

UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI
DI PADOVA

Ph.D. Welcome Day 2023
November 18th

Internationalization
Requirements & opportunities



Relevant procedures after enrollment

- **Visa** application
- Request for the **tax code**
- **Health insurance** (through voluntary registration in the National Health Service or private insurance)
- **Residence permit** application
- Registration as para-subordinate workers for the separate pension scheme + **INPS** form
- Opening a **bank account** (+ bank details in Uniweb)





Admission qualification

- EU: D+DS/CIMEA statements*
- Extra EU: D+ToR + DoV/CIMEA statements*

- **by 12 months** from the commencement of the PhD programme
- must meet the **eligibility criteria** set by the call for admission



➔ under penalty of possible exclusion ➜



Language courses @University Language Centre

➤ Italian courses for international PhD students

Cover levels Pre-A1 to C1



**Intensive communicative
Italian courses**

Information and Enrolment

Contents	Develop mainly oral skills.
Levels	Offered at three different levels.
Periods	Proposed each academic year in September and February.
Duration	25 hours of intensive classes, organised within 2 weeks.
Enrolment	Registrations open in July and January.

**Biannual
Italian courses**

Information and Enrolment

Contents	Develop all language skills.
Levels	Offered for all CEFR levels from PreA1 to C1.
Periods	One session proposed for each semester.
Duration	40 hours of classes and 10 of self-study, organised throughout the semester (2 meetings of 2 hours each per week).
Enrolment	Registrations open in September and February.
Credits	Only Erasmus+ and Bilateral Agreement students can obtain 3 ECTS.



Centro linguistico di Ateneo



➤ Academic English courses for PhD students

To attend a course it is required to take the **entry test** to assess the language level

Entry test for
PhDs started on
November 1st



December 14th

INTRO TO ACADEMIC ENGLISH (30 academic hours course) – **Level: B1** – Basic structures of Academic English: nominalization, recognizing sentence structure e.g. the use of noun phrases, recognising tense usage and appropriacy of lexis and register. Argumentation. Focus on pronunciation and conversation in certain contexts (confidence building). Promotion of passive skills to develop understanding and lexis. Addressing typical issues in language and pronunciation which may impede comprehension.

ACADEMIC ENGLISH (30 academic hours course) – **Level: from B1+ to B2 or higher.** The courses are divided into upper and lower groups. The same topics are covered in different ways and at different speeds according to the level. **WRITING:** writing emails to academic peers; introduction to writing abstracts, structuring research papers, describing data e.g. from graphs or tables; rhetorical moves, coherence and cohesion, stance. **SPEAKING:** presenting research papers at seminars/conferences, dealing with questions and strategies for interrupting politely, active listening and turn taking.

MINI COURSES on specific topics (10 hour mini courses) – **Level:** from B1+ to B2 or higher. The same topics are covered in different ways and at different speeds according to the level.

- **ACADEMIC WRITING/ABSTRACT:** Conference abstracts and research article abstracts (exploring the differences between conference and research article abstracts, analysis of structure and language use).
- **ACADEMIC SPEAKING/PRESENTATION:** Aspects of formal/professional vs. informal/friendly language; language for debate and discussion, interaction between the presenter and audience, dealing with questions appropriately; organization of the presentation, signposting language; typical pronunciation issues e.g. key vowel sounds; each student will have the opportunity to give a presentation with the aim of improving their delivery and pronunciation as well as building confidence.



Arqus Alliance

The [Arqus European University Alliance](#) brings together the universities of **Granada, Graz, Leipzig, Lyon 1, Maynooth, Minho, Padua, Vilnius and Wroclaw.**

It is a community made of **students, academics** and **researchers** who work together to create and develop new structures and collaborations.



LinkedIn



Follow the [Arqus PhD Portal on LinkedIn](#) for current news, calls and offers.

Careers within Academia



Offers for PhD and postdoctoral researchers who want to [pursue careers in university research.](#)

Arqus PhD Café

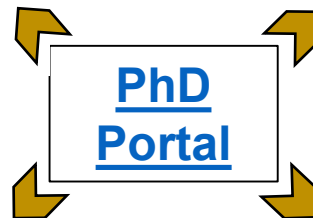


Join the monthly PhD Café to exchange with other Arqus ESRs about the challenges, tips and tricks of PhD life. [[Register here](#)]

Careers beyond Academia



Offers for PhD and postdoctoral researchers interested in [employment outside academia.](#)



Get a feel of the Alliance and benefit from research, training & mentorship opportunities!



