WELCOME MEETING WITH PhD CANDIDATES - 36° CYCLE

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Polito at Glance (A.Y. 2020/21)

- 34,000 Students
- 19.5% International students in total
- 43% Students from outside Piedmont
- 5,450 Students enrolled in the first year
- 940 PhD candidates
To meet the real needs of the stakeholders
The PhD programmes at Politecnico di Torino are managed by a unique structure, the Doctoral School

The School is in charge of:

→ The harmonization of the various PhDs, yet preserving their essential differences

→ The coordination of the training and cultural activities

→ The control of the PhDs quality and the accreditation assurance

→ The promotion and management of the strategic choices and of the scientific policy involving the PhDs
THE DOCTORAL SCHOOL

BODIES OF THE SCHOOL

DIRECTOR

SCHOOL COUNCIL

• COORDINATORS OF EVERY PROGRAM
• 2 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PHD CANDIDATES
• 5 MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE ACADEMIC SENATE

ADMINISTRATION

• Rector / Vice Rectors
• Academic Senate
• Board of Governors
ORGANIZATION OF PHD PROGR MME S

COORDINATOR
✓ designs and implements the PhD programme
✓ oversees the overall training activities

ACADEMIC BOARD
✓ assigns the tutor (supervisor)
✓ verifies the achievement of educational goals
✓ decides the admission to the next year and to the final exam

✓ supervises the development of training and research
✓ is primarily responsible and referent to the Academic Board of activities and progress in research of the PhD student
✓ tutor’s report and evaluation are determinant to the admission to the following year

PhD candidates have to keep in continuous contact with their tutor, to share the choice of the most suitable activities for the research project, to update and to discuss the progress of research.

REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PhD CANDIDATES
✓ In the School Council and in the Academic Senate
✓ for the PhD programme
✓ In the Department
Regulations for PhD Program and operating procedures for everyone (http://dottorato.polito.it/en/legislation)

Regulation for each doctoral programmes (ask your Coordinator)
SOME GENERAL RULES

- Contemporary enrolment in a PhD programme and in another course, awarding an academic title, is strictly forbidden.

- The PhD career is a full-time activity; consequently, candidates are not allowed to carry out a parallel full-time activity. Occasionally working activities can be authorised by the Academic Board.

- Suspension of the PhD career: allowed in case of serious illness and maternity leave. Compulsory maternity leave: 5 months; an additional period of leave can be asked (up to a maximum of 12 months in total). [http://dottorato.polito.it/it/interrompere_il_dottorato](http://dottorato.polito.it/it/interrompere_il_dottorato)

- Dropping out of the PhD: candidates have to inform the School and fill in the form. TBN: If the student drops out before the deadline for the payment of the 2° instalment of tuition fees expires, he/she will not have to pay it. [http://dottorato.polito.it/it/interrompere_il_dottorato](http://dottorato.polito.it/it/interrompere_il_dottorato)

- All industrial and intellectual property rights resulting from activities in which Ph.D. students have been involved in any way, are exclusive property of Polito. Ask to TT office (brevetti.spinoff@polito.it) for all information and before signing any agreement!
“Plagiarism is the practice of taking someone else’s work or ideas and passing them off as one’s own.”

If plagiarism is identified in unpublished (internal) documents (like course reports, thesis drafts, etc), the author(s) is/are referred to Politecnico’s Discipline Committee.

Plagiarism in published, official documents (like final thesis, journal articles, etc) is unlawful and Politecnico is required to inform the local Court.

**ALL TO-BE-SUBMITTED PHD THESES WILL BE CHECKED WITH ANTI-PLAGIARISM SOFTWARE**

BUT, YOU ARE INVITED TO USE THIS TOOL DURING YOUR WHOLE PHD (ASK THE SUPERVISOR)

An online course about research integrity is available on your teaching portal.
PHD CANDIDATE PATH

COURSES
RESEARCH

ACTIVITIES ABROAD
INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITIES

PUBLICATIONS
PATENTS

CONFERENCES
TEACHING COLLABORATIONS
RESEARCH PROJECT

INDIVIDUAL PATH

< - - - - - 3 YEARS - - - - - >
1. EDUCATION

Minimum requirements: 100 hours of hard skills + 40 hours of soft skills (to be acquired by the end of the 3° year – Oct 31st)

Each PhD programme respects ScuDO guidelines, but the Academic Board can add further requirements and set internal regulations.

