

## Call for Admission of Candidates Educated Abroad to the *Galileo Galilei* Ph.D. School of the University of Pisa Year 2011

### Art. 1 Announcement

The University of Pisa announces a competition, based on academic qualifications, for 3 funded and 6 unfunded positions for candidates educated abroad for admission to the "*Galileo Galilei* Ph.D. School".

The 3 funded positions are in the following Programmes of the School:

Ph.D. Programmes:

Fisica (*Physics*)  
Fisica applicata (*Applied physics*)  
Matematica (*Mathematics*)

The 3 grants are funded by the Ministry for University and Research and are on the following specific topics:

- 1 grant will be assigned for study and research on the subject "Innovative applications in Biomedical Industry" within the Ph.D. programme in *Fisica Applicata (Applied physics)*,
- 1 grant will be assigned for study and research on the subject "Energy saving and small scale energy generation systems" within the Ph.D. programme in *Fisica (Physics)*
- 1 grant, budget of the 2010 call, will be assigned for study and research on the subject "Transportation and advanced logistic, info mobility" within the Ph.D. programme in *Matematica (Mathematics)*.

If some public or private financing becomes available, before the expiry date of the call, additional study grants may be offered.

The 6 unfunded positions are in the following Programmes of the School and are without a specific topic:

Ph.D. Programmes	overall number
Fisica ( <i>Physics</i> )	1
Fisica applicata ( <i>Applied physics</i> )	1
Informatica ( <i>Computer Science</i> )	1
Matematica ( <i>Mathematics</i> )	1
Scienze Chimiche ( <i>Chemical Sciences</i> )	1
Scienze della Terra ( <i>Earth Sciences</i> )	1

The selection will be based on the scientific and educational qualifications of the candidates.

The candidates may apply for one or more programmes by following the rules specified below.

An application for this competition does not prevent candidates from applying for the other competition, based on both academic qualifications and examinations, announced at <http://dottorato.unipi.it/> - section "Ammissione e iscrizioni" with a deadline for applications 30<sup>th</sup> September 2010.

The courses of each Ph.D. programme will start on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011.

### Art. 2 Requirements

Applications are invited from candidates who:

- are not resident in Italy;
- have obtained abroad a secondary school qualification, from a school that is not subject to Italian regulations, examinations and curricula, giving access to University education at first degree level, and an academic qualification equivalent to the Italian "laurea specialistica", e.g. to a Master of Science degree. Both qualifications must be awarded by non-Italian institutions. The equivalence of each qualification to one of the above-mentioned Italian degrees will be established (for the sole purpose of this competition) by the Academic Board of the School. To facilitate the committee's work, applicants may attach, together with their diploma the legal translation in

Italian or English (excluding diplomas written in English, French or Spanish) and the "Dichiarazione di valore", issued in Italian by the competent Italian diplomatic authorities (see <http://www.study-in-italy.it/php5/study-italy.php?lang=EN&idorizz=3&idvert=27>).

The University reserves the right to ask candidates for additional documents in order to evaluate their admission to the School.

The University may exclude, at any time, candidates lacking admission requirements.

### Art. 3 Applications and deadline

Registration for this competition should be completed by September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010 1.00 pm CET (Central European Time), only online, filling in the form on <http://www.unipi.it/phdcallgalilei> following the instructions below. The documents should be only in pdf format.

After September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010 1.00 pm CET (Central European Time) it is not possible to apply to this competition.

1. the application form, with original signature, should include (the form is available below):
  - personal data (name and surname, date and place of birth, place of residence and nationality);
  - contact address, e-mail address and telephone number and, if possible, a Skype contact (the candidate must immediately communicate any changes of these data);
  - educational qualification giving access to university education, with an indication of when and where it was obtained;
  - academic qualification with final mark (if any) and an indication of when and where it was obtained;
  - information on grants that the candidate might have been awarded by Italian, foreign or international bodies to attend a Ph.D. Degree course or to carry out study and research activities, indicating the starting date, the length, and the amount;
  - title of the Ph.D. Program the candidate wishes to apply for.
2. The documents must be attached to the form
  - a certificate of the academic qualification, issued by the University that awarded it;
  - the degree transcript stating the examinations taken by the candidate, with marks and a short description of their content;
  - a short resume (maximum 1000 words) illustrating the scientific interests of the candidate and an outline of a possible research plan to be carried out during the Doctoral years. This research plan will not be considered binding if the candidate is admitted to the School;
  - a report on any research carried out by the candidate (if any);
  - a list of publications (if any);
  - any further qualifications and information that should be taken into account;
  - a copy of a valid identity document.

