

FAQ

- **How can I enter to IRIS?**

In order to enter the catalogue IRIS you have to click on <https://iris.polito.it/>.

- **What is 50N?**

N is the number of articles published on:

- journals listed in the international databases “Scopus” and “Web of Science”, for bibliometric sectors
- journals with ISSN and publications on books with ISBN (or ISMN), for non bibliometric sectors

Phd candidates shall publish at least 1 article on these journals. 50N=50 is the minimum requirement to be satisfied before the admission to the final exam.

- **What is α ?**

α is a coefficient with a minimum value ≥ 10 ; each PhD programme can set a value of $\alpha \geq 10$. The value of α is displayed in the section RICERCA of Cruscotto platform (see the page DETTAGLIO STUDENTE).

- **What is P_i ?**

P_i is the value of the publication according to the bibliometric criteria of Politecnico. It does not contribute towards the fulfillment of the minimum requirement; instead, it accounts for additional points which affect the total value of R.

- **What is f^i ?**

f^i is the degree of ownership shared by each of the co-authors of the publication, on the basis of the bibliometric criteria of Politecnico. f^i does not contribute towards the fulfillment of the minimum requirement; instead, it accounts for additional points which affect the total value of R.

- **Does a journal listed in the international databases ISI or SCOPUS satisfy the minimum requirement 50N=50?**

Of course!

- **Is the minimum requirement 50N=50 satisfied if the journal is classified as 4th Quartile or Class D?**

Yes, the minimum requirement is satisfied but for the 4th Quartile or Class D the coefficient P_i doesn't receive any points. In that case the Cruscotto platform shows 0 points for the item PUNTEGGIO in the page Publications, even if you have 50N=50 in the section RICERCA at the page DETTAGLIO STUDENTE.

- **Where can I find the list of journals approved?**

Politecnico is subscribed to Scopus services, available at the link: <https://www.scopus.com/search/form.uri?display=basic>, and to Web of Science services, available at the link: http://apps.webofknowledge.com/WOS_GeneralSearch_input.do?product=WOS&search_mode=GeneralSearch&SID=W17NscNxDhZ8IHefeHP&preferencesSaved=

- **Are the conference papers valid to satisfy the minimum requirement 50N=50?**

No, conference papers don't contribute towards the fulfillment of the minimum requirement; instead, they account for additional points which affect the coefficient P_i . The Board of the School has allocated 0,5 points for each paper presented at “international conferences with referees”.

- **Do I satisfy the minimum requirement 50N=50, if I publish an article with co-authors, who aren't PhD candidates at Politecnico di Torino?**

Yes, if you are the only PhD candidate at Politecnico di Torino among the co-authors of a publication listed in the international databases "Scopus" and "Web of Science", the minimum requirement 50N=50 is satisfied.

- **Do I satisfy the minimum requirement 50N=50, if I publish an article with co-authors that are PhD candidates at Politecnico di Torino?**

If more than one PhD candidate appears among the co-authors, the points awarded for that article shall be distributed according to the degree of ownership f^i . In that case you need more than one article to satisfy the minimum requirement 50N=50.

- **What about the status of "PhD Candidate"?**

In order to influence the degree of ownership, the comparison between the publication date of a paper and the status of PhD candidates is established on annual basis. Therefore, the number of candidates who participate in the writing of a paper is based upon the yearly number of active PhD candidates.

- **Is the publication of a book chapter valid to satisfy the minimum requirement 50N=50?**

No, the book chapters don't satisfy the minimum requirement. As the conference papers, they give points to the coefficient P_i . When referring to entire books, $P_i = 5$, the calculation of the points awarded for the publication of a book chapter takes into account the aforementioned value, duly weighted by the Politecnico bibliometric criteria.

- **Do abstracts and reviews contribute to the calculation of the minimum requirement?**

No, only articles are considered.

- **On IRIS there isn't the item "International refereed conferece", how can I do?**

You can use the category "4.1 Contributo in Atti di convegno", selecting "Internazionale" in the item "Rilevanza" and choosing the right choice in the drop down list "Referee".