

*The Pegaso Scholarships are financed with the resources of the PR FSE 2014/20 and fall within the scope of Giovani SI ([www.giovanisi.it](http://www.giovanisi.it)), the Tuscany Region project for the autonomy of young people". CUP\_ E61125000010007*

**Decreto n.394/2025  
Prot. 002803 del 26/06/2025**

**PUBLIC SELECTION FOR ADMISSION TO THE  
PHD COURSE IN “HISTORICAL LINGUISTICS, EDUCATIONAL  
LINGUISTICS AND ITALIAN STUDIES”  
OF THE UNIVERSITY FOR FOREIGNERS OF SIENA**

**XLI CYCLE – A.A 2025/2026**

**IN AGREEMENT WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF SIENA  
ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS AT THE UNIVERSITY FOR FOREIGNERS OF SIENA**

**Announcement of selection for admission to the PhD course in “Historical Linguistics, Educational Linguistics and Italian Studies” - XLI cycle – academic year 2025/2026 with administrative headquarters at the University for Foreigners of Siena – in agreement with the University of Siena.**

A public selection is announced for admission to the PhD course in “Historical Linguistics, Educational Linguistics and Italian Studies” at the University for Foreigners of Siena – XLI cycle academic year 2025/2026.

**PREAMBLE**

In the text of this announcement, the masculine gender is used only for the sake of simplicity and brevity, but this must always be understood as referring to both sexes with a view to equal opportunities between men and women.

**ART. 1 - ACTIVATION**

This announcement regulates the access procedures to the PhD course in “Historical Linguistics, Educational Linguistics and Italian Studies – XLI cycle, with administrative headquarters at the University for Foreigners of Siena.

Pursuant to Ministerial Decree no. 226/2021, PhD courses may be activated following accreditation or verification of maintenance of accreditation requirements by the MUR.

The activation of the Doctoral Course is therefore conditional on the granting of accreditation and confirmation of accreditation by the MUR, with the compliant opinion of the ANVUR.

**THEREFORE, THE WINNERS WILL BE ABLE TO ENROLL ONLY FOLLOWING A POSITIVE OUTCOME OF THIS VERIFICATION..**

The duration of the PhD course is three years, with the start scheduled for November 1, 2024.

The submission of the application for admission, according to the procedures set out in art. 4, entails the acceptance by the candidates of the rules contained in this announcement.

**ART. 2 - AVAILABLE PLACES AND DURATION OF THE PROGRAM**

**Curricula related to the Doctoral course:**

- Curriculum 1 - **Linguistics and teaching of the Italian language to foreigners**
- Curriculum 2 - **Historical-linguistic, philological and literary studies of Italian**

*The Pegaso Scholarships are financed with the resources of the PR FSE 2021/27 and fall within the scope of Giovanisi ([www.giovanisi.it](http://www.giovanisi.it)), the Tuscany Region project for the autonomy of young people". CUP\_ E61125000010007*

**Restricted positions:**

<b>Standard scholarships financed with MUR funds</b> of which: n. 1 place reserved for Curriculum 1 and n. 1 place reserved for Curriculum 2	<b>2</b>
<b>Standard scholarships financed by University funds</b> of which: n. 1 place reserved for Curriculum 1 and n. 1 place reserved for Curriculum 2	<b>2</b>
<b>Standard scholarships funded by the University of Siena</b> of which: n. 1 place reserved for Curriculum 1 and n. 1 place reserved for Curriculum 2	<b>2</b>
<b>Pegaso scholarships*</b> of which: n. 1 place reserved for Curriculum 1 and n. 1 place reserved for Curriculum 2	<b>2*</b>
<b>Pegaso scholarship Restricted**</b> “VOCABO-S DEVELOPMENT OF THE ONLINE VOCABULARY OF THE LANGUAGE OF GIOVANNI BOCCACCIO ” reserved for Curriculum 2	<b>1*</b>
<b>Places destined for candidate for Trường Đại học Hà Nội — Hanoi University – Vietnam</b> reserved for Curriculum 1	<b>2</b>
<b>Places reserved for scholarship holders from foreign countries</b> of which: n. 1 place reserved for Curriculum 1 and n. 1 place reserved for Curriculum 2	<b>2</b>
<b>Places without a scholarship</b> of which: n. 1 place reserved for Curriculum 1 and n. 1 place reserved for Curriculum 2	<b>2**</b>
<b>Total places available for competition</b>	<b>15</b>