Check with your coordinator

2. SCIENTIFIC PRODUCTION

Minimum requirement: at least 1 publication in an international journal
Insert all your publication on the institutional repository

A point-based system is in place for these PhD activities
**HARD SKILL COURSES**

SCUDO runs a catalogue of 3rd level courses for PhD candidates. Courses catalogue is available at:

http://dottorato.polito.it/en/course_catalogue

Courses are registered via an online procedure. In order to get the points, it is necessary to comply with course requirements and to have the right course code in the study plan.

**You can also attend courses outside Polito**

**SOFT SKILL COURSES**

Soft skill courses are *non-field-specific courses* and are meant to provide students with transferable skills which will enable them to comply with the new challenges of the global economy (for example, writing and presentation skills in English, project management, fundraising, communication of research results,...)

*TBN: Language courses, cultural courses and professional training courses such as, for example, for engineers and architects, are not recognizable as transferable skills training.*
### SOFT SKILL COURSES AT POLITO ARE CLUSTERED IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

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- **Some courses are offered as MOOC, that means you can attend them online from your Teaching Portal (final test)**

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http://dottorato.polito.it/en/soft_skills
PhD candidates are recommended to spend periods in other universities/institutions for education and research up to 18 months.

**Before leaving**, it is compulsory for all PhD candidates:

1. apply the authorisation procedure on the Teaching Portal – Cruscotto SCUDO, indicating your mobility period in the sheet “External Research Activities”

2. only after successfully concluding the procedure on the Teaching Portal, apply the authorisation procedure available on your personal page in PoliTO website (Researchers Portal) [https://www.swas.polito.it/intra/missioni/](https://www.swas.polito.it/intra/missioni/);

But also:

- check the website [www.viaggiaresicuri.it](http://www.viaggiaresicuri.it) to acquire information on the conditions for your leaving and to make sure that your destination is among those “allowed”;
- read the measures adopted by Politecnico di Torino for mobility in Italy and abroad, [http://www.coronavirus.polito.it/en/measures_for_staff/protocol_procedures_and_information_for_staff](http://www.coronavirus.polito.it/en/measures_for_staff/protocol_procedures_and_information_for_staff); [https://www.sls.polito.it/faq_materiale/materiale/missione_all_estero](https://www.sls.polito.it/faq_materiale/materiale/missione_all_estero);
- attend the general training course on health and safety in the workplace available on the personal page of the Teaching Portal;
During the mobility period:

1. follow the safety procedures adopted by the host institution/company;

2. on your return to Italy, check again the website www.viaggiaresicuri.it and follow the restrictive measures adopted at a national and international level, if any;

Insurance cover

In the European Economic Area health assistance in the public structures is provided throughout the European Health Insurance Card (tessera europea assicurazione malattia -TEAM).

Outside the European Union POLITO holds a travel insurance for staff who have been authorised to mobility, i.e. having obtained the authorisation to mobility as described in previous slide.

Read carefully in the Survival Guide and https://www.swas.polito.it/services/polizze/doc_m.asp the terms of use and limits of the insurance cover in no-EU countries
Financial support for PhD candidates (with scholarship)

→ 50% increase of the scholarship for periods of international mobility
    Automatically granted with the authorisation procedure on Cruscotto SCUDO

Budget for mobility

→ €1.885/yr available in 2nd and 3rd year dedicated to each PhD candidate with or without scholarship for short-stay mobility in Italy and abroad.

This budget is used to reimburse your expenses through the procedure available on your Researchers Portal https://www.swas.polito.it/intra/missioni/

The budget for mobility is managed by the PhD student Department.

TBN: IIT scholarships → budget managed directly by the Institute
    international projects → mobility funds of the project

Other opportunities for mobility

→ Erasmus call, Bando Vinci, ... advertised on the ScuDo website (section news) or by a specific communication sent to the institutional email address.
→ Scudo website

→ Teaching portal

  (Cruscotto Scudo)

→ Researcher portal (MyPoli)
  → Publications, work missions...

→ Facebook
  • Doctoral School - Polito
  • Polito Researchers on the Move
STUDENT ACCOUNT

To access your student account, login with the username «S + Student Number@studenti.polito.it» and password.

RESEARCHER ACCOUNT

To access the PhD account, login with «name.surname@polito.it» and password.

Choose a MAIN email account & set an automatic email forward from the secondary email accounts to the main one.
In the section Legislation all the official documents concerning rules and regulations.

- Course catalogue (hard and soft)
- Study plan
- Study abroad
- Important step in PhD career
- Useful links
- Final defence

Information for PhD candidates and companies.

News on open calls for admission, upcoming events, competitions, office closure.
Open a ticket to communicate with Scudo!

