## Università degli Studi del Molise



## PhD COURSES - 32<sup>nd</sup> CYCLE

### CALL FOR APPLICATION OF FOREIGN CITIZEN

### DEADLINE FOR PRESENTATION OF APPLICATION

Rectorial Decree n. 602/2016

#### RECTOR

CONSIDERING	the Law no. 240 of December 30, 2010, art. 19;
CONSIDERING	the Ministerial Decree no. 45 of February 8, 2013;
CONSIDERING	the Statute of Università degli Studi del Molise;
CONSIDERING	the "Regulations for PhD courses" of Università degli Studi del Molise;
CONSIDERING	the note of M.I.U.R. n.0006363.11 on 11 March 2016;
CONSIDERING	the decision of the Academic Senate on 27 April 2016;
CONSIDERING	the decision of the Board of University Administration on 29 April
	2016;
CONSIDERING	the valid technical report of the Internal Evaluation Unit about the
	activation of the PhD programs of the 32 <sup>nd</sup> cycle on 26 April 2016;
CONSIDERING	the need to issue a call for applications for public competitions to be
	admitted to the PhD courses 32 <sup>nd</sup> cycle to be taken at the Università
	degli Studi del Molise;

#### **DECREES**

## ART. 1 ACTIVATION

The Università degli Studi del Molise has opened the call for the PhD courses of the 32<sup>nd</sup> cycle to the admission to the PhD courses will be on a competitive basis. The selection of the candidates will be based on the evaluation of their CVs, written tests and interviews.

For the 32<sup>nd</sup> cycle the Università degli Studi del Molise has opened the following PhD courses listed below:

- Bioscience and Territory (DOT1339138);

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- Innovation and Management of Public Resources (DOT1339381);
- *Translational and Clinical Medicine* in collaboration with Istituto Neurologico Mediterraneo NEUROMED (*DOT1439800*);
- Agricultural Technology and Biotechnology (DOT1339335).



The PhD Coordinator teachers, the research topics, the available places and scholarships, the admission modalities, the calendar of the admission tests and each *curriculum* are indicated in the annexes (Annex 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D).

The PhD courses last three years and start on 1st November 2016.

The number of PhD positions mentioned in Annex 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D may be increased, with subsequent provisions, if additional funding from public institutions or qualified private organizations are made available. The deadline for applications will remain unchanged.

This call for application should be considered as an official notification to all intents and purposes. Further modifications, updates or additions to its content will be announced exclusively on the http://www.unimol.it/ricerca/dottorati-di-ricerca-2/bandi-in-evidenza/ and on the University official register.

The University Administration declines any responsibility for:

lack of presentation of documents

inexact indications about residence or address

late communication in general

applications that arrive beyond the term started in the announcement

All the cases listed above will cause exclusion from admission to the competitions.

The present call is written in Italian and English in compliance with the provisions in force contained in the Regulations regarding PhDs.

## ART. 2 REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ADMISSION

Candidates (with no restriction about age and citizenship) should have obtained one of degrees undermentioned by the deadline of this call:

- Master degree, according to the Italian Ministerial Decrees and its modifications and integrations (Laurea Specialistica or Laurea Magistrale);
- Academic degree, according to the Italian previous academic system (Laurea v.o. D.M. no.509/99) where the legal course lasted for at least four years;
- An equivalent degree obtained from a foreign university comparable to an Italian second-level degree as regards to the duration, level and subject;

The annexes to the present notice describe, for each PhD, the specific qualifications required for the participation to the competition, as well as any possible additional requirements.

The admission to the competition for all candidates is subject to verification of the truthfulness of the declarations rendered in accordance with the D.P.R. no. 445/2000 and subsequent modifications and integrations.

The University may, every time, check the truthfulness of the declarations and the competent offices may dispose, through justified measure, the exclusion of the candidate.

