Annex 5

PhD in Health Science, Technology and Management

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Language	English
Duration	3 years

Number of positions available	**8 positions in total**, of which:
	
	• **4 with scholarship** funded by the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna;
	• **1 with scholarship** funded by PNR funds within the project "National Resilience Plan- Health Tech project. Technology for resilient and sustainable health care systems";
	• **1 with scholarship** funded by the European Union – NextGenerationEU, in the framework of Project "THE - Tuscany Health Ecosystem" (CUP J13C22000420001), Mission 4, Component 2, Investment 1.5 of PNRR
	• **2 "Public Administration PhD Scholarships"** funded by the European Union – NextGenerationEU under the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (PNRR), Mission 4, Component 1, Investment 4.1, in compliance with Ministerial Decree n. 118/2023, and focusing on the following areas of interest of the PNRR:
	    o Community and health in the rural areas
	    o Technology to support home care

Scholarship amount	**Euro 16,243.00** gross beneficiary paid in deferred monthly instalments. The amount is inclusive of social security charges. In addition, students can take advantage: • 26 free monthly meals at the school canteen excluding academic holiday periods, • an increase of € 4.060 gross beneficiary for the the period of study and research abroad, subject to the authorization of the Board of Teachers, • a budget of € 4.873 to be allocated to cover expenses related to the research activity, • an additional contribution of € 2,200 / year as reimbursement for accommodation costs to be paid on the basis of Equivalent Economic Status Index (ISEE).
Submission deadline for the online application	**June 14th, 2023, at 12:00 p.m. (noon) (Italian time)**
Required documentation to be attached to the online application	1. photocopy of a valid identity document; 2. CV; 3. academic transcript or self-certification (only for Italian degree) of the list of exams passed during the MSc degree course, indicating the mark received for each of them; 4. copy of the MSc degree thesis or an abstract of the thesis with the cover; those candidates who have not yet obtained the qualification should attach a copy of the degree thesis as a final draft or an abstract of the same to the application; 5. **only for candidates who obtained their qualification abroad**: copy of the MSc Degree Certificate or equivalent qualification translated into Italian or English unless written in French, German or Spanish

	6. A detailed **research proposal, drafted in English, of no more than 3000 words. The research proposal submitted is not binding for the definition of the research to be carried out as part of the Programme, and may, therefore, undergo additions and modification, even significant**
	7. A **motivational letter** from the candidate is also requested, explaining the reasons for choosing to enroll in the PhD Course, motivating his willingness to attend it.
Other documents	1. <u>**Submission of a maximum of three letters of reference**</u> from scholars or teachers of the subject that present the candidate on the basis of elements of direct knowledge. Candidates may include the first name, last name, and institutional email address of the references in the application form. Teachers will receive a link where they can directly upload the reference letter, till three days after the deadline of this announcement. 2. copy of any other qualifications or publications that the candidate deems relevant to the programme (typewritten works are permitted).
Test examinations	The Committee will evaluate the **research project** presented by the candidate in English, **the qualifications** and **the results of an interview**. The Commission will assign, in hundredths, a score from 1 to 100.
Score and evaluation method	**Evaluation of research project maximum score possible: 25** The research program must be focused on a theme inherent to the thematic areas of the PhD in Health Science, Technology and Management. It should be a three-year research project containing details of: - the title of the research; - the scientific premises and relevant bibliography; - the aim and expected results of the research project; - the experimental and data analysis methods; The candidate's research program will be assessed in terms of: - knowledge and correct application of theories and relevant literature; - coherence, feasibility and robustness of the research approaches and methods proposed; - originality and innovation of research; - clarity of display; - relevance to the research lines of the Institutes of the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna; - relevance to the research topics of the scholarships. The Examining Board will express a concise judgement and award a score out of thirty. <u>Those candidates obtaining a score of at least 17/25 in the evaluation of the research program will be accepted for interview</u>. **Assessment of qualifications** - maximum score possible: **25** The Examining Board will assess the CV of studies and any other scientific

	qualifications submitted. On completion of the assessment, the Board will express a concise judgement and award a score out of thirty. <u>Those candidates obtaining a score of at least 17/25 in the assessment of qualifications phase will be accepted for interview.</u> Candidates are not required to be present during the assessment of qualifications. The School will notify those candidates selected for interview in a timely manner of the day and time of the same, as well as of the score received in the assessment of qualifications phase, by writing to the email address specified in the application. **Interview** – maximum score possible: **50** The interview will consist in a general discussion about the qualifications submitted and the research project presented, as well an oral test to verify the knowledge of English. Candidates obtaining a score below 36/50 in the interview will be excluded from the merit ranking list. The interview may be conducted as a video conference. In this case, the identity document used in the online application form must be shown before the start of the test in order to enable identification of the candidate. It is in any case the candidate's responsibility to make sure that required hardware (PC, webcam) and software are available and that there is a reliable internet connection. 70/100 is the minimum score for being added to the general merit ranking list. For candidates having equal merit on the general merit ranking list, preference will be given to the younger candidate. The School will notify only scholarship holders of their admission to the School, using the email address given in the application; the said scholarship holders will be required to confirm their acceptance by responding within 7 days, on pain of forfeiture and awarding of the position to the first suitable candidate on the ranking list.
Test schedule	The dates of the tests will be published on the website: https://www.santannapisa.it/en/training/call-application-phd-health-science-23-24
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