

**Ph.D. Schools of “Sapienza” University of Rome
Call for Applications to Fellowships and Admission
of Foreign Nationals Educated Abroad
*Academic Year 2014-2015***

1. Announcement

“Sapienza” University of Rome offers 19 three-year-full-time postgraduate PhD positions with fellowship for attaining the degree of “*Dottore di Ricerca*” (PhD) in the Doctoral Schools listed in appendix.

Each fellowship amounts to **€ 19.800,00** per year; this amount includes national insurance contributions (INPS) that fellowship recipients are required to pay.

The fellowship does not cover the annual entrance fee (about 30,00 euros) and does not increase for research periods spent abroad.

The PhD Programme lasts three years. At the end of the first and second years of attendance, students will be evaluated as proficient according to the rules of the Schools.

2. Admission Requirements

Applications are open to candidates who:

- Are not Italian citizens;
- Are not residents in Italy¹;
- Have obtained an academic qualification by a non-Italian institution that satisfies the entrance requirements for admission to the Doctoral Programme. Specifically, perspective students must hold a degree equivalent to the Italian *diploma di laurea/laurea specialistica/laurea magistrale*, or expect to obtain it before **31 July 2014**. The Academic Board of the Schools will check that each applicant's qualifications are equivalent to the relevant Italian degree (for the sole purpose of this competition).

3. Selection and admissions

¹ Legal residency (domicile)



Applications will be evaluated on the basis of the documents listed in 5.2.

- Successful applicants will be assigned to a Doctoral School.
- Each Doctoral School will decide which Programme (of those belonging to each School, see *enclosure*) to enrol the candidate on the basis of the: i) specific program to which priorities are given on different years; ii) applicant's preferences and interests.

4. Attainment of PhD

Students must attend the courses and seminars offered by their Programme, pass the related examinations and prepare a PhD dissertation, which must have original results.

The PhD title is obtained at the end of the third year after the candidate's dissertation is complete and is positively evaluated by an independent jury appointed by the Rector. The discussion may be delayed with the approval of the School authorities, but not for more than six months.

5. Applications and Deadline

To submit the application candidates should:

5.1 Sign in with a valid email address to <http://phd.uniroma1.it/fellowship>

5.2 Complete the application form and provide the following documents:

- A photocopy of their identity card or passport;
- *Curriculum vitae et studiorum*;
- A copy of the degree certificate and list of exams with marks;
- A report on any research carried out by the candidate;
- A list of publications;
- A brief statement explaining his/her Doctoral School choice and the candidate's scientific interests;
- Two letters of recommendation by university professors or eminent



researchers/experts of equivalent status.

- Once signed in, candidates can complete the application form in more than one step. When all the requested fields are filled and all required documents are uploaded, candidates can finally submit the form. After submission NO further modification to the form will be possible.
- All documents must be written in English and uploaded in PDF format. Maximum size for each document is 5 MB (5120 KBytes). The maximum size for each document is 5 MB (5120 KBytes). No other format will be accepted.

The deadline for submission of the application and the supporting documents above listed is 10 June 2014.

The University may exclude at any time candidates lacking admission requirements.

6. General Rules

Doctorate fellowships are incompatible with any other fellowship granted by Italian or International Institutions. Fellowships cannot be awarded to candidates who have already benefited (either entirely or partially) from a similar grant provided by an Italian or International Institution to attend a PhD Course.

7. Operational Indications

The list of winners, and of those who may be considered as eligible if places become free, will be published on the official web-site:

<http://www.uniroma1.it/didattica/offerta-formativa/dottorati>

within **15 July 2014**.

Successful applicants will find the indication of the deadline for accepting the fellowship on the above-mentioned winners list.

Further instructions to complete the enrolment for the academic year 2014/2015 will



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be e-mailed only to the winners.

Upon the award of the fellowships, formal certificates of the candidate's declared academic qualifications and transcripts of the academic curriculum should be sent by email **no later than 20 September 2014**, and should be delivered to the PhD Office by **31 October 2014** for enrolment

Rome, 29 April 2014

THE RECTOR

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