- The candidates who will obtain the academic title required for the admission to the PhD **before October 31, 2016** are admitted conditionally to the selection to th PhD course, but they have to deliver a provisional degree certificate to Università degli Studi del Molise, Settore Formazione *post lauream*.
- The candidates who are admitted to a PhD course and are enrolled, will have to submit to the Settore Formazione *post lauream* (e-mail salvia@unimol.it; tarricone@unimol.it) a dated and signed self-certification (or a certification, in case of academic qualification obtained in



non-UE Countries), within 30 days from the start of the course, which includes a signed copy of a valid identity document with a passport-size photograph, indicating:

- denomination of the University issuing the qualification;
- date when the degree was awarded;
- type of degree, specifying if obtained in accordance with the old university legislation or in accordance with the legislation for post-graduate degrees and/or 2-years specialization courses, or single-cycle degree;
- final mark.

Candidates who won't notify the qualification's award within the deadlines, or will provide incomplete or wrong information, or will send the application with different modalities than those stated above, will be excluded.

Lack of presentation of these documents will cause exclusion from the application.

The University Administration declines any responsibility for applications that arrive beyond the term stated in announcement.

# ART. 3 ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS OBTAINED ABROAD

The foreign academic qualification is validated by the Board of Examiners to allow the admission to the competition, in accordance with the regulation in force in Italy, in the Foreign State issuing the title, as though in the international agreements regulating the qualification recognition for the admission to further academic courses.

Candidates with foreign academic qualifications have to enclose, along with the application:

- a degree certificate with the exams and the marks translated into Italian and/or English;
- other relevant documents useful in allowing the Board of Examiners to decide about the validity of the qualification (Diploma Supplement etc.).

Candidates with foreign academic qualifications who have passed the selection will have to submit within 31 March 2016, (otherwise they will be excluded), a "certificate of equivalence of qualification" (so-called "dichiarazione di valore in loco del titolo posseduto") and the certificate with the exams and the marks translated and authenticated by the authorized Italian representatives abroad. The "dichiarazione di valore in loco del titolo posseduto" must state the validity of the qualification in the issuing Foreign State for the admission to an academic course equivalent to PhD. If it is not available before the deadline, the candidate will have ask for it to the competent diplomatic representation.

## ART. 4 APPLICATION

The candidates have to fill the application form (*Annex 1 Model application form*), produce CV and all qualifications and related documents and send it to the following address:

Magnifico Rettore

Università degli Studi del Molise

Area Innovazione e Sviluppo

Settore Formazione post lauream

via Francesco de Sanctis s.n.c.

86100 Campobasso, Italy

by and no later than 12.00 (Italian time) of

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Candidates must fill a distinct application form for each Research Doctorate Course they wish to apply for .

The candidates have to send it:

> by registered letter

or

➤ by Certified Email (*Posta Elettronica Certificata –PEC-*) at the address <u>amministrazione@cert.unimol.it.</u> according to the relative regulation in force

or

➤ delivered by hand at the University Registry Office (Ufficio Protocollo) of the Università degli Studi del Molise : opening hours are from 9 to 12 am, from Monday to Friday.

## <u>Please note that the only valid date shall be the delivery date, not the postmark date or the date - on the courier's receipt</u>

No applications sent by a simple/general email account will be accepted.

No applications will be accepted after the deadline of this call.

No applications will be accepted after the deadline of this call also in despite of the postmark date

## Applicants have to:

In the application (Annex 1 Model application form), the candidate have to declare:

- personal data: place and date of birth/ residence/valid address/valid phone number/ valid e-mail address/ citizenship/ tax code/
- denomination of the PhD course is applying for and its relative code and curriculum (only one) in which you wish apply for
- > sign the application form.
- > Produce a photocopy of an identity document (duly undersigned) and one passport-size photography that must be attached,
- Produce a substitute self-certificate (Annex 2 Personal Sworn Declaration of Certification) confirming the awarding of a master degree and its final grade,
- > Produce a CV (https://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/it/documents/curriculum-vitae);
- Produce a list, <u>duly signed</u>, of all documents, qualifications and publications that the candidate considers opportune to include for the purpose of the competition and copies of them,
- > Produce a list, duly signed, of scientific publications and copies of them,
- Produce a research project proposed by the candidate with the relative title (*if required for the purposes of the admission*).

In the same application, you must declare, in accordance with the Presidential Decree no. 445/2000, art. 46:

- the University where the degree was awarded, the degree type, the date when the degree was awarded, the final mark:
- shall not be registered as student of PhDs contemporarily in more Institutes;
- shall not be registered as student of other academic courses not compatible with the PhD



- good knowledge of Italian and/or another foreign language (English, French, Spanish and German).

