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**PUBLIC COMPETITION FOR ADMISSION TO CYCLE XXXVII -  
Ph.D. COURSES - ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/2022**

**THE RECTOR  
OF THE UNIVERSITY OF L'AQUILA**

**IN FORCE OF** law n. 168, May 9, 1989, concerning the establishment of the “Ministero dell’Università e della Ricerca Scientifica e Tecnologica”;

**IN FORCE OF** law n. 476, August 13, 1984, establishing rules on university scholarships;

**IN FORCE OF** law n. 398, November 30, 1989, establishing rules on university scholarships;

**IN FORCE OF** article n. 4 of law n. 210, July 3, 1998, which provides that the universities, with their own regulation establish their Ph.D. schools;

**IN FORCE OF** article 19 of law n. 240, December 30, 2010;

**IN FORCE OF** D.P.C.M. of April 9, 2001 "Disposizioni per l'uniformità del trattamento sul diritto agli studi universitari" according to article n. 4 of law n. 390, December 2, 1991;

**IN FORCE OF** legislative decree n. 68, March 29, 2012;

**IN FORCE OF** law n. 232, December 11, 2016, and, in particular clause 262, which establishes that “For Ph.D. students, not scholarship holders, tuition fees are waived”;

**PURSUANT TO** D.M. n. 45 of February 8, 2013 “*Regolamento recante modalità di accreditamento delle sedi e dei corsi di dottorato e criteri per la istituzione dei corsi di dottorato da parte degli enti accreditati*”;

**PURSUANT TO** D.M. n. 40 of January 25, 2018 which restated the gross annual amount of the Ph.D. scholarships;

**PURSUANT TO** DD. MM. 509/1999 e 270/2004 which provides rules about the didactic autonomy of Universities;

**PURSUANT TO** the rules for the admission of foreign students to the university course published on MIUR web site;

**PURSUANT TO** the Regulation of the Ph.D. Schools of the University of L’Aquila;

**HAVING REGARD TO** Ethical Code and “Codice di Comportamento” of University of L’Aquila issued by D.R. n. 734/2020 of July 27, 2020;

**HAVING REGARD TO** the minutes of the Academic Senate meeting of March 23, 2021;

**HAVING REGARD TO** the minutes of the Board of Administration meeting of March 24, 2021;

**HAVING REGARD TO** the validation of the PhD courses from the Italian Ministry of University and Research.

**HEREBY DECREES**

**ART. 1  
ESTABLISHMENT AND ACTIVATION**

The University of L’Aquila (Italy) has approved and activated Cycle XXXVII – Ph.D. Courses. The courses’ duration is three years and start on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2021.



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**ART. 2**  
**ADMISSION**

Public competition procedures based on qualifications and examinations for admission to the below listed Ph.D. Courses have been activated. The number of available positions, scholarships, funding and curricula, the responsible Departments and courses' Coordinators, admission requirements, certifications/documents to be annexed to the applications, examination dates and assessment and selection criteria are summarised below.

<b>Ph.D. Course in CIVIL, CONSTRUCTION-ARCHITECTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING</b>	
Ordinary places	<b>5</b>
of which	
with grant	<b>4</b>
without financial support	<b>1</b>
Grant/Fellowship Funding source	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 4 grants – University of L'Aquila</li></ul>
Duration	3 years
Curricula	a. <b>Civil and Environmental Engineering</b> b. <b>Construction-Architectural Engineering</b>
University Department Responsible for the Ph.D.Course	Department of Civil, Construction-Architectural and Environmental Engineering
Ph.D. Course Website	<a href="http://diceaa.univaq.it/phdiceaa/">http://diceaa.univaq.it/phdiceaa/</a>
Ph.D. Course Coordinator	<i>Prof. Marcello Di Risio</i> marcello.dirisio@univaq.it
Admission Pre-requisites	All Master-level Degrees or foreign degrees with certified equivalency or recognised as equivalent to the aforementioned qualifications. Candidates who are expected to obtain the above mentioned Degrees by 31/10/2021 may also apply.
Admission Procedure	Assessment of qualifications/certifications held by the candidate, written and oral exams.
Examination topics	<b>Curriculum a: Civil and Environmental Engineering:</b> Engineering Geology Hydraulic Structures, Maritime Engineering And Hydrology Transportation Surveying and Mapping Geotechnics Structural mechanics Structural engineering  <b>Curriculum b: Construction-Architectural Engineering:</b> Architectural Engineering Architectural and urban design Representation of Architecture History of Architecture Urban and regional planning
How to apply	The application must be submitted only via the online procedure available at: <a href="https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/">https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/</a> . The documents must be attached in pdf format. The application and the attached documents are submitted automatically by closing the online procedure. So, no hard copy of the application and of the documents must be sent to the office.
Documents to be annexed to the Application	1. CV 2. Candidates holding a degree from an Italian university must provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Self-certification concerning their Bachelor-level Degree indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained;</li></ul>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Self-certification concerning their Master-level Degree course indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained.</li></ul> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>3. Candidates enrolled in an Italian Degree Course must include:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Self-certification concerning their Bachelor-level Degree indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained;</li><li>• Self-certification concerning the exams so far taken in their Master-level Degree course indicating marks obtained.</li></ul></li><li>4. Applicants with foreign Degrees must follow the directions explained in article n. 4 of this call.</li><li>5. A summary of their Master Degree thesis, in A3 format, max. 10 pages of which at least three written and the rest in graph/table format, if the thesis is in project format.</li><li>6. A description of the research project the candidate proposes to carry out within the Ph.D. course he/she is applying for in no more than 3000 words.</li><li>7. Publications.</li><li>8. Additional qualifications deemed appropriate for admission.</li></ol>
Language(s)	<p><b>Assessment of foreign language skills</b> English language skills and competence shall be assessed during the oral exam.</p> <p><b>Admission</b> The candidate may sit the exams in ITALIAN or ENGLISH.</p>
Exam Schedules	<p><b>Qualification assessment:</b> 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 - Department of Civil, Construction-Architectural and Environmental Engineering – Montelucio di Roio – L'Aquila - Classroom B0.12</p> <p><b>Written exam:</b> 8<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. - Department of Civil, Construction-Architectural and Environmental Engineering – address: Montelucio di Roio – L'Aquila - Classroom B0.12</p> <p><b>Oral exam:</b> 10<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. - Department of Civil, Construction-Architectural and Environmental Engineering – address: Montelucio di Roio – L'Aquila - Classroom B0.12</p>
Assessment Criteria	<p>The assessment procedure consists in three phases: qualification evaluation, written exam and an oral exam which includes English language skills assessment. The Candidate's score will be indicated out of a total of 100 points as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <b>Qualification assessment:</b> Maximum 30 points The Commission shall assess the qualifications indicated by the candidate in his/her application – up to a maximum of 30 points, attributed as follows:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Degree mark or evaluation of the marks obtained in the candidates' academic career (for candidates not graduated yet): Up to 15 points attributed as follows:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In case of a single-cycle master's degree already achieved: up to 10 points for the degree mark (points are allocated as follow: Until 100/110 = 0 points; 101/110 = 1 point; 102/110 = 2 points, this way until the maximum, 110/110 = 10 points. 110 cum laude is 10 points).</li><li>• In case of a single-cycle master's degree not yet awarded: up to 10 points for the weighted average of the marks obtained for passing the exams (non-graduates: points for 100 and one point from 101 onwards).</li><li>• In the case of a master's degree already obtained: up to 10 points awarded on the basis of the weighted average of the first level degree mark (weight 3) and second level degree (weight 2).</li><li>• In the case of a master's degree not awarded: up to 10 points awarded on the basis of the weighted average of the first level grade (weight 3) and the weighted average of the marks obtained for passing the master's degree exams (weight 2).</li><li>• For all cases: up to 5 points for a career assessed on the time required for graduation (eg: 5 points for those who graduate in five years, 4 for those who graduate in six, etc. up to 0 points).</li></ul></li><li>b. Thesis, research projects and publications: maximum 12 points as follows:</li></ol></li></ol>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Thesis summary: max. 2 points</li><li>• Research Project: max. 6 points</li><li>• Publications: max.4 points</li></ul> <p>c. For additional qualifications indicated: max. 3 points</p> <p>2. <b>Written exam:</b> Maximum 55 points, with a 35 passing mark The candidate is required to choose one assignment out of three titles provided. The Commission shall provide three compositions/assignments for each curriculum. The evaluation results shall be published on the Department.</p> <p>3. <b>Oral exam:</b> max. 15 points The oral exam consists in an in-depth discussion of the qualifications indicated by the candidate, including his/her research project, the written exam and on topics of general interest pertaining to the Ph.D. course applied for. Assessment of the candidate's knowledge and understanding of a English language is part of the oral exam.</p>
Title evaluation results publication	Title evaluation results shall be published on the University website <a href="https://www.univaq.it/section.php?id=2055">https://www.univaq.it/section.php?id=2055</a> and on Department website: <a href="http://diceaa.univaq.it/phdiceaa/">http://diceaa.univaq.it/phdiceaa/</a>
Additional Reserved Ph.D. positions not part of the selection procedure (assigned through other procedures)	Positions reserved for students selected within specific international mobility programs: n. _ Positions reserved for scholarship holders from foreign countries: n. 3 Positions covered by scholarship reserved for applicants having obtained a Degree abroad n. _ Positions not covered by scholarship reserved for applicants having obtained a Degree abroad n. __
Assessment criteria for additional Ph.D. positions not part of the selection procedure (assigned through other procedures)	Assessment is carried out in one phase and the overall mark is expressed out of 100 points as follows: 1. Summary of the student's Master Degree thesis, in A3 format, maximum 10 pages: max. of 15 points; 2. The research project the student wishes to carry out during the Ph.D. course, summarized in a text of max. 6000 words: max. 70 points; 3. Publications: max. 10 points; 4. Qualifications: max. 5 points.