**\* The Pegaso and Restricted Pegaso doctoral scholarships will be awarded only after the completion of the procedures necessary for the acquisition of the resources required for their activation, ascertained by the competent offices.**

**\*\* Pursuant to art. 11 paragraph 3) letter d) of the Regulations of the Doctoral Research Courses of the University for Foreigners of Siena, “Only candidates who can be placed on paid leave may benefit from the places without a scholarship.”**

*The Pegaso Scholarships are financed with the resources of the PR FSE 2021/27 and fall within the scope of Giovani (www.giovanisi.it), the Tuscany Region project for the autonomy of young people". CUP\_ E61125000010007*

In the event that the number of eligible candidates is not sufficient to cover the number of scholarships assigned to the relevant curriculum, the remaining scholarships will be assigned to the other curriculum, with the exception of the Pegaso Scholarship which, in the above situation, will NOT be assigned.

THE PLACES RESERVED FOR SCHOLARSHIP HOLDERS FROM FOREIGN STATES are intended for foreign candidates who have passed the admission exams for the course and who already hold a scholarship awarded by the competent foreign authorities. Candidates who select the 'foreign state scholarship holders' option will not be included in other rankings."

The places reserved for candidates from Trường Đại học Hà Nội — Hanoi University – Vietnam are intended for those who have passed the admission exams for the course and who are recipients of funding from TRƯỜNG ĐẠI HỌC HÀ NỘI — HANOI UNIVERSITY.

The number of doctoral scholarships may be increased following funding from public and private entities.

### **ART. 3 - ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

The application for participation in the selection for admission to the PhD course in “Historical Linguistics, Educational Linguistics and Italian Studies. Italian, other Languages and Cultures – XLI cycle” may be submitted by those who, on the deadline date of the announcement, are in possession of one of the qualifications indicated in the sheets of the respective PhD scholarships put up for competition and attached to this announcement:

- **Scholarships financed with MUR funds, with University funds and with funds from the University of Siena - Annex no. 1.**
- **Pegaso scholarships and Pegaso restricted scholarship financed with funds from the Tuscany Region – Annex no. 2.**

Those who do not have the required degree at the time of the application deadline may also apply to participate in the admission selection. Following the evaluation of the judging commission, the possible admission to the Doctoral course of the above candidates will take place *under condition* and the candidate will be required to submit promptly, and in any case no later than 31 October of this year, by email ([postlaurea@unistrasi.it](mailto:postlaurea@unistrasi.it)), pec certified email ([unistrasi@pec.it](mailto:unistrasi@pec.it)) or in person to the office of Didactic Management and Urp area, “Student Reception, Teaching Organization and Linguistic Certification Structure” – Post-Graduate service, the self-certification (or certification in the case of non-EU citizens) relating to the achievement of the qualification, under penalty of losing the right to admission to the Doctorate.

The self-certification, duly signed, must indicate the name of the University that issued the qualification, the date of achievement, the type of diploma (old system, specialist/master's degree) and the relative grade; it must also be accompanied by a photocopy of a valid identity document.

*The Pegaso Scholarships are financed with the resources of the PR FSE 2021/27 and fall within the scope of Giovani (www.giovanisi.it), the Tuscany Region project for the autonomy of young people".CUP\_ E61125000010007*

The suitability of the foreign qualification is ascertained by the judging commission in compliance with the legislation in force in the matter in Italy and in the country where the qualification was issued and with international treaties or agreements regarding the recognition of qualifications for the continuation of studies.

The University Administration may at any time, with a reasoned provision, exclude candidates from the selection process due to a lack of the requirements set out in this announcement.

