PH.D. IN HUMAN SCIENCES
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Description and objectives of the Doctoral Programme

The internationalization of the Doctoral Programme in “Human Sciences” is accomplished through the collaboration with a number of foreign universities, offering Ph.D.-students a growing international academic learning environment. In particular, the Doctoral Programme allows the enrolment of Ph.D.-students who have acquired their access title abroad. Across all curricula, common advanced training targets are both theoretical and methodological and can be research-oriented as well as applied. The programme promotes international scientific cooperation and interdisciplinary work at different levels. Ph.D.-students will develop their advanced and autonomous research capacity, both in terms of abstract theoretical understanding and with regard to the dissemination and the public engagement of their research. The interpretation of different aspects of the contemporary world is carried out in interdisciplinary perspectives that draw on a range of disciplines of the humanities, including philosophy, psychology, education, linguistics and socio-cultural anthropology.

Doctoral Curricula

The Doctoral Programme offers three curricula:

1) Philosophy
2) Education and Psychology
3) Socio-cultural Anthropology and Linguistics

Doctoral students will have the opportunity to plan, develop and implement their own research project under the guidance of one or more mentors, focusing on an original and innovative topic that should be presented as well in conferences and published in scientific journals or volumes. Moreover, the doctoral programme allows its students the acquisition of high level theoretical and methodological skills, both research-oriented and applied.

Within the framework of each curriculum, the training objectives of the Ph.D. are achieved through individualised training and research plans, tailored around the chosen thesis topic.

Employability and career development

Ph.D.-students will be able to apply the acquired skills at different levels: local, national and international. Specific professional careers are in so diverse areas such as in education and research in academic and extra academic contexts, in national and international non-governmental organisations, as well as in training and personnel management contexts of public and private companies. Another career option is related to the field of cultural heritage and museums, the organisation of exhibitions and, in general, in the promotion of local cultures. Welfare, the health system, health, international cooperation, the reception and integration of migrants, cultural mediation and family mediation are other areas where Ph.D.-students can find employment. More
generally, the fields of application of the acquired skills can refer to the broader targets for sustainable development and the building of an inclusive and supportive society.

The Doctoral Programme in Human Sciences collaborates with Universities and foreign research bodies.

Requirements for admission - All master's degrees are accepted. The eligibility of foreign applicants will be assessed by the Ph.D. Admission Board on the basis of the titles submitted and the relevant ERC sectors. Further information are available in the Ph.D. Regulations published on https://www.fissuf.unipg.it/ricerca/dottorato/dottorato-di-ricerca-in-scienze-umane-2

Didactic and interdisciplinary activities

Over the three-year doctoral programme, cycle XXXVI, each Ph.D.-student will have to carry out training activities for 60 ECTS-credits (cfu, crediti formativi universitari), and research activities for about 120 ECTS-credits, for a total of 180 ECTS-credits (60 per year on average, 1 ECTS-credits equals 6 hours of lectures/seminars). Each Ph.D.-students agrees with his/her mentor a personalized educational and research plan that aims at the elaboration of the thesis. Along with his/her mentor, each Ph.D.-candidate can choose up to 12 ad hoc teachings (insegnamenti) in the first two years, for a maximum of 24 ECTS-credits. Each Ph.D.-student can also choose up to follow 2 modules from other Master’s Degree modules, which can be chosen from institutions located abroad as well.

Additional training activities - In addition to the possibility of participating in workshops, summer schools and conferences, research stays can be carried out in Italy (outside the institutions that already collaborate with the Ph.D.-Programme) and abroad (both within the institutions that collaborate, and outside). The Doctoral Programme offers Ph.D.-students the opportunity to take part in foreign language courses at the University Language Centre (CLA).

Computer Science - The Doctoral Programme offers Ph.D.-students the access computer labs already offered in other modules of the University. In addition, it will be organised specific courses. Research management, knowledge of research systems and funding systems - The Doctoral Programme offers the opportunity to join courses on management and research, knowledge of research systems and funding systems.

Promotion of the research results and intellectual property - The Doctoral Programme offers the opportunity to joinourses concerning the promotion of research and intellectual property. The courses in particular will regard: transition from basic research to applied research; research enhancement techniques; research funding; intellectual property and patent law; creation of companies and research’s spin-offs. All the courses will provide a final check.

Operational and scientific structures – For their research, Ph.D.-students will have available, besides libraries, also e-sources specifically related to the expected research areas and rooms equipped with laptops and wi-fi.

- The Ph.D.-students will have: 2 reserved rooms, 3 virtual classrooms for online lectures, in addition to the use of classrooms, Audio and visual laboratory, Laboratory of Computer Science of the Humanities Faculty (LIDU).