

Evaluation criteria for the admission to the PhD course Artificial Intelligence 39th cycle

Assessment of qualifications and research project

The Committee will evaluate the qualifications, including the CV, and the research project of each candidate. The maximum score to qualifications and research project is 60 points and the minimum overall score for admission to the oral exams is 40/60.

Assessment of qualifications and CVs

The parameters for evaluating qualifications and curriculum are as follows (for a maximum of 30 points):

- up to 17 points for the academic career and the consistency of the educational path with the scope of the research doctorate, broken down as follows:
 - 17 points for an academic career and a training course that is perfectly coherent at a scientific level with the scope of the doctorate;
 - between 15 and 16 points for an academic career and educational path partly scientifically related to the doctoral area;
 - between 14 and 10 points for an academic career and a training path weakly, collaterally or scientifically poorly correlated with the scope of the doctorate;
 - < 10 points for an academic career and educational background that has little or no PhD scope correlation.
- up to 5 points for the master's degree mark, broken down as follows:
 - 5 points for 110 cum laude,
 - 4 points for a grade between 108 and 110,
 - 3 points for a grade between 104 and 107,
 - 2 points for a grade between 100 and 103,
 - 1 point for a grade < 100.

For foreign students, the points will result from the score of the degree grade, reformulated according to the aforementioned scale.

In the case where the student has not yet graduated, a score based on the weighted average of the exam (where the weight is based on the number of credits of each exam) marks will be formulated, renormalized to 110.

- up to 3 points for cover letters supporting the candidate;
- up to 5 points for submitted publications and other titles, such as awards, excellence pathways and other documented experiences relevant to the PhD.

Evaluation of the research project

The parameters for the evaluation of the research project presented by the candidate are the following (for a maximum of 30 points):

- up to 15 points for the relevance of the project to the educational objectives of the PhD, knowledge of the state of the art, methodological rigor, clarity and completeness.
- up to 10 points for the relevance and argumentation of the scientific and technological impact;
- up to 5 points for originality and innovative content.

Evaluation of the oral exam

The oral exam will be held in English. The Commission will ask each candidate to present their research project and, subsequently, will ask questions about it and about the CV, assessing the clarity and completeness in the presentation of the research topic, the methodological and technical competence, the aptitude for research and an interest in scientific research. The minimum score of the oral exam for inclusion in the final ranking is 28/40 points.

The minimum overall score for admission to the PhD is 68/100.