PhD program in Statistics and Computer Science

Research interests and Faculty

The **PhD** program in **Statistics** and **Computer Science** at Bocconi University is a 4-year program taught in English that provides students a strong statistical, computational and mathematical background.

The program features two curricula: **Statistics (STAT) and Computer Science (CS)**. Candidates may apply either to a single curriculum or to both curricula.

The first year comprises both shared and curriculum-specific courses that are compulsory for all enrolled PhD students. These provide a wide range of theoretical, methodological and computational skills that are essential for research in the chosen curriculum. The second year features specialized courses on cutting-edge research topics for students in the Statistics curriculum and reading groups for students in the Computer Science curriculum. Students receive dedicated mentorship throughout their time at Bocconi.

The faculty includes internationally recognized leading researchers in Statistics, Computer Science, Machine Learning, Probability, and Statistical Physics. The program also benefits from contributions of distinguished visiting professors who deliver short monographic courses.

The PhD in Statistics and Computer Science is designed for highly motivated students aiming to pursue first-rate research careers in academia, research institutes and industry. Career opportunities also extend to central banks, financial institutions, government agencies, international organizations, and public health institutions.

Highly qualified and motivated students with MSc degrees in Statistics, Mathematics, Computer Science, Data Science, Economics, Physics, Engineering or other quantitatively oriented, are encouraged to apply for admission.

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

Opening date	3 rd October 2025
Closing date	5 th February 2026
Enrollment date	Refer to Art.9 "Enrollment deadlines" of the present Call for
	details
Available places	6 (STAT) TEF fellowships
WITH	6 (CS) TEF fellowships
FELLOWSHIP	
funded by Tech	
Europe	
Foundation (TEF)	

Available places WITH TUITION WAIVER	2
Available places	2
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	Statistics
	Computer Science
	Candidates can apply either to a single curriculum or to both curricula.
	If they opt for both curricula, they can be eligible for admission in both
	curricula. No change of curriculum is allowed after admission to the
	PhD program.
Selection Criteria	The assessment is based on a candidate's:
(see art. 8)	
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	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
	clarify aspects of a 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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