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**Director's Decree No. 31 of August 6, 2024**

**Prot. No. 2561 of August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**Subject: Public Selection for Admission to the PhD Programs of the XL Cycle - Academic Year 2024/2025 with Allocation of Scholarships Funded by Next Generation EU - PNRR under D.M. 630/2024 and Other Funding**

Deadline for submission of admission applications: 2:00 PM (Italian time) on September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

## THE DIRECTOR

### Considering:

Law No. 508 of December 21, 1999, concerning the reform of the Academies of Fine Arts, the National Academy of Dance, the Academy of Dramatic Art, Higher Institutes for Artistic Industries, Music Conservatories, and Music Institutes with equal status;

D.P.R. No. 132 of February 28, 2003, concerning the regulation of general criteria for the adoption of autonomy statutes and the exercise of regulatory autonomy by artistic, musical, and choreographic institutions as per Law No. 508 of December 21, 1999;

Ministerial Decree No. 226 of December 14, 2021, "Regulations concerning the accreditation of PhD locations and courses and criteria for establishing PhD programs by accredited entities";  
Ministerial Decree No. 470 of February 21, 2024, which defines the procedures for the accreditation of PhD programs in AFAM institutions;

The Statute of the Accademia di Belle Arti "Pietro Vannucci" of Perugia, last approved pursuant to DDG Prot. No. 1489/2022;

**In view of:**

The Educational Regulations of the Accademia di Belle Arti “Pietro Vannucci” of Perugia, limited to Article 9, amended pursuant to DDG Prot. No. 969 of July 1, 2024;

Decree No. 630 of April 24, 2024, which provides: “The allocation, for the academic year 2024/2025, based on the PNRR (National Recovery and Resilience Plan), Mission 4 'Education and Research', Component 2 'From Research to Enterprise' - Investment 3.3 'Introduction of innovative PhDs that meet the innovation needs of businesses and promote the hiring of researchers by businesses,' including resources not assigned following the provisions of Decree No. 117/2023, as well as resources resulting from the recalculation of the unit amount of the Ministry-funded scholarship, of 2,868 (two thousand eight hundred sixty-eight) PhD scholarships of three-year duration for attending innovative PhD programs (hereinafter also courses) accredited under Decree No. 45/2013 XXXVII cycle – Academic Year 2021/2022 and under Decree No. 226/2021 XXXVIII and XXXIX cycles – Academic Years 2022/2023 and 2023/2024, and to be accredited under Decree No. 226/2021 and Decree No. 470/2024 XL cycle – Academic Year 2024/2025.

**Given:**

that Decree No. 630/2024 specifies that enterprises must participate in co-financing for amounts exceeding €60,000.00 (sixty thousand euros) up to the total cost of the scholarship

that the Ministerial Decree n. 630 del 24 aprile 2024 specifies that periods of study and research abroad must be planned for a minimum of six months, up to the maximum limit set forth in Article 9, Paragraph 3 of the Ministerial Decree of December 14, 2021, No. 226, over the course of three years;

that the Accademia di Belle Arti “Pietro Vannucci” in Perugia has accepted the funding related to Decree No. 630/2024 and has expressed interest in establishing and accrediting the aforementioned doctoral program as the implementing body;

that this decree provides the opportunity to issue this call for applications while awaiting the Ministry of University and Research's accreditation decree for the doctoral course.

Having examined all other relevant elements.

## DECREES

### ART. 1 - ACTIVATION OF THE RESEARCH DOCTORATE COURSE

The Accademia di Belle Arti “Pietro Vannucci” of Perugia will activate the research doctorate course titled "Design of Identities. Methodologies, Actions, and Tools for the Regeneration of Communities and Territories" for the academic year 2024/2025 (XL cycle – starting from December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024).

Therefore, a public selection is announced at the Accademia di Belle Arti “Pietro Vannucci” of Perugia for admission to the aforementioned Doctoral Research Course of the XL cycle with the assignment of doctoral scholarships funded by Next Generation EU - PNRR under D.M. 630/2024 and other funding sources. This call is issued pending the adoption by the Ministry of University and Research (MUR) of the decree accrediting the doctoral course. Therefore, the effectiveness of the selection carried out under this call is subject to the accreditation of the related doctoral course by the MUR. The assignment of scholarships under D.M. 630 of April 24, 2024, as detailed in Attachment 1 to this call, is subject to the approval of the related project proposal for funding by the MUR. The assignment of scholarships funded by third-party co-financing is conditional upon the completion of such co-financings, within the terms indicated in Attachment 1.

To ensure compliance with the timing of the selection procedures and the full utilization of resources, in the event of additional funding measures by the Ministry of University and Research, any additional scholarships available beyond the deadline of this call will be allocated within the Doctorate Course for the Academic Year 2024/2025 (XL cycle) and assigned through the ranking lists. The number of available places indicated in Attachment 1, in light of any further funding measures, may be increased following additional funding received by the Accademia and published on the Accademia's notice board and website at <https://www.abaperugia.com/category/bandi-e-concorsi/>.

The selection and assignment of scholarships may be based on topics described in the Information Sheet (Attachment 1), which is an integral part of this decree. This document outlines the course topics,

the number and types of available scholarships, the procedure for conducting the selection, and the timeline for the selection process.

## **ART. 2 - ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Applications can be submitted by individuals who hold one of the following qualifications as of October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024:

1. Academic Diploma: A second-level academic diploma issued by state or legally recognized Fine Arts Academies or Higher Institutes for Artistic Industries, or an academic diploma obtained under regulations prior to the implementation of the reform laws No. 508/1999 and No. 509/1999.
2. Master's Degree: A master's degree obtained in accordance with D.M. 270/2004, or a specialist degree obtained under D.M. 509/1999, or a degree issued under the regulations prior to D.M. No. 509/1999 as modified by D.M. No. 270/2004.
3. Foreign Academic Qualification: An academic qualification obtained from foreign academies/universities that is comparable to an Italian second-cycle academic qualification (EHEA, or under the Bologna Process of 1999), i.e., level 7 E.Q.F., which grants access to a doctoral program in the country that issued it.

The examination committee, as described in Article 4, will assess the suitability of the qualification. If the outcome is positive, the qualification will be recognized solely for the purpose of admission to this selection. The suitability of international qualifications will be assessed based on the documentation provided with the application. If the submitted documentation does not provide sufficient information for evaluation, the committee may exclude those applications. At the end of the selection process, the Accademia will carry out further checks on the authenticity and comparability of the international qualifications submitted. If a qualification is found to be invalid or not authentic for enrollment purposes, the Accademia reserves the right to exclude the admitted candidates.

Specific academic qualifications required for admission to the doctoral program are detailed in Attachment 1.

Applicants who are awaiting the completion of an Italian or international academic qualification may apply conditionally, provided that the qualification is obtained by October 31, 2024. In the event of failure to obtain the qualification, admission to the course will be forfeited if the selection outcome is positive. Candidates applying conditionally for an Italian qualification must include a self-certification listing the exams taken, ECTS credits, and weighted average.

Candidates holding a PhD obtained in Italy or those who have received (even partial) doctoral funding in Italy are not eligible for a scholarship.

### **ART. 3 - INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS**

The international university qualification must be comparable to an Italian second-cycle academic qualification (EHEA, or under the Bologna Process of 1999), i.e., level 7 E.Q.F., which grants access to a doctoral program in the country that issued it. The Examination Committee, as described in Article 7, will assess the suitability of the qualification and, if the outcome is positive, will recognize it solely for the purpose of admission to this selection process.

The suitability assessment of international qualifications will be based on the documentation provided with the admission application. If the documentation does not provide sufficient information for evaluation, the Committee may exclude such applications.

