



NOTICE OF OPENING OF A THIRD SELECTION PROCESS FOR ADMISSIONS TO PHD PROGRAMMES AT POLITECNICO DI TORINO (37th CYCLE) – 01.11.2021 / 31.10.2024

Attachment A to DR no. 667 of 31st August 2021

Art. 1 - Subject

1. A new selection process for admissions to the PhD programmes of the 37th cycle is open according to article 4 paragraph 3 of the call for applications issued with Rectoral Decree no. 79 of 22 January 2021:

- Architecture. History and Project with curriculum in "Transnational Architectural Models in a Globalized World" in convention with the School of Architecture of Tsinghua University
- Architectural and Landscape Heritage
- Bioengineering and Medical-Surgical Sciences in collaboration with the Università degli Studi di Torino
- Energetics
- Physics
- Management, Production and Design
- Aerospace Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Electrical, Electronics and Communications Engineering (which includes the curriculum "Electrical Devices", established in convention with National Institute of Nuclear Physics - INFN)
- Computer and Systems Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Pure and Applied Mathematics in collaboration with the Università degli Studi di Torino, the Consorzio Interuniversitario per l'Alta Formazione in Matematica and the Istituto Nazionale di Alta Matematica
- Metrology, in convention with National Institute of Metrological Research (INRiM)
- Materials Science and Technology
- Urban and Regional Development in collaboration with the Università degli Studi di Torino

2. The Call for applications for admissions to PhD programmes of XXXVII cycle is published at http://dottorato.polito.it/en/call_for_applications. Candidates are required to consult it for the articles referred to later in this notice.

Art. 2 – Types of positions available

1. **The PhD positions offered by Politecnico di Torino for this selection session are as follows:**

- a) Fully-funded PhD positions (with scholarship) with own research topic;
- b) Fully-funded PhD positions (with scholarship) with predefined research topic;
- c) PhD positions offered in apprenticeship format (dottorato in apprendistato di alta formazione e ricerca);

2. In addition to the aforementioned positions, there are specific positions reserved to employees of companies engaged in high-level activities, regulated by specific agreements. These positions will be published with a specific research topic. The recipient employees, for the purposes of selection, are required to exercise the option of the reserved position, as indicated in art. 3 paragraph 3 of the Call for applications, as admission to the doctorate is in any case subject to the outcome of the selection.



3. The table showing the positions is published at http://dottorato.polito.it/en/call_for_applications, the table showing the scholarships with their own research topic and the scholarships with a predefined topic and their related forms, is published at <http://dottorato.polito.it/en/scholarships>. The list can be updated after the issue of this notice. These changes, which can be consulted on the web page http://dottorato.polito.it/en/call_for_applications, are highlighted exclusively through the aforementioned site.

4. The characteristics of the positions a), b) and c) are detailed in art. 2 of the Call for applications. It is emphasized that for all the positions in the Call, except for scholarships with own research topic, it is mandatory to make the option in the manner and within the times indicated in art. 3 paragraph 3 of the Call for applications. Failure to do so will make it impossible to compete in the relevant selection.

Art. 3 – Admission requirements (see art. 5 of the Call for applications)

1. Applicants can apply for admission to the selection process for Politecnico di Torino PhD programmes if they meet the following requirements:

a) they are Italian or non-Italian citizens and they have earned an Italian Master's degree (*Laurea Magistrale*) or an eligible international Master's degree by the deadline established for this session (see art. 4, paragraph 1);

b) they are Italian or non-Italian citizens and they are going to earn their Master's degree no later than 31st October 2021. In these cases, they will be admitted to the selection process "with condition". Failure to obtain the Master's degree with the minimum grade required (see paragraph 2) by the date here specified, entails that these applicants will not be admitted to the PhD programme.

2. Applicants will be admitted to the selection process if they meet the following admission requirements. Applicants who fail to meet one of the admission requirements will be excluded from the selection process:

Applicants with an academic qualification (2nd level) obtained in Italy	Applicants with an academic qualification (2nd level) obtained abroad and recognized as valid
Master's degree (<i>Laurea Magistrale</i>) with minimum final grade: 95/110 or Master's degree to be obtained before the deadlines specified in paragraph 1 letter b, provided that the average grade of all the exams is equal to or greater than 25/30. In this case, applicants must graduate with a minimum final grade of 95/110, <u>otherwise they will not be admitted to the PhD programme.</u>	Valid GRE® General Test , which applicants must have already obtained by the application deadline. For the academic qualification see paragraph 4 of this Article.

3. All candidates are required to prove their **knowledge of the English language** by showing one of the following **English language certificates**. Certificates are valid regardless of when they were obtained. Certificates which are not listed below will not be accepted as proof of knowledge of the English language.

- IELTS: minimum score 5.0
- one of the language certificates accepted in substitution for IELTS 5.0 by Politecnico di Torino and listed in the table "Table of 04/12/2017 updated on 23/12/2020 (transitional period)" available at: <https://didattica.polito.it/cla/en/certificates>

Applicants with a Bachelor's or a Master's degree awarded by a university where English is the medium of instruction are exempted from presenting any English language certificate. In this case, the university must specify that "The medium of instruction is English".



