PH.D. IN HUMAN SCIENCES

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Description and objectives of the Doctoral Programme

The internationalization of the Doctoral Programme in "Human Sciences" is accomplished through the collaboration with a number of foreign universities, offering Ph.D.-students a growing international academic learning environment. In particular, the Doctoral Programme allows the enrolment of Ph.D.-students who have acquired their access title abroad. Across all curricula, common advanced training targets are both theoretical and methodological and can be research-oriented as well as applied. The programme promotes international scientific cooperation and interdisciplinary work at different levels. Ph.D.-students will develop their advanced and autonomous research capacity, both in terms of abstract theoretical understanding and with regard to the dissemination and the public engagement of their research.

Doctoral Curricula

The interpretation of different aspects of the contemporary world is carried out in interdisciplinary perspectives that draw on a range of disciplines of the humanities, including philosophy, psychology, education, linguistics and socio-cultural anthropology.

The Doctoral Programme offers three curricula:

1) Philosophy

2) Education and Psychology

3) Socio-cultural Anthropology and Linguistics

Doctoral students will have the opportunity to plan, develop and implement their own research project under the guidance of one or more mentors, focusing on an original and innovative topic that should be presented as well in conferences and published in scientific journals or volumes. Moreover, the doctoral programme allows its students the acquisition of high level theoretical and methodological skills, both research-oriented and applied.

Within the framework of each curriculum, the training objectives of the Ph.D. are achieved through individualised training and research plans, tailored around the chosen thesis topic.

Employability and career development

Ph.D.-students will be able to apply the acquired skills at different levels: local, national and international. Specific professional careers are in so diverse areas such as in education and research in academic and extra academic contexts, in national and international non-governmental organisations, as well as in training and personnel management contexts of public and private companies. Another career option is related to the field of cultural heritage and museums, the organisation of exhibitions and, in general, in the promotion of local cultures. Welfare, the health system, health, international cooperation, the reception and integration of migrants, cultural mediation and family mediation are other areas where Ph.D.-students can find employment. More generally, the fields of application of the acquired skills can refer to the broader targets for sustainable development and the building of an inclusive and supportive society.

Requirements for admission- All master's degrees are accepted. The eligibility of foreign applicants will be assessed by the Ph.D. Admission Board on the basis of the titles submitted and the relevant ERC sectors. Further information are available in the Ph.D. Regulations published on https://www.fissuf.unipg.it/ricerca/dottorato/dottorato-di-ricerca-in-scienze-umane-2

The Doctoral Programme in Human Sciences collaborates with the following Universities and foreign research bodies:

1) NATIONAL SCHOOL OF POLITICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE STUDIES (Department of Sociology, Romania)

2) NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LYON (Faculty of Philosophy) France

Major Universities and international research centres with which the College maintains research collaborations:

1) CHONGQING UNIVERSITY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES OF CHINA – CHINA

2) MOSCOW STATE PEDAGOGICAL UNIVERSITY (UPSM)– Russian Federation

3) FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF SAO CARLOS - SAO CARLOS (SP) - Brazil

4)-STATE UNIVERSITY OF SÃO PAULO JLIO DE MESQUITA FILHO (DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY, POLITICS AND PHILOSOPHY, DELLA FACULDADE DE CINCIAS E LETRAS CAMPUS DE ARARAQUARA) - SAO PAULO – Brazil

5) INSTITUTE OF HISTORY AND PHILOLOGY - ACADEMIA SINICA - Taiwan

Didactic and interdisciplinary activities

Over the three-year doctoral programme, cycle XXXVI, each Ph.D.-student will have to carry out training activities for 60 ECTS-credits (cfu, *crediti formativi universitari*), and research activities for about 120 ECTS-credits, for a total of 180 ECTS-credits (60 per year on average, 1 ECTS-credits equals 6 hours of lectures/seminars).