Applicants holding an international qualification for admission to the doctoral program must attach the following documents to their online application:

1. Diploma or Degree Certificate: First-cycle (level 6 E.Q.F.) and second-cycle (level 7 E.Q.F.) diplomas or single-cycle degree (Bachelor's Degree and Master's Degree) that grants access to the doctoral program in the country of origin, issued by an officially recognized academic institution, including final grades (where available).
2. Transcripts: Certificate of exams taken during the first and second cycle of university studies, including grades.

3. Diploma Supplement (if available).

Applicants who are conditionally enrolled for obtaining an international qualification must attach the first-cycle diploma (Bachelor's Degree) and the transcripts of records for both the first and second cycle of studies or the single-cycle degree program.

The aforementioned documents, if drafted in a language other than Italian or English, must be accompanied by an official translation into one of these languages and certified as conforming to the original.

#### **ART. 4 - APPLICATION AND DEADLINE**

Applications for admission must be submitted no later than 2:00 PM on September 7, 2024, via PEC (Certified Email) to the address [abaperugia@pec.it](mailto:abaperugia@pec.it), with the subject line: “[First Name-Last Name] PhD Competition XL Cycle A.A. 2024/2025”

Applications submitted outside this deadline will be excluded from the selection process.

Applications must be submitted via PEC, including the following documents in PDF format:

- a) Certificate of Degree or Master's Degree (or equivalent qualifications obtained in Italy or abroad): This should include exams taken, grades, and credits. Alternatively, a Substitute Certification of the Academic Title (Art. 46 - letters l, m, n - D.P.R. December 28, 2000, No. 445) may be provided. Applicants who are currently completing their degree must send a certificate of enrolment instead of the degree certificate. Documentation is valid if written in Italian or English.
- b) Copy of the Thesis and Abstract: A copy of the thesis and its abstract must be included.
- c) Curriculum Vitae: A dated and signed CV, detailing any professional experience and other qualifications held by the candidate.
- d) Research Proposal (as per Model 1 provided).
- e) Copy of ID or Passport (passports are mandatory for foreign candidates).
- f) Receipt of Payment: Proof of payment of the application fee.
- g) Substitute Declaration of Public Knowledge (as per Model 2 provided)



h) Artistic Portfolio: Optional.

i) Publications: Optional.

It is emphasized that failure to submit even one of the non-optional documents (a), b), c), d), e), f), and g) will result in exclusion from the competition.

Documents received after the deadline or sent by methods other than those indicated will not be considered.

#### ART. 5 - REGISTRATION FEE FOR THE SELECTION

The mandatory registration fee for the selection is €30.00. Payment must be made via bank transfer, and the payment receipt (bank statement) must be attached to the PEC with which the application is submitted (letter f, Art. 4).

The bank details for the transfer are as follows:

- **Bank:** Cassa di Risparmio di Orvieto S.p.A.
- **IBAN:** IT05J0622003000000000000006
- **BIC/SWIFT:** BPBAITR1
- **Account Holder:** Accademia di Belle Arti "Pietro Vannucci" di Perugia

The payment reference to indicate in the transfer should be: "[Name-Surname] PhD Competition XL Cycle A.A. 2024/2025". The fee paid for participating in the selection is non-refundable, even in the case of non-submission of the application. Candidates with an international degree valid for PhD admission are exempt from the registration fee.

#### ART. 6 - EVALUATION OF ADMISSION APPLICATIONS AND RANKINGS

The admission applications will be evaluated by the commission according to the criteria outlined in Attachment 1. Passing the comparative evaluation will grant access to the oral examination (interview). Only candidates who score at least 9 out of 30 points in the evaluation of their

qualifications will be eligible for the interview. The results of the comparative evaluation and the related invitations for the oral examination will be published on the website of the Accademia di Belle Arti “Pietro Vannucci” at <https://www.abaperugia.com/bandi-e-concorsi/>.

This publication serves as official communication, therefore candidates will not receive any personal notification regarding the rankings.