#### **ART. 4 - APPLICATION**

To participate in the admission test, candidates must submit an application for participation electronically, **by the peremptory deadline of 11.59 pm on the thirtieth day (thirty) starting from the day of publication of this notice on the website “[www.unistrasi.it](http://www.unistrasi.it) on to the page [https://www.unistrasi.it/1/380/Bandi\\_di\\_concorso.htm](https://www.unistrasi.it/1/380/Bandi_di_concorso.htm) “Competition notices - PhD admission selection” of the University.**

Instructions are available on the page: [https://www.unistrasi.it/1/380/Bandi\\_di\\_concorso.htm](https://www.unistrasi.it/1/380/Bandi_di_concorso.htm) “Competition notices - PhD admission selection” of the University by clicking on “Communications: application instructions”.

**Candidates who choose as their preference “Standard Scholarship Holders” participate in the assignment of the following scholarships:**

- Scholarships financed with MUR funds
- Scholarships funded by funds from the University of Siena
- Scholarships financed by University funds

**Candidates who choose as their preference “Pegaso scholarships” (not restricted) participate in the assignment of the following scholarships:**

- Pegaso scholarships
- Scholarships financed with MUR funds
- Scholarships funded by funds from the University of Siena
- Scholarships financed by University funds

**Candidates who choose as their preference “Pegaso scholarship Restricted” participate only in the assignment of the following scholarship:**

Pegaso scholarship Restricted: “VOCABO-S DEVELOPMENT OF THE ONLINE VOCABULARY OF THE LANGUAGE OF GIOVANNI BOCCACCIO”.

**Candidates who choose as their preference “Places reserved for candidate of Trường Đại học Hà Nội — Hanoi University – Vietnam” participate in the assignment of the**

*The Pegaso Scholarships are financed with the resources of the PR FSE 2021/27 and fall within the scope of Giovani (www.giovanisi.it), the Tuscany Region project for the autonomy of young people". CUP\_ E61125000010007*

**following places:**

- Places reserved for Trường Đại học Hà Nội — Hanoi University – Vietnam

**Candidates who choose as their preference “Foreign States Scholarship Holders” participate in the assignment of the following places:**

- Foreign States Scholarship Holders

**Public employees who intend to apply for PhD positions and in the event of a suitable placement in the ranking intend to opt for maintaining their salary (pursuant to art. 2 of Law 13 August 1984, n. 476, and subsequent amendments), can only apply for “preference” positions of Standard Scholarship Holders”.**

<b>Attachments to the Application</b>
---------------------------------------

**All candidates must attach the following documents to the online application form: following documents duly dated, completed and signed:**

- **Mod. A** “Titles, publications and further statements”.
- **Research project** to be carried out in the Doctoral cycle (see following art.5)
- **Curriculum vitae and studies** (European format, Europass format).
- **Any publications** to be attached in electronic pdf or jpg format with a maximum size of 5 MB each. The file name must include the candidate's surname and name and the description of the attachment.
- **Identity document.**

**FURTHERMORE:**

Candidates who intend to compete for the positions with “**Pegaso” Scholarship** must attach:

- Mod. B Pegaso Self-Certification.
- B2 English language certification, if available. For candidates who do not have a language certification, the Commission will verify their knowledge of the English language at B2 level.

Candidates who intend to compete for the positions with “**Pegaso Restricted” Scholarship** must attach:

*The Pegaso Scholarships are financed with the resources of the PR FSE 2021/27 and fall within the scope of Giovanisi ([www.giovanisi.it](http://www.giovanisi.it)), the Tuscany Region project for the autonomy of young people". CUP\_ E61125000010007*

- Mod. B1 Self-certification Pegaso Restricted.
- B2 English language certification, if possessed. For candidates not in possession of a language certification, the Commission will verify knowledge of the English language at level B2.