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<b>Ph.D. Course in INDUSTRIAL AND INFORMATION ENGINEERING AND ECONOMICS</b>	
Ordinary places	<b>13</b>
of which:	
with full grant	<b>10</b>
without financial support	<b>3</b>
Grant/Fellowship Funding sources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 9 grants – University of L'Aquila</li><li>• 1 grant “INFN - Laboratori Nazionali del Gran Sasso - Programma Restart, Progetto DarkSide-20k, riferimento delibere Cipe n. 49/2016 e n. 54/2019 (CUP I15D16000060005)”</li></ul>
Duration	<b>3 years</b>
Curricula	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Chemical and Materials Engineering</b></li><li><b>Electrical Engineering, Electronics and Information</b></li><li><b>Mechanical, Energy and Management Engineering</b></li><li><b>Legal and Business Sciences</b></li></ol>
University Department Responsible for the Ph.D.Course	Department of Industrial and Information Engineering and Economics
Ph.D. Course Website	<a href="http://diiie.univaq.it/index.php?id=2613">http://diiie.univaq.it/index.php?id=2613</a>
Ph.D. Course Coordinator	<b>Prof. Giuseppe Ferri</b> <a href="mailto:giuseppe.ferri@univaq.it">giuseppe.ferri@univaq.it</a>
Admission Pre-requisites	All Master-level Degrees or foreign degrees with certified equivalency or recognized as equivalent to the aforementioned qualifications. Within the deadline indicated in this call for applications, candidates who are to obtain the above indicated Degree by 31/10/2021 may also apply.
Admission Procedure	Written exam, qualification assessment, oral exam.
Examination topics	The topics which will be considered for the examination are those typical of the Chemical and Materials Engineering, Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Information Engineering, Mechanical, Energy and Management Engineering and those of the legal, business and economical sciences according to all the curricula of the Ph.D. Themes will be specific as well as general, making reference to the most important and relevant aspects of the cited engineering courses and legal and economical ones as well as to aspects which could be considered multi-disciplinary. Themes concerning common methodologies related to research and to the relationships to social and economical aspects could be considered as well.
How to apply	The application must be submitted only via the online procedure available at: <a href="https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/">https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/</a> . The documents must be attached in pdf format. The application and the attached documents are submitted automatically by closing the online procedure. So, no hard copy of the application and of the documents must be sent to the office.
Documents to be annexed to the Application	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. CV</li><li>2. Candidates holding a degree from an Italian university must provide:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Self-certification concerning their Bachelor-level Degree indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained;</li><li>• Self-certification concerning their Master-level Degree course indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained.</li></ul></li><li>3. Candidates enrolled in an Italian Master-level degree course must include:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Self-certification of their Bachelor-level Degree indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained;</li><li>• Self-certification of the exams so far taken in their Master-level Degree course indicating marks obtained.</li></ul></li><li>4. Applicants with foreign Degrees must follow the directions explained in article n. 4 of this call.</li><li>5. Scientific publications and/or other qualifications deemed suitable for assessment.</li></ol>



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	6. Summary of the candidate's Degree thesis.
Language(s)	<b>Assessment of foreign language skills</b> English language skills and competence shall be assessed during the oral exam. <b>Admission</b> The candidate may sit exams in English
Exam schedule	<b>Written exam:</b> 15 <sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at the Department of Industrial and Information Engineering and Economics – Roio – L'Aquila <b>Qualification assessment:</b> 15 <sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. at the Department of Industrial and Information Engineering and Economics – Roio – L'Aquila <b>Oral exam:</b> 16 <sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 09:00 a.m. at the Department of Industrial and Information Engineering and Economics – Roio – L'Aquila
Assessment Criteria	The examination procedure consists in three phases: written exam, qualifications evaluated and an oral exam. The candidate's score shall be expressed out of a total of 100 points attributed as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Written exam:</b> Max. 40 points with a 24/40 passing mark. The results of the written exam will be published on the Department.</li><li><b>Qualification evaluation:</b> Maximum 30 points distributed as follows:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Up to 20 points for Degree mark or academic career for those who haven't yet obtained their Master-level Degree</li><li>Up to 10 points for publications and other qualifications.</li></ul></li><li><b>Oral exam:</b> Max. 30 points The exam includes assessment of the candidate's English language skills. The results of the oral exam will be published on the Department.</li></ol> The commission, in case of a justified health emergency, can also consider to conduct the tests online. In this case, the test is oral and individual for each candidate.
Title evaluation results publication	Title evaluation results shall be published on the University website <a href="https://www.univaq.it/section.php?id=2055">https://www.univaq.it/section.php?id=2055</a> and on Department website
Additional Reserved Ph.D. positions not part of the selection procedure (assigned through other procedures)	Positions reserved for students selected within specific international mobility programs: n. __ Positions reserved for scholarship holders from foreign countries: n. __ Positions covered by scholarship reserved for applicants having obtained a Degree abroad n. __ Positions not covered by scholarship reserved for applicants having obtained a Degree abroad n. 2
Assessment criteria for additional Ph.D. positions not part of the selection procedure (assigned through other procedures)	<b>Qualification evaluation, Research Project and Oral exam via web.</b> The oral exam starting from 17 september at 9:00 a.m. The candidate's score shall be expressed out of a total of 100 points attributed as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Qualification evaluation:</b> Maximum 30 points distributed as follows:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Up to 20 points for Degree mark or academic career for those who haven't yet obtained their Master-level Degree</li><li>Up to 10 points for publications and other qualifications.</li></ul></li><li><b>Research project:</b> Max. 40 points</li><li><b>Oral exam:</b> Max. 30 points The research project can be presented in Italian or English</li></ol>



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<b>Ph.D. Course in Literatures, Arts, Media: The Transcodification</b>	
Ordinary Places	8
of which	
with full grant	6
without financial support	2
Grant/Fellowship Funding source	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>n. 5 grants - University of L'Aquila</li><li>n. 1 grant - Department of Excellence of Human Studies</li></ul>
Duration	3 anni
Curricula	a) <i>Literary studies</i> b) <i>Arts, performance, media</i>
University Department Responsible for the Ph.D Course	Department of Human Studies
Ph.D Course Website	<a href="http://scienzeumane.univaq.it/index.php?id=1691">http://scienzeumane.univaq.it/index.php?id=1691</a>
Ph.D Course Coordinator	<i>Prof. Massimo Fusillo</i> massimo.fusillo@univaq.it
Admission Pre-requisites	All Master-level Degrees or foreign degrees with certified equivalency or recognized as equivalent to the aforementioned qualifications. Within the deadline indicated in this call for applications, candidates who are to obtain the above indicated Degree by 31/10/2021 may apply.
Admission Procedure	Assessment of qualifications/certifications held by the candidate, written and oral exams.
Examination topics	The subjects which the exam will be focused on are: Comparative Literature and Literature Theory, and the various specialist areas included in the doctorate, for both curricula. In addition to that: Curriculum a) History of literary genres Curriculum b) Visual arts, Performance, cinema and media
How to apply	The application must be submitted exclusively via the online procedure available at: <a href="https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/">https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/</a> . The documents must be attached in pdf format. The application and the attached documents are submitted automatically by closing the online procedure. So, no hard copies of the application and of the documents must be sent or delivered to the office.
Documents to be annexed to the Application	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>CV</li><li>Candidates holding a degree from an Italian university must provide:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Self-certification concerning their Bachelor-level Degree indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained;</li><li>Self-certification concerning their Master-level Degree course indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained.</li></ul></li><li>Candidates enrolled in an Italian Degree Course must include:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Self-certification of their Bachelor-level Degree indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained;</li><li>Self-certification of the exams so far taken in their Master-level Degree course indicating marks obtained.</li></ul></li><li>Applicants with foreign Degrees must follow the directions explained in article n. 4 of this call.</li><li>The candidate must indicate the name of two professors with their e-mail address. The referee will receive an e-mail with the instruction to write the recommendation letter directly on line.</li><li>A summary of their Master Degree thesis, max. 2 pages</li><li>Research project: A report illustrating a possible research project the candidate wishes to carry out within the curriculum applied for.</li><li>Any publications and additional qualifications deemed appropriate for admission.</li></ol>



