



# PhD in PROGETTAZIONE ARCHITETTONICA, URBANA E DEGLI INTERNI / ARCHITECTURAL, URBAN AND INTERIOR DESIGN - 38th cycle

Number of scholarship offered	4
Department	DIPARTIMENTO DI ARCHITETTURA E STUDI URBANI

Description of the PhD Programme
<p>The Architectural Urban Interior Design (AUID) Ph.D. program offers a constant sharing of knowledge, information, and practices. AUID is a creative, open, multicultural environment where the researchers find frequent occasions of exchange with the board of professors, other research centers, and doctoral institutions; the Program supports international exchanges, conferences, exhibitions, and research networks.</p> <p>The AUID Program promotes research focused on architectural design, with studies and projects aiming at different scales, contexts, and finalities. Research activities are based on the critical analysis and development of design processes and techniques, in dynamic relationships with the urgent questions related to the urban and rural environment, the green, blue, and grey infrastructure. Research is supported by the acquisition and elaboration of insights and skills precisely linked to contemporary architecture's theoretical and critical horizon.</p> <p>The AUID Program foresees a continuous elaboration and discussion of theoretical and operational tools. This dialectic process aims to foster the development of a critical and creative reflection on architectural design, exploring and testing experimental approaches, and delivering autonomous and innovative scientific products to be disseminated through seminars, publications, conferences. The Program is embedded into the Department of Architecture and Urban Studies (DAStU), which hosts more than 160 professors and researchers engaged in an open multidisciplinary scenario of architectural and urban studies, including every branch of design culture.</p> <p>The AUID Program provides opportunities for teaching and tutoring activities, which is considered an essential research complement, thanks to the close connection with the Polimi School of Architecture, Urban Design, and Building Construction. Too, the Program is included in the Polimi Ph.D. School, which gives the candidates the possibility to attend a large number of</p>



interdisciplinary courses and to be inserted into the life of a large scientific community.



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**OPEN SUBJECT Research Field: ARCHITECTURAL URBAN INTERIOR DESIGN**

Monthly net income of PhDscholarship (max 36 months)
<b>€ 1195.0</b>
In case of a change of the welfare rates or of changes of the scholarship minimum amount from the Ministry of University and Research, during the three-year period, the amount could be modified.

Context of the research activity	
<p><b>Motivation and objectives of the research in this field</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research activities point to the critical analysis and development of design processes and techniques in dynamic relationships with the urgent questions related to the urban and rural environment and the green, blue, and grey infrastructure. Within the 38th Cycle, starting in the 2022-23 academic year, the preferential research lines follow these topics, which be pursued by choosing various viewpoints and fields:</li> <li>• Theory of architecture and architectural Design: reframing premises and goals, with case studies from the past and from the present times.</li> <li>• Architecture and mass media: how architectural design interacts with political and social issues.</li> <li>• Architecture as a contemporary narrative: research, criticism, education form an elaborate creative engine of producing ideas, ideologies, fetishism, and critical thought.</li> <li>• Research by design: this relationship, carefully investigated in the past years, is a test site for specific Design-driven research applied to different contemporary challenges.</li> </ul>



<p><b>Methods and techniques that will be developed and used to carry out the research</b></p>	<p>The Candidate will develop a research methodology starting from the lectures and assignments of the AUID courses and the courses of the Polimi Ph.D. School. Studying the different formats, methods, expressions of research in architectural design, the Candidate will profile a personal methodology considering the specificity of the selected object, the target, the attended results. The Program considers that design is a relevant and necessary component of any research. Together with the AUID Faculty and the Supervisor, each Candidate will find a specific position between design and research.</p>
<p><b>Educational objectives</b></p>	<p>Educational objectives focus on the deep understanding of a well-selected and defined topic; the main goal is to develop research containing a comprehensive survey of the chosen question, which leads to an original track and output. The Candidate will acquire the skill to organize a consistent analysis of case studies, formulate a clear proposal for an original approach to a question, and elaborate innovative strategies and research methods. The Candidate will be supported to deliver autonomous and innovative scientific products to be disseminated through seminars, publications, and conferences.</p>
<p><b>Job opportunities</b></p>	<p>The Program aims to train highly qualified researchers and professionals who will work in academic institutions, research centers, public administration, as well as in the private sector, in the fields of architectural, urban, and interior design:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• University researchers and lecturers in the scientific fields of the Ph.D. Program.</li> <li>• Researchers with an excellent scientific profile in complex architectural developments and interventions of recovery and transformation.</li> <li>• Independent professionals qualified in the management of highly complex design processes.</li> <li>• Designers with tasks of high responsibility in institutions and professional structures and leading manufacturers, engaged in traditional residential and special utilities,</li> </ul>



	cultural institutions (museums, libraries, universities, schools, cultural centers), public and private services, commercial networks, accommodation, and leisure.
<b>Composition of the research group</b>	15 Full Professors 22 Associated Professors 6 Assistant Professors 69 PhD Students
<b>Name of the research directors</b>	Alessandro Rocca

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<b>Additional support - Financial aid per PhD student per year (gross amount)</b>	
<b>Housing - Foreign Students</b>	--
<b>Housing - Out-of-town residents (more than 80Km out of Milano)</b>	--

<b>Scholarship Increase for a period abroad</b>	
<b>Amount monthly</b>	597.50 €
<b>By number of months</b>	6

<b>Additional information: educational activity, teaching assistantship, computer availability, desk availability, any other information</b>
<b>Universities that are cooperating in the research:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Campus Sint-Lucas, Ghent</li> <li>• HafenCity Universitaet Hamburg</li> </ul>



- TU Delft, School of Architecture
- TU Berlin, Institute for Architecture
- University of Ljubljana

**Educational activities** (purchase of study books and material, funding for participation in courses, summer schools, workshops and conferences): financial aid per PhD student per year ("DOTE"):

1st year: max **1.624,30 euro**

2nd year: max **1.624,30 euro**

3rd year: max **1.624,30 euro**

**Workspace:** In the AUID hall, on the 4th floor of Bldg 12 in Leonardo Campus, are available workstations for shared use. All the Ph.D. students can use their laptops with a wireless connection.

Workstations and other equipment are available in the various departmental laboratories (Dastu) linked with the doctoral Program.