



**PhD Programme in  
RESEARCH METHODS IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
A.A. 2024/2025 – XL Ciclo**

Administrative Department	DEPARTMENT OF PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES	
Coordinator	Prof. Luca LANCI	
Duration of the programme	3 years	
Available positions (total n. 10)	Scholarships funded by the University, 2 of which are reserved for candidates with qualifications obtained abroad (Candidates who intend to apply for positions with scholarships reserved for those who obtained their qualification abroad must specify that in the online procedure)	n. 9
	Positions without scholarship	n. 1
Topics covered in the interview	BIO/07 CHIM/01 CHIM/03 CHIM/06 CHIM/08 CHIM/09 FIS/01 GEO/01 GEO/02 GEO/05 GEO/07 GEO/09 GEO/10 INF/01 ING-INF/05 M-Fil/02 MAT/05	
How to apply	The application must be submitted exclusively via the online procedure available at: <a href="https://pica.cineca.it/uniurb/dottorato40">https://pica.cineca.it/uniurb/dottorato40</a> <b>by and no later than June 25th, 2024, h 1:00 p.m. (Italian time).</b> The documents must be attached in PDF format (max 30 MB). The submission of the application and documentation to the University occurs automatically upon the definitive closure of the online procedure. Therefore, no delivery or shipping of paper materials to the Offices should be made."	
	Curriculum vitae et studiorum (form available at the following address: <a href="https://www.uniurb.it/international/regular-students/phd-programs/admission-information">https://www.uniurb.it/international/regular-students/phd-programs/admission-information</a> Scientific Publications Master's Thesis Other Titles	



Compulsory documentation to be attached to the application	<p>The research project must be relevant to the research lines of the Doctoral course; it must contain a maximum of 10000 characters with bibliographic references in addition and can be drafted in either Italian or English. The project should be articulated in: state of the art; project description; expected results; project structure; results to be achieved; bibliography. (form available at the following link: <a href="https://www.uniurb.it/international/regular-students/phd-programs/admission-information">https://www.uniurb.it/international/regular-students/phd-programs/admission-information</a> ).</p> <p>The research project will be examined through the University's software for plagiarism detection</p>
Selection mode	<p>Preselection for evaluation of qualifications Oral exam (by video conference)</p>
Criteria for the evaluation of qualifications and oral exam	<p>Evaluation points for qualifications: maximum <b>20 Points</b> Oral examination: maximum <b>60 Points</b> (including the research project and knowledge of the English language)</p> <p>For the evaluation of the discussion, the following aspects will be considered: clarity and coherence in presentation, argumentative ability, theoretical and methodological knowledge within the proposed research project, consistency of study interests and research objectives with the themes of the doctoral program, and motivational aspects will also be considered.</p> <p><b>Minimum final score: 60/80</b></p>
Publication of the results of the evaluation of qualifications	<p>The results of the evaluation of the qualifications will be published on July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024 in the Official Documentation section of the website: <a href="https://www.uniurb.it/research-methods-in-science-and-technology">https://www.uniurb.it/research-methods-in-science-and-technology</a></p>
Information on the oral exam	<p>Oral examination: it will be conducted in English and will mainly focus on a research project related to the theme chosen by the candidate and on the research objectives that the candidates intend to pursue during the doctoral program. The project should describe a possible research activity to be carried out during the doctoral program.</p>
Oral exam calendar	<p>The interviews for those admitted to the oral examination will take place starting from the day July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 9:00 am (Italian time) via video conference. In the event that the number of candidates to be examined is high, the commission reserves the right to complete the interviews on the following day. Any changes will be published on the doctoral program's web page <a href="https://www.uniurb.it/research-methods-in-science-and-technology">https://www.uniurb.it/research-methods-in-science-and-technology</a></p>
Oral exam link	<p>The link to the Zoom platform for the oral exam will be indicated in the "Oral exam calendar /Calendar of interviews" file at <a href="https://www.uniurb.it/research-methods-in-science-and-technology">https://www.uniurb.it/research-methods-in-science-and-technology</a></p>
Final merit ranking	<p>The final merit ranking will be published at the following link: <a href="https://www.uniurb.it/research-methods-in-science-and-technology">https://www.uniurb.it/research-methods-in-science-and-technology</a></p>
Information on the activities of the Ph.D. Programme	<p><a href="https://www.uniurb.it/research-methods-in-science-and-technology">https://www.uniurb.it/research-methods-in-science-and-technology</a></p>
For information requests regarding scientific aspects of the Programme	<p>Contact: prof. Luca LANCI mail: <a href="mailto:luca.lanci@uniurb.it">luca.lanci@uniurb.it</a></p>
For information requests regarding administrative aspects and support with the online application procedure	<p>Ph.D. Office: <a href="mailto:dottorato@uniurb.it">dottorato@uniurb.it</a> Please indicate "Ph.D. in Research Methods in Science and Technology XL cycle" in the email subject, a.a. 2024/2025</p>