

SATISFACTION QUESTIONNAIRE OF PhD STUDENTS

This text has been supplemented by the Quality Assurance Committee (PdQ) with additional questions beyond those included in the questionnaire provided by ANVUR. The supplementary questions were discussed and agreed upon with the PhD Programme Coordinators and the PhD Candidates' Representatives within the Doctoral School in November 2023.

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Sezione A (tutte domande obbligatorie)			
1)	COURSE AND YEAR OF ENROLLMENT		
2)	The PhD course offers various training activities: are they distinct from the training activities of the master's degree courses?	A	Yes
		B	No
3)	The PhD School and the other PhD courses offer various training activities (interdisciplinary, multidisciplinary, transdisciplinary): which of these additional training activities of the School did you attend?	A	Interdisciplinary, multidisciplinary, and transdisciplinary modules (e.g. modules from other disciplines in other doctorates,,)
		B	Language activities
		C	Statistical and IT activities
		D	Activities related to entrepreneurship, access to competitive funding, publication and valorisation/dissemination of research results
		E	Free choice activities (ethics and research, data analysis, specific topics, skills)
4)	What arrangements are made for the ongoing assessment of the training activity during the PhD course?	A	Written examinations
		B	Oral examinations
		C	Practical tests
	NB: these are in itinere tests and not the test for the change of year	D	None
5)	What arrangements are made for monitoring research activity during the PhD course?	A	Presentation of individual results related to research activity
		B	Presentation of group results related to the research activity
		C	Evaluation of the progress of thesis work at the transition year
6)	Have you benefited or are you benefiting from the additional budget provided for by DM 226/2021 of at least 10% for research activities	A	Yes
		B	No
		B2	If not, why?
7)	Have you spent or are you spending periods of study or research abroad, consistent with your educational project?	A	Yes
		B	No
8)	Do you intend to spend periods of study or research abroad, consistent with your educational project?	A	Si
		B	No
9)	Have you used, or are you using or planning to use the grant increase of up to 50% for mobility periods abroad?	A	Yes (as a grant holder)
		B	Yes (as a non-scholarship holder)
		C	No (as a grant holder)
		D	No (as a non-scholarship holder)
10)	Are you planning to use the grant increase of up to 50% for mobility periods abroad?	A	Yes (as a grant holder)
		B	Yes (as a non-scholarship holder)
		C	No (as a grant holder)
		D	No (as a non-scholarship holder)
11)	Why did you not choose to spend periods of study or research abroad during your PhD?	A	The training opportunities offered in this programme are adequate and do not require further experience at foreign institutions
		B	I did not receive authorisation by the Board

		C	I could not identify a structure I was interested in or willing to take me in
		D	I was not aware of this possibility
		E	Not being a scholarship holder, no specific funding was provided for activities abroad, or those provided were not sufficient
		F	The way in which the financing was disbursed did not allow me to leave
12)	Have you spent or are you spending periods of study or research, consistent with the training project, at national research institutions, companies, public administrations?	A	Yes, at Research Institutions
		B	Yes, at companies
		C	Yes, at Public Administration
		D	Other
		E	No
13)	Are you planning to spend periods of study or research, consistent with the training project, at national research institutions, companies, public administrations?	A	Yes, at Research Institutions
		B	Yes, at companies
		C	Yes, at Public Administration
		D	Other
		E	No
14)	Have you received or are you receiving financial support for periods at Research Institutions, Companies, Public Administration?	A	Yes (as a grant holder)
		B	Yes (as a non-scholarship holder)
		C	No (as a grant holder)
		D	No (as a non-scholarship holder)
15)	Why did you not choose to spend periods of study or research at Research Institutions, Companies, Public Administration during your PhD?	A	The training opportunities offered in this programme are adequate and do not require further experience in external institutions
		B	I did not receive authorisation by the Board
		C	I could not identify a structure I was interested in or willing to take me in
		D	I was not aware of this possibility
		E	No additional funding was foreseen, or the funding foreseen was not sufficient
		F	The way in which the financing was disbursed did not allow me to leave
16)	Is there a working space for doctoral students on your PhD course?	A	Yes, with posts for individuals PhD students
		B	Yes, with shared posts
		C	Yes, a shared space without posts
		D	No
17)		A	Yes, supplementary activities (tutorials, seminars, lectures within lectures, etc.)

