the University website;



- the methods for conducting the examination (via videoconference or in person);
- the results of the evaluation of qualifications and the research project, which must be published at least 5 working days prior to the oral examination;

The minutes relating to the evaluation of qualifications, publications, and the oral examination will be published on the University website as indicated in the PhD Program Information Sheet (Annex 1.A).

Candidates will not receive any individual notification or invitation regarding the examinations.

4. At the end of the examination process, the Examination Committee will draw up the general merit ranking for the PhD Program on the basis of the scores obtained by the candidates. Candidates will be admitted to the Program in order of ranking until all available places have been filled.

ART. 8

Approval of the General Merit Ranking

1. The general merit ranking, drawn up in descending order according to the total score obtained by each candidate, will be approved by Rector's Decree. In the event of a tie between two or more candidates, preference will be given to the youngest candidate.
2. The aforementioned ranking list for admission to the PhD Program in Digital Humanities (XXXIX cycle) will be approved by Rector's Decree and published on the University website by the same deadline, at the following link <https://www.unipegaso.it/ricerca-scientifica/dottorati-di-ricerca>.
3. Publication of the ranking will serve as official notification to all interested parties; **therefore, no personal communications will be sent to candidates.**
4. Successful candidates will choose, among the different types of available positions, in order of their ranking and based on the highest score obtained — that is, candidates placed higher in the general merit ranking will have priority in selecting among the available positions.

ART. 9

Enrollment in the PhD Program

1. Admitted candidates will not receive any written communication.
2. **Successful candidates**, whether with or without a scholarship, must submit their enrollment application and provide the required declarations within the mandatory deadline indicated at the time of publication of the ranking list, and exclusively according to the procedures published **on the University website** at the following link <https://www.unipegaso.it/ricerca-scientifica/dottorati-di-ricerca>.



3. **Candidates who fail to complete the procedure within the deadline will forfeit their right to admission**, and the vacant positions will be assigned to candidates who are next in order in the general merit ranking.
4. Winners who have obtained their degree by October 31, 2023 must self-certify their graduation by the date set for enrollment, otherwise they will lose the right to enroll.
5. **Eligible but non-admitted candidates are invited to consult the PhD Program webpage** indicated in the Information Sheet (Annex 1.A) to obtain updates regarding any possible re-ranking or reassignment of available positions.

ART. 10 Scholarships

1. Candidates are admitted to the PhD Program in the order of the ranking list, according to the procedures defined in Article 9 above.
2. Scholarships, which may be funded by multiple sources, have a total duration of at least three years. They are awarded, for the entire duration of the program, to enrolled PhD students according to the order defined in the general merit ranking and are renewed annually, subject to a positive assessment of the completion of the activities scheduled for each year. Renewal procedures are established by the Academic Board and codified in the program's regulations. If the scholarship is not renewed, or if the doctoral candidate renounces it, the unused amount is reinvested by the University to fund other doctoral scholarships.
3. The scholarship amount for the academic year 2023/2024 is €16,243.00 gross of social security charges payable by the recipient and is disbursed in monthly installments.
4. **Scholarships funded or co-funded by external public and/or private research bodies, pursuant to agreement, will be disbursed to beneficiaries only after the actual receipt of the related funds by Pegaso Online University.**
5. The scholarship is increased by 50% for a total period of up to six months to carry out research activities abroad authorized by the Academic Board. This period may be extended up to a maximum of 18 months in accordance with Article 9, paragraph 3, of Ministerial Decree 226/2021.
6. In addition to the scholarship, each doctoral candidate is provided with a budget equal to 10% of the scholarship amount for each year of the program, to support research and training activities both in Italy and abroad. This budget is also guaranteed for doctoral candidates without a scholarship and is allocated at the start of the courses.
7. The number of scholarships is six (6), distributed as follows:
 - a) N. 4 scholarships funded under MUR Decree No. 118 of March 2, 2023;
 - b) N. 1 scholarship funded under MUR Decree No. 117 of March 2, 2023;
 - c) N. 1 scholarship funded by a Partner Institution.
8. The number of places without scholarship is two (2), and this number cannot be increased.
9. Doctoral candidates are authorized by the coordinator, subject to Academic Board approval, to incur the following expenses:



- a) travel within Italy and abroad, conference and seminar registration fees, etc.;
- b) consumable materials for research in which the doctoral candidates are involved (e.g., chemical reagents, electrical and electronic material, stationery, etc.);
- c) equipment (e.g., hardware, software, scientific instruments). These items must be inventoried and will remain the property of the University at the end of the PhD cycle. Personal items (e.g., smartphones, tablets, etc.) may not be purchased under any circumstances;
- d) publication costs;
- e) research-related training (e.g., language courses, advanced training programs, etc.);
- f) events in which the doctoral candidates are directly involved (e.g., PhDay);
- g) if unused funds are available, the Academic Board may authorize their use to cover travel expenses of foreign committee members for thesis defenses that include the conferral of an additional foreign title (e.g., Doctor Europaeus).