If you have any questions related to your “Student Life” look up the FAQ on your student portal.
CRUSCOTTO SCUDO is an individual Portal where the whole PhD career is recorded: courses, publications and research activities.

From CRUSCOTTO SCUDO you will be able to:
- verify the number of hours/points totalised for courses, publications and research activities.
- upload courses attended outside Polito to be validated by the Coordinator
- upload external research activities

**Training activities:**
courses taken in Politecnico

**External courses:**
external training activities to be uploaded by the student. The coordinator will then validate it.

**TBN:**
the Doctoral School cannot neither upload nor validate them.

**External research activity:**
additional points are awarded for research training carried out outside Politecnico.

**Publications:**
A minimum of 1 article in an international journal with peer-review has to be published by the end of the third year. Publications have to be uploaded in IRIS repository.

You must fill this section.
IRIS is the Politecnico repository for publications

(MyPoli > La mia Ricerca > Le mie Pubblicazioni > Accesso al catalogo della Ricerca)

Instructions on how to upload documents can be found in:

Le mie Pubblicazioni > Documentazione IRIS e tutorial

http://dottorato.polito.it/en/final_examination

Publications have to be uploaded here

TBN: Before uploading your publication in IRIS you need to create an account on: https://loginmiur.cineca.it/ so that your publications in IRIS will be associated directly to the ministerial repository.
"The quality assurance of our University’s missions cannot be disjointed from the quality assurance of the ways in which these missions are addressed, day by day, by faculties, administrative staff and by the student population."

Claudia De Giorgi, Vice-Rector for Quality, Welfare and Equal Opportunities

Various actions are promoted such as:
- initiatives in the cultural field
- assistance to who become parents (Policino micro-nursery)
- initiatives in transport and sustainable mobility
- **Confidential Counsellor**: an external figure of counseling and assistance for cases of sexual harassment, moral or discriminatory behavior (consiglieria.fiducia@polito.it)
- **Counselling Service** (Spazio ascolto) is offered to all PoliTO students to help them address psychological distress connected with their experience at the university.
- **CUG** - The Equality, Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Committee

The **Researcher Ombudsman** is in charge of intervening informally to deal with complaints/appeals of researchers, including those concerning conflicts between early-stage researchers and their supervisors. The Researcher Ombudsman can intervene upon written request of the interested party sent by e-mail to garantereicercatori@polito.it. (https://www.polito.it/ricerca/garante/index.php?lang=en)

More informations at https://www.life.polito.it/en
STUDENT OFFICE:
Certificates, tuition fees, enrolment
https://didattica.polito.it/index_en.html

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS:
International students office, accommodation and relocation support, information on visa and residence permit
http://international.polito.it
http://international.polito.it/it/informazioni_pratiche/contatti
https://international.polito.it/admission/prospective_students/lockdown_in_torino_region_what_should_i_know

OUTGOING STUDENTS:
Erasmus+ calls and applications
https://didattica.polito.it/studiare_estero/studenti.html

LANGUAGES CENTRE (CLA):
https://didattica.polito.it/cla/en/about_us/
Who can help you in the Departments

ARCHITECTURAL AND LANDSCAPE HERITAGE

ARCHITECTURE. HISTORY AND PROJECT

BIOENGINEERING AND MEDICAL-SURGICAL SCIENCES

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

AEROSPACE ENGINEERING

CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

MATERIALS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

PHYSICS

CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING

COMPUTER AND CONTROL ENGINEERING

ELECTRICAL, ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS

ENERGETICS

MANAGEMENT, PRODUCTION AND DESIGN

METROLOGY

PURE AND APPLIED MATHEMATICS

URBAN AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Antonietta Cerrato

Mariagrazia Angelillo

Tiziana Marangoni

Giuseppina Zampino

Elisabetta D'Altoé

Vanna Leoncini

Mariapia Martino

Marina Dall’Arso

Marco Parvis

Antonella Bianchi

Daniela Belloni
Information about the containment measures can be found here:

https://www.coronavirus.polito.it/en

Before accessing the Politecnico you must take notice of the indications included in the documents published at this link:

https://www.coronavirus.polito.it/en/measures_for_staff/procedures

In case you come in contact with a positive person or you start exhibiting Covid symptoms: contact covid.segnalazioni@polito.it and explain the situation
Due to the pandemic, the help desk of the Doctoral School will remain closed until 3 December.

For all administrative practices as well as requests for information and appointments, you are invited to use the ticketing system or write to scudo@polito.it
Welcome at Politecnico di Torino!

Main Campus - Cittadella Politecnica
3rd floor

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