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Language(s)	<p><b>Assessment of foreign language skills</b> English language skills and competence shall be assessed during the oral exam.</p> <p><b>Admission</b> The candidate may sit exams in ITALIAN or ENGLISH.</p>
Exam schedule	<p><b>Written exam:</b> 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 09:30 a.m. at the Department of Human Studies – Viale Nizza – L’Aquila</p> <p><b>Qualification assessment:</b> 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Department of Human Studies - Viale Nizza – L’Aquila</p> <p><b>Oral exam:</b> 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 08:30 a.m. at the Department of Human Studies – Viale Nizza – L’Aquila</p>
Assessment Criteria	<p>The assessment procedure consists in three phases: qualification evaluation, written exam and an oral exam which includes English language skills assessment. The Candidate’s score will be indicated out of a total of 100 points as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Qualification assessment:</b> the maximum score is 30 points, awarded through the evaluation<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>curriculum: 5 points</li><li>publications: 7 points</li><li>project: 15 points</li><li>other qualifications: 3 points</li></ol></li><li><b>Written exam:</b> the maximum score is 35 points. In order to pass the exam the minimum score required is 20 points. The written test is aimed at assessing the basic knowledge of the chosen curriculum and the methodological awareness.</li><li><b>Oral exam:</b> the maximum score is 35 points. In order to pass the exam the minimum score required is 20 points. The oral exam is aimed at assessing the candidate's scientific research aptitude, his research experiences and his general preparation on topics related to the curriculum chosen by the candidate and above all on the research project presented. During the oral exam the degree of knowledge and understanding of scientific English will also be verified.</li></ol>
Title evaluation results publication	<p>Title evaluation results shall be published on the University website <a href="https://www.univaq.it/section.php?id=2055">https://www.univaq.it/section.php?id=2055</a> and on Department website: <a href="http://scienzeumane.univaq.it">http://scienzeumane.univaq.it</a>.</p>
Additional Reserved Ph.D. positions not part of the selection procedure (assigned through other procedures)	<p>Positions reserved for students selected in the frame of specific international mobility programs: n. ____</p> <p>Positions reserved for scholarship holders from foreign countries: n. ____</p> <p>Positions covered by scholarship reserved for applicants having obtained a Degree abroad n. ____</p> <p>Positions not covered by scholarship reserved for applicants having obtained a Degree abroad n. ____</p>



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<b>Ph.D. Course in MATHEMATICS AND MODELING</b>	
Ordinary places	<b>8</b>
Of which	
with full grant	<b>6</b>
without financial support	<b>2</b>
Grant/Fellowship Funding source	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 6 grants - University of L'Aquila</li></ul>
Duration	<b>3 years</b>
Curricula	<i>///</i>
University Department Responsible for the Ph.D. Course	Department of Engineering, Computer Science and Mathematics
Ph.D. Course Website	<i><a href="http://people.disim.univaq.it/~dottorato_mate_mode">http://people.disim.univaq.it/~dottorato_mate_mode</a></i>
Ph.D. Course Coordinator	<i>Prof. Davide GABRIELLI</i> <a href="mailto:davide.gabrielli@univaq.it">davide.gabrielli@univaq.it</a>
Admission Pre-requisites	All Master-level Degrees or foreign degrees with certified equivalency or recognized as equivalent to the aforementioned qualifications. Within the deadline indicated in this call for applications, candidates who are to obtain the above indicated Degree by 31/10/2021 may also apply.
Admission Procedure	Qualification evaluation and oral exam. Foreign applicants can take the oral exam in English. Applicants may take the oral exam via web. In this case the candidate must specify the means they wish to use for their interview indicating a valid contact address. This request must be authorized by the testing commission once the identity of the candidate has been certified, to this end the candidate shall be required to show a valid identification document at the moment of the interview.
Examination topics	Presentation of the thesis and research activity
How to apply	The application must be submitted only via the online procedure available at: <a href="https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/">https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/</a> . The documents must be attached in pdf format. The application and the attached documents are submitted automatically by closing the online procedure. So, no hard copy of the application and of the documents must be sent to the office.
Documents to be annexed to the Application	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. CV</li><li>2. Candidates holding a degree from an Italian university must provide:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Self-certification concerning their Bachelor-level Degree indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained;</li><li>• Self-certification concerning their Master-level Degree course indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained.</li></ul></li><li>3. Candidates enrolled in an Italian Degree Course must include:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• -Self-certification of their Bachelor-level Degree indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained;</li><li>• -Self-certification of the exams so far taken in their Master-level Degree course indicating marks obtained.</li></ul></li><li>4. Applicants with foreign Degrees must follow the directions explained in article n. 4 of this call.</li><li>5. The candidate must indicate the name of two professors with their e-mail address.</li></ol>



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	<p>The referee will receive an e-mail with the instruction to write the recommendation letter directly on line.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Summary, max. 2 pages, of the candidate's Degree thesis.</li><li>Any publications and additional qualifications deemed appropriate for assessment.</li></ol>
Language(s)	<p><b>Assessment of foreign language skills</b> English language skills and competence shall be assessed during the oral exam.</p> <p><b>Admission</b> The candidate may sit exams in ENGLISH</p>
Exam schedule	<p><b>Qualification assessment:</b> 8<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. at the Department of Information Engineering, Computer Science and Mathematics.</p> <p><b>Oral Exam:</b> 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 09:00 a.m. at the Department of Information Engineering, Computer Science and Mathematics – Coppito – L'Aquila If necessary, the exam will continue the following day, according to a timetable defined by the Commission.</p>
Assessment Criteria	<p>The examination procedure consists in two phases: qualification assessment and an oral exam. The candidate's scores will be indicated out of a total of 100 points attributed as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Qualification assessment:</b> Assessment of the candidate's CV, letters of recommendation, publications and other qualifications. The minimum score required for admission to sit the oral exam is 30, the maximum score is 50 points.</li><li><b>Oral exam:</b> The oral exam consists in the candidate's presentation of his/her Degree thesis and research activity. The aim is to evaluate the candidate's aptitude and motivation for research. The test also includes assessment of the candidate's English language skills.</li></ol> <p>The foreign candidates may sit the oral exam in English. The minimum score needed to pass is 30 over a max of 50 points for the oral exam.</p>
Title evaluation results publication	<p>Title evaluation results shall be published on the University website <a href="https://www.univaq.it/section.php?id=2055">https://www.univaq.it/section.php?id=2055</a> and on Department website: <a href="http://people.disim.univaq.it/~dottorato_mate_mode">http://people.disim.univaq.it/~dottorato_mate_mode</a></p>
Reserved Ph.D. positions not part of the selection procedure (assigned through other procedures)	<p>Positions reserved for students selected within specific international mobility programs: n. 2</p> <p>Positions reserved for scholarship holders from foreign countries: n. 2</p> <p>Positions covered by scholarship reserved for applicants having obtained a Degree abroad n. __</p> <p>Positions not covered by scholarship reserved for applicants having obtained a Degree abroad n. 1</p>



