



Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures
PhD programme in Linguistics
Cycle XXXVII
Coordinator: Stefan Rabanus

PhD students meeting, 4 October 2021

1. Basic information

- you have "student" status, you have to collect ECTS credits by attending classes (only small amount of hours) and doing research (lots of hours): 60 ECTS credits per year
- teaching activities are organized in UniVR and UniBZ (= Faculty of Bressanone/Brixen)
- 2nd and 3rd year students of the Linguistics track of previous PhD programme (in Foreign Literatures, Languages and Linguistics) in actual facts are members of the new PhD programme in Linguistics
- all information on the PhD programme's web site
→ <https://www.dlls.univr.it/?ent=cs&id=1007&lang=en>

2. Activities

- research project: in concert with your supervisor ("tutor"), other members of the PhD board and maybe a secondary supervisor (preferably from abroad)
- submission deadline for PhD thesis (cycle XXXVII): 1st November 2024
- teaching classes / ECTS credits for classes (type: "crediti di didattica")
 - first year: 8 ECTS credits PhD programme + 8 ECTS credits PhD school
 - second year: 8 ECTS credits PhD programme + 8 ECTS credits PhD school
 - third year: 4 ECTS credits PhD programme + 4 ECTS credits PhD school
- N.B.: "crediti di didattica" (for compulsory classes) vs. "crediti di ricerca" (everything else)
- classes organized on PhD programme level - complete catalogue here:
→ "[PhD Programme courses/classes](#)"
- classes organized on PhD school level in several areas
 - language skills: English academic writing and presentation skills; Italian; all other language classes offered by the University Language Center (co-called "CLA")
 - computer skills/Digital Humanities
 - statistics
 - practical issues connected to research, such as grant writing, intellectual copyright issues, organization of conferences etc.
 - general culture: "lectiones magistrales"
- list of classes here: "[PhD School courses/classes](#)" (additionally bulk emails)

- assessment/end-of-the-year tasks (for the middle of September)
 - submit documentation of acquired ECTS credits (compile form)
 - submit report of everything you did during the year
 - submit term paper (= assessment method for the compulsory classes)
 - present your results in a talk in the end-of-the-year meeting of the PhD programme
- periods abroad: to the extent that is necessary in order to reach your objectives

3. Money

Monthly scholarship

- + funding for ‘ordinary’ research activities (conference participation etc.): additionally 10% of the scholarship per year = approx. Euro 1300
- + increase of your monthly scholarship for (research) periods abroad
- + funding for ‘extraordinary’ research activities abroad (connected to the research project)
 - call for applications published by the PhD school

4. Italian

- University language center (CLA) offers Italian classes for all levels, even for absolute beginners
 - schedule of basic Italian classes: <https://cla.univr.it/it/didattica/-/esercitazioni/CLA-ITA>
 - Italian courses provide ECTS credits on PhD School level!

5. Bureaucracy

- authorization has to be requested for
 - “missioni”: conference participation, periods in research institutes, archives etc.
 - work: authorized only if connected to the research activities up to a max. 150 h. per year (PhD is full-time activity!)
- secretary of the PhD school, takes care of the administrative issues in our PhD programme:
 - Catia Cordioli (catia.cordioli@univr.it): Area ricerca (Chiostrò San Francesco, 1st floor)
 - opening hours: at the moment meetings by appointment only
- information and forms for all administrative procedures are available here (you need GIA username and password):
 - [my UNIVR / servizi / ricerca / dottorati di ricerca / dottorandi](#)
- procedures (at the moment "paper" work → shall be digitalized soon!)
 - “missioni”: requests have to be signed by the Coordinator and then submitted to the secretary
 - authorization granted by the Coordinator (< 6 months) or by the PhD board (> 6 months);
 - authorization to access funding granted by the Director of the PhD school
 - work: please send requests to our secretary
 - authorization granted by the PhD board, not by the Coordinator
- request authorizations as soon as possible!

6. Locations

- teaching activities: usually either the lecture rooms in the Lingue building, 3rd floor, or in the "Co-Working" lecture room
- PhD students common rooms: Lingue building 2nd floor, Rooms 2.04 and 2.12
 - because of Covid rules reservation required (max. 3 PhD students at the same time per room):

→ https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1SroICiJZB80gudLewp6U025f79qJ_OqQ?usp=sharing



7. LiVe Lunches

Need to practice a presentation and looking for more feedback than your potted plants can provide? Are you hopelessly lost in Italian bureaucracy? Or are you simply looking for a bit of mental support and encouragement from your fellow PhD students? Have no fear, the LiVe Lunch is here!

This weekly get-together of the PhD students is organized for and by all interested PhD students in the Lingue department of both the University of Verona (Linguistics, Languages and Literatures) and Bolzano (Linguistics), and provides us with the opportunity to present our research in an informal setting, discuss ideas and issues, and help each other with feedback and suggestions.

Every LiVe Lunch, someone presents, either alone or in collaboration, on their PhD research, a side-project, or that random PowerPoint they still had lying around, to showcase some of their work. All topics related to language, literature and linguistics are welcome! The presentations schedule, which will be constantly updated, can be found at the following link:

<https://sites.google.com/view/livelunch/homepage>

We warmly invite all first year PhD students to join us for the LiVe Lunches starting from Wednesday, October 6th, 11-12:30 pm, in the Co-Working Room, when Julia De Jonge will start us off with her presentation “A good, a bad, and an evil character: Who renders a novel most enjoyable?": A replication study”.

October, 20th and October, 26th will be reserved for the first year PhD's to tell us a little bit about themselves and to get to know the other PhD students, from all subject areas of the involved PhD programmes.

To facilitate attendance (some of you might be abroad), LiVe Lunch events will be held in dual modality: in presence and via Zoom. You will be provided with the Zoom link in due time. Needless to say, in presence attendance is highly recommended on the day of your presentation, and in general, strongly encouraged for everyone.

N.B.: At the moment, because of Covid rules, registration required (participant number is limited):

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1B7k5ej_uDXgiSE1111fcSuJ0hwiTHFhs/edit#gid=1226605615



Looking forward to seeing you soon!

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8. Edit your PhD personal page

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Select the entry with your name and date of birth and select **Modify**: In *Dati Anagrafici* you can add personal information as well as a basic introduction (in empty field for *Informazioni di presentazione*). Scroll further down to find place to add **Curriculum** and **Photo**.

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