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The programme of the PhD Course in Molecular and Experimental Medicine covers the scientific and disciplinary areas listed below and is based on two curricula: MEM and MEM-Clinical.

<u>The MEM curriculum</u> provides for research activities to develop along, yet not remain limited to, the following main areas, which include: oncological immunopathology, molecular cardiometabolics, genetics, neurosciences. An overview of regenerative and precision medicine is the theme running throughout the programme. The curriculum provides specific training for enabling technologies, such as imaging, flow cytometry, genomics



research project are also provided here.

## ART. 2 t ADMISSION CRITERIA FOR THE SELECTION PROCESS

- 2.1. Applicants wishing to enrol on the PhD Programme in Molecular and Experimental Medicine, <u>MEM curriculum</u>, must either be in possession of a "laurea magistrale" awarded in accordance with D.M. 270/2004 or an equivalent university qualification awarded by a foreign university (usually referred took an 290 Ster's Degree), in one of the subjects listed below:
- LM-6 Biology
- LM-7 Agrarian biotechnologies
- LM-8 Industrial biotechnologies
- LM-9 Medical, Veterinary and Pharmaceutical Biotechnologies
- LM-13 Pharmacy and Industrial Pharmacy
- LM-17 Physics
- LM-18 Computer Science
- LM-21 Biomedical Engineering
- LM-22 Chemical Engineering
- LM-32 Computer Engineering
- LM-41 Medicine and Surgery
- LM-42 Veterinary Medicine
- LM



Applicants who are waiting to be awarded the required qualification at the date of submission can also take part in the selection process providing that they have passed all of the Degree course exams or equivalent study programmes at the time of the online application and are awarded the qualification by November 30<sup>th</sup> 2024. All candidates are required to submit a proof of the awarded qualification – even writing a self-declaration – by the above-mentioned deadline.

- **2.2.** Candidates wishing to enrol on the PhD Course in Molecular and Experimental Medicine MEM-Clinical Curriculum must:
  - be enrolled on the Medical Register;
  - already possess a specialist medical qualification;

Applications for the MEM-Clinical curriculum will also be accepted from doctors in specialist training. If these candidates pass the selection process, in accordance with what is indicated in Article 5 below, can enroll in the PhD course upon the issuance of the positive opinion of the board of the medical specialization school in which they are enrolled and of the PhD board.

Further information regarding the equivalence and/or equalization of Italian academic qualifications please consult: <a href="http://www.miur.gov.it/equipollenze-ed-equiparazioni-tra-titoli-accademici-italiani1">http://www.miur.gov.it/equipollenze-ed-equiparazioni-tra-titoli-accademici-italiani1</a>.

The equivalence of a foreign academic qualification is evaluated by the Committee appointed to assess applications for admission to the PhD Course in accordance with current legislation in Italy and the country where the qualification itself was awarded, as well as with international treaties or agreements pertaining to the recognition of the qualification. For this purpose, the University may require the applicant to provide a Declaration of value *in loco* issued by the competent Italian diplomatic authorities in the country where the qualification was awarded. This document should provide evidence that the academic qualification allows access to post-graduate programmes equivalent to that of the country where the qualification was awarded.

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- MEM Curriculum
- MEM-Clinical Curriculum

The selection of a curriculum preference is compulsory and binding for the purposes of admission to the programme and ranking position; applicants also have the option of selecting a second curriculum preference in addition to the first.

When the application is submitted, candidates are required to provide contacts for two referees





study or research with foreign universities and research bodies, together with the references provided by the Referees who the candidate indicated when applying. Other qualifications submitted by the candidate pertaining to their aptitude for scientific research will also be considered. A maximum of 25 points can be awarded for the evaluation of the curriculum and qualifications; when awarding a score, the Commission takes into account the circumstances and time in which each candidate has gained their qualifications. The Commission may also request a formal opinion from the members of the PhD Academic Board who do not form part of the Commission evaluating whether the curriculum of the individual candidate is suited to the topics of research indicated in the application.

The assessment results regarding the curriculum and qualifications will be posted on the PhD programme page: <a href="https://www.hunimed.eu/course/phd-in-medicine/">https://www.hunimed.eu/course/phd-in-medicine/</a>.



The points awarded to each individual candidate will be posted, guaranteeing their privacy, on the PhD programme web page at <a href="https://www.hunimed.eu/course/phd-in-medicine/">https://www.hunimed.eu/course/phd-in-medicine/</a> starting from September 9<sup>th</sup>.

The publication of the results is considered official notification of the successful candidates for all





is subject to the income taxation and social security contributions provided for by current legislation.

Other equivalent forms of financial support may be defined on the basis of specific requirements indicated by the body funding the research.

For further information regarding the types of financial support associated with the individual Topics, please see the following link: https://www.hunimed.eu/course/phd-in-medicine/.

Specific information regarding the type of financial support offered to candidates will be provided at the moment the research Topic is assigned.

PhD scholarships and equivalent forms of financial support must not be combined with emoluments, however denominated, received in relation to the activities of the specialisation school. This is why successful candidates who are simultaneously enrolled in a specialisation school will only be awarded a PhD scholarship or equivalent financial support after the completion of their specialisation school.

PhD scholarships from PNRR funds as per M.D. N. 630/2024 are neither waivable nor compatible with concurrent attendance at a medical specialty school. Those positions can also not be assigned to candidates who have won a doctoral position and then renounced it, at any Italian University for the 38th and 39th cycles, financed with funds as per M.D. N. 351/2022, 352/2022, 117/2023, 118/2023.

No form of financial support directly awarded by the University can be combined with any other kind of scholarship, except for those forms awarded by national or foreign institutions intended to facilitate PhD activities involving periods of study abroad.

## ART. 8 t RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE PHD STUDENT

Admission to the PhD Programme implies a full-time and exclusive commitment. By enrolling on the PhD programme, students undertake to:

- i) comply with the University's Code of Ethics and that of the institution where they carry out their main PhD activities;
- ii) behave according to general principles of scientific integrity and conduct their studies and research in accordance with criteria of honesty, precision, efficiency and objectivity;
- iii) attend courses, seminars, tutorials and teaching modules forming part of the PhD programme, as well as carry out continuous study and research on the premises designated for this purpose by the partnering institutions;
- iv) complete compulsory training programmes on safety at work provided for employees and collaborators working for Humanitas University and partnering bodies on the basis of the type of activities they carry out.

In particular, doctoral students



further progress and successful completion of the PhD programme. The Commission is appointed by the Selection and Evaluation Commission.

In order to be admitted to the final exam, students must present the preliminary version of their doctoral thesis at the Viva session to two Examiners indicated by their Supervisors, with the agreement of the PhD student and approval of the Course Co-ordinator.

The Viva session comprises a public seminar and a brief moment for evaluation on the part of the examiners mentioned above.

The examiners are asked to provide a written analytical judgement of the work presented including comments and suggestions for any improvements to be made before the final submission of the doctoral thesis.

ART, 10 t PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA