

ANNEX A

PhD Programme in RESEARCH METHODS IN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Academic Year 2025/2026 – Cycle 41			
Administrative Department	Department of Pure and Applied Sciences		
Coordinator	Professor 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 with a foreign qualification automatically compete for both reserved and open scholarships)	n. 9	
	Positions without scholarship	n. 1	
Reference Academic Disciplines	BIO/07 (BIOS-05/A) CHIM/01 (CHEM-01/A) CHIM/03 (CHEM-03/A) CHIM/06 (CHEM-05/A) CHIM/08 (CHEM-07/A) CHIM/09 (CHEM-08/A) FIS/01 (PHYS-01/A) GEO/01 (GEOS-02/A) GEO/02 (GEOS-02/B) GEO/05 (GEOS-03/B)) GEO/07 (GEOS-01/B) GEO/08 (GEOS-01/C) GEO/09 (GEOS-01/D) GEO/10 (GEOS-04/A) INF/01 (INFO-01/A) ING-INF/05 (IINF-05/A) M-FiI/02 (PHIL-02/A) MAT/05 (MATH-03/A)		
How to apply	The application must be submitted exclusively via the online procedure available at: https://pica.cineca.it/uniurb/dottorato41/ by and no later than 10 June 10, 2025, h 13:00 (Italian time). The documents must be in open 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 printed documents or papers should be shipped or delivered to the university's offices.		



	Curriculum vitae et studiorum in Europass format	
	Scientific Publications (including master's thesis or abstract thereof in the case of undergraduates)	
Compulsory documentation to be attached to the application	Research project The research project must be relevant to the research lines of the PhD programme; 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: https://www.uniurb.it/international/regular-students/phd-programs/admission-information). The research project will be examined through the University's software for plagiarism detection	
	Other Titles	
Selection procedure	Evaluation of qualifications Interview (online, via videoconference)	
Criteria for the evaluation of qualifications and of the oral exam (interview)	Points for the evaluation of qualifications : maximum 20 points , distributed as follows - Curriculum vitae et studiorum: maximum 5 points - Scientific publications: maximum 5 points - Research project: maximum 5 points - Other titles: maximum 5 points A minimum score of 10 points is required in the evaluation of qualifications for	
	admission to the interview: minimum 40 - maximum 60 points (including research project and an assessment of the candidate's knowledge of the English language). During the interview the following aspects will be assessed: clarity and linearity of exposition, argumentative capacity, theoretical and methodological knowledge in the context of the proposed research project, congruence of study interests and research objectives with the research themes of the doctoral programme and motivational aspects will also be considered.	
Publication of the results of the evaluation of qualifications	The results of the evaluation of the qualifications will be published on 19 June, 2025 on the following page: https://www.uniurb.it/research-methods-in-science-and-technology	
Information on the oral exam	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 candidate intends to pursue during the doctoral program. The project should describe a possible research activity to be carried out during the doctoral program.	
Oral exam calendar	The interviews for those admitted to the oral examination will take place starting from the day 23 June, 2025 at 9:30 am (Italian time) via videoconference. If the number of candidates to be examined is high, the commission reserves the right to complete the interviews the following day. Any changes will be published on the doctoral program's web page: https://www.uniurb.it/research-methods-in-science-and-technology	



Oral exam link	The link to the Zoom platform for the oral exam will be indicated in the "Oral exam calendar /Calendar of interviews" file at https://www.uniurb.it/research-methods-in-science-and-technology	
Final merit ranking	The final merit ranking "Graduatoria finale / Final merit ranking" will be published at the following link: https://www.uniurb.it/research-methods-in-science-and-technology	
Information on the activities of the Ph.D. Programme	https://www.uniurb.it/research-methods-in-science-and-technology	
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For information requests regarding administrative aspects and support with the online application procedure	Ph.D. Office (dottorato@uniurb.it) Please indicate "Ph.D. in Research Methods in Science and Technology 41 cycle a.a. 2025/2026" in the email subject	