

UNIPhD - RESEARCH PROPOSAL MANDATORY TEMPLATE

[Describe your research proposal following the template below. Make sure you fully cover both section A and B and apply the formatting conditions explained in the UNIPhD Guide for Applicants (p. 25). All texts in brackets are intended as a guideline and have to be erased in the final document. Your research proposal must not be longer than 4 pages. References are excluded from the count (see paragraph 4 below), any other pages exceeding this limit will be discarded.]

A. GENERAL INFORMATION

Candidate's Surname, Name	
Doctoral Course	
Research topic	
Project title	
Supervisor's Surname, Name	

B. RESEARCH PROPOSAL DESCRIPTION

1. RELEVANCE OF THE PROPOSED RESEARCH PROJECT

Introduction and State of the Art

- Briefly outline the state-of-the-art in your research field
- Explain why your project is timely [why now?] and innovative [how does it go beyond the state-of-the-art?]

2. CLARITY OF THE OBJECTIVES AND SOUNDNESS OF METHODOLOGY

2.1 PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- Define the objectives and scopes of your research **project**
- Define the objectives of your research **training**

2.2 RESEARCH DESIGN & METHODOLOGY

- Explain your **approach and methodology**
- Illustrate the interdisciplinary, international, inter-sectorial aspect(s) of your project
- Explain why you wish to pursue this project at Unipd, within the selected PhD Course and in collaboration with your identified supervisor(s)
- Provide a 3-year workplan offering a temporal distribution of your activities (e.g. training and secondments)

2.3. EXPECTED RESULTS AND IMPACT

- Describe the expected scientific results of your project
- Explain how the proposed research and training will help you develop your professional potential in the academic and/or non-academic sector [what are your personal and professional expectations in terms of career perspectives?]

3. QUALITY OF PROPOSED SECONDMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE 3 I'S DIMENSIONS (INTERNATIONAL, INTERDISCIPLINARY, INTERSECTORAL)

- Outline the 2 secondment options you envisage for your project [you have to carry out 2 secondments, one of which mandatory, for a minimum period of 3 months and a maximum of 18 months.].

4. RELEVANT REFERENCES (up to 20) [Please note that references do not count towards the page limit]