## Students not fulfilling such requirements will be no longer enrolled in the Doctorate Course.

The candidate have to enclosure with the application:

- a degree certificate with exams or description of the degree with the exams for candidates with a foreign academic qualification;
- a declaration of having been awarded a degree, rendered through self-certification in accordance with the Presidential decree n. 445/2000, for candidates with a degree obtained in Italy;
- a copy of valid identity document and one passport-size photography that must be attached,
- curriculum vitae et studiorum, dated and signed by the applicant (<a href="https://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/it/documents/curriculum-vitae">https://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/it/documents/curriculum-vitae</a>);
- a list, <u>duly signed</u>, of all documents, qualifications and publications that the candidate considers opportune to include for the purpose of the competition and copies of them;
- a list, duly signed, of scientific publications and copies of them;
- a research project proposed by the candidate with the relative title (<u>if required for the purposes</u> <u>of the admission</u>).

Publications in a different language than Italian, English, French, Spanish and German must be submitted in original language and translated into Italian.

All the certificates issued by the relevant Foreign State authorities must be translated and authenticated by the competent Italian authorities.

All the applications that result incomplete or arrive beyond the term stated in announcement will not be taken into consideration.

All the irregular applications, or not submitted in compliance with the deadlines and the modalities of the present announcement of selection, won't be considered valid.

In no case it will be possible to integrate or modify the applications after the deadline.

## ART. 5 CANDIDATES WITH DISABILITIES

In accordance with the Italian law n. 104/1992 and subsequent modifications, the disabled or SLDs candidates can notify their needs with reference to the examination by using the attached form (Model for Support Request for Disabled and SLDs candidate), whereto the candidate will have to enclose the relative declaration issued by the competent Health Officer.

In the application the candidate will have to indicate the denomination of the PhD, must be sent, to Settore Formazione *post-lauream*, by e-mail at salvia@unimol.it; tarricone@unimol.it and to <u>Centro Servizi per Studenti Disabili e Studenti con DSA</u> by e-mail to <u>disabiliabili@unimol.it</u>, <u>strictly within the deadline stated in the present announcement of selection</u>.

Personal data will be treated in accordance with the privacy law no.196/2003.

## ART. 6 EXAMINATION FOR ADMISSION

The examinations will take place according to the calendar reported in the PhDs profile sheets annexed to the present announcement of selection, published at the page "Bandi" of the section "Ricerca" on the website http://www.unimol.it/, that are should be considered as an official notification to all intents and purposes, so the interested parties will not receive other forms of communication concerning the examinations.



Candidates not have to present during the evaluation qualifications.

To take the examinations, candidates will have to be present in the place, date and time as indicated in the above mentioned sheets, and produce a valid identity documents.

Interviews are public and can take place in Italian and/or another foreign language (English, French, Spanish and German), if indicated for the single PhD course.

The score attributed to each test composing the examination, as well as the minimum score required to have access to the following tests, is indicated in each PhD profile sheet.

The evaluation of titles and the admission to the following tests will be published on the website http://www.unimol.it/.

The final score will be determinated by the sum of the marks obtained in the assessment of the qualifications, in the written exam, in the oral exam

The evaluation results are shown on the page "Bandi" of the section "Ricerca" on the website http://www.unimol.it/.

## Special provisions for candidates residing abroad:

these candidates can be interviewed in remote via Skype or Adobe Connect if provided for the single PhD course: in this case, the candidate will have to make specific request on the application form, by attaching a passport size photo and will have to indicate the telematic platform and the relative address where the Board of Examiners will have to call.

The call will take place according to the calendar indicate in the PhD sheet and the Board of Examiners may agree with the candidate about the time for the interview.

Before the interview, candidates will have to be present with the same identity document used in the application form, together with a passport size photo.

Candidates who do not communicate the address, fail to connect or will be absent in the date, place and time of the interview, or do not show the identity documents, will be excluded from the admission procedures.

The Università degli Studi del Molise does not take responsibility for failure to carry out the interview for technical reasons.