Candidates who intend to compete for the positions **reserved for Trường Đại học Hà Nội — Hanoi University – Vietnam** must attach:

- Form C “Request for videoconference interview”
- C1 Italian language certification. In the absence of a C1 certification, candidates may attach a degree or master's degree in Italian language, literature and culture, the equivalence of which will be assessed by the Commission.

Candidates who intend to compete for the positions reserved for **Scholarship holders from foreign countries** will have to attach:

- Mod. D - Application for suitability of foreign qualification
- Form D1 “Request for videoconference interview”
- Scholarship entitlement certification (foreign state scholarship holders)
- C1 Italian language certification. In the absence of a C1 certification, candidates may attach a degree or master's degree in Italian language, literature and culture, the equivalence of which will be assessed by the Commission.

Candidates in possession of an academic qualification obtained abroad, lasting at least four years, **that has not already been declared equivalent** to one of the qualifications required for admission, will also have to send the following documents:

- Mod. D - Application for suitability for foreign qualification completed and signed
- the certificate of achievement of the qualification with the list of exams taken (**transcript**) in Italian/English; EU candidates can use self-certification, as provided for by Presidential Decree 445/2000 and Law no. 183 of 12 November 2011;
- Any other documentation deemed useful for assessing the eligibility of the qualification held (**Diploma Supplement, CV in European format, Declaration of Value issued locally if already obtained**, or the statement of comparability and verification of qualifications issued by CIMEA).

At the end of all the steps required by the online procedure, it will be possible to view the application for admission to the competition.

*The Pegaso Scholarships are financed with the resources of the PR FSE 2021/27 and fall within the scope of Giovani (www.giovanisi.it), the Tuscany Region project for the autonomy of young people".CUP\_ E61125000010007*

**Once the online application is “closed”, it can no longer be modified, nor can it be integrated with further documentation, except for any documentation requested by the Administration.**

**It is the candidate's responsibility to verify that the application has been filled out correctly and completely and that the procedure has been completed correctly, including the payment of the virtual stamp duty of Euro 16.00 which must be paid by 11.59 pm on the closing date of the call.**

**The University is not responsible for any online questions not correctly completed by candidates.**

Applicants from Trường Đại học Hà Nội — Hanoi University – Vietnam are exempted from paying the above virtual stamp duty.

Candidates with disabilities or DSA must attach to the application form the specialist documentation certifying the disability or DSA and must make an explicit request, in the application form for admission to the competition, regarding the assistance and additional time that may be necessary to be able to take the test. In this regard, sensitive data will be kept and processed with the confidentiality required by Regulation (EU) 2016/679.

**ANY APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED IN A DIFFERENT MANNER WILL NOT BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION.**



#### **ART. 5 - INFORMATION REGARDING THE RESEARCH PROJECT**

The research project, written in Italian or English, must have a maximum length of 15,000 characters **including** spaces, abstracts and notes, but **excluding** bibliography.

The project must focus on topics consistent with the chosen curriculum or with the subject of the Pegaso grant and must include:

- abstract (maximum 1,500 characters, spaces included),
- state of the art and contextualization of the topic,
- methodologies,
- expected results,
- bibliography.

**The file name must include the candidate's surname and name.**

#### **ART. 6 - ADMISSION TESTS: GENERAL GUIDELINES**

**All candidates are admitted to the selection subject to verification of self-certified declarations** pursuant to Presidential Decree no. 445/2000 and subsequent amendments and additions. In the event of false declarations, the University may at any time, with a reasoned provision by the Rector, exclude candidates from the selection procedure or from the PhD course, without prejudice to any criminal liability arising therefrom.

**The exclusion from the selection will be communicated to the candidate at the email address entered on the portal of teaching at the time of registration.**

**The date, time and methods of the tests will be published on the University website ([https://dottorato.unistrasi.it/200/556/Accesso\\_al\\_dottorato.htm](https://dottorato.unistrasi.it/200/556/Accesso_al_dottorato.htm)) at least 20 days before the scheduled date.**

**This publication constitutes, for all legal purposes, an official summons; therefore, candidates will not receive any summons or communication regarding the examination tests.**

*The Pegaso Scholarships are financed with the resources of the PR FSE 2021/27 and fall within the scope of Giovani (www.giovanisi.it), the Tuscany Region project for the autonomy of young people". CUP\_ E61125000010007*

To take the tests, candidates must show a valid identification document.

