Ph.D. in Economics

This Ph.D. programme involves teaching students at an advanced level in the fields of economics, environment, development and international relations economics and policy, public economics, with acquisition of the relevant statistical and quantitative tools. The programme will enable students to choose from a variety of interdisciplinary perspectives. Throughout the programme, students will be strongly encouraged to take part in international exchange programmes as well as in several optional activities organized by the Department of Economics including seminars, workshops and teaching organized in collaboration with other universities, both in Europe and the United States. The programme is based on three different curricula:

Economic Theory and Policy

The Economic Theory and Policy curriculum will train candidates to carry out research in the field of economic theory, economic policy and applied analysis. Designed on a pluralistic basis, it provides teaching aimed at a deep understanding of the neoclassical mainstream approach, its critiques and alternative routes mainly founded on Keynes’s and Sraffa’s contributions. Its aim is to stimulate awareness and appreciation of the different interpretations and policy implications deriving from neoclassical, Keynesian and surplus approaches. Most of our former students are now pursuing academic careers in Italy and abroad or are involved in research in public and private institutions. Main topics in this area include among others:

- Neoclassical and classical theories of value and distribution
- General Equilibrium and capital theory
- Mainstream and alternative approaches to macroeconomics and growth and their policy implications
- Current issues regarding income distribution and its changes

Environment, Development and International Relations

The aim of this curriculum is to provide young economists with a wide and profound interdisciplinary grounding, both from the point of view of economic theory and that of applied economics and empirical research. At the end of the Ph.D. programme, candidates will have acquired the technical skills required to apply for various job opportunities in research centres, specialist consultancies and private and public agencies as well as in a wide range of local, national and international institutions. The main topics for this curriculum include among others:

- Energy economics and climate change policy
- International fragmentation of production and global value chains
- Regional economics and policies
- Trade policies
- The role of institutions in processes of growth and development

Productive Systems and Public Policy

The Production Systems and Public Policy research area is intended for students who aim to obtain the knowledge and analytical skills required to undertake research for an analysis of economic production structures, the evolution of productive systems and firms, the role of institutions, the design and economic effects of public policies and interrelations between the private and public sectors. Ph.D. theses carried out in this research area will provide jobs opportunities in public organizations, central banks, regulatory authorities and independent agencies. Main topics in this area include among others:

- Business economics, industrial dynamics, structural change and the evolution of productive sectors
- Welfare systems, public spending and the labour market
- Analysis of inequality in the distribution of income and wealth
- Analysis of tax systems and their economic effects
- Impact analysis of public policies for firms and industries
- Fiscal policy in the European Union

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- Close interaction with research community universities and research centres located in Rome.
- Links to top European and US universities and networks.
- Participation in national and international research projects.

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