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<b>Ph.D. Course in CLINICAL MEDICINE AND PUBLIC HEALTH</b>	
Ordinary places	<b>6</b>
of which	
with full grant	<b>5</b>
without financial support	<b>1</b>
Grant/Fellowship Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>5 grants - University of Aquila</li></ul>
Duration	3 years
Curricula	<b>a) Internal Medicine, Cardiovascular and Systems Sciences</b> <b>b) Epidemiology, Preventive Medicine and Nursing Sciences</b>
University Department Responsible for the Ph.D. Course	Department of Life, Health and Environmental Sciences
Ph.D. Course Website	<a href="https://mesva.univaq.it/?q=node/9622">https://mesva.univaq.it/?q=node/9622</a>
Ph.D. Course Coordinator	<i>Prof. Claudio Ferri</i> <a href="mailto:claudio.ferri@univaq.it">claudio.ferri@univaq.it</a>
Admission Pre-requisites	All Master-level Degrees or foreign degrees with certified equivalency or recognized as equivalent to the aforementioned qualifications. Within the deadline indicated in this call for applications, candidates who are to obtain the above indicated Degree by 31/10/2021 may also apply.
Admission Procedure	Qualification assessment, written exam, oral exam.
Examination topics	Epidemiology, Preventive Medicine, Internal Medicine, Geriatrics, Cardiology, Nursing Sciences.
How to apply	The application must be submitted only via the online procedure available at: <a href="https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/">https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/</a> . The documents must be attached in pdf format. The application and the attached documents are submitted automatically by closing the online procedure. So, no hard copy of the application and of the documents must be sent to the office.
Documents to be annexed to the Application	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>CV</li><li>Candidates holding a degree from an Italian university must provide:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Self-certification concerning their Bachelor-level Degree indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained;</li><li>Self-certification concerning their Master-level Degree course indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained.</li></ul></li><li>Candidates enrolled in an Italian Degree Course must include:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Self-certification of their Bachelor-level Degree indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained;</li><li>Self-certification of the exams so far taken in their Master-level Degree course indicating marks obtained.</li></ul></li><li>Applicants with foreign Degrees must follow the directions explained in article n. 4 of this call.</li><li>Summary, max. 2 pages, of the candidate's Degree thesis.</li><li>Additional qualifications – scientific publications – deemed appropriate for admission.</li><li>A report illustrating a possible research project the candidate wishes to carry out within the Ph.D. applied for (we underline that the report presented by the candidate with his/her application shall not necessarily be the actual project</li></ol>



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	<p>carried out during the Ph.D. course if the candidate is admitted. In fact, the research project shall be defined and approved by the Ph.D.'s Board of Professors once the course begins).</p>
Language(s)	<p><b>Assessment of foreign language skills</b> English language skills and competence shall be assessed during the oral exam</p> <p><b>Admission</b> The candidate may sit exams in ITALIAN or ENGLISH</p>
Exam schedule	<p><b>Qualification assessment:</b> 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. at the Department of Life, Health and Environmental Sciences</p> <p><b>Written exam:</b> 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. at the Department of Life, Health and Environmental Sciences, Blocco 11 - Piazzale S. Tommasi, 1 - L'Aquila</p> <p><b>Oral exam:</b> 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. at the Department of Life, Health and Environmental Sciences, Blocco 11 - Piazzale S. Tommasi, 1 - L'Aquila</p>
Assessment Criteria	<p>The assessment procedure consists in three phases: qualification assessment, written exam and an oral exam. The candidate's score shall be indicated out of 100 points attributed as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Qualification assessment:</b> Max. 30 points as follows:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Degree mark: Up to 6 points</li><li>Degree thesis: Up to 4 points</li><li>CV: Up to 4 points</li><li>Publications: Up to 4 points</li><li>Additional qualifications: Up to 2 points</li><li>Research project: Up to 10 points</li></ol></li><li><b>Written exam:</b> Max. 40 points, with a 20 passing mark. A written assignment chosen by the candidate among titles proposed by the examination commission regarding scientific topics pertaining to the Ph.D. course Curricula.</li><li><b>Oral exam:</b> Max. 30 points. The oral exam aims at assessing the candidate's aptitude for scientific research, his/her experience within the research sector and general knowledge of topics and issues pertinent to the Ph.D course. The oral exam will also include assessment of the applicant's English language skills in the scientific sector.</li></ol>
Title evaluation results publication	<p>Title evaluation results shall be published on the University website <a href="https://www.univaq.it/section.php?id=2055">https://www.univaq.it/section.php?id=2055</a> and on Department website: <a href="http://mesva.univaq.it/">http://mesva.univaq.it/</a>.</p>
Reserved Ph.D. positions not part of the selection procedure (assigned through other procedures)	<p>Positions reserved for students selected within specific international mobility programs: n. __</p> <p>Positions reserved for scholarship holders from foreign countries: n. 2</p> <p>Positions covered by scholarship reserved for applicants having obtained a Degree abroad n. __</p> <p>Positions not covered by scholarship reserved for applicants having obtained a Degree abroad n. __</p>



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<b>Ph.D. Course in EXPERIMENTAL MEDICINE</b>	
Ordinary places	<b>10</b>
of which	
with full grant	<b>8</b>
without financial support	<b>2</b>
Grant/Fellowship Funding source	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 8 grants - University of L'Aquila</li></ul>
Duration	3 years
Curricula	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) <i>Experimental and Clinical Medicine, and Endocrinology</i></li><li>b) <i>Biotechnology and Biochemical Sciences</i></li><li>c) <i>Clinical, Medical and Surgical Sciences</i></li><li>d) <i>Basic and Clinical Neurosciences</i></li></ul>
University Department Responsible for the Ph.D. Course	Department of Biotechnological and Applied Clinical Sciences
Ph.D. Course Website	<a href="http://discab.univaq.it/">http://discab.univaq.it/</a>
Ph.D. Course Coordinator	<i>Prof.ssa Mariagrazia PERILLI</i> mariagrazia.perilli@univaq.it
Admission Pre-requisites	All Master-level Degrees or foreign degrees with certified equivalency or recognized equivalency of the afore stated qualifications. Within the deadline indicated in this announcement, candidates who are to obtain the above indicated Degree by 31/10/2021 may also apply.
Admission Procedure	Qualification assessment, written exam, oral exam.
Examination topics	Examination Topics are related to the 4 curricula.
How to apply	The application must be submitted only via the online procedure available at: <a href="https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/">https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/</a> . The documents must be attached in pdf format. The application and the attached documents are submitted automatically by closing the online procedure. So, no hard copy of the application and of the documents must be sent to the office.
Documents to be annexed to the Application	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. CV</li><li>2. Candidates holding a degree from an Italian university must provide:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Self-certification concerning their Bachelor-level Degree indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained;</li><li>• Self-certification concerning their Master-level Degree course indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained.</li></ul></li><li>3. Candidates enrolled in an Italian Degree Course must include:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Self-certification of their Bachelor-level Degree indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained;</li><li>• Self-certification of the exams so far taken in their Master-level Degree course indicating marks obtained.</li></ul></li><li>4. Applicants with foreign Degrees must follow the directions explained in article n. 4 of this call.</li><li>5. The candidate must indicate the name of two professors with their e-mail address. The referent will receive an e-mail with the instruction to write the recommendation letter directly on line.</li><li>6. Summary, max. 2 pages, of the candidate's Degree thesis.</li></ol>



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	<p>7. A report illustrating a possible research project the candidate wishes to carry out within the Ph.D. applied for (we underline that the report presented by the candidate with his/her application shall not necessarily be the actual project carried out during the Ph.D. course if the candidate is admitted. In fact, the research project shall be defined and approved by the Ph.D.'s Board of Professors once the course begins).</p> <p>8. Any additional qualifications deemed appropriate for admission.</p>
Language(s)	<p><b>Assessment of foreign language skills</b> English language skills and competence shall be assessed during the oral exam</p> <p><b>Admission</b> The candidate may sit exams in ITALIAN or ENGLISH</p>
Exam schedule	<p><b>Qualification assessment:</b> 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. at the Department of Biotechnological and Applied Clinical Sciences</p> <p><b>Written exam:</b> 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. – Classroom Tomassetti - Edificio Coppito 1, Via Vetoio - L'Aquila</p> <p><b>Oral exam:</b> 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. - Classroom Tomassetti - Edificio Coppito 1, Via Vetoio - L'Aquila</p>
Assessment Criteria	<p>The assessment procedure consists in three phases: qualifications evaluated, written exam and an oral exam. The candidate's score shall be expressed out of a total of 100 points, attributed as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Qualification Assessment:</b> max. 10 points attributed as follows:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>CV and studorium: up to 2 points</li><li>Degree mark and exams taken: up to 6 points</li><li>Additional qualifications (Degree thesis, scientific publications, letters of recommendation): up to 2 points.</li></ol></li><li><b>Written exam:</b> max. 50 points, with a 35/50 passing mark. The aim of the written exam is to assess the applicant's basic knowledge and technical skills regarding the scientific research issues pertinent to Ph.D curricula.</li><li><b>Oral exam:</b> The oral exam focuses on:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>the candidate's experience in the research sector</li><li>his/her motivation and aptitude for research</li><li>discussion of a specific topic pertaining to the various curricula.</li></ol>The oral exam will include assessment of English language skills. Foreign candidates may request to sit the oral exam in English. The maximum score for the oral exam is 40/40 with a 15/40 passing mark.</li></ol>
Title evaluation results publication	<p>Title evaluation results shall be published on the University website <a href="https://www.univaq.it/section.php?id=2055">https://www.univaq.it/section.php?id=2055</a> and on Department website: <a href="https://discab.univaq.it/index.php?id=2841/">https://discab.univaq.it/index.php?id=2841/</a>.</p>
Reserved Ph.D. positions not part of the selection procedure (assigned through other procedures)	<p>Positions reserved for students selected within specific international mobility programs: n. ____</p> <p>Positions reserved for scholarship holders from foreign countries: n. ____</p> <p>Positions covered by scholarship reserved for applicants having obtained a Degree abroad n. ____</p> <p>Positions not covered by scholarship reserved for applicants having obtained a Degree abroad n. ____</p>