**Failure by the candidate to appear on the day, at the time and at the place set for the tests will be equivalent to an implicit waiver of participation in the selection process, whatever the cause.**

#### **ART. 7 – PROVE DI AMMISSIONE PER TIPOLOGIA DI BORSA**

##### **STANDARD SCHOLARSHIPS, PEGASO NON RESTRICTED, PEGASO RESTRICTED**

The selection is based on qualifications and exams (written test and interview). The competition takes place in person.

The written test consists of a written essay in Italian. In the interview, which will be held in Italian, the candidate will be asked to discuss the doctoral research project, and relevant themes and aspects of the discipline pertaining to the research project will be addressed and discussed.

**Candidates for the Pegaso and Pegaso Restricted scholarships who do not have a language certification at the time of the interview will have their knowledge of the English language at level B2 verified.**

##### **- INTERNATIONAL CANDIDATES AND CANDIDATES OF TRƯỜNG ĐẠI HỌC HÀ NỘI — HANOI UNIVERSITY – VIETNAM**

The selection is based on qualifications and interview to be held via video conference on the Google Meet platform.

For identification purposes and under penalty of exclusion from the selection procedure, each candidate is required to identify himself/herself before the interview begins, by showing the same identity document already sent as an attachment to the application.

**Failure to communicate the personal address, the unavailability of the candidate on the day or at the established time, failure to show a valid identification document, are grounds for exclusion from the selection procedure.**

The University declines any responsibility for any technical reasons preventing the oral interview from proceeding properly.

#### **ART. 8 - EVALUATION CRITERIA**

##### **1. STANDARD SCHOLARSHIPS, PEGASO NON RESTRICTED, PEGASO RESTRICTED**

The judging commission has a maximum of 100 points for each candidate, divided as follows:

- **TITLES:** maximum 15 points, as detailed in the table below:

Evaluable qualifications:

Master's degree / four-year degree grade: max 8 points

*The Pegaso Scholarships are financed with the resources of the PR FSE 2021/27 and fall within the scope of Giovani (www.giovanisi.it), the Tuscany Region project for the autonomy of young people". CUP\_ E61125000010007*

8 points: 110 with honors

6 points: 110

4 points: 109-100

2 points: 99-96

two-year specialization / relevant master's degree      max 2

points scientific publications      max 3

points

(only studies published or accepted for publication following submission of appropriate documentation will be evaluated)

documented research activity in the sector      max 2 points

**The qualifications will be evaluated only if the candidate passes the written test.**

• **WRITTEN TEST:** max 35 points.

• **INTERVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF THE PROJECT:** max 50 points.

In the interview the Commission will take into account the following criteria: breadth of knowledge in the subject, depth of analysis, originality of proposals, coherence of exposition.

The candidate who has achieved at least 28 points in the written test is admitted to the oral exam.

The oral exam is considered passed if the candidate obtains at least 42 points.

The minimum score for eligibility is 70/100 which must however be obtained by passing both tests (written and oral).

Once the competitive exams have been completed, the commission draws up the general merit ranking, based on the sum of the points obtained by each candidate in the individual exams and in the evaluation of the qualifications.

**IN CASE OF EQUAL MERIT:**

Priority for the allocation of scholarship-funded positions will be given to applicants with the most disadvantaged economic and family situations, assessed based on the ISEU (Equivalent Economic Situation Indicator) of 2025.

Candidates will be able to check the results of the qualification evaluation and the overall final evaluation through the teaching portal.

Following the approval of the documents, the rankings will be published on the website [www.unistrasi.it](http://www.unistrasi.it) on the page "Competition notices - PhD admission selection" [https://www.unistrasi.it/1/380/Bandi\\_di\\_concorso.htm](https://www.unistrasi.it/1/380/Bandi_di_concorso.htm).

