PhD program in Economics and Finance

Research interests and Faculty

The **PhD program in Economics and Finance** at Bocconi University is a 4-year program in English that is multidisciplinary, featuring three curricula linked by a common core. Students can choose from a wide range of electives.

First year core courses develop a broad set of theoretical and empirical skills relevant to advanced research in the chosen curriculum. The second year offers advanced core courses in the field of specialization within the chosen curriculum, and a wide range of electives. In the second year, students also start working on their first research paper. The third and fourth years are largely dedicated to thesis research work, but students are expected to attend the regular research workshop series presented by internationally renowned speakers.

Students have opportunities to enhance their development and network through short visits to other leading overseas universities. International exchanges are promoted within the framework of the European Doctoral Group in Economics (http://www.edge-page.net). Bocconi faculty publish regularly in leading international journals and are active members of the international academic community. The PhD program lays the foundations for successful international academic careers and places great emphasis on preparing students for the international academic job market. However, the research skills and competences developed during the program also open up career opportunities in central banks, governments, international organizations, investment banks and asset management companies. The tutors and career service of the PhD School are always available to assist candidates.

For more information about the program, please visit the website: https://www.unibocconi.it/en/programs/phd/phd-economics-and-finance

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| Opening date | 3 rd October 2025 |
| Closing date | 15 th January 2026 |
| Enrollment date | Refer to Art.9 "Enrollment deadlines" of the present Call for |
| | details |
| Available places | 16 Bocconi fellowships |
| WITH | |
| FELLOWSHIP | |
| Available places | 3 |
| WITH PAYMENT | |
| OF TUITION FEES | |
| Fellowship | € 27,000 for year 1 and € 23,000 for years 2, 3 and 4. |
| Starting date | 1 st September 2026 |
| Duration | 4-year, full-time program |
| Curricula | Economics |
| | Finance |
| | Accounting |
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| | Students may request for a change of curriculum at the end of the first |
| | year and before enrolling in the second year, provided they have met |

| | the requirements needed to enrol in the second year. |
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| Selection Criteria (see art. 8) | The assessment is based on a candidate's: |
| | Curriculum Vitae (mandatory); |
| | Academic Records (mandatory); |
| | International Graduate Admission Tests Scores (GMAT |
| | or GRE, not mandatory).; |
| | Statement of purpose (mandatory); |
| | Up to three reference letters (not mandatory). |
| | The assessment criteria are as follows: |
| | a maximum of 50 points for the applicant's curriculum vitae and academic records; |
| | a maximum of 10 points for GMAT/GRE score; |
| | a maximum of 40 points for statement of purpose and reference letters. |
| | The Admission Board may decide to conduct a brief online interview to get clarification about the student's qualifications. No additional points are given to the interview. |
| | A minimum total score of 60 points is required to be eligible for |
| _ | admission. |
| Results | No later than 16 th March 2026 |
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