12 "Ad hoc teachings" (*insegnamenti*): max. 24 ECTS-credits; final exam: 12

2 Modules offered at Master's Degree courses; final exam: 2

At the beginning of the three-year period, the Ph.D.-students agrees with his/her mentor a personalized educational and research plan that aims at the elaboration of the thesis. Along with his/her mentor, each Ph.D.-candidate can choose up to 12 "Ad hoc teachings" in the first two years, for a maximum of 24 ECTS-credits. Each Ph.D.-student can also choose up to follow 2 modules from other Master's Degree modules, which can be chosen from institutions located abroad as well.

The transition to the following years of the Ph.D.-Programme is subject to approval by the College of the Doctorate, after submission of an annual report on the advancement of the candidate's work. The research activity (thesis work) counts for about 90/100 ECTS-credits; the remaining part of the ECTS-credits (20/30) can be achieved, for example, through participation to conferences, publication of articles, reviews, monographs, tutoring activities, supplementary teaching, organization of conferences and workshops, etc. (for the types of activities and for their evaluation in ECTS-credits

refers to the university's Ph.D.-regulations). Before being discussed, the thesis will be reviewed by two external evaluators.

"Ad hoc teaching"-modules (insegnamenti) - In order to achieve up to 24 ECTS-credits, in agreement with her/his mentor, each Ph.D.-student, in addition to the "ad hoc teachings" indicated in the curriculum, can choose modules related to other curricula, both in relation to the interdisciplinary character of the training, and for the methodological planning of basic and advanced research. It is recommended to follow the teachings in the 1 and 2 year of the Ph.D- course.

Modules (insegnamenti) offered in the Department's Master's Degree courses - Ph.D.-students can identify with the mentor two modules offered in Master Degree course of the University according to their specific curriculum; in relationship to the interdisciplinary nature of the training path, they can choose those teachings also from another curriculum, or in another national or international University.

Additional training activities - In addition to the possibility of participating in workshops, summer schools and conferences (regularly scheduled and, in any case, communicated by e-mail to Ph.D.-students), research stays can be carried out in Italy (outside the institutions that already collaborate with the Ph.D.-Programme) and abroad (both within the institutions that collaborate, and outside).

Foreign Languages - In order to deepen and refine language skills, the Doctoral Programme offers Ph.D.-students the opportunity to take part in foreign language courses at the University Language Centre (CLA). The levels of language courses offered by the CLA refer to the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR). At the end of the chosen course, the levels achieved in the individual language skills will be assessed.

Computer Science - The Doctoral Programme offers Ph.D.-students the access computer labs already offered in other modules of the University. In addition, it will be organised specific courses of 1 ECTS-credits (e.g. use of software for data analysis, word processing programs, storage programmes and import of bibliographic data; in-depth study on research databases and their consultation). A proof of the level of knowledge acquired will be provided for these moduless.

Research management, knowledge of research systems and funding systems - The Doctoral Programme offers the opportunity to join 1 ECTS-credits courses on management and research, knowledge of research systems and funding systems. The courses will cover in particular: research planning and development techniques; drafting and managing the financial plans of research projects; project management for phases of progress and reporting them; management of relationships with funders. The courses provide a final check.

Promotion of the research results and intellectual property - The Doctoral Programme offers the opportunity to join 1 ECTS-credits courses concerning the promotion of research and intellectual property. The courses in particular will regard: transition from basic research to applied research; research enhancement techniques; research funding; intellectual property and patent law; creation of companies and research's spin-offs. All the courses will provide a final check.

Operational and scientific structures – For their research, Ph.D.-students will have available, besides libraries, also e-sources specifically related to the expected research areas and rooms equipped with laptops and wi-fi.

-**The Ph.D.-students will have 2 reserved rooms** (at Palazzo Stocchi and Palazzo Florenzi), **3 virtual classrooms** for online lectures, in addition to the use of classrooms, both in Palazzo Florenzi (FISSUF headquarters) and in Palazzo Stocchi.

-**Audio and visual laboratory** of the Department of Philosophy, Social, Human and Educational Sciences (FISSUF).

- **Laboratory** of Computer Science of the Humanities Faculty (LIDU)

 - **University Language Centre** (CLA).