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PhD School in Statistics  
Department of Statistical Sciences  
University of Padua, Italy

Admission of foreign students

Details about the PhD School in Statistics may be found at <http://www.stat.unipd.it/phd>

The School highly encourages foreign students to apply for admission.

All lectures are given in English. The thesis may be written either in Italian or in English.

Application for all Doctoral Schools at the University of Padua must be submitted following carefully the instructions at the University of Padua web page:

[http://www.unipd.it/unipdWAR/page/unipd\\_en/research\\_en1/en\\_6\\_3\\_P3](http://www.unipd.it/unipdWAR/page/unipd_en/research_en1/en_6_3_P3)

Interested candidates are also encouraged to contact the School Director ([school.director@stat.unipd.it](mailto:school.director@stat.unipd.it)) or [dottorato@stat.unipd.it](mailto:dottorato@stat.unipd.it), submitting their CV.

Two announcements are of interest for foreign students:

1) **Grants for foreign students**

The University of Padua, through the funding of the *Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio di Padova e Rovigo*, offers research fellowships for foreign students to attend Doctoral Schools International Courses. The total number of grants for all courses at the University of Padua, period 2012—2014, will be 15. During the 3-year doctoral programme, successful candidates are offered full board and lodging.

For courses that will start in January 2012, the call for applications can be found at

[http://www.unipd.it/unipdWAR/page/unipd\\_en/research\\_en1/en\\_6\\_3\\_P2](http://www.unipd.it/unipdWAR/page/unipd_en/research_en1/en_6_3_P2)

(deadline September 5th, 2011).

These grants are awarded on the basis of qualifications only and do not require an entry examination. The grants include all University and Department fees, full board at the University accommodation and provide an additional personal scholarship of about 13,600.00 € per year for a total of 3 years.

2) **Ordinary announcement** (open to Italian as well as to foreign students)

Ordinary admission to Doctoral Schools and Courses is governed by a competition announced separately from the one described in item 1 above. This announcement will be published in late Summer, with deadline after 30 days. The total number of positions available for the PhD School in Statistics has been 8 on average in recent years. The total number of positions, for all courses at the University of Padua, will be around 300. Most positions will be covered by a scholarship of about 13,600.00 € per year for a total of 3 years. Some of the positions might be linked to special research topics, specified in the announcement. In all the other cases, the

choice of the research topic is free and a proposal is to be submitted by the end of the first year. Interested candidates are highly encouraged to contact [dottorato@stat.unipd.it](mailto:dottorato@stat.unipd.it). The last call (deadline October 4th , 2010, courses started in January 2011) can be found at <http://www.stat.unipd.it/uploads/File/dottorato/PhD%20Call%202010.pdf>

Admission to the PhD School in Statistics will be decided **on the basis of qualifications only** and will not require an entry examination. All details will be published at the University website ([http://www.unipd.it/unipdWAR/page/unipd\\_en/research\\_en1/en\\_6\\_3\\_P1](http://www.unipd.it/unipdWAR/page/unipd_en/research_en1/en_6_3_P1)) and application is to be made following carefully the instructions therein.

Qualifications include: undergraduate and/or master final mark, thesis, curriculum, scientific publications, list of examinations successfully passed and marks obtained, at most 2 letters of recommendation, GRE MATHEMATICS, GRE and TOEFL (if available). Having already been awarded the degree is not necessary for application, but it is necessary to obtain the degree before the admission procedure starts. Templates for the curriculum and reference letters will be made available at the page <http://www.stat.unipd.it/phd/admission>.

**Note:** as a third possibility, foreign candidates who have been awarded a - minimum three-year - scholarship by some international scientific committee (e.g., Marie Curie or Erasmus Mundus scholarship) can be admitted *extra quota*. Admission is decided by the School Board on the basis of qualifications. Last year, the deadline for these applications was the end of November.

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