The interviews will be conducted in person at the premises of the Accademia di Belle Arti “Pietro Vannucci” in Perugia. Candidates must be available on the specified day and time set by the Commission. For identification purposes and under penalty of exclusion from the selection procedure, each candidate must identify themselves before the interview begins by presenting a valid ID, which was previously submitted as an attachment to the application. Failure to be present on the scheduled day or time, or failure to present valid identification, will result in exclusion from the selection procedure.

In accordance with Law 104/92, as amended by Law 17/99, candidates with disabilities may request individualized testing accommodations (use of aids, additional time, etc.) for the admission tests. Under Law 170/2010, candidates with specific learning disabilities may request an additional 30% time extension for the oral test. This request must be specified in the appropriate section of the provided document ‘Model 1’.

The final merit rankings, formulated according to the Commission's indisputable judgment, will be published on the Accademia di Belle Arti “Pietro Vannucci” website at <https://www.abaperugia.com/bandi-e-concorsi/> by September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

This publication serves as official communication, therefore candidates will not receive any personal notification regarding the rankings.

Successful candidates will be admitted to the PhD program according to the ranking order, up to the number of positions available. In the case of withdrawal by selected candidates, other suitable candidates will be admitted according to the ranking order and based on the eligibility evaluation, if applicable. In the case of a tie, the younger age will prevail for the assignment of the scholarship.

## **ART. 7 - SELECTION COMMITTEE**



The selection committee for admission to the PhD programs will be appointed by a Directorial decree. Any requests for the recusation of one or more committee members by candidates, provided they are properly justified, may be submitted to the Director within 5 days from the publication of the decree appointing the committee on the Accademia's website.

The Selection Committee is responsible for the entire procedure of evaluating applications, preparing the minutes, and formulating the merit rankings.

The composition of the Committee will be published on the Accademia di Belle Arti "Pietro Vannucci" website at <https://www.abaperugia.com/category/bandi-e-concorsi/> after the closing of the call for applications.

#### **ART. 8 – SELECTION PROCEDURE**

The selection procedure will be carried out according to the methods outlined in Attachment 1 of this call for applications. The evaluation of the qualifications and the research project will be conducted by the selection committee before the selective test, according to the criteria and scoring methods specified in Attachment 1.

Admission to the PhD program requires achieving a minimum score in the evaluation of qualifications and the research project (Attachment 1). The score assigned by the selection committee will be published prior to the selective test at the link <https://www.abaperugia.com/category/bandi-e-concorsi>.

On August 26th, 2024, an announcement will be published on the Accademia's website at <https://www.abaperugia.com/bandi-e-concorsi/> and on the Accademia's notice board ('Albo pretorio'), detailing the schedule for the test or any other relevant information concerning the selection. This announcement serves as formal notification, and no personal communications will be sent regarding this matter. Failure to attend the selective test will be considered as an implicit withdrawal from the selection, regardless of the reason.

To participate in the test, candidates must present a valid identification document. At the end of the selection process, the committee will prepare the general merit ranking, including only those candidates who have achieved a total score equal to or greater than the minimum qualifying score specified in Attachment 1. This score is the sum of the points obtained, respecting any minimum



thresholds, from the evaluation of qualifications, the research project, and the selective test.

Following the access procedures, the Director will approve the relevant documents or return them to the committee for any necessary adjustments or additions. Those who are favourably positioned in the ranking, as per the following Article 9, will be admitted to the PhD program.

After approval, the rankings will be published on the website at <https://www.abaperugia.com/bandi-e-concorsi> and on the Accademia's notice board (no personal notifications will be sent). Candidates are permitted to access the documents in accordance with Law No. 241/1990. The Accademia may defer access until the conclusion of the competition.

#### **ART. 9 - ADMISSION TO THE PROGRAM**

Candidates will be admitted to the program according to the order of the merit ranking, up to the number of available places. In the event of a tie, the younger candidate will be given preference.

