Evaluation criteria for admissions to the Ph.D. program in Engineering in Computer Science

Admissions are based on the evaluation of the skills and aptitude of the candidate to carry out research in the scientific areas of the Ph.D. Program in Engineering in Computer Science.

The selection process consists of two phases:

1. Evaluation of qualifications and research proposal

2. Interview

Qualifications, research proposal, and interview are evaluated as follows.

1. Qualifications and Research Proposal (max 60 points)

● up to 30 points for the evaluation of the curriculum (including the academic career and any other qualifications), letters of recommendations supporting the candidate and publications presented by the candidate;

● up to 30 points for the candidate's research proposal. In particular, the commission evaluates the description of the state of the art, the originality and the innovative nature of the proposal, the clarity and completeness of the objectives, the methodologies and the potential results, the relevance of the proposal with respect to the themes and the objectives of the Ph.D. program.

Candidates obtaining a minimum score of 36/60 in the evaluation of qualifications and research proposal are invited for an interview.

2. Interview (max 60 points)

● The interview is in English and the maximum score a candidate can obtain is 60 points

● The interview is aimed at assessing the candidates' knowledge, skills, and aptitude to carry out research in the scientific areas of Computer Science and Engineering.

● The interview includes a discussion about the candidate's research proposal and their personal motivations. Its duration is at most 30 minutes and can include a candidate's proposal presentation, which has to be at most 15-minute long.

A minimum score of 36/60 is required to pass the interview.

A minimum overall score of 72/120 is required to be admitted to the Ph.D. program.