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Ph.D. Course in HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES	
Ordinary places	7
of which	
with full grant	5
without financial support	2
Grant/Fellowship Funding source	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>5 grants - University of Aquila</li></ul>
Duration	3 years
Curricula	<p><i>a) Translational Medicine</i> <i>b) Molecular and Ultrastructural Imaging</i> <i>c) Pathophysiology of the stomatognathic system</i> <i>d) Psychiatry, Clinical Psychology and Psychoneuroendocrinology</i> <i>e) Environmental Sciences</i></p>
University Department Responsible for the Ph.D. Course	Department of Life Health and Environmental Sciences
Ph.D. Course Website	<a href="http://mesva.univaq.it/?q=node/6741">http://mesva.univaq.it/?q=node/6741</a>
Ph.D. Course Coordinator	<i>Prof.ssa Maria Grazia CIFONE</i> mariagrazia.cifone@univaq.it
Admission Pre-requisites	All Master-level Degrees or foreign degrees with certified equivalency or recognized as equivalent to the aforementioned qualifications. Within the deadline indicated in this call for applications, candidates who are to obtain the above indicated Degree by 31/10/2021 may also participate.
Admission Procedure	Qualification assessment, Written exam, Oral exam.
Examination topics	<p>- <b>Curriculum "Translational Medicine"</b> The written test and oral test will focus on general and translating topics in the following interdisciplinary themes: Regenerative and Reproductive Medicine, Immuno-Mediated Chronic Inflammatory immuno-mediated Diseases, Microbiota in Health and Disease.</p> <p>- <b>Curriculum "Molecular and Ultrastructural Imaging"</b> Written and oral exams will focus on topics of a general relevance in the following interdisciplinary topics: Clinical Molecular Imaging, Ultrastructural Imaging, Microscopy Techniques.</p> <p>- <b>Curriculum "Pathophysiology of the stomatognathic system"</b> The written test and oral test will focus on general topics related to the following interdisciplinary themes: Interactions between oral and systemic health in relation to the various apparatuses, Temporomandibular Disorders, Impact of rehabilitative therapies on general well-being and quality of life of the patient, Occlusion as a local condition of a general pattern: interactions, odontoiatric support to OSAS (Obstructive Sleep Apnea Syndromes).</p> <p>- <b>Curriculum Psychiatry, Clinical Psychology and Psychoneuroendocrinology"</b> The written and oral test will focus on general topics related to 1) Normal and pathological cognitive functions; 2) Evaluation techniques in clinical psychology and neuropsychological evaluation; 3) Psychopathology and mental disorders; 4) Neurobiological, psychological, and socioenvironmental risk factors, according to the model of social neuroscience, in the development of maladaptive behaviors and vulnerability to mental diseases; 5) Use of cognitive-behavioral strategies, in the development of maladaptive behaviors and vulnerability to mental diseases; 6) Use of cognitive-behavioral strategies in the management of anxiety, depression and post-traumatic symptomatology.</p>



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	<p><b>- Curriculum "Environmental Sciences"</b> Written and oral exams will focus on topics of general relevance concerning concepts and methods of analysis and protection of the environment with an interdisciplinary perspective, with particular reference to Botany, Zoology and Ecology.</p>
How to apply	<p>The application must be submitted only via the online procedure available at: <a href="https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/">https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/</a>. The documents must be attached in pdf format. The application and the attached documents are submitted automatically by closing the online procedure. So, no hard copy of the application and of the documents must be sent to the office.</p>
Documents to be annexed to the Application	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. CV</li><li>2. Candidates holding a degree from an Italian university must provide:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Self-certification concerning their Bachelor-level Degree indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained;</li><li>• Self-certification concerning their Master-level Degree course indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained.</li></ul></li><li>3. Candidates enrolled in an Italian Degree Course must include:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Self-certification of their Bachelor-level Degree indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained;</li><li>• Self-certification of the exams so far taken in their Master-level Degree course indicating marks obtained.</li></ul></li><li>4. Applicants with foreign Degrees must follow the directions explained in article n. 4 of this call.</li><li>5. Summary, max. 2 pages, of the candidate's Degree thesis.</li><li>6. Research project: A report illustrating a possible research project the candidate wishes to carry out within the Ph.D. applied for. Brief summary of the project in Italian and English (maximum 500 characters including spaces). Maximum 5 keywords. Detailed description of the project (maximum 9000 characters including spaces) divided into the following sections: Introduction, purpose, materials and methods, expected results, bibliography. We underline that the research project presented by the candidate with his/her application shall not necessarily be the actual project carried out during the Ph.D. course if the candidate is admitted.</li><li>7. A complete list and a copy of the candidate's publications in the last three years (2018-2020).</li><li>8. Additional qualifications as scientific publications deemed appropriate for admission.</li></ol>
Language(s)	<p><b>Assessment of foreign language skills</b> English language skills and competence shall be assessed during the oral exam.</p> <p><b>Admission</b> The candidate may sit exams in ITALIAN or ENGLISH</p>
Exam Schedule	<p><b>Qualification assessment:</b> 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at the Department of Life, Health and Environmental</p> <p><b>Written exam:</b> 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2021 at 09:00 a.m. at the Department of Life, Health and Environmental Sciences – Blocco 11 - Piazzale S. Tommasi, 1 - L'Aquila</p> <p><b>Oral exam:</b> The date of the oral exam will be announced on the day of the written exam and will take place at the Department of Life, Health and Environmental</p>



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Assessment Criteria	<p>The examination procedure consists in three phases: qualification assessment, written exam and an oral exam. Final score shall be indicated out of a total of 100 points attributed as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>1. Qualification assessment:</b> Max. 20 points attributed as follows:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Degree mark: Up to 3 points</li><li>- Thesis pertaining to the Ph.D. curricula applied for: Up to 4 points</li><li>- CV: Up to 3 points</li><li>- Scientific publications: Up to 4 points</li><li>- Research project: to 4 points</li><li>- Additional qualifications: Up to 2 points</li></ul></li><li><b>2. Written exam:</b> max. 40 points. Written assignment chosen by the candidate among three titles proposed by the examination commission on scientific topics pertaining to the Ph.D. course curriculum.</li><li><b>3. Oral exam:</b> max. 40 points The oral exam aims at assessing the applicant's aptitude for scientific research, his/her experience within the research sector and general knowledge of topics and issues pertinent to the Ph.D. course curriculum chosen by the candidate. The oral exam will also include assessment of the candidate's English language skills in the scientific field.</li></ol>
Title evaluation results publication	Title evaluation results shall be published on the University website <a href="https://www.univaq.it/section.php?id=2055">https://www.univaq.it/section.php?id=2055</a> and on Department website: <a href="http://mesva.univaq.it/">http://mesva.univaq.it/</a>
Reserved Ph.D. positions not part of the selection procedure (assigned through other procedures)	<p>Positions reserved for students selected within specific international mobility programs: n. —</p> <p>Positions reserved for scholarship holders from foreign countries: n. 1</p> <p>Positions covered by scholarship reserved for applicants having obtained a Degree abroad n. —</p> <p>Positions not covered by scholarship reserved for applicants having obtained a Degree abroad n. _</p>