Admitted candidates must enrol within the deadlines set by the act of approval, which will be published on the <https://www.abaperugia.com/bandi-e-concorsi>, following the instructions available on the same page. Failure to enrol within the specified time will result in the forfeiture of the right to enrolment (no personal notifications will be sent). Similarly, any further movements in the ranking and deadlines for subsequent enrolment will be published on the website <https://www.abaperugia.com/bandi-e-concorsi> on the dates indicated in the aforementioned act of approval. No personal notifications will be sent regarding these matters.

Winners who have obtained their qualification conditionally, i.e., after the publication of this call (but no later than October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024), must submit the relevant documentation to the PEC address [abaperugia@pec.it](mailto:abaperugia@pec.it) within 15 days of obtaining the qualification and in any case no later than November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024, otherwise, they will forfeit their admission to the program. The documentation related to the qualification, along with a valid identification document, must be submitted as a self-certification (or certification if the qualification was obtained in a country outside the European Union) and should include the name of the issuing institution, the date of qualification, the type of diploma, and the corresponding grade.

In the event of resignation or failure to enroll by an admitted candidate, the next eligible candidate according to the ranking will be admitted. The ranking will be open for movement until December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Upon completion of the enrollment procedures, the PhD program's faculty board will

formally assign the scholarships to qualified candidates.

#### **ART. 10 - CHARACTERISTICS OF SCHOLARSHIPS**

Scholarships are awarded by the PhD Program's Faculty Board. The annual amount of the scholarship (gross of the social security contribution borne by the scholar), excluding legal charges borne by the Administration, is €16,243.00.

Admission to the PhD program entails an exclusive and full-time commitment. With prior authorization from the Faculty Board, a scholarship recipient may undertake paid activities up to a maximum amount equal to the scholarship itself; a non-scholarship PhD candidate may undertake paid activities with no income limit.

Paid activities must contribute to acquiring skills relevant to the PhD program and be compatible with the full-time study and research activities required by the program. Each PhD student is generally expected to conduct research and training activities related to their PhD project at highly qualified institutions abroad for a minimum period of six months, which may be non-continuous, as detailed in Attachment 1.

Enrollment in the first year requires payment of the regional fee for the right to study and a stamp duty, totalling €156.00. Students enrolled in subsequent years of the PhD program are required to pay the regional fee for the right to study, amounting to €140.00. Students who delay payment of the regional fee for the right to study and any applicable stamp duty beyond the deadline are subject to a late fee according to the regulations on student contributions.

The scholarship is renewed annually, provided that the PhD student has completed the activities planned for the previous year and has been admitted to the subsequent year by the PhD Program's Faculty Board.

#### **ART. 11 - AWARDING OF THE DEGREE**

The PhD title, abbreviated as “Dott. Ric.” or “Ph.D.,” is awarded following the positive evaluation of a research project that contributes to the advancement of knowledge or methodologies in the chosen field of study. The title is conferred by the Director of the Accademia di Belle Arti “Pietro Vannucci.”

## **ART. 12 - PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA**

The processing of personal data requested by this notice is carried out exclusively for activities related to the procedure, in compliance with the provisions of EU Regulation 27.04.2016, No. 679.

## **ART. 13 - PROCEDURE RESPONSIBLE**

The person responsible for the procedure related to this notice is Dr. Claudia Antonietta Biagini – c.biagini@abaperugia.org.

## **ART. 14 - REFERENCE TO REGULATORY STANDARDS**

Any changes or additions to the notice will be communicated on the Accademia di Belle Arti “Pietro Vannucci” website at <https://www.abaperugia.com/category/bandi-e-concorsi/>. The notice will be translated into English; in the event of discrepancies, the Italian text will prevail.

## **ART. 15 - PUBLICITY**

This notice will be published on the Accademia’s website at <https://www.abaperugia.com/category/bandi-e-concorsi/> and on the Accademia’s official bulletin board. It will also be advertised on the MUR website and on the European Euraxess website.

## **ART. 16 - FINAL PROVISIONS**

For matters not covered by this notice, reference is made to the current regulations.

THE DIRECTOR  
Prof. Tiziana D’Acchille\*

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