Evaluation criteria for admission to the PhD programme in Computer Science (40th cycle)

The titles will be evaluated based on the following evaluation grid:

Titles (max 80 points)

1 – University final degree mark (max 5 points)

Mark	Points
110, 110 cum	5
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109 -108	4
107 -106	3
105 -104	2
103 -102	1
<102	0

Students who will defend their thesis before the date established for the evaluation of qualifications are required to communicate to the PhD Programme Coordinator or the President of the Evaluation Committee the grade obtained in their degree; for those who will defend their thesis after the date established for the evaluation of titles, but before October 31, 2024, the grid is the following:

Average marks	Points
29 - 30	5
28 – 28.99	4
27 - 27.99	3
26 - 26.99	2
25 - 25.99	1
<25	0

2 - Publications (max 6 points)

Description	Points
At least one publication in the proceedings of a conference ranked as Class 1 in the Gii-Grin-Scie rankings. Alternatively, at least one publication	3
in a journal indexed in ISI/SCOPUS in the list of top journals. At least one publication in the proceedings of a conference ranked as Class 2 in the Gii-Grin-Scie rankings.	2
At least one publication indexed in ISI/SCOPUS that is not included in the previous cases.	1

3 – Academic record (max 10 points)

Description	Points
E.g., grades, awards, academic, professional/research activities,	max 10
projects, visits to prestigious universities and research institutions.	

4 – Research project (max 59 points)

The 59 points are split as described below:

Research project (max 40 points)

In the research project, the candidate must demonstrate competence in drafting, designing, organizing, and developing a scientific research idea independently. The project being submitted for evaluation does not have to be compulsorily carried out during the actual doctoral period.

Motivation (max 9 points)

Each candidate submits a motivation letter (statement of purpose). This document should describe the main reasons why the candidate is interested in the doctoral program at Sapienza and what his or her future plans are regarding career, motivations, and research interests. The candidate may indicate members of the department who could potentially act as advisors during the doctoral programme and must demonstrate familiarity and interest in their research activities or otherwise those of the department.

Letters of presentation (max. 5 points)

The candidate may submit up to two letters of recommendation written by his/her past or current supervisor (e.g., for a dissertation or research grant), or by faculty or other senior figures involved in the candidate's research, work, or scholarly activities.

Master's thesis abstract (max 5 points)

This document describes the thesis work, including state-of-the-art, thesis objectives, methodology, and results.

Candidates who have obtained at least 55/80 points in the overall assessment of qualifications are eligible for the next test.