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<b>Ph.D. Course in PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL SCIENCES</b>	
Ordinary places	<b>6</b>
of which	
with full grant	<b>5</b>
without financial support	<b>1</b>
Grant/Fellowship Funding source	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 5 grants - University of L'Aquila</li></ul>
Duration	<b>3 years</b>
Curricula	<i>////</i>
University Department Responsible for the Ph.D. Course	<b>Department of Physical and Chemical Sciences</b>
Ph.D. Course Website	<i><a href="https://dsfc.univaq.it/phdpc/">https://dsfc.univaq.it/phdpc/</a></i>
Ph.D. Course Coordinator	<i><b>Prof. Antonio Mecozzi</b></i> <b><a href="mailto:antonio.mecozzi@univaq.it">antonio.mecozzi@univaq.it</a></b>
Admission Pre-requisites	All Master-level Degrees or foreign degrees with certified equivalency or recognized as equivalent to the aforementioned qualifications. Within the deadline indicated in this call for applications, candidates who are to obtain the above indicated Degrees by 31/10/2021 may also apply.
Admission Procedure	Qualification assessment and oral exam. Foreign students may sit the oral exam in English. Candidates may request to sit the exam via web. Candidates must request this option when they present their application and provide valid contact details. Candidates must have valid photo-ID to be shown during the oral exam.
Examination topics	Notions on Chemistry or Physics according to 2 <sup>nd</sup> cycle degree.
How to apply	The application must be submitted only via the online procedure available at: <a href="https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/">https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/</a> . The documents must be attached in pdf format. The application and the attached documents are submitted automatically by closing the online procedure. So, no hard copy of the application and of the documents must be sent to the office.
Documents to be annexed to the Application	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. CV</li><li>2. Candidates holding a degree from an Italian university must provide:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Self-certification concerning their Bachelor-level Degree indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained;</li><li>• Self-certification concerning their Master-level Degree course indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained.</li></ul></li><li>3. Candidates enrolled in an Italian Degree Course must include:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Self-certification of their Bachelor-level Degree indicating final mark and list of exams taken and marks obtained;</li><li>• Self-certification of the exams so far taken in their Master-level Degree course indicating marks obtained.</li></ul></li><li>4. Applicants with foreign Degrees must follow the directions explained in article n. 4 of this call.</li><li>5. The candidate must indicate the name of one or two professors with their e-mail address. The referees will receive an e-mail with the instruction to write the recommendation letter directly on line.</li></ol>



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	<p>6. Summary, max. 2 pages, of the candidate's Degree thesis.</p> <p>7. Scientific publications and any additional qualifications deemed appropriate for admission.</p>
Language(s)	<p><b>Assessment of foreign language skills</b> English language skills and competence shall be assessed during the oral exam.</p> <p><b>Admission</b> The candidate may sit exams in ENGLISH</p>
Exam schedule	<p><b>Qualification assessment:</b> 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. at the Department of Physical and Chemical Sciences</p> <p><b>Oral exam:</b> 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. at the Department of Physical and Chemical Sciences - Classroom "G. Signorelli"</p>
Assessment Criteria	<p>The examination procedure consists in two phases: qualification assessment and an oral exam. The candidate's scores will be indicated out of a total of 100 points attributed as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>Qualification assessment:</b> assessment of the candidate's CV, letters of recommendation, publications and other qualifications. The minimum score required for admission to sit the oral exam is 30, the maximum score is 50 points.</li><li><b>Oral exam:</b> the aim is to evaluate the candidate's aptitude and motivation for research. The test also includes assessment of the candidate's English language skills. Foreign students may sit the oral exam in English. The minimum score needed to pass is 30 over a max. of 50 points for the oral exam.</li></ol>
Title evaluation results publication	<p>Title evaluation results shall be published on the University website <a href="https://www.univaq.it/section.php?id=2055">https://www.univaq.it/section.php?id=2055</a> and on Department website: <a href="https://dsfc.univaq.it">https://dsfc.univaq.it</a></p>
Reserved Ph.D. positions not part of the selection procedure (assigned through other procedures)	<p>Positions reserved for students selected within specific international mobility programs: n. __</p> <p>Positions reserved for scholarship holders from foreign countries: n. __</p> <p>Positions covered by scholarship reserved for applicants having obtained a Degree abroad n. __</p> <p>Positions not covered by scholarship reserved for applicants having obtained a Degree abroad n. __</p>



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## ART. 3

### Requirements for Activation

The minimum number of approved applications necessary to activate the aforementioned Ph.D. courses must be not less than 3 – by “approved applications” we mean candidates that have successfully passed the admission exams and fulfilled all administrative procedures for enrolment in the selected Ph.D. course.

The number of available grants may increase if funding from other sources is provided, as long as such funding is made available by the deadline established in this announcement.

Notice about the increasing will be given on the web site.

Failure on behalf of public or private institutions to comply with funding procedures will result in fewer available positions.

The number of available grants may increase if the MUR approves specific projects that can be funded by European funds, (Programma Operativo Nazionale “Ricerca e Innovazione” 2014-2020 e Piano Stralcio “Ricerca e Innovazione 2015-2017”) for which doctoral grants are envisaged, even after the expiration date of this call.

Any positive outcome of the participation in this call, will enable the funding of additional scholarships for Ph.D. programs. In this case the Ph.D. students, can pursue their research path both at the partner enterprises with which they presented the project proposals, and abroad.

## ART. 4

### Requirements for Access

Candidates holding a Master-level Degree or other University Degree corresponding to criteria specified in DM – Ministerial Decree n. 509/1999, or those holding a foreign Degree with certified equivalency, within the deadline of this selection announcement, may, with no limitations as to age or citizenship, apply to participate in the Ph.D. selection process.

The academic qualification held by the candidate must refer to a course with a duration of at least 4 years and allow the access to a Ph.D. course in the country in which it was awarded.

Candidates holding a foreign Degree who have not as yet obtained certified equivalency required for the admission to the Ph.D. course, must include the following documents in their application (necessary for the Examination Commission to evaluate the Degree as conforming to requirements):

- a copy of the Degree certifications obtained (Bachelor e Master Degree), with a transcript of records of the exams taken and an Italian or English translation provided by the applicant under his/her responsibility;
- any other documentation deemed useful for the qualification assessment (Diploma Supplement, declarations etc...).

Eligibility of the qualification will be verified by the Course’s Admission Committee and will only be granted for the sole purpose of admission to the chosen Ph.D. course.

The call is also addressed to:

- Candidates scheduled to obtain their Master-level degree within 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021. If admission exams are held before the Degree is conferred, the candidate’s admission shall be deemed as “subject to verification”.
- Candidates who have already obtained a Ph.D. in Italy, although such candidates shall not be eligible for financial support or grants.
- Candidates who are attending the medical specialization school at the University of L’Aquila, as long as they will enroll for a.y. 2021/2022 in their final year.



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## ART. 5 Applications

The application form may only be submitted using the dedicated online procedure, available at: <https://pica.cineca.it/univaq/dott37/>. Applications must be submitted no later than the **August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. (CEST)**.

The application must be signed, **missing the signature the application will be rejected**.

There are 3 methodologies to sign it and the candidate must select one of them and read carefully they directions.

- By digital signature using smart card, USB token or remote signature which allow the owner to sign general documents by means of a signature software or a Remote Signature web portal made available by the Auditor. Those who have a Digital Signature smart card or USB token shall verify that they are compatible with the Digital Signature system integrated in the system server. If so, the owner may sign the application directly in the system server (e.g. ConFirma);
- Those who do not have compatible digital signature devices and the Remote Digital Signature Owners who may access a web portal for signing general documents shall save in their own PC the .pdf file generated by the system and, without modifying it, digitally sign it in CAdES format. A .p7m file will be generated, which shall be saved and uploaded again in the system. Any editing to the file before signing with the Digital Signature shall interfere with the automatic check of correspondence between the content of such a document and the original, and this will bring to the application exclusion;
- If none of the above-mentioned options can be used candidates shall save in their own PC the .pdf file generated by the system and, without modifying it, print and sign it with full original signature in the last page of the printed document. A scanned .pdf copy of such a document shall be produced and the file thus obtained shall be uploaded to the system.

Candidates intending to apply for more than one Course must complete a separate application for each chosen Course.

Should the Course have more than one curriculum, candidates must indicate the chosen curriculum. Preferences expressed on the application form will provide an indication of the candidate's interests and will not be binding.

In case the selected Ph.D. course foresees:

- positions reserved to candidates with scholarship holders funded by foreign countries;
- positions without scholarship reserved to candidates holding a title acquired abroad

candidates are compulsory required to clearly mention it in the application form.

Candidates who competes for places reserved for scholarship holders from foreign countries, must indicate in the application for admission who finances the scholarship and attach the documentation relating to the grant.

All required documents to be submitted, listed in the information sheet for the chosen Ph.D. course, must be annexed to the application form, together with a copy of an identity document.

The lack of a photocopy of the identity document is cause for exclusion from the selection.

If the candidate is applying for more than one course, each application must be completed with the relative required documents. **All documentation must be attached in pdf format.**

For all legal purposes, the application is to be considered as a self-certification of the data included therein, in accordance with articles 46 and 47 of Italian Presidential Decree no. 445/2000 and subsequent amendments.