Also applicants who do not have an English language certificate can submit their application, but in this case they will be admitted to the selection process “with condition” and must present one of the above-mentioned certificates upon enrolment **absolutely no later than 31 October 2021**. Failure to do so entails that they will not be admitted to the PhD programme.

4. Applicants with a non-Italian academic qualification can be admitted to a PhD programme only if they have a 2nd level degree (as defined by the Bologna Process) or a Master’ degree awarded by an officially recognized academic institution which grants admission to PhD programmes in the country of origin.

The University Board referred to in art. 7 of the call for applications decides on the eligibility of non-Italian academic qualifications for the sole purpose of admission to the selection process for PhD programmes of the 37th cycle.

Applicants who intend to request this recognition must attach the following documents to their application form:

- Certificate or self-declaration (see Annex 3 of the call for applications) of their Master’s degree with final grade, if already obtained;
- Certificate or self-declaration (see Annex 3 of the call for applications) of their transcript of records, with the list of the exam grades of their Master’s degree programme;
- Any other document which can be useful for recognizing the qualification (for instance: Diploma Supplement, statement of validity, certificate of validity issued by ENIC_NARIC centres).

The above-mentioned documents must be issued by the university of origin in one of the following languages: Italian, English, French, Portuguese or Spanish, Failure to do so entails the exclusion of the applicants from the selection process.

The University Board decides on the recognition of non-Italian academic qualifications based on the documents attached to the application. For this reason, the Board may not admit any applicant to the selection process if the documents do not provide enough information for evaluation.

5. The following limitations apply to admissions to PhD programmes:

- individuals who are enrolled in a PhD programme without a scholarship are allowed to enrol in a different PhD programme, if admitted, provided that they withdraw from the previous PhD programme and start over from the first year;
- applicants who accepted an offer of admission for a position in the Spring session or in the Summer session cannot take part in the third selection process for the same PhD cycle.

Art. 4 – Application submission

1. Application forms must be **submitted by 12.00 p.m., (noon – CET) of September 8th**. Applications must be submitted online only from the Apply@polito.it platform which is accessible from the homepage of Politecnico di Torino website <https://www.polito.it/index.php?lang=en> or from http://dottorato.polito.it/en/call_for_applications, **attaching the documents** listed at art. 6 of the call for applications.

Application deadlines are mandatory; late applications or applications submitted via a procedure different from the one specified in this paragraph will be rejected.

2. Applicant are required to pay a non-refundable € 30.00 fee for each application. This amount must be paid by credit card (VISA, MasterCard) at the end of the application process. The application process is finalized and valid only after the payment of the above-mentioned fee; afterwards, applicants will no longer be able to modify their application.

Art. 5 – Selection process

1. Assessments criteria are detailed in articles 7 and 8 of the call for applications for admission to the research doctorate programmes of Politecnico di Torino (37th cycle).



2. In relation to the persistence of the Covid-19 health emergency situation, the conduct of the selection interviews for the purposes of admission to the PhD courses of the 37th cycle, will be carried out **exclusively** with electronic tools, according to the rules and methods established in the call for applications.

Art. 6 – Ranking list and Enrolling in a PhD programme

1. Pursuant to art. 9 of the call for applications, the final merit ranking lists of the applicants who have been admitted to the PhD programmes will be published at: http://dottorato.polito.it/en/results_and_rankings.
2. Admitted applicants must enroll in the programme **absolutely no later than 15th November 2021**. Failure to do so entails that they are excluded by the application process to the PhD.
3. The enrolment procedure has two phases as detailed in art. 12 paragraph 2 of the call for applications.
4. Vacant positions will not be reassigned to eligible candidates.

Art. 7 – Processing of personal data

1. In accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (EU Regulation 2016/679) and the "Code regarding the protection of personal data" (Legislative Decree No. 196 of 30th June 2003 and further amendments) personal data will be processed by Politecnico di Torino in pursuit of its institutional aims and in accordance with the transparency purposes imposed by the law. The processing of personal data is based on the principles of correctness, lawfulness and relevance of purposes. More information on the processing of personal data is available at: https://didattica.polito.it/privacy/index_en.html.
2. Access to all documents is allowed in the forms provided for by current legislation.

Art. 8 – Governing Laws and Regulations

1. For all matters not expressly provided for in this notice, reference is made to the call for applications for admission to the Research Doctorate courses of the Politecnico di Torino (37th cycle) issued within Rectoral Decree no. 79 of 22 January 2021, and to the relevant governing laws and regulations available at : <http://dottorato.polito.it/en/legislation>.
2. The present Call is announced on the Euraxess European website, on the website of the Italian Ministry for Education, University and Research and it is published on the website of the Doctoral School http://dottorato.polito.it/en/call_for_admission. Possible amendments and modifications will be announced **only** on this webpage.
3. The person responsible for the admissions procedure is the Head of the Graduate Studies Service of Politecnico di Torino.
4. Any requests for information may be forwarded through the Ticketing Service accessible in detail on the page https://didattica.polito.it/segreteria/contatta/it/Dottorato_perfezion_specializz.html where answers to frequently asked questions (FAQ) are also available.

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