International opportunities

- ✓ Study/carry out research abroad with [Erasmus+](#) (long mobilities are not financed but stay tuned for the new short-term opportunities)
- ✓ Carry out research overseas with [Ulisse Programme](#) or [Erasmus+ KA171](#)
- ✓ Take part in a Blended Intensive Programme ([BIP](#)) or [Virtual Exchange](#)
- ✓ Participate in the [PhD Academies](#) offered by the Venice International University



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Cotutelle de thèse

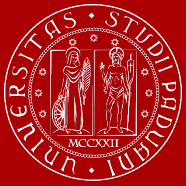
A cotutelle, so called since the program originated in France, is a Ph.D. conducted in the framework of a **bilateral agreement** signed between two universities of two different Countries

Such agreement regulates:

- **enrollment** → admission, tuition fees, duration of the programme
- **research work** → thesis topic, supervisors, language of thesis and defense, grants, mobility scheduling
- **thesis evaluation** → thesis assessment, board of examiners, final examination, degree awarded

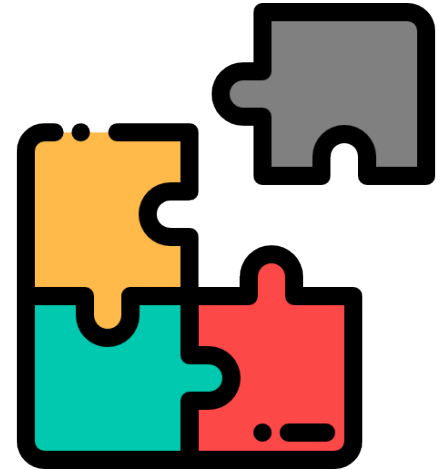


The conduct of the research and its contents, the use of materials as well as intellectual property rights, confidentiality and privacy are agreed on separately as necessary



This collaboration implies:

- **simultaneous enrollment** at both partner universities
- alternate periods of **mobility** at the two institutions (preferably of equivalent duration, **minimum six months**)
- **two supervisors**, one for each university
- **a single final exam** (viva voce) before a committee composed of members from both partner universities, recognized by both institutions
- the awarding of a **double or joint degree**





Requirements and procedure

For each cotutelle procedure, an **individual agreement** must be concluded between the participating universities and the doctoral candidate.

The University [Guidelines for the establishment of cotutelle agreements](#) detail:

- deadlines for the submission of the application → **within 15/18 months** from the start of the programme
- documentation to be attached to the request → application form + acceptance letter from the two supervisors
- minimum content of the agreement
- reporting duties of co-supervised PhD students

❖ The official approval must be requested to the Academic Board of the programme



So far, Unipd has made cotutelle agreements with **215 universities** from **34 different Countries**:

Argentina
Australia
Austria
Belarus
Belgium
Brazil
Bulgaria
Canada
Chile
China
Croatia
France
Germany
Greece
Ireland
Kazakhstan
Luxembourg

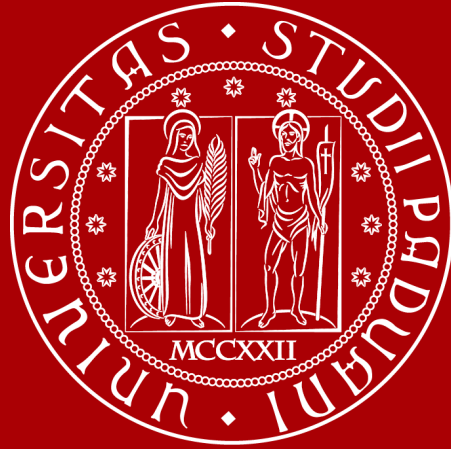


Mexico
Morocco
Peru
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Serbia
Slovakia
South Africa
Spain
Switzerland
The Netherlands
Tunisia
United Kingdom
United States
Venezuela



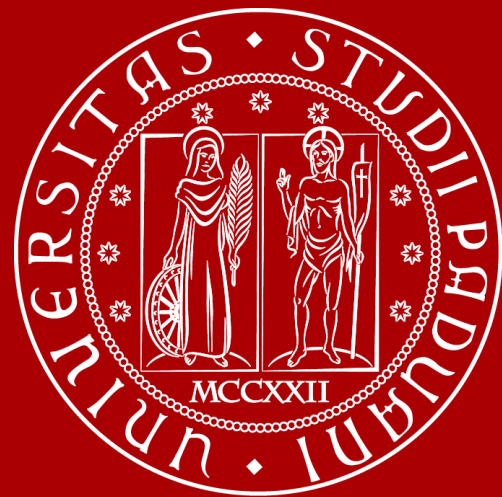
Pros & cons

yes	but...
it increases the level of internationalization of the research work and of the universities involved	economic issues: possible tuition fees + living costs
it encourages mobility abroad, which can be extra funded	high level of stress to meet requirements and deadlines of two institutions
it allows you to experience the reality of two different academic systems, increase your linguistic and intercultural skills , gain new research competencies	it's a very long process + negotiation may fail. The agreement may not go through, because of incompatible rules



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Thank you for your attention!



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