## **2. INTERNATIONAL CANDIDATES AND CANDIDATES OF TRƯỜNG ĐẠI HỌC HÀ NỘI — HANOI UNIVERSITY – VIETNAM**

For the evaluation of qualifications, the Commission has a maximum of 15 points to be awarded according to the criteria set out in art. 8.1.

For the interview the commission has a maximum of 50 points. During the interview the Commission will verify the candidate's preparation, ability and aptitude for research, as well as knowledge of the Italian language at the minimum required level C1 certified and of a foreign language (chosen between English, French, Spanish, German) other than the candidate's native language. The interview is considered passed if the candidate obtains at least 40 points.

Candidates who achieve an overall score of 44 points will be considered eligible for admission to the course.

**The examining commission will draw up a separate ranking.**

If there are no suitable candidates, the remaining vacant positions CANNOT be assigned to other candidates.

#### **ART. 9 - ADMISSION TO COURSES**

Candidates will be admitted to the PhD course according to the order of the rankings until the number of places available for competition has been filled. In the event of any renunciations by those entitled by November 30th, the same number of candidates will be admitted according to the order of the rankings.

#### **ART. 10 - ENROLLMENT IN COURSES**

Admitted candidates must complete their registration by the deadline of 11.59pm (local time) on 31 October 2019 by following the specific IT procedure by connecting to the page: <https://didattica.unistrasi.it> of the University website. After having accessed the reserved area, by entering the login and password obtained during registration, it is necessary to select under the menu: "Segreteria" – "Immatricolazione" and follow the instructions that will be sent by email.

Deeds and documents drawn up in a foreign language must be accompanied by a certified translation into Italian that conforms to the foreign text drawn up by the competent diplomatic or consular representation, or by an official translator.

Candidates with a foreign qualification must also submit:

- Academic qualification duly accompanied by the following consular documents: translation, legalization and declaration of local value issued by the Italian diplomatic authorities in the country in which the qualification was obtained, which must demonstrate that the qualification held is valid in the country in which it was obtained for enrollment in an academic course similar to a PhD.

#### **ART. 11 - REGIONAL FEE AND CONTRIBUTION FOR COURSE ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE**

The annual fees and contributions payable by PhD students are as follows:

**- for winners of PhD scholarships financed by MUR funds:**

- a) Regional tax for the right to university study pursuant to Regional Law of 3 January 2005, n. 4 and subsequent changes and/or additions.
- b) Exemption from the fee for access and attendance to PhD courses.
- c) Virtual stamp duty €16.00.

**- for winners of PhD scholarships financed by the following funds:**

**University funds, Pegaso and Pegaso restricted scholarships and foreign state scholarship holders:**

- a) Regional tax for the right to university study pursuant to the regional law of 3 January 2005, n. 4 and subsequent changes and/or additions.
- b) Contribution for access and attendance to the Doctoral courses equal to Euro 450.00 payable in a single installment by 31 October 2025.
- c) Virtual stamp duty €16.00.

**- For winners who renounced a scholarship (pursuant to Law 232/2016, students of PhD courses who are not beneficiaries of a scholarship are exempted from paying taxes or contributions to the University):**

- a) Regional tax for the right to university study pursuant to Regional Law of 3 January 2005, no. 4 and subsequent changes and/or additions;
- b) Exemption from the fee for access to and attendance at PhD courses;
- c) Virtual stamp duty €16.00.

Applicants to Trường Đại học Hà Nội — Hanoi University – Vietnam are exempted from paying the above annual fees and contributions.

Doctoral students with disabilities, with recognition of handicap (art. 3, paragraph 1, of Law 5 February 1992 n. 104) or with a disability equal to or greater than 66% are not required to pay fees. To obtain exemption, doctoral students must send to [disabilita@uistrasi.it](mailto:disabilita@uistrasi.it) upon registration, suitable documentation showing the percentage of recognised disability and/or the report of recognition of the handicap.