## ART. 7 BOARD OF EXAMINERS

The Board of Examiners is appointed by the Rector of the Università degli Studi del Molise in consideration of the "Regulations for PhD courses".

The composition will be published on the page "Bandi" of the section "Ricerca" on the website <a href="http://www.unimol.it/">http://www.unimol.it/</a>. No personal communication concerning the examination results will be transmitted to the candidates but they have to check for the admission on the website according to the modalities of the present announcement.

## ART. 8 LIST OF CANDIDATES

The Board of Examiners will draw up the final list of candidates, per curriculum, based on the total score obtained by each candidate.

If some available places per curriculum are not covered, the Board of Examiners could make a comparative evaluation among the suitable non winner candidates of the other curricula of the same PhD to assign all places. The decision of the Board is final.

The final lists will be published, after the approval of the competition's proceedings, on the page "Bandi" of the section "Ricerca" on the website <a href="http://www.unimol.it/">http://www.unimol.it/</a> and on the University Bulletin.

The interested parties will not receive communication concerning the examinations.



### No notifications will be sent to personal address.

Every candidate should be in more than one list of eligibility will have to choose only one PhD. This choice is final, and cannot be modified in any way.

### ART. 9 ADMISSION TO PhD

The candidates will be admitted on the basis of the merit list up to fulfillment of all available places. Starting from the day after the list is published, the candidates *winners have 15 available days to enroll in the PhD*, on pain of exclusion. In this case, the same number of candidates will replace the aforementioned, following the order of the list of candidates.

In case of parity of marks the following criteria will apply:

- for scholarship assignment, in case of parity in marks between two or more candidate, the precedence will be given to the candidate with a lower income, so the evaluation of the economical situation will prevail, as determined in accordance with the D.P.C.M. of 9 April 2001;
- in case of places not covered by scholarship, the precedence will be given to the youngest candidate.

If the candidate should be winner in more than one list will have to choose only one PhD by giving formal communication.

In case of renouncement within 30 days from the beginning of the course, the same number of suitable candidates will replace the aforementioned, following the order of the list of candidates.

## ART. 10 ENROLLMENT TO THE PhD

Starting from the day after the date of the publication of the competition dees, approved by the Rector, also published in the Official Register, in this way representing the official notification of the results to the admitted candidates, the *winners have 15 available days to enroll in the PhD*, on pain of exclusion.

All qualified candidates will have to enroll on line by using the procedure:  $\underline{homepage\ UNIMOL} \rightarrow Portale\ dello\ studente\ e\ servizi\ online\ \rightarrow Login \rightarrow Segreteria \rightarrow Immatricolazione$ . The application will have to be printed and delivered to  $Segreteria\ Studenti$  (Students Registrer Office) in Campobasso within the deadline indicated in the present notice.

The application will have to carry a revenue stamp of  $\in$  16,00 and must include: a passport size photo (to be authenticated) and a signed copy of a valid identity document.

According to the Regulations concerning Taxes and Duties a.y. 2016/2017 of the Università degli Studi del Molise, the students enrolled in the PhD in the a.y.  $2016/2017 - 32^{nd}$  cycle - <u>holding a scholarship or disabled</u> are exonerated from the payment of the first installment, but will have to pay for the revenue stamp and the regional tax.

All other students enrolled in the PhD 32<sup>nd</sup> cycle -will have to pay, by using the form downloadable from the University website, the fee of 466,00 euro corresponding to the first installment, inclusive of taxes and revenue stamp within the fixed deadlines for enrolment.

The University Administration takes no responsibility for the loss of applications not ascribable to the Administration itself.

The candidates who will not comply with the obligations above mentioned will be excluded and replaced by the other suitable candidates following the order of the list of qualified candidates.



## ART. 11 SCHOLARSHIPS

The scholarship will be conferred by following the order in the final ranking until full coverage of the available positions

The number of scholarships can be increased, within the maximum capacity of places per PhD, by public or private financial support holding pertinent interest in the research sectors.

If anything it will be communicated on the relevant PhD information sheets published on the page "Bandi" of the section "Ricerca" on the website <a href="http://www.unimol.it/">http://www.unimol.it/</a>.