The candidate can, where applicable, request **reference letters**. A notification will be sent automatically sent to the selected referee only when the application has been fully submitted. The referee must compile the reference letter scheme and submit it by the deadline of **September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2021 at 1:00 p.m. CEST**.

**Reference letters attached by the candidate will not be taken into consideration.**

The application is automatically sent to the University when the online procedure has finally been completed. Therefore, no paperwork needs to be delivered or sent to the University's offices.



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Candidates are invited to complete applications for the selection process well in advance of the closing date specified in this call. Candidates are responsible for verifying that the procedure is completed correctly. No complaints will be accepted for any malfunctioning of the IT system due to overload experienced by candidates near the closing date.

After the deadline of the call it will no longer be possible to change the application for participation.

In force of Italian Law no. 104/92, as amended by Italian Law no. 17/99, disabled candidates may request an individual examination (with the use of aids, any additional time required, etc.) to complete the required entry examinations. In accordance with Italian Law no. 170/2010, candidates with specific learning disabilities are allowed 30% more time to complete written exams, if required for the selection process for admission to the chosen Ph.D. course, subject to a request for an individual examination. The request must be written in accordance with the instructions available as part of the online application procedure for the selection process.

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## ART. 6 Foreign Candidates

With the aim of fostering student mobility, the Ph.D. courses in this announcement can include for the following positions as specified in the charts above:

1. Positions reserved for candidates selected within specific student mobility projects the University participates in. (in these cases the selection procedures will follow its specific rules)
2. Positions reserved for foreign scholarship recipients;
3. Positions not covered by scholarships and reserved for candidates who have obtained their Degree abroad;
4. Positions with scholarship provided by the University of L'Aquila reserved for candidates who have obtained their Degree abroad.

Candidates corresponding to the case under 1), must not follow the online procedure - they shall be contacted by e-mail.

Candidates corresponding to the case under 2) shall obtain supernumerary positions in the Ph.D. Course selected once they have passed admission requirements.

These candidates, as required by art. 5 of this Call, must indicate in the application for admission the foreign body that finances the scholarship and attach the documentation relating to the contribution.

Candidates corresponding to the cases under 2), 3) and 4) will find admission procedures indicated in the specific description of the Ph.D. Course they are interested in. Positions will be assigned in accordance with the final rankings obtained following the admission exams and requirements.

The reserved positions not covered by the candidates (corresponding to the cases under 3, 4), shall become part of the regular selection procedure and assigned according to admission examination results.

## ART. 7 Examinations

The examination procedures and the dates of the exams are indicated in the Article 2 of the above reported schemes of each doctoral course. These dates are to be regarded as official legally-binding calls.

**Candidates will therefore not receive any other sort of call or summons by the University as to the exams prescribed for the Ph.D. Course they have applied for.**

The candidate does not have to be present during qualification assessment procedures unless otherwise specified in art. 2.

**ANY CHANGES IN DATES AND TIMES WILL BE MADE PUBLIC ON THE UNIVERSITY WEB-SITE**

**A candidate who is not present at the time and place indicated for the examination will automatically be excluded from the competition.**



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To sit the prescribed exams for the course applied for, candidates must be present on the dates and times indicated in the above mentioned schemes and provide a valid identification card.

For some Ph.D. courses, as indicated in the relevant descriptive tables, candidates may request to sit the oral exam in another language other than Italian (check for details).

Candidates, only if indicated as an option in the chosen Ph.D. Course, sit the oral exam via web conference communication systems. In this case, the candidate is required to provide contact information in their application and guarantee the use of a web-cam to allow the Commission to verify the candidate's identity.

If, for health reasons connected to the COVID-19 emergency, the examination tests cannot be carried out in the manner indicated in the art. 2 of the notice, it will be communicated by means of a notice that can be consulted on the University website.

## **ART. 8**

### **Examination Committee**

#### **Assessment Criteria and Ranking List**

The Examination Committee is appointed by the Rector through a specific decree and is composed by a minimum of three to a maximum of five members among professors and assistant professors.

Having regard to Italian Law about "Equal Opportunities for Men and Women" and specifically to Art. 57 of the Leg. Decree n. 165, 30 March 2001, at least one third of the Examining Board has to be women, except impossibility to be demonstrated when the Board proposal is made.

Having regard to Art. 35 bis of the Leg. Decree n. 165, 30 March 2001, Individuals condemned for crimes – even if not yet sentenced – in Book II of the Italian Penal Code ("crimes by civil servants against public administration") cannot be nominated as members of the Examining Board.

Teachers who have issued letters of reference to candidates cannot be part of the exam boards.

The candidate's scores will be indicated out of a total of 100 points.

The results of the assessment of the qualifications will be published on the web site of the University [https://www.univaq.it/en/section.php?id=2055&lang\\_s=en](https://www.univaq.it/en/section.php?id=2055&lang_s=en) and on the web site of the concerned Department and on the Department information board.

The results of the written exam, signed by the President and by the secretary of the Examination Committee, will be published on the Department's notice board and/or the site of the Department where the test was conducted.

At the end of the session the Examination Committee draws up the list of the interviewed applicants with the obtained scores.

This list, signed by the President and by the secretary of the Examination Committee will be published on the web site of the Department at which the test was conducted, on the same day of the oral examination.

Once all the interviews have been completed the Examination Committee draws up the final ranking list according to the sums of the obtained scores.

Regarding at the reserved positions, if specific modalities of admission are envisaged, the Commission shall draw up a specific merit list.

The University Administration makes this list public by publishing it on the official notice board of the University and on the University web site ([https://www.univaq.it/en/section.php?id=2055&lang\\_s=en](https://www.univaq.it/en/section.php?id=2055&lang_s=en)), once the validity of the examination procedure has been checked.

The applicants will obtain a Ph.D. position according to their position on the ranking list.

In case of equality, the Ph.D. position will be conferred to the younger candidate.

If the candidate obtains equal position in more than one Ph.D. course, he/she must choose one course.

## **ART.9**

### **Enrolment in Ph.D. Courses**

Successful candidates must submit their enrolment through the University of L'Aquila official website ([https://www.univaq.it/en/section.php?id=2055&lang\\_s=en](https://www.univaq.it/en/section.php?id=2055&lang_s=en)), within 15 days from online publication of selection results.



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No information will be sent to the candidate's home. Candidates granted admission to the Courses are responsible for checking enrolment dates and procedures.

**Failure to enroll by the deadlines set for each Course will be considered as drop out and the place will subsequently be assigned to the next candidate according to the ranking.**

The enrolment forms, available on the University website, duly signed, must be delivered to the "Settore Dottorati, Assegni e Borse di Ricerca", Palazzo Camponeschi - Piazza Santa Margherita, 2 - L'Aquila within the deadline foreseen for the enrolment. The documents can be delivered in one of the following ways:

- sent by registered mail with return receipt to: The Rector of the University of L'Aquila - Settore Dottorati, Assegni e Borse di ricerca – Palazzo Camponeschi - Piazza Santa Margherita 2, 67100, L'Aquila, Italy. **Please note:** as date of mail sending, will be considered the date of the stamp of the receiving Post Office. In this case, the selected candidate must also submit all the documents via e-mail to the following web address: [concorso.dottorati@univaq.it](mailto:concorso.dottorati@univaq.it) within the date foreseen for the enrolment deadline;
- by certified e-mail (PEC) addressed to [protocollo@pec.univaq.it](mailto:protocollo@pec.univaq.it).  
The certified e-mail account used must be the candidate's personal account. The administration shall not accept documents from candidates using certified e-mail accounts belonging to other individuals or to institutions. The University Administration declines all responsibility for any non-deliveries or misdeliveries of the documents sent via PEC or in case the documents attached to it are non-readable or damaged.  
The date of submission will be indicated on the receipt sent automatically by the PEC system.
- by mail addressed to [concorso.dottorati@univaq.it](mailto:concorso.dottorati@univaq.it). **All documentation must be attached in pdf format.**

Candidates with a qualification obtained abroad, when they arrive in Italy, are required to deliver the originals of the documentation relating to the qualification to the Settore Dottorati, Assegni e Borse di Ricerca.