#### **ART. 12 - DOCTORAL SCHOLARSHIPS**

The scholarships will be awarded following a comparative evaluation of merit, following the evaluation criteria indicated in art. 8 of this announcement, and according to the order of the rankings.

*The Pegaso Scholarships are financed with the resources of the PR FSE 2021/27 and fall within the scope of Giovani (www.giovanisi.it), the Tuscany Region project for the autonomy of young people". CUP\_ E61125000010007*

The annual amount of the scholarship, to be paid in monthly installments, is determined pursuant to art. 1 of the Ministerial Decree of 23 February 2022, no. 247 containing "increase in doctoral scholarships which establishes the amount of the scholarship for attending PhD courses at € 16,243.28 gross of social security costs to be paid by the recipient.

The doctoral scholarship is subject to the payment of INPS social security contributions under separate management pursuant to art. 2, paragraph 26, of Law 8 August 1995, no. 335 and subsequent amendments, in the amount of two thirds paid by the administration and one third paid by the scholarship holder.

The amount of the scholarship is increased by 50% for any periods of stay abroad up to a maximum of 12 months.

Starting from the first year, each PhD student is guaranteed, in addition to the scholarship and within the financial resources existing in the budget of the entities accredited under current legislation, a budget for research activity in Italy and abroad adequate to the type of course and in any case of an amount not less than 10% of the amount of the scholarship itself.

**The "Pegaso" and "Pegaso restricted" doctoral scholarships funded by the Tuscany Region are awarded to doctoral students subject to the successful assignment of the respective financial resources to the University and the signing of the agreements between the University and the funding bodies.**

The doctoral scholarship cannot be combined with other scholarships awarded for any reason, except those awarded by national or foreign institutions useful for integrating, with stays abroad, the training or research activity of the scholarship holder (L. 398/89 art. 6 paragraph 1).

The 50% increase in the PhD scholarship cannot be combined with Erasmus scholarships.

Anyone who has already benefited, even partially, from a doctoral grant cannot benefit from it a second time (L. 398/89 art. 6 paragraph 2).

Doctoral scholarships last one year and are renewed on condition that the doctoral student has completed the programme of activities planned for the previous year and has passed a specific test. In the event that the PhD student is not positively evaluated for the purposes of renewing the scholarship, the unused amount will be reinvested by the University for the financing of research doctorates (art. 9 paragraph 2) Ministerial Decree of 14 December 2021, no. 226.

If the PhD student waives, during the year, to continue the PhD, the Administration will not request the return of the installments relating to the months in which the PhD student actually attended the course and carried out the activities established by the Teaching Board.

Pursuant to art. 9 paragraph 6) of the Ministerial Decree of 14 December 2021 n. 226, the 50% increase for any periods of stay and the 10% budget for research activity in Italy and abroad do not apply to scholarship holders from foreign countries or beneficiaries of financial support under

specific mobility programmes.

The provision set forth in art. 9 paragraph 6) of the Ministerial Decree of 14 December 2021 n. 226 also applies to candidates of the Trường Đại học Hà Nội — Hanoi University – Vietnam.

<b>ART. 13 - ATTENDANCE AND OBLIGATIONS OF DOCTORAL STUDENTS</b>
------------------------------------------------------------------

Admission to the Doctorate entails compulsory attendance and an exclusive, full-time commitment, without prejudice to the possibility of a specific discipline in relation to what is provided for by the Ministerial Decree of 14 December 2021, no. 226.

In the event of justified impediments that do not allow effective attendance (illness, maternity and puerperium or other documented reasons of serious impediment), the doctoral student may request suspension of attendance at the course, with consequent interruption of the grant and extension of the training period. The Teaching Board will decide on the duration of the suspension and extension of the training period.

The Board of Professors is responsible for authorizing the doctoral student to carry out paid and unpaid activities, verifying their compatibility with the profitable performance of the training activities (teaching and research) related to the course.

In particular, it remains firm that for PhD students with a scholarship, paid activities must be limited to those in any case referable to the acquisition of skills related to the training area of the PhD.