Doctoral candidates authorized to conduct research stays abroad, during which they receive the scholarship increase, are also entitled to reimbursement for travel expenses, to encourage international mobility.

- 10. The PhD scholarship is subject to INPS social security contributions (separate management) pursuant to Article 2, paragraph 26, of Law No. 335 of August 8, 1995, with two-thirds payable by the University and one-third by the scholarship holder. Doctoral candidates benefit from the related protections and rights.
- 11. Those who have already received a scholarship for a PhD program may not receive one again.
- 12. Scholarships may not be combined with other scholarships granted for any reason, except for those awarded by national or foreign institutions to supplement the doctoral candidate's training or research with stays abroad. Scholarships for PhD attendance are compatible with Erasmus scholarships.

ART. 11

Fee for Admission and Attendance to the PhD Program

- 1. **By the deadline set for enrollment**, successful candidates — both Italian and international, with or without a scholarship — must pay a service fee of **€50.00** plus the additional tuition contribution of **€282.00** for the academic year 2023/2024 and for subsequent academic years.
- 2. The annual fee for admission and attendance for those not receiving a scholarship is **€2,000.00**, plus the service fee and the additional contribution referred to in the previous paragraph. The amount is payable in four installments as follows:
 - First installment due at the time of enrollment (€ 500,00);
 - Second installment due by May 31 (€ 500,00);
 - Third installment due by June 30 (€ 500,00);
 - Fourth installment due by July 31 (€ 500,00).



ART. 12

Obligations and Rights of PhD Candidates

1. The PhD Program requires full-time and exclusive commitment, without prejudice to the provisions of Article 12, paragraph 4, and Article 10, paragraph 2, letter b) of Ministerial Decree 226/2021.
2. Doctoral candidates, with or without a scholarship, are required to:
 - dedicate themselves exclusively to the training program established by the Academic Board;
 - attend all scheduled courses and training activities diligently;
 - participate in the common courses within the PhD Program;
 - present oral or written reports on the activities and research carried out;
 - keep personal activity logs as described in paragraph 4 below;
 - comply with all decisions of the Academic Board and with the specific provisions related to funding covering the scholarship;
 - prepare a doctoral thesis at the end of the program, including original contributions.
3. Doctoral candidates' activities must be recorded in specific personal logs and include: coursework, research activities, individual study, bibliographic and archival research, progress assessments, participation in seminars, courses, and conferences, activities carried out in facilities outside the University (other universities, research institutes, companies), in Italy and abroad, any supplementary teaching and tutoring activities, and anything else decided by the Academic Board aimed at completing the training program. Carrying out doctoral research activities at private institutions or facilities without authorization from the Academic Board is strictly prohibited. Violation of this rule will result in expulsion from the PhD Program.
4. The truthfulness of the various activities carried out by the doctoral candidates is certified by the program coordinator, based on information provided by the supervisor and any co-supervisors.
5. At the end of each academic year, the Academic Board, on the basis of a detailed report on the activities and research carried out by each doctoral candidate, decides on admission to the following year or proposes to the Rector the exclusion from continuation in the program.
6. Doctoral candidates may request from the Academic Board, for justified reasons, an extension of the deadline for submitting their thesis, for a maximum period of twelve months, with no additional financial burden.
7. The Academic Board may decide to extend the duration of the PhD Program for a period not exceeding twelve months, for justified scientific reasons, including, among others, requirements related to joint supervision programs lasting more than three years or to proven needs for increased scientific productivity (e.g., submission or outcome of a patent application, or extension of a nationally or internationally significant research project). In cases of extension, a corresponding extension of the scholarship must be guaranteed, funded from the University budget; therefore, the Academic Board's reasoned proposal will be submitted to the Board of Directors for financial verification. Beneficiary doctoral candidates must comply



