### PhD programme
**LINGUISTIC STUDIES AND FOREIGN LITERATURES**

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<th><strong>President:</strong></th>
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<td><strong>Department:</strong></td>
<td>Department of Filologia, Letteratura e Linguistica, piazza Torricelli, 2 Pisa</td>
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<td><strong>Admission requirements:</strong></td>
<td>Any Master’s degree</td>
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<td><strong>Outcome of the selection procedure:</strong></td>
<td>Ranking of candidates for the whole PhD programme</td>
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### PhD Positions Available
- **Positons available:** 9
  - of which: 6 with grant
    - 1 with grant reserved to students who have graduated from foreign universities
    - 2 without grant
  - 6 grants financed by University of Pisa
  - 1 grant financed by University of Pisa reserved to students who have graduated from foreign universities

### Selection criteria:
**Curriculum**
The curriculum, signed and accompanied by a copy of a valid identification document, shall be uploaded **only** during the application process. The curriculum must provide information about the candidate’s academic qualifications as well as his/her professional and research experience. **The candidate shall attach all the documents useful for the assessment of his/her curriculum.**

**Minimum grade:** 12 out of 20

**The list of candidates admitted to hold the written examination shall be published at** [http://dottorato.unipi.it/ “Admissions”](http://dottorato.unipi.it/) at least five days before the written examination.

**Written examination**
The written test is aimed at verifying the educational prerequisites of the candidates.
The candidate may hold the test either in Italian or English
The written test consists in a composition on a literary or linguistic topic, or, in the case of the literary curriculum, in a comment of a text.

**Date:** 3rd September 2018 time 14:00 p.m. (Italian Time)
**Where:** Aula 1 - Palazzo Boileau, Via Santa Maria 85 - Pisa

**Minimum grade:** 24 out of 40

**Interview**
The interview will assess the candidate’s knowledge, her/his aptitude for research, openness to academic experiences in Italy and abroad and interest in scientific deepening foreign candidates.
Candidates can choose to take the interview in Italian or in English. If the candidate takes the interview in Italian, language will be verified the assessment of the knowledge of the English language.

**Date:** 5th September 2018 time 9,30 a.m. (Italian Time)) with the possible prolongation to the following day/s (excluding Saturdays and/or Sundays).

**All candidates shall be present on the first day of the meetings to ascertain the interview schedule**

**Venue:** Aula 1 - Palazzo Boileau, Via Santa Maria 85 - Pisa
All candidates must be present on the first day of the interviews to find out when the interview has been scheduled.

**Minimum grade:** 24 out of 40

**Webconference:** NO

**Guidelines for the presentation of the PhD Research project**

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<td>to be evaluated together with the curriculum and illustrated in the interview.</td>
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The candidate must upload the research project during the online application process within the deadline of the announcement. The research project will be evaluated together with the curriculum and/or discussed by the candidate during the interview in order to highlight his/her project planning capabilities.

The research project must be written in Italian language (minimum 5,000 characters - maximum 10,000 characters, including spaces, bibliography excluded).
The research project must be provided with an abstract (minimum 1,000 characters including spaces).
It is necessary to present the research project with an abstract.
The abstract must be written in the foreign language of specialisation, chosen among the PhD course’s languages (minimum 1,000 characters including spaces).
Candidates who do not have a language of specialization are also required to submit an abstract in a foreign language chosen among the curricular ones.

**INFO:**

**Overview and objectives of the PhD course:**
The PhD program in Linguistic Studies and Foreign Literatures (DiLLeS) is one of three doctoral courses offered by the Department of Philology, Literature and Linguistics, University of Pisa, (DiLLeS; Italian Studies; Classical Studies and Archaeology), each with the goal to promote, organize and manage activities related to high-quality research projects within the area of the human sciences. The DiLLeS-faculty is a selected group of researchers in different fields of the two curricula which constitute the program: Foreign and Comparative
Literatures (including French, English, German, Portuguese, Spanish, Slavic Literatures) and Linguistic Studies (including the fields of Applied, Computational, Educational, General, Historical Linguistics, and Baltic, French, English, German, Portuguese, Spanish Linguistics). As a result of the collaboration of fourteen accomplished scholars, as faculty members of international universities, DiLLeS was recognized in 2017 by the Italian Minister of High Education as an international innovative doctorate. The faculty guarantees specialized training for doctoral students in the afore mentioned research areas, within the framework of a teaching program regularly articulated in curricular seminars, lectures, cycles of conferences, workshops, and conferences on dedicated topics. In the month of February of each year, the PhD program sponsors the "PhD Days", a series of conferences that give the opportunity for debate and exchange between doctoral teachers and students on general themes and theoretical-methodological approaches of trans-curricular interest. Further, DiLLeS participates in the organization of a joint seminar of the three PhD programs, as an opportunity for transdisciplinary debate within the broad areas of research interests of the entire department, and with the general training initiatives at doctoral level organized by the University of Pisa.

Website:
www.fileli.unipi.it/phd/