Candidates should send a separate application for each Ph.D. programme they wish to apply for.

In addition two letters of presentation by professors or experts in the field of the candidate must be sent directly by the professors or experts to the "Segreteria della Scuola Galileo Galilei" or by e-mail to the following address: [ferro@di.unipi.it](mailto:ferro@di.unipi.it).

Applications that arrive after the deadline (September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010) will not be considered.

All documents must be in Italian or English, or accompanied by a translation into Italian or English. Within 60 days of the publication of the competition result, candidates will be able to recover, at their own expense, all the documents and qualifications they have presented. After this period, the University will not be responsible for keeping the above-mentioned documents.

### Art. 4 University grants - General rules

The duration of the University grants mentioned in art. 1 is three years.

The grants cannot be combined with any other grants assigned by the Italian Government.

If the candidate already benefits from a study grant of any other kind, the Galileo Galilei Ph.D. School will decide, at its own discretion, whether or not to assign one of the above-mentioned grants after evaluating the one the candidate already enjoys.

The grant cannot be assigned to candidates who have already (or even partially) benefited from a similar grant to attend another Ph.D. Degree course or an equivalent course (at the University of Pisa or at any other Italian University or Italian Ph.D. programme).

The gross amount of each study grant for the year 2011 is fixed at € 13.638,47.

The winners of the funded positions will receive a net contribution towards relocation costs up to a maximum of € 1.000,00, funded by the "Galileo Galilei Ph.D. School".

The winners are exempted from paying university fees, but they will have to pay € 98,00 per year as a tax to the "Regione Toscana".

A grant financed by any public or private institution will only be paid if the said institution actually makes the corresponding amount available.

If any Academic Board of the PhD School *does* not assign a funded position as in article 1 or if a winner of a funded position fails to enrol, the unassigned funded position will be available for the competition based on both academic qualifications and examinations announced at <http://dottorato.unipi.it/> - section "Ammissione e iscrizioni".

#### Art. 5 Admission with University grant

The grants mentioned in art.1 are assigned by the Academic Board of the School, on the basis of the evaluation of the academic qualifications of each candidate.

The list of named winners will be published on the Web site at <http://dottorato.unipi.it/> - section "Ammissione e iscrizioni" by September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

No personal communication of the competition result will be given.

#### Art. 6 Admission without a funded position.

The Academic Board of the Ph.D School may admit candidates without a funded position, up to a maximum of one for each Ph.D programme.

The candidates admitted to the Ph.D. School without a funded position will not be considered eligible for university funded positions in case winners of a funded position fail to enrol.

The list of candidates admitted to Ph.D. School without a funded position will be published on the on the University of Pisa web site at <http://dottorato.unipi.it/> - section "Ammissione e iscrizioni" by September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

If an admitted candidate fails to enrol, the next candidate on the list will be considered. The list of the newly admitted candidates and the deadline for enrolment will be published on the university web site at <http://dottorato.unipi.it/> - section "Ammissione e iscrizioni" by October 5<sup>th</sup> 2010.

No personal communication of the competition result will be given.

Candidates accepted for an unfunded position are required to pay each year the fees fixed by the University of Pisa, amounting to € 2.100,00 + € 98,00 (regional tax) + € 6,00 (CUS tax) for the year 2011.

The fees are subject to change in subsequent years.

