

## Evaluation criteria for the admission to the PhD course in Economics 39th cycle

### A - CV and professional titles (max 30 points)

#### A1 - University final degree (master-level) mark (max 10 points)

- Students who have obtained their title by the application deadline

Mark	Points
110 cum laude	10
110	9
109 -108	8
107 -106	5
105 -104	3
103 -102	1
<102	0

- Students who have not obtained their title by the application deadline (or graduands who will obtain the degree by October 31st, 2023) will be evaluated on the average grade resulting from the list of the completed exams.

Average	Points
29 -30	10
28 – 28.99	9
27.5 – 27.99	8
27 – 27.49	5
26 – 26.99	3
25 – 25.99	1
<25	0

A2 - Publications (max 5 points)

Description	Points
ISI research papers	3
Books or chapter in books	1
Contribution to a lecture/congress	1

A3 - Further education/training/awards (max 10 points)

Description	Points (max)
Educational experience abroad (including Erasmus)	3
Research collaboration contracts	2
Training courses for researchers	2
Awards	3

A4 - Reference letters (max 5 points)

**B - Research project (max 30 points)**

No more than 1500 words (3/4 pages), references included, in english.  
The Examination Board will evaluate the propensity to scientific research and the abilities to organize the phases of research activity independently and rationally.

The Examination Board will evaluate in particular:

- B1 - Knowledge of the state of the art of the literature
- B2 - Clarity of research goals, originality, and content
- B3 - Appropriateness and quality of research methodologies
- B4 - Feasibility of the research activities
- B5 - Relevance for the educational and scientific objectives of the PhD program

Minimum score valid for CV, professional titles and research project: 40/60

**C - Interview (max 60 points)**

The interview will focus on the following points:

- C1 - Discussion about the CV: capability in summarizing the educational points and qualifications
- C2 - Discussion about the research project: background literature and its interconnectedness
- C3 - Discussion about the research project: ability to motivate and defend its relevance
- C4 - Exposure clarity, logical skills, scientific terminology and motivation
- C5 - Knowledge of key concepts in Economics (micro/macro/basic econometrics)
- C6 - English language.

Minimum score valid for the interview: 40/60

**To be eligible to the Ph.D. course, candidates must obtain a total minimum score of 80/120 points.**