	Did you personally carry out, or are you carrying out any supplementary teaching or tutoring activities during your PhD?	B	Yes, both tutoring and supplementary activities
		C	Yes, tutoring
		D	No
18)	During the course, were any research activities carried out jointly with other Universities?		Yes/No
19	During the course, were research activities carried out that promoted technology transfer in collaboration with companies?		Yes/No
20)	Did you work on scientific products during the previous academic year? (both finished and under revision)		Yes/No
21)	What? Please specify	A	Contributions to journals
		B	Contributions to volumes
		C	Book
		D	Contributions to conference proceedings
		E	Patent
		F	Curatorship
		G	Other type of scientific work
22)	On the basis of the selected products, please indicate whether you worked as a single or co-author	A	Contributions to journals
		B	Contributions to volumes
		C	Book
		D	Contributions to conference proceedings
		E	Patent
		F	Curatorship
		G	Other type of scientific work
23)	Have you ever participated as a speaker (oral or poster communication) in congresses, conferences, summer schools, workshops, seminars, etc. during the previous academic year? <i>NB: reference is made to in-person or distance conferences</i>	A	Yes, international
		B	Yes, national
		C	No
23 bis)	If yes, how many?	A	1
		B	2
		C	3
		D	4
		E	5 or more
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		B	Yes, national
		C	No
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SEZIONE B	
<i>Per ciascuna delle seguenti affermazioni indichi il suo grado di accordo da 1 a 10, dove a 1 corrisponde "per nulla d'accordo" e a 10 "del tutto d'accordo".</i> motivando in un campo aperto i giudizi uguali o inferiori al 5 (motivazione non obbligatoria)	
<i>Per nulla d'accordo</i>	<i>Del tutto d'accordo + NON RISPONDO</i>
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Formation of the PhD course	
1	The training activities are comprehensive and consistent with the main themes of the PhD course
2	The topics covered in the training activities are in-depth and up-to- date
3	Training activities are useful for the development of the doctoral thesis
4	The workload required by structured training activities (courses, seminars, workshops) allows me to devote myself a adequately to the research activity and the thesis
5	Ongoing and in-year evaluations (examinations, presentations, progress reports, reports on educational activity and research) are carried out effectively (so as to check the progress of research)
6	Overall, I am satisfied with the training activities offered by the PhD Course
Formation of the Doctoral School	
7	I am satisfied with the specific training activities offered by the PhD School (<i>select the training activities attended from the list made available of all the seminars offered by the School in the previous academic year and give a satisfaction rating for each seminar</i>)
8	The training activities carried out by the PhD School foster the development of new perspectives for my research activity (cues, ideas, new paths...)
9	Overall, I am satisfied with the training activities offered by the PhD School
Experience abroad	
10	During the PhD course I received adequate information and support from the lecturers of the Board about conducting experiences abroad
11	The support received from the home university for the study or research period abroad is satisfactory
12	The support received from the host university/institution for the study or research period abroad is satisfactory
13	The financial support received for the study or research period abroad is satisfactory
14	Overall, I am satisfied with the study or research period abroad
Experience at other National Research Institutions/Companies/Public Administration	
15	During the PhD course, I received adequate information and support from the lecturers of the Board about experiences at other institutions
16	The support received from the home university for the period of study or research at other institutions is satisfactory
17	The support received from the host institution for the period of study or research at other institutions is satisfactory
18	Overall, I am satisfied with the period of study or research at other Research Institutions/ Companies/Public Administration
Tutoring and supplementary teaching activities carried out	
19	The tutoring and supplementary teaching that I carry out is useful from an educational point of view
20	The workload required by the supplementary teaching and tutoring activities I carry out allows me to adequately devote myself to my training, research and thesis
Facilities and tools	
21	Classrooms and spaces used for training activities are adequate (you can see, you can hear, you can find room)
22	Personal space reserved for doctoral students is adequate (size, equipment, etc.)
23	Library services are adequate for my needs
24	Computer equipment and connections are adequate for all activities
25	The equipment needed for research is adequate and accessible
26	I am satisfied with the support provided by the secretarial offices
Supervisor	
27	I am satisfied with my supervisor with respect to:
	• Supporting scientific production
	• Supporting international mobility
	• Continuity in research supervision

	• Accessibility, availability
	• Quality of the scientific collaboration relationship
	• Network of relationships, contacts, collaborations, etc.
	• Contribution to my training process
	• Overall
Transparency and involvement	
28	Information on training and research activities is always up- to-date
29	PhD students are involved in the planning of training and research activities, also through their representatives
30	Information on deadlines and administrative procedures is always up-to-date
31	I am clear about who my representatives are within the PhD Course
32	I am clear about who my representatives in the Doctoral School are
33	I believe that the representation of doctoral students is important
Overall satisfaction	
34	So far, I am overall satisfied with the PhD Course
35	Further comments and suggestions

Thank you for completing the questionnaire