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Mobility Call for Sapienza's PhD students





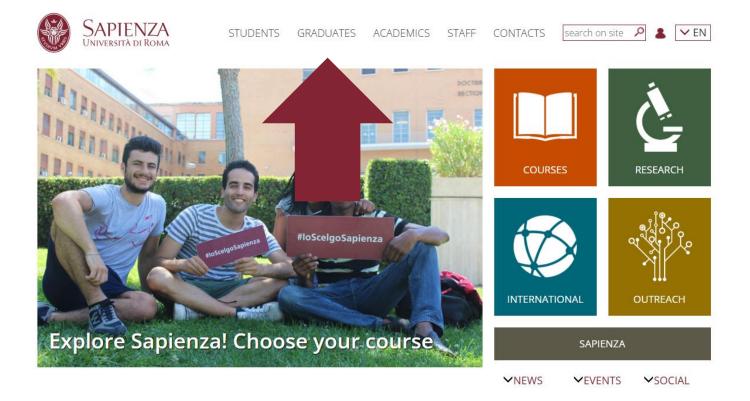
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# **Mobility Call for PhD Students**

- In recent years, the challenge of internationalizing PhD programs has been a key element in Sapienza's academic policy. For these reasons, the university has gradually increased the budget allocated to this objective, increasing the number of scholarships available with various calls dedicated to the mobility of Sapienza's PhD students.
- Among these, the call for the funding of mobility scholarships abroad for PhD students regularly enrolled in their second or third year. Sapienza has issued this call since 2021, providing cofinancing between funds from both the University and the Ministry, thanks to the allocation of the Youth Fund to State Universities.

- Thanks to the joint effort of Sapienza and the Ministry of University and Research (MUR), it has been possible to reach an annual budget of €600.000,00 to fund differentiated scholarships. Each PhD student will receive a monthly amount for three months, as follows:
- • € 700,00 for the recipients of a PhD scholarship;
- • € 1.800,00 for the non-recepients of a PhD scholarship;

- The applications submitted for the Call have been divided into the six scientific-disciplinary macro-areas of the Academic Senate. A part of the total available budget has been allocated to each area in relation to the number of applications received for that specific macro-area. Applications are evaluated by a specially appointed Committee, which assesses the study or research activity based on the following criteria: scientific relevance, innovation, clarity and coherence, added value of conducting the activity abroad. Additional points are awarded for the reputation of the host institution and for stays in countries with a high cost of living.
- The next Call, concerning PhD students regularly enrolled in cycles 39° and 40°, will be published by the first week of June and will be made available in the Internationalization of PhDs Section.





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#### PhD Internationalisation

#### Call for the financing of mobility abroad of phd students of the XXXVII and XXXVIII cycle

The Call for the funding of mobility periods abroad for PhD students of 38th and 39th cycles, funded by the Fund for Youth Support and Student Mobility, has been published with the Rectorial Decree n.2299/2024.

#### Download the Call

Download the tutorial for the submission of the application

Download the Rectorial Decree with the appointment of the Committee

Download the provisional ranking

Download the final ranking (28.01.2025)

Download the Rectorial Decree with the approval of the official records (03.02.2025)

Download the Rectorial Decree with the advancement of the final ranking (13.02.2025)

The Decree with the approval of the official records of the Selection Call for the funding of mobility periods abroad for PhD students of 38th and 39th cycles - funded by the Fund for Youth Support and Student Mobility (issued with the Rectorial Decree n. 2299/2024), has been published with the Rectorial Decree n.299/2025. As per Art. 5 of the Call and per email communication sent to all winners, "Candidates successfully placed in the final ranking must accept the mobility scholarship through the platform by logging into Infostud with their credentials, accessing the 'PhD Programmes' section, and selecting 'Mobility Call' within 5 days starting from February 3rd, 2025. A non-acceptance of the scholarship within said deadline will be considered as a withdrawal.

The Decree of advancement of the final ranking of the Selection Call for the funding of mobility periods abroad for PhD students of 38th and 39th cycles - funded by the Fund for Youth Support and Student Mobility (issued with the Rectorial Decree n. 2299/2024), has been published with the Rectorial Decree n.299/2025. Eligible candidates initially declared non-winners have been selected for the fruition of the benefit. As per Call, candidates successfully placed in the final ranking must accept the mobility scholarship through the platform by logging into Infostud with their credentials, accessing the 'PhD Programmes' section, and selecting 'Mobility Call'. The scholarship must be accepted by 11:59 pm of Thursday, February 20th, 2025. A non-acceptance of the scholarship within said deadline will be considered as a withdrawal.