The documents to submit compulsory are the followings:

- a) Enrolment form;
- b) Self-Declaration in substitution of certification and Self-Declaration in substitution of attested affidavit in accordance with articles 46 and 47 of the Presidential Decree – 28<sup>th</sup> December, 2000, n.-445 (forms attached to this selection announcement), containing the following:
  - self- certified declaration of citizenship;
  - statement declaring that the candidate is not also enrolled in another University Degree Course or a "School of Specialization" or any other Master-level course, university-level vocational course or other doctoral or Ph.D. course;
  - self- certified declaration of being entitled to exercise civil and political rights;
  - statement declaring that the candidate shall adhere to and attend all activities prescribed for the Ph.D. they have been selected for in accordance with the decisions taken by the Board of Professors;
  - Statement declaring that the candidate shall ask the Board of Professors for authorization to accept, or continue to carry out, any other type of "external" employment while they are enrolled in the Ph.D. Course;
- c) a copy of an identity document;
- d) a photocopy of the candidate's fiscal-code number;
- e) a photocopy of the candidate's "Italian-residency permit" (permesso di soggiorno) – only for non-EU citizens.

**Foreign citizens must declare possessing the following requisites:**

- 1) that they benefit from civil rights and right to vote in their country;
- 2) that, aside from Italian citizenship, they possess all other requisites required for citizens of the Italian Republic.

**Applicants holding a university Degree awarded abroad must enclose,** also, the following documents, translated and certified by competent Italian Diplomatic Authorities:

- copy of their university degree indicating their final mark;
- degree transcripts indicating the exams taken during their course and marks awarded.



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If the above documentation is not available at the time of enrolment, the candidate's enrolment shall be deemed "subject to verification". In this case all above mentioned compulsory documentation must be consigned **by and no later than the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021, failure to do so will result in expulsion from the course.**

**Candidates ranked in a position allowing them to benefit from a scholarship for funding must present a:**

- self-declaration to obtain the scholarship for the Ph.D. course they have earned admission to;
- scholarship accreditation form.

**Within 15 days from the start of the Ph.D. Course**, candidates who have been conferred a scholarship must send by mail a photocopy of a receipt from the INPS (national social security service), certifying that they have been registered in "posizione contributiva all'gestione separate" (for information visit the INPS web-site at [www.inps.it](http://www.inps.it)).

False declarations shall lead to the candidate's expulsion from the Ph.D. course and to prescribed sanctions for such offenses, vacant positions will be assigned to other candidates according to the ranking list.

Successful candidates who do not want to enroll in the course they have been selected for, must immediately send a signed letter of renouncement enclosing a photocopy (front-back) of their identity card.

Candidates selected as replacements must write a letter of acceptance within three days of notification that they have been accepted. All other necessary documents indicated in this announcement must be consigned within, and no later than, ten days after receiving notification.

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## ART. 12

### Grants – Scholarships

The grants available indicated in the Ph.D. chart (art. 2) are assigned according to the ranking list drawn up by the Examination Commission.

A Ph.D. gross grant consists of € 15.343,28 which includes health and social security taxes that, on 2021, amounts to 34,23% but only 11,41% is paid by the beneficiary.

From the second year of each Ph.D. course, in addition to the grant and according to financial resources, a research budget, not less than 10% of the total sum of the grant conferred, will also be available for research activity in Italy or abroad. If a Ph.D. student does not receive a positive evaluation or renounces the grant, the remaining sum shall remain within the institution and used accordingly for the same purpose.

Grants provided by other Universities and public or private bodies may be linked to specific research topics. External sources shall be assigned by the Board of Professors, candidates to whom grants are conferred have to find out all the details and conditions regarding the grant before accepting.

Grants are yearly provided and are renewed on the condition that the Ph.D. student has completed all programmed activities for the course during the previous year.

A Ph.D. scholarship cannot be cumulated with other grants except for those provided by national or foreign institutions which are aimed at integrating the Ph.D. student's research activity with periods abroad.

The payment of the scholarship is done by monthly installment.

If a scholarship is provided by external sources, both public and private, the sum shall be given to the Ph.D. student only when it is received by the University from the external source.

Candidates who have already benefited from other Ph.D. study grants in Italy (even if only for one year) are not eligible to receive another grant.

If Ph.D. student does not respect what is indicated in article 15 paragraph 7 of Ph.D. regulations, his/her scholarship will be stopped.



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## ART. 13 Attendance Abroad

Ph.D. students can carry out training periods abroad in qualified institutions. Such training or study periods abroad cannot be longer than half the duration of Ph.D. course and can be allowed in case they are foreseen by:

- a) The study program of the Ph.D. course;
- b) Upon advice of the course coordinator or board;
- c) Upon request made by the Ph.D. student.

The sum of the grant/scholarship is increased to cover such training or study periods abroad up to a max of 50% and only for the duration of the period spent abroad.

This increase shall be covered by funding provided by the interested University Departments or through specific funds set up for Ph.D. student mobility.

Before going abroad the following documents must be sent to the above mentioned Ph.D. office by the Coordinator:

- Signed authorization by the course Coordinator for training/study periods abroad of less than 6 months or
- Board resolution allowing a period of over 6 months;

If the Ph.D. student is a grant-holder, the authorization must include:

- the source of financial coverage for the additional sum of the scholarship;
- indication of the fund to which the additional sum of the scholarship is to be sent, if this sum is to be paid by the Department;

Upon returning to Italy the Ph.D. Coordinator shall present the following:

- Certification about study periods abroad.

## ART. 14 Tuition Fees

All Ph.D. students are exempted from tuition payments. All Ph.D. students must only pay € 156,00; the Regional tax (€ 140,00) and aduty stamp “marca da bollo” (€ 16,00).

Late payment will result in a € 52.00 fine.

## ART. 15 Rights and Duties

1. Ph.D. students are obliged to attend lessons and carry out all prescribed activities regularly in accordance with the programs and schedules set by the Board of Professors;
2. The University provides insurance coverage for the entire duration of the Ph.D. course and for activities pertaining to the course, (but in the U.S.A. and in Canada);
3. Compatible employment activities shall be allowed for brief periods, following authorization from the Board of Professors as long as such commitments do not pose any sort of conflict with the activities required within the Ph.D. course;
4. Interruptions in attendance shall be allowed for:
  - a. Illness or injury for periods of 30 days or more;
  - b. Military or civil service;
  - c. Training courses for teacher certification.Interruption may also be agreed for substantiated serious personal reasons after having received a positive opinion of the Board of Professors. Discontinuation does cannot be longer than one year according to the total course length Ph.D. students benefitting of interruption period must recover the entire time with consequent test delay for the move to following year and for the awarding of title.
5. Maternity/paternity leave and leave for adoption or foster care may also be authorized. Maternity-leave laws and regulations as indicated in Gazzetta Ufficiale n. 247 of 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2007 shall be applied only to scholarship holders.



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6. A Ph.D. student's unexcused absence or non-fulfillment of obligations shall result in his/her exclusion from the course by the Board of Professors. In this case the expelled Ph.D. student shall be liable for the sum of the scholarship conferred or for tuition fees;
7. Ph.D. students enrolled at the University of L'Aquila may carry out limited teaching or tutoring activities within the University's Bachelor and Master-level degree courses if so established and programmed by the Board of Professors in agreement with the University Department.
8. Ph.D. students must preserve the confidentiality in information, knowings and materials. They must not disclose beyond subject different by the ones that gave to them.

## **ART. 16** **Graduation**

Students can write their Ph.D. thesis in Italian or in English, an abstract in Italian or English must also be provided. Students wishing to write their thesis in a language different from Italian or English must receive authorization from the Board of Professors.

The evaluation committee for Ph.D. thesis discussion will be appointed according to the Ph.D. Regulations of the University.

A Doctoral Degree title (Dott. Ric. or Ph.D.) will be awarded following a positive assessment of the Ph.D. thesis, taking into account the achieved results.

## **ART. 17** **Head of the Competition Procedure**

According to art. 5 of law 07/08/1990, n. 241, the Head of the Settore Dottorati, Assegni e Borse di ricerca of the University of L'Aquila (Piazza Santa Margherita, 2 – Palazzo Camponeschi - L'Aquila) shall be responsible for the competition procedure.

## **ART. 18** **Legal Reference**

For all other matters not foreseen or included in this announcement we shall refer to Law n. 210 of 03/07/98, Law n. 240 of 30/12/2010, Ministerial Decree 45/2013 and to the "Regolamento dei corsi di Dottorato di Ricerca" (Ph.D. regulations) of this University.

This announcement is available at: [https://www.univaq.it/en/section.php?id=2055&lang\\_s=en](https://www.univaq.it/en/section.php?id=2055&lang_s=en)

Further information may be requested by contacting the competent Ph.D. office:

*Settore Dottorati, Assegni e Borse di Ricerca* – tel. 0862/432055/432062/432061/432032 e-mail: [dot@strutture.univaq.it](mailto:dot@strutture.univaq.it).

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The Rector of the University of L'Aquila  
Signed Prof. Edoardo Alesse