Programme of the 2018-2019 edition
Global Society, Cross-border Mobility and Law

Courses with exams will take place at the University of Urbino during the first year. They will be structured into teaching modules organised over two months periods: six weeks of lectures, one week fully devoted to studying, one week of exams (written tests and/or papers). An additional session of exams will be offered in September 2019. Admission to the second year will depend on the achievement of satisfactory scores at final exams.

Seminars (with no exams) will address specific topics in Sociology, Law, Economics, Business, Political Science. They will cover highly debated and cutting edge themes – such as Transnationalism, Gender studies, Welfare governance, Intellectual Property Rights, Logistics and transportation, Inequality and related policies – as well as research funding strategies. Some seminars will be held in Italian.

Introductory and background courses will be held in September-October 2018, in order to fill gaps in students’ competences in English, Economics & Business, Political Science, Sociology, Law.

The Director of the Ph.D. Programme is Prof. Antonello Zanfei. Information on the Ph.D. Programme and Faculty is available at the website: www.uniurb.it/global-studies. Contact: phd-global-studies@uniurb.it

First semester

- Introductory and background courses (English for academic purposes; Economics & Business; Politics; Foundations of Sociology; Introduction to legal studies)
- First Module: History and trends of Globalization, Quantitative and qualitative research in social and legal studies, Comparative and socio-legal research, European Institutions and Law
- Second Module: Global trends in migration, Global politics and governance, Global trends in legal culture, Geopolitics
- Weekly Seminars

Second semester

- Third Module: International cooperation, International economic policy and institutions, Human rights in a global perspective, Global value chains and labour, Legal techniques in European integration
- Fourth Module: Cities and regions in a global perspective, Comparative and global welfare policy, International crime, Global education policy and science diplomacy
- Weekly Seminars

Second year

- Up to one year of research in a major university cooperating with the University of Urbino Ph.D. Programme.
- Definition of the Research Project Proposal
- Participation to selected Doctoral courses, Summer Schools
- While in Urbino, attendance of the Weekly Seminars and of one course chosen among the ones offered for the 2019-20 Edition of the Programme, focused on “International Economic Policy, Business and Governance”. Courses offered will include inter alia: International Business, International technology and innovation, International Economic Policy, Politics and global governance

Third year

- Thesis development and completion
- Participation to selected Doctoral courses and Weekly Seminars
- Presentation of papers at International Workshops and writing of journal articles

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2018-2019 EDITION:
GLOBAL SOCIETY,
CROSS-BORDER MOBILITY AND LAW

The University of Urbino is launching the Second Edition of an interdisciplinary Ph.D. Programme in Global Studies, at the crossroads of Economics, Business, Sociology, Political Science and Law. The Programme has a high quality faculty, including outstanding guest lecturers from major international universities. The 2018/19 Edition will focus mainly on social and legal aspects of globalization.
The University of Urbino – a 500 years old institution scoring high in Social Sciences and located in a beautiful Renaissance city, part of UNESCO World Heritage – offers a Ph.D. Programme in Global Studies, at the crossroads of Economics, Business, Sociology, Political Science and Law. Two thematic areas are addressed in alternate years:


The Ph.D. Programme is developed over three years:
- a first year of courses and exams in Urbino;
- a second year of international research and training, mainly spent in European universities associated to the Programme;
- a third year of research activity for completing the Ph.D. thesis.

**English** will be the working language of the Ph.D. Programme.

Nine positions are offered in the 2018-2019 Ph.D. Programme, including seven positions with scholarships covering fees and an annual tax-free stipend at standard Italian rates (EUR 15,300 per year; the amount is increased by 50% for training periods outside Italy). The Faculty of the Ph.D. Programme draws from the staff of the University of Urbino and from a number of outstanding international institutions.

A partial list of guest lecturers in 2018-19 includes:
- A. Blanc Altemir [Universitat de Lleida], N. Bellini [La Rochelle Business School], A. El-Zoheiry [EMUMI], Y. Kazepov [University of Vienna], H. Kosar-Altinyelken [University of Amsterdam], S. Oosterlynck [University of Antwerp], T. Reynolds [University of Greenwich], S. Roach Anleu [Flinders University], S. Swartz [KIP Universitas].

See the PhD website for details: [www.uniurb.it/global-studies](http://www.uniurb.it/global-studies)

**Themes.** At a time when European integration and disintegration, and challenges to globalisation dominate current policy concerns, the Urbino Ph.D. Programme offers an opportunity to carry out in-depth studies on the economic, political, social and institutional dynamics behind these challenges.

The thematic area launched in 2018-19 will be: **“Global Society, Cross-border Mobility and Law”**, focusing on transnational movements of capital, knowledge, labour and people, mainly from institutional, legal and sociological perspectives. A specific attention will be given to:
- migrations, cross-border mobility and related policies and governance structures;
- human rights, welfare policies and cultures in a global context;
- comparative research methods.

The other thematic area “**International Economic Policy, Business and Governance**” (first launched in 2017/18, next cohort: 2019/20) focuses on economic and political relations across national borders. A specific attention will be given to:
- economic growth after the Great Recession, technological change and inequality across and within countries;
- the international strategies of firms (multinational corporations and SMEs), finance and labour;
- political processes and policies carried out by European and international institutions and major countries for the governance of globalisation.

**Entry requirements and selection of candidates.**

The Ph.D. Selection Committee will assess applicants on the basis of their previous academic performance, on their knowledge of English, and on a preliminary research project they will present.

Candidates will have to certify a university degree of at least 4 years, preferably in Sociology, Law, Economics, Business, Political Science.

Two letters of reference in English from scholars who know the candidate will be required.

Proficiency in English is required. Candidates exhibiting at least a B2 certification or equivalent will be given priority.

A preliminary research project of up to 3000 words, written in English, will have to be presented, illustrating the research interests and aims, how the topic relates to the general theme of the Ph.D. programme, and how their study could be carried out.

**Applications** will have to be submitted online, following the instructions provided in the Ph.D. Programme website [www.uniurb.it/global-studies](http://www.uniurb.it/global-studies). The deadline for submitting applications is *June 15th 2018*. Candidates admitted to the selection process will be invited for an interview to be held in Urbino late in June or early in July 2018. In exceptional cases, the interview can be carried out with a remote connection.

**Services.** Low cost accommodation opportunities are provided by the student residence of the University of Urbino, located close to the centre and designed by the renown architect Giancarlo De Carlo. University facilities for students include meal services, computer services, libraries, city-wide wifi connection, cultural opportunities, events for exploring the rich heritage of this beautiful Renaissance city and its surroundings.

Non Italian students will be encouraged to learn the Italian language using the Language Center available at the University of Urbino. A fully equipped open space office will be made available to PhD students during their presence at the Urbino premises.