#### FAQ

Please note that if the mobility period abroad, whether for study or research reasons, should exceed the three months initially planned, it will be possible to benefit from the contribution for three months (90 days), starting from January 1st, 2025. The plane ticket for the beginning of the stay can preced the start of the mobility period concerned with this procedure, but the uploaded documentation must be the same filled on the platform.

#### Navigation PhD Programmes

Doctor Europaeus

Joint Thesis Supervision (Cotutelle)

Ground-breaking international PhD programmes

# **Revision of the Criteria for the Evaluation of the Applications**

- Last year, some candidates requested a revision of certain criteria used to evaluate the submitted applications. To this end, the Rector appointed a Committee tasked with the definition of new criteria, and the Academic Senate, in its session of April 8th of this year, approved the following proposals:
  - 1. use of the QS Ranking "by subject" for the evaluation of the scientific prestige of the Host Universities;
  - 2. use of the SCIMAGO Ranking "by subject" for the evaluation of the scientific prestige of the Host Research Institutions;
  - 3. the admission to the Call for the funding of mobility periods abroad only of PhD students enrolled in Sapienza, for the cycles referred in the Call, in case of PhD courses with administrative operations managed between Sapienza and a Partner University.
- The Committee also proposed an increase in the character limit for the application by providing a new application format that allows candidates to present their project, indicate the host institution, and explain the reasons behind their choice, along with a section for the bibliography.

# **Submission of the Application**

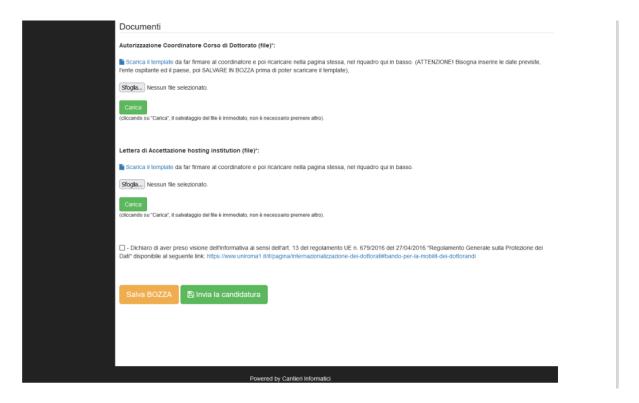
- Applications for the admission to the call must be submitted, under penalty of exclusion, exclusively by completing the specific form available on Infostud. Candidates must log in with their credentials, access the 'PhD Programmes' section, and select 'Mobility Call'.
- Applications for funding submitted through methods or channels different from those indicated above will not be considered admissible.

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You may start working on the application, save it, and complete it at a later time. To make the process easier for you, this year we will provide the required templates for completing the application both on the platform and on the dedicated page of the website!

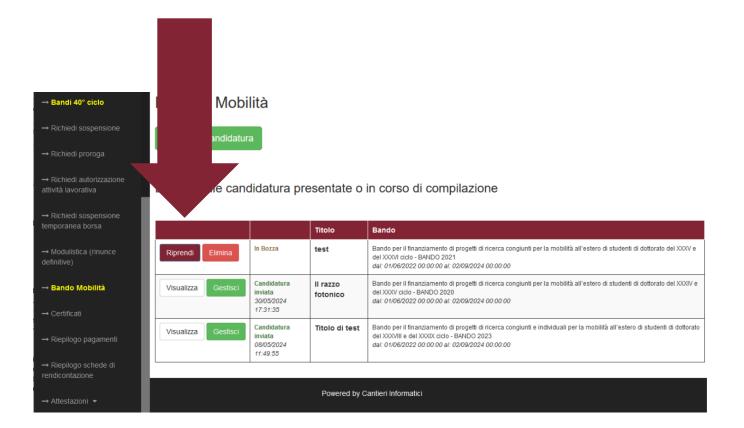
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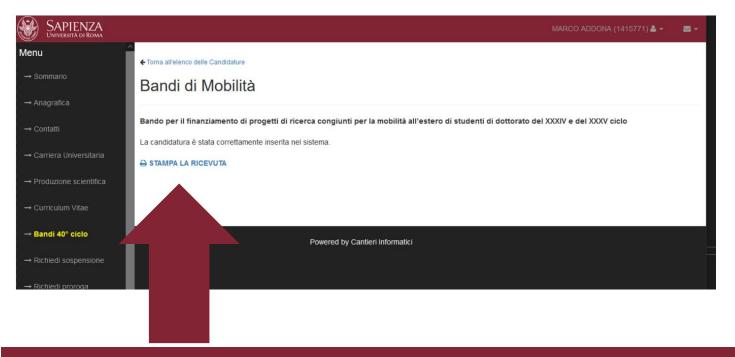
Since the Call will remain open for one month, you are encouraged to start contacting the foreign institutions where you plan to carry out your stay, so they will be ready to sign your acceptance letter once the call is published. This will help you avoid last-minute delays and ensure that you can complete your application on time! The templates for the various documents, once downloaded, completed, and properly signed, must be uploaded to the platform in order to finalize and submit the application.