For the assignment of scholarship:

- in case of parity in marks between two or more candidate, the precedence will be given to the candidate with a lower income according to the regulation in force;
- in case of parity in marks and also in economical status, the precedence will be given to the youngest.

The yearly sum of the scholarship is € 13.638,47 pre-tax, subject to the payment of the social security tax (INPS9 according to the regulation in force.

Scholarships are subjected to the fiscal disposition contained in the Law no. 476/1984.

For the period the student spends to study abroad, no longer than 18 months, the amount is increased to a maximum extent of 50%, unless of specific agreements or protocols as regards internationalization of PhDs.

The scholarship will be credited monthly by postponed payments.

Scholarships have a yearly duration: they will be renewed on the condition that the PhD student has completed the program foreseen for the previous year as set out in the regulation.

In case of withdrawal or relinquishment within a month from the start of the course, the student loses own right to the scholarship.

The scholarships are not cumulative with other scholarships, except for those awarded by national or foreign institutions to complement the period of study abroad with training or doctoral research.

The students who have already enjoyed a PhD scholarship cannot enjoy it for a second time. Scholarships which are not assigned to winners, will be assigned to the suitable candidates following the order of the list.

## ART. 12 INCOMPATIBILITY WITH OTHER COURSES AND RELATION WITH MEDICAL SCHOOLS

The enrolment in a PhD course is not compatible with the simultaneous enrolment in Degree Courses, or non-medical Specializing Schools, or courses for *Tirocini Formativi Attivi (TFA)*, or other PhD courses in Italy and abroad, except for specific international agreements.

Those ones who, registered in other academic courses, intend to enroll to a PhD course, must suspend the attendance at the courses for the whole duration of the PhD.

The PhD student may be allowed to attend to a vocational or high specialization course or Master by the Teaching Staff and only if it is useful for the PhD research activity.

The PhD student is allowed to attend jointly the PhD course and a course of medical specialization in accordance with the Art 5 of the Regulations regarding PhDs at the Università degli Studi del Molise.



## ART. 13 RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF DOCTORATE STUDENTS

The students enrolled must attend the course of study with regard to the pertinent activities.

The admission to the PhD course involves full-time and exclusive responsibility, safe the possibility of carrying out tutoring activities to students within the limit of 40 hours per academic year, in respect of the PhD Regulations by authorization of the Teaching Staff and provided that this does not entail any increase in the scholarship's value.

Students of PhD courses in the medical area may attend clinical activities.

Further obligations and rights are described the Art 8 of the "Regulations regarding PhDs" of the Università degli Studi del Molise.

### ART. 14 ATTAINMENT OF THE PhD DEGREE

The PhD qualification is awarded with the final exam, which can be repeated one time.

The final exam consists of the lecture of a written dissertation (research thesis) describing an original research activity that should contribute to the implementation of knowledge or the methodologies in the defined research sector.

The qualification, abbreviated with the expressions "Dott. Ric." or "Ph.D", is issued after positive evaluation of the research thesis.

### ART. 15 USE OF PERSONAL DATA

The personal data provided by candidates will be used for the purposes of the examination procedure and for institutional purposes. The participation itself to the selection procedures entails the authorization to the publication of personal data and examination data, in the respect of the principles contained in the Data Protection Code - Legislative Decree no. 196/2003 on the website <a href="https://www.unimol.it">www.unimol.it</a>. They will be kept and treated in accordance the decree.

## ART.16 HEAD OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE

The Head of Administrative Procedures is Dr. Ida ORIUNNO, Area Innovazione e Sviluppo, e-mail oriunno@unimol.it.

### ART. 17 FINAL REGULATION

Any reference, in relation to any issues not explicitly specified in this announcement, could be find in the present Italian legislation as regards PhDs and in the present "Regulations for PhD courses" of Università degli Studi del Molise.



## Art. 18 PUBLICATION OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF SELECTION

The present announcement of selection will be made public on the Gazzetta Ufficiale della Republica Italiana, on the Euraxess website and on the website of the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research (MIUR) http://www.miur.it.

Moreover it will be available on line on the webpage <a href="http://www.unimol.it">http://www.unimol.it</a> in the section "Dottorati" and on the Università degli Studi del Molise official register.

Campobasso

19 LUG 2016

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