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- with all decisions of the Academic Board regarding the extended training program, including coursework obligations.
8. Doctoral candidates may request suspension of the program, for justified reasons under current regulations, such as maternity, serious illness, or national service, for a maximum of six months. No scholarship or equivalent financial support is paid during the suspension period.
 9. The Academic Board, following notification from the program coordinator, records the suspension. A suspension exceeding thirty days for one of the reasons listed in paragraph 8 requires that the doctoral candidate make up the entire period of interruption; therefore, the total duration of the program will be extended by the corresponding suspension period.
 10. The periods of extension and suspension referred to in paragraphs 6, 7, and 8 of this article may not exceed a total of eighteen months, unless otherwise specifically provided for by law.
 11. Doctoral candidates retain access to student support measures as per Legislative Decree of March 29, 2012, No. 68.
 12. Without prejudice to the application of the parental protection provisions set forth by the Minister of Labor and Social Welfare Decree of July 12, 2007 (published in the Official Gazette of October 23, 2007, No. 247), doctoral candidates on parental leave retain the right to the scholarship, which will be paid after the suspension period, upon resumption of attendance, until the full duration of the scholarship is completed.
 13. The program coordinator must promptly notify the competent office of any interruption of the doctoral candidate's activities for the relevant administrative measures.
 14. Doctoral candidates may be authorized by the Academic Board to undertake paid activities that provide skills related to the PhD training area, subject to verification of their compatibility with the proper completion of the program's educational and research activities. In such cases, the maximum income that the doctoral candidate may receive, while remaining compatible with the scholarship, is equal to the amount of the scholarship itself.
 15. For each doctoral candidate, the Academic Board generally requires research and training activities consistent with the PhD project to be carried out at highly qualified institutions abroad for a total period not exceeding twelve months. This period may be extended up to eighteen months for PhD programs with international joint supervision agreements or for aggregated programs activated pursuant to Article 3, paragraph 2, of Ministerial Decree 226/2021. In planning training activities abroad, the Academic Board may take into account the proposal of the supervisor and co-supervisors, who must submit the program of activities, project title, and invitation letter from the foreign supervisor. For periods abroad, the scholarship is increased by 50%.
 16. Doctoral candidates must maintain confidentiality regarding research activities carried out at external institutions.
 17. Doctoral candidates without a scholarship may receive a research grant, provided that the topic is deemed by the Academic Board to be consistent with the PhD themes.
 18. Doctoral candidates are also required to register on the Ministry of Education's "Login MIUR" platform to be listed as part of the University's research potential.
 19. As an integral part of their training program, doctoral candidates may, with the approval of



the Academic Board and without any increase in the scholarship:

- perform tutoring activities, including paid, for bachelor's and master's students;
- perform supplementary teaching activities, within the limit of 40 hours per academic year.

For these activities, doctoral candidates receive the allowances referred to in Article 1, paragraph 1, letter b) of Decree-Law of May 9, 2003, No. 105, converted with amendments by Law of July 11, 2003, No. 170. These activities must be recorded in the personal logs. Any other teaching activities are strictly prohibited, and the program coordinator is responsible for ensuring compliance with this rule.

20. All administrative information concerning doctoral candidates, as well as their career details, will be published on the website at <https://www.unipegaso.it/ricerca-scientifica/dottorati-di-ricerca>.
21. This publication replaces any other form of communication, and therefore successful candidates must check the aforementioned website regularly for updates.

ART. 13

Final Examination and Degree Conferral

1. The title of Doctor of Philosophy (abbreviated as “Dott.Ric.” or “Ph.D.”) is awarded following the positive evaluation of a research thesis that contributes to the advancement of knowledge or methodologies in the chosen field of study. The doctoral thesis must be written in Italian or English; it may be written in another foreign language, subject to authorization by the Academic Board.
2. The thesis must be defended at the conclusion of the PhD Program, after admission to the final examination by the “evaluators.” The defense may be postponed for up to 6 months, if requested by the “evaluators,” in cases where they consider substantial revisions or additions to the thesis necessary.
3. Doctoral candidates must comply with the University Regulations on PhD Programs regarding the procedures and deadlines for thesis submission.
4. The title of Doctor of Philosophy is conferred by the Rector.

ART. 14

Personal Data Processing

1. In compliance with European Regulation (EU) No. 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016, concerning the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and the free movement of such data, which repeals Directive 95/46/EC and entered into force on 25 May 2018, the personal data provided by



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candidates will be collected by the University's Academic Staff Management Service and processed for the purposes of managing the selection procedure and any subsequent hiring process.

2. The provision of such data is mandatory for the assessment of eligibility requirements; failure to provide them will result in exclusion from the procedure.
3. A specific privacy notice regarding data processing (Annex 1.E) is attached to this announcement.

ART. 15 **Responsible for the Procedure**

1. The Procedure Manager is the Director General, Dr. David Vannozzi.
2. The organizational unit responsible for the competition procedure is the Office for Calls and Competitions, Centro Direzionale Isola F/2 - Naples - 80143; e-mail: ufficio.dottorati@unipegaso.it.

ART. 16 **Reference**

1. For any matters not covered by this announcement, reference is made to the University Regulations on PhD Programs cited in the preamble, available on the University website at: <https://www.unipegaso.it/ricerca-scientifica/dottorati-di-ricerca>.

The Rector
Signed Prof. Pierpaolo Limone

ATTACHED DOCUMENTS:

- Annex 1.A - PhD Program Information Sheet - "*Digital Humanities*"
- Annex 1.B - Application Form for Participation in the Selection
- Annex 1.C - Standard Template for the Research Project



- Annex 1.D - Substitute Declaration of Certification and Affidavit (pursuant to Presidential Decree of 28 December 2000 No. 445)
- Annex 1.E - Privacy Policy on Data Processing