







PHYSICS			
CYCLE	XXXVIII		
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DURATION	3 years		
STARTING DATE OF THE PHD PROGRAM	01/01/2023		

**RESEARCH TOPICS** (The candidate **MUST mandatorily** indicate one research topic in the form ANNEX A and submit a RESEARCH PROJECT in the relevant field)

- Realistic modelling of molecular qubits (Bound research topic)
- Characterization of molecular spins for quantum technologies by conventional and innovative magnetometric techniques (Bound research topic)
- Controlling open quantum systems (Bound research topic)

## TRAINING OBJECTIVES

The PhD in Physics, with a duration of 3 years, is established as a unifying element of the third-level University education in the Physics area. Besides their main commitment to the research activity, students are supposed to spend a substantial part of their training period in attending advanced courses as well as national and international schools. Students are encouraged to spend part of their time abroad, in order to participate in scientific collaborations in their fields of interest, and follow advanced courses in support of their research program. During the three years, teaching commitments are progressively reduced towards a full time engagement in the research activity. The evaluation of the training program is carried out - at the end of each year through open seminars held by the students. The independent scientific research is expected to lead to publication of results in international, peer reviewed journals. The ultimate goal of the PhD in Physics is a highly specialized scientific training that opens professional carriers in academic institutions and research laboratories, either public or private. The PhD in Physics is divided into three areas corresponding to major groups of disciplines of Physical Sciences covered by the research activity of the Department of Mathematical, Physical and Computer Sciences: Condensed Matter and Materials Physics, Theoretical Physics, Biophysics and Applied Physics.

## **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Regardless of age and citizenship, applicants holding at least one of the following academic qualifications can apply for admission:

- Laurea specialistica or Laurea magistrale (second cycle master's degree)
- Laurea Vecchio Ordinamento (degree obtained under the previous Italian regulations);
- Second cycle Master's degree obtained abroad, equivalent to the above mentioned Italian degrees and recognized as suitable for the admission to doctoral program

Undergraduates can also apply for admission to the selection, with the obligation to obtain the degree within the deadline set for enrollment, that is **by 21.12.2022** 

POSITIONS PUT OUT TO COMPETITION	3	With Scholarship	3

## Position with Scholarship LINKED TO SPECIFIC TOPICS (art. 11 of the Competition notice)

During the Oral Exam, applicants may express and/or confirm their interest of being assigned a scholarship linked to a specific research topic. The Examination Board will evaluate their eligibility based on specific competences, experience and specific aptitudes of the applicants.









N°		Fui	nding entity	BOUND RESEARCH TOPIC	
1	"National Quan "Extended partr notice Partners companies for t 341 of 15/03,	ntum Science nerships Inve hips extende the financing /2022 - fu	in the PNRR research program called and Technology Institute - NQSTI stment 1.3 creation of "related to the ed to universities, research centers, of basic research projects" - Notice and by the European Union — e D93C22000940001)  **Università**  **Unive	Realistic modelling of molecular qubits	
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ADM	ADMISSION PROCEDURES  Assessment of QUALIFICATIONS: up to 50 points (a minimum score of 20 points shall be required to be admitted to the Oral Exam) ORAL EXAM: up to 70 points Minimum score for ELIGIBILITY: 70/120				
Forei	Foreign Language Language the fluency of which shall be assessed during the Oral Exam: ENGLISH.				
APPLICANTS ADMITTED TO THE ORAL EXAM CAN TAKE IT EITHER IN PRESENCE OR REMOTELY IN AUDIO AND VIDEO TELECONFERENCE  (Applicants who intend to take the Oral Exam remotely must submit a formal request, using the form attached to the competition notice)					
THE INTERVIEW MAY BE HELD ALSO IN ENGLISH					
	LIST OF QUALIFICATIONS TO BE SUBMITTED AND THEIR ASSESSMENT				
	MANDATORY DOCUMENTS TO BE ATTACHED TO THE ON-LINE APPLICATION				
	ANNEX A (art. 5 of the Competition notice)			our ont with what (i.e. identity and analysis	
Identification Document         Scanned Copy of a valid identity document with photo (i.e. identification Document)           Curriculum Vitae et studiorum         No specific CV format is required (see art. 4 of the Competition remains the competition of the Competiti					
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Abstract of degree thesis	Abstract of the second cycle master's degree thesis. Undergraduate ap submit the draft of the thesis countersigned by their supervisor.	plicants must	
Qualifications	Certificates and academic transcript of records for both Bachelor' and Master' degrees containing the following details for each degree held: (art. 4 of the Competition notice): University that granted the degree - Type of degree (first cycle/second cycle/single cycle) Name of the degree program - Date of graduation - Final mark - List of exams and corresponding scores (academic transcript of records) - Translation into Italian or English (only for degrees issued in languages other than Italian or English).		
Research Project and Statement of Research interest	A brief text (max 3 pages) in English. The candidates must describe their research interests and indicate the preferred topic among those listed above, possibly suggesting a second choice theme. For the first choice theme, candidates must outlay an original research project including a concise state of the art, the relevance of the problem and the expected results. Candidates are warmly invited to contact the potential supervisors listed at <a href="http://smfi.unipr.it/it">http://smfi.unipr.it/it</a> It does not represent a constraint with respect to the following choice of the doctoral thesis, that shall be defined together with the supervisor and approved by the Academic		
(only qualifications attested by a do	Board.  AY BE ATTACHED TO THE APPLICATION, IF IN POSSESSION OF THE APPL cument drawn up in Italian or in English)  Any other document certifying the applicant's training and abilities. Pub		
Other qualifications	presentations to scientific meeting, stages, fellowships, reference letter		
	EVALUATION CRITERIA		
QUALIFICATION	EVALUTATION CRITERIA	POINTS	
Curriculum Vitae et studiorum	Including academic career and postgraduate experience, accompanied by a statutory declaration in lieu of the certification of the exams passed with the relevant marks, as	Up to 25 points	
	well as the final graduation mark.		
<b>Graduation thesis</b>	well as the final graduation mark.  Consistency of the Master' Degree thesis with the doctoral program research topics. The assessment will make use of the information contained in the abstract (max 1 page) of the thesis (although not yet discussed, in this case countersigned by the thesis supervisor) and in the curriculum, where a brief description of the thesis work should be reported.	Up to 5 points	
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SCHEDULE OF THE ADMISSION EXAMS			
	DATE	5 December 2022 (with possible extension in the following days)	
ORAL EXAM	TIME	03:00 PM (Italian time) The schedule of oral examinations will appear at <a href="http://smfi.unipr.it/it">http://smfi.unipr.it/it</a>	
	PLACE	Department of Mathematical, Physical and Computer Sciences PHYSICS BUILDING Parco Area delle Scienze, 7/A – Campus 43124 PARMA - ITALY	
OTHER INFORMATION		The Oral Exam will focus on the description of the research work carried out to prepare the Graduation Thesis for the Laurea Magistrale/Specialistica, as well as on the research project that the candidate proposes to carry out within the research topics of the Research Doctorate Program in Physics at the Department of Mathematical, Physical and Computer Sciences of the University of Parma which are described at <a href="http://smfi.unipr.it/it">http://smfi.unipr.it/it</a> In the application to participate in the competitive examination, the candidate must choose and specify one research topic. The candidate may indicate a second priority choice.  For foreign candidates, the admission examinations may be held in English at the candidate's choice.	