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Why pursue a PhD?

The PhD is the third cycle of higher education in the Italian academic system. It equips candidates with the knowledge, skills, and research experience required to pursue **independent, high-level research** in universities, public research institutions, and industry, while opening up career opportunities in **academia, public administration, and innovation-driven sectors**.

Why pursue a PhD at UniFi?

- Because we **support** (and look after) you along every step of the way;
- Because we guarantee **teaching** and **research** of the very highest standard;
- Because we offer a **wide range** of doctoral programmes



Because we support you

At central administration level

- We organise a **Welcome Day** (December–January) to introduce new PhD students to the PhD programmes and the University;
- The **Central Doctoral Office** is always available;
- **Websites and intranets** are always updated with the latest information, forms and deadlines;



Because we support you

At **Department** level

- Annual, dedicated and themed **PhD Days** are organised;
- Staff are on hand to assist with administrative matters;
- Your **coordinators** and **supervisors** remain constantly in touch with you during your PhD path;
- You vote your representatives on the **PhD Boards** and **Departmental Councils**.



Because we guarantee teaching and research

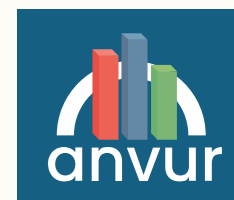
- In addition to the subject-specific teaching modules organised by each PhD programme, there are **soft skills** modules developed by the university;
- PhD teaching **differs from that of master's degree programmes**, and the modules are exclusively at PhD level;
- We organise **seminars** and **seasonal schools** for PhD students, delivered by prominent figures from Italy and abroad.

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Data from the Research Quality Assessment (VQR) carried out by ANVUR (National Agency for the Evaluation of the University and Research System), covering the five-year period 2020–2024.

The University of Florence ranks:

- **7th in Italy** for volume of research output;
- **10th in Italy** for quantity and quality of research produced by PhD students (and 2020–2024 PhD graduates);
- **9th in Italy** for competitive national and international research projects secured.



Doctoral Programs: Humanities

- Philology, Italian Literature, Linguistic
[Website](#)
- Philosophy (**Pegaso**)
[Website](#)
- Comparative Languages, Literature and Culture
[Website](#)
- Education Sciences and Psychology
[Website](#)
- History of Art and Performing Arts (**Pegaso**)
[Website](#)
- Historical Studies
[Website](#)



Doctoral programmes: Social Sciences Area

- Development Economics and Local Systems
[Website](#)
- Legal Sciences
[Website](#)
- Social Sciences for Sustainability and Wellbeing (**Pegaso**)
[Website](#)
- Political and Social Changes (administrative headquarters: UniTo)
[Website](#)

Doctoral programmes: Biomedical Area

- Drug Research and Innovative Treatments
[Website](#)
- Tuscany Ph.D in Neurosciences (Pegaso)
[Website](#)
- Biomedical Sciences
[Website](#)
- Clinical Sciences
[Website](#)
- Translational Research in the Sciences for Health Protection
[Website](#)



Doctoral programmes: Scientific Area 1/2

- Evolutionary Biology and Ecology
[Website](#)
- Life Course Research (**Pegaso**)
[Website](#)
- Earth and Planetary Sciences
[Website](#)
- Physics and Astronomy
[Website](#)

Doctoral programmes: Scientific Area 2/2

- International Doctorate in Atomic and Molecular Photonics
in partnership with LENS [Website](https://lens.unifi.it/)
- International Doctorate in Structural Biology
in partnership with CERM [Website](https://www.cerm.unifi.it/)
- Mathematics, Computer Sciences, Statistics
[Website](#)
- Chemical Sciences
[Website](#)



Doctoral programmes: Technological Area1/2

- Architecture and Design Cultures, Knowledge and Safeguarding of Cultural Heritage
[Website](#)
- Sustainability and Innovation for the design of Built Environment and System Product
[Website](#)
- Sustainable Management of Agricultural Resources, Forestry and Food
[Website](#)
- Agricultural and Environmental Sciences
[Website](#)
- Advanced and Sustainable Agricultural-Forestry Systems (**Pegaso**)
[Website](#)



Doctoral programmes: Technological Area2/2

- Smart Computing (**Pegaso**)
[Website](#)
- Information Engineering
[Website](#)
- Industrial Engineering
[Website](#)
- International Doctorate in Civil and Environmental Engineering (**Pegaso**)
[Website](#)