At the end of each year, those enrolled in the Doctoral course are required to submit a report on their training and research activities to the Teaching Board, which ensures its preservation and, after evaluating the attendance and results obtained by the student enrolled in the course, proposes exclusion or continuation of the Doctoral course.

**The recipients of the “Pegaso” and “Pegaso vincolata” PhD scholarships financed by the Tuscany Region are also required to observe the provisions of Annex 2 to this announcement.**

**Candidates of the Trường Đại học Hà Nội — Hanoi University must comply with the provisions of the agreement stipulated between the University for Foreigners of Siena and the Trường Đại học Hà Nội — Hanoi University.**

The interventions provided for by Legislative Decree no. 68 of 29 March 2012 are extended to PhD students, in accordance with the procedures set out therein.

The provisions for the protection of parenthood set out in the decree of the Minister of Labour and Social

*The Pegaso Scholarships are financed with the resources of the PR FSE 2021/27 and fall within the scope of Giovani (www.giovanisi.it), the Tuscany Region project for the autonomy of young people". CUP\_ E61125000010007*

Security of 12 July 2007, published in the Official Journal no. 247 of 23 October 2007, apply to PhD students.

#### **ART. 14 - AWARDING OF THE TITLE OF DOCTOR OF RESEARCH (PhD)**

The title of doctor of research, abbreviated with the words: "*Dott.Ric.*" that is to say "*Ph.D.*", is awarded following the positive evaluation of a research thesis that contributes to the advancement of knowledge or methodologies in the chosen field of investigation, within the times and methods set out in art. 8 paragraphs 10), 11) and 12) of the Ministerial Decree of 14 December 2021, no. 226.

#### **ART. 15 - INFORMATION**

Requests for information and clarifications on the submission of the application can be sent to the e-mail address [postlaurea@unistrasi.it](mailto:postlaurea@unistrasi.it) or by telephone at the following numbers 0577240266 – 158 (11.30-12.30 from Monday to Friday).

#### **ART. 16 – PUBLICITY**

This announcement, accompanied by an English translation, is published on the page [www.unistrasi.it](http://www.unistrasi.it) "Competition notices - PhD admission selection" [https://www.unistrasi.it/1/380/Bandi\\_di\\_concorso.htm](https://www.unistrasi.it/1/380/Bandi_di_concorso.htm).

It is also advertised on the Ministry website and on the European Euraxess website.

The rankings will be published on the page [www.unistrasi.it](http://www.unistrasi.it) "Competition notices - PhD admission selection" [https://www.unistrasi.it/1/380/Bandi\\_di\\_concorso.htm](https://www.unistrasi.it/1/380/Bandi_di_concorso.htm).

#### **ART. 17 - HANDLING OF PERSONAL DATA**

In accordance with Regulation (EU) 2016/679, the University is the Data Controller and undertakes to respect the confidential nature of the information provided by candidates. All data provided will be processed only for purposes related and instrumental to the competition and to the possible management of the relationship with the University, in compliance with the provisions in force and for the time strictly necessary to achieve the purposes for which they were collected.



*The Pegaso Scholarships are financed with the resources of the PR FSE 2021/27 and fall within the scope of Giovanisi ([www.giovanisi.it](http://www.giovanisi.it)), the Tuscany Region project for the autonomy of young people".CUP\_ E61125000010007*

<b>ART. 18 - FINAL PROVISIONS</b>
-----------------------------------

The competition documents are public and access to them is permitted in the ways established by Law 7 August 1990, n. 241.

For anything not covered in this announcement, reference is made to the University Teaching Regulations, to the Regulations of the Doctoral Research Courses of the University for Foreigners of Siena and to current legislation.

The University reserves the right to exclude at any time candidates participating in the tests announced with this announcement for failure to comply with the provisions given therein or the terms indicated, or for lack of the requirements requested of the candidates.

Siena, 26.06.2025

THE RECTOR  
(Prof. Tomaso Montanari\*)

\*Digitally signed electronic document pursuant to the so-called Digital Administration Code and related regulations.