• At any time, until you submit your application, you can modify it by clicking on the 'Resume' button.



 At the end of the application process, you will be able to print the receipt. From this point onwards, it will no longer be possible to modify your application. Therefore, please pay close attention, as only one application can be submitted!



- These instructions will be published, like last year, also on the dedicated webpage you have seen earlier, where a FAQ section will be added, which I encourage you to consult!
- "We are trying to simplify the procedure and the required documents as much as possible, and all the new procedures will be outlined in the next call!
- It will certainly be required:
- 1. A short description (max 2500 characters including spaces) of the study or research activity to conduct in the Host Institution;
- 2. Prior authorization, allowing the mobility for study or research purposes to the Host Institution for duration stated (expressed in months and, in any case, no less than 3 months, as per previous art. 2);
- 3. Acceptance letter signed by the Foreign Host Institution.

## Acceptance/waiver of the scholarship

- If you are selected as winners following the publication of the Rectoral Decree approving the official records of the procedure, you will need to accept the scholarship via your personal page, where an acceptance/withdrawal button will appear. The acceptance must be completed within a deadline that will be communicated to you with a dedicated email (usually within 5 to 7 days).
- However, it will be possible to withdraw from the benefit at any time.
- One-way tickets must be uploaded to the platform before departure, and their upload will be a prerequisite for the payment of the scholarship, which will be made on the 10th of each month. You will receive a dedicated email regarding this.
- They do not need to be uploaded by the deadline for the acceptance of the scholarship!

- I also remind you that each one of you is entitled to a research budget, which is equal to 10% of the scholarship if enrolled in a regular PhD program and 20% if enrolled in a PhD program of National Interest.
- How can you access the funding? Annually, in March, our Unit, based on the number of students, transmits the budget to the relevant Department of the PhD Program, allocating it to each PhD student. Therefore, each of you can cover expenses related to PhD mobility, the purchase of inventory or consumable materials necessary for PhD activities, as well as participation in conferences and seminars, training and/or advanced training courses, or even publication expenses, and request reimbursement within the limits of the allocated budget. Such requests must be authorized by the Program Coordinator, in agreement with the RAD (Administrative Delegate of the Department).

## It's important to know that...

The funding from the Mobility Call is also compatible with reimbursement for expenses from the 10/20% Research Activity Budget!

This contribution is cumulative with the PNRR scholarships, the research activity budget, and the 50% increase in the scholarship for stays abroad.

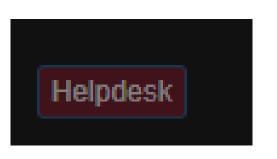
The scholarship payment will be made before departure, based on the tickets you upload to the platform and the start dates of the activities that you inserted in the application.

If the stay lasts longer than the three months provided, you must still indicate the three months for which you intend to apply to this Call in the application form.

The acceptance letter from the Host Institution or University can also cover longer periods, as long as the three months required for participation in this Call are included within the specified period. • After carefully reading the call, for any doubts or issues, you can contact me at the address provided in the procedure itself:

mobilita.phd@uniroma1.it

• For technical issues, you can find the direct contact of the Helpdesk within the application page.



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# Thank you for your attention!

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