Candidates admitted without a university funded position may be entitled to a discount or be exempted from the fees according to the country of origin; see "Regolamento sulla contribuzione studentesca per l'a.a. 2010/11", available online at <http://www.unipi.it/studenti/segreterie/tasse/tasse2010/regol-tasse2010.pdf>.

Candidates admitted without a University funded position may also benefit from assistance offered by the "Azienda Regionale per il Diritto allo Studio Universitario di Pisa" (<http://www.dsu.pisa.it>)

#### Art. 7 Enrolment

The winners, with or without funded position, must enrol, under penalty of exclusion, no later than September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010, by sending the following documents to the Università di Pisa Ufficio "Laureati" - Dottorato di ricerca via Fermi 8, 56126 Pisa - Italia or by fax to: +39 0502212041:

1. the enrolment form, which is available on the University Web site at the following address: <http://dottorato.unipi.it/> - section "Ammissione e iscrizioni";
2. a photocopy of a valid identity document;
3. one passport-size photograph;
4. for winners without a funded position the receipt of the payment of the first installment of Ph.D. Degree entrance fee to Cassa di Risparmio di Lucca Pisa Livorno, "Università di Pisa" current bank account - Piazza Dante, 1 Pisa (IBAN IT 27 F 0620014011000000365212).  
or  
for winners of a university funded position or with a grant from the Italian Government: a declaration he/she is aware that a regional fee (€ 98,00) must be paid on arrival at University of Pisa.

In any case the winners must send a message confirming the sending of the documents to the following e-mail address: [dottorato.ricerca@adm.unipi.it](mailto:dottorato.ricerca@adm.unipi.it) together with the application.

#### Art. 8 Information and announcement advertising

The notice of the announcement is published on Gazzetta Ufficiale.

This announcement and the list of candidates admitted are published on the University Web site at

<http://dottorato.unipi.it/> - section "Ammissione e iscrizioni" and on the official University bulletin board <http://alboufficiale.unipi.it>.

The Administrative Responsible is Mrs Licia Del Corso.

For further information, please contact the Ufficio "Laureati", via Fermi 8 56126 Pisa: e-mail: [dottorato.ricerca@adm.unipi.it](mailto:dottorato.ricerca@adm.unipi.it) - fax: +39 0502212041

Office hours: Monday/Wednesday/Friday: from 9:00 to 11:00;  
Tuesday/Thursday: from 11:00 to 13:00.  
in August: The office will be closed from August 9<sup>th</sup> to August 22<sup>th</sup>.

For any information about visa application forms, permit of stay (Permessi di soggiorno), Insurance, lodgings and other useful information about your departure for and arrival at Pisa, please contact the "Welcome Point" Service set by Pisa University's International Relations Office, e-mailing at [welcomepoint@adm.unipi.it](mailto:welcomepoint@adm.unipi.it).

(fill in this form in CAPITAL LETTERS, save as pdf file, and upload it following the instructions indicated on <http://www.unipi.it/phdcall-galilei>)

Magnifico Rettore dell'UNIVERSITÀ DI PISA  
Area Servizi per la Didattica  
Ufficio Laureati - Unità Dottorati di ricerca

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence: \_\_\_\_\_  
Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_ Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_

hereby applies

for admission to the Ph.D. Programme \_\_\_\_\_ (year 2011) through the evaluation  
of his/her academic qualifications;

to this end, hereby declares

that he/she has obtained:

➤ the following educational qualification for access to University (*High School*):

\_\_\_\_\_ from the  
School \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

➤ the following foreign *academic degree*:

\_\_\_\_\_ awarded by the  
University of \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

Please, check the relevant box:

- that he/she holds a study grant awarded by \_\_\_\_\_  
 that he/she holds no study grant.

The undersigned sends his/her qualifications, as in the list he/she encloses with this application, together  
with their translation into Italian or English

Address chosen for application purposes

Country: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Skype Contact \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Place and date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

In addition two letters of presentation by professors or experts in the field of the candidate must be sent directly  
by the professors or experts to the "Segreteria della Scuola Galileo Galilei" or by e-mail to the following address:  
[fierro@di.unipi.it](mailto:fierro@di.unipi.it)