



“SPRING PRESELECTION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS”

Academic Year 2018/19

Online Application Deadline: 8th January 2018

SISSA offers opportunities for carrying out Ph.D studies in the following fields:

Area	PhD Course
Physics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Astroparticle Physics• Physics and Chemistry of Biological Systems• Theoretical Particle Physics

International students (non-EU citizens) can be admitted through a selection based on academic and scientific qualifications only. Students selected in this way will therefore enter the School without taking the regular entrance examination, but will be expected to pass a qualifying examination within the first year of study.

Applicants interested in participating in this pre-selection must have a University degree which qualifies them for a Ph.D programme by 31st October 2018.

Courses will start on 1st October 2018.

- **How to apply**

An online application must be filled and sent using the procedure available at the page <http://www.sissa.it/applications/phd/>

Candidates should upload the following documents in pdf format:

- curriculum vitae et studiorum;
- a certificate of University examinations with marks;
- a final degree certificate if already obtained. In order to be admitted such degree must be obtained by the beginning of the courses.
- *a copy of the diploma thesis (if any).*

Candidates will have to indicate the names and email addresses of two professors that will be asked to send a recommendation letter through the same online procedure.

A confirmation message will be sent to the candidate when he/she will complete the application process.

The candidate will then have to print out the admission request form, sign it and send it, together with a copy of an ID document (i.e. passport) by email, fax or post to the address printed on the form itself.

The request form must reach SISSA by 15th January, 2018. Applications received beyond this date, for whatever reason, will not be considered.

- **Results**

The outcome of the selections will be notified to all candidates by mid-February 2018.

- **Fellowships and other benefits**

Admitted candidates will be awarded a fellowship of the yearly amount of € 15.010,32 gross (11,41% tax) for 4 years. Admission to the second year is subject to a Qualifying Examination at the end of the first year.

A contribution towards living expenses of the amount of €100,00 gross per month will be awarded (at the end of the academic year) to those who will subscribe a registered rent contract.

A contribution towards the expenses to be enrolled in the health insurance system up to € 198,77 will be granted to non-EU students only.

A contribution (70% of the amount of the fellowship) may be awarded to students who should be forced to suspend their activity due to illness, maternity or other serious reasons up to 5 months.

All necessary information about the online procedure and SISSA can be found at the page <http://www.sissa.it/phd-courses>

For further information contact the Students' Secretariat: phd@sisssa.it

Trieste,

The Director
(Prof. S. Ruffo)