

Rectoral Decree No. 53 of 4.2.2026

**on issuing the Regulation governing the awarding of
parchments for the PhD degree**

THE RECTOR

- Having regard to Law No. 168 of 9 May 1989 whereby the Ministry for Universities and Technological and Scientific Research was established.
- Having regard to Law No. 240 of 30 December 2010 on “Rules governing the organisation of universities, academic personnel and recruitment as well as delegation of authority to the government to legislate to incentivise quality and efficiency in the university system”.
- Having regard to Ministerial Decree No. 226 of 14 December 2021 whereby the Ministry of Universities and Research issued the “Regulations on accreditation of PhD programs and locations and the criteria for establishing PhD programs by accredited bodies”.
- Having regard to the Independent Statutes of Luiss University.
- Having regard to the General University Regulations of Luiss University.
- Having regard to the University Academic Regulations of Luiss University.
- Having regard to the Regulations for the Research Doctorates.
- Having regard to the resolution passed by the Academic Senate of Luiss University at its meeting of 3 December 2025.
- Having regard to the resolution passed by the Executive Committee of Luiss University at its meeting of 12 December 2025.

DECREES

the issuance of the Regulations for the awarding of parchments for the degree of Research Doctorates, set out below, constituting an integral and substantial part of this Decree.

**Digitally signed by
PAOLO BOCCARDELLI**

Regulations for the awarding of parchments for the degree of Research Doctorates

Art. 1

This regulation defines the administrative procedures for the issuance of diplomas corresponding to the degree of Research Doctorate, awarded by Luiss Guido Carli within the framework of its teaching and statutory autonomy.

The University ensures the preservation of data relating to academic careers, in accordance with the process of digitalization and dematerialization of administrative records, also making use of IT and telematic systems.

Competent offices guarantee the consultability of the data and accurate reproduction in printed form.

The preservation of such digital data is carried out in compliance with the regulations concerning the management of archival services, document preservation, and the processing of personal data.

Art. 2

The Research Doctorate (PhD) degrees awarded by Luiss Guido Carli University are issued and delivered through an official original diploma certifying the degree.

The diploma is signed by the academic authorities required under current legislation. As of the entry into force of this regulation, the signatures required on the PhD diplomas are those of the Rector and the General Director.

On each diploma and certificate, the official seal of the relevant Luiss campus is affixed on the reverse side.

Delivery may take place either during the graduation ceremonies or at a later date.

Art. 3

The preparation and printing of Research Doctorate (PhD) diplomas are the responsibility of the University, using templates previously approved by the University's governing bodies.

The handwritten signing of the PhD diplomas is performed, through the use of IT systems, by electronically reproducing the handwritten signatures of the academic authorities required under current legislation, which are duly filed.

Art. 4

The diplomas, in addition to the identifying and personal data, indicate the name of the programme in both Italian and English.

Grades are not reported on the diplomas or certificates; in any case, they are included in the relevant official transcripts.

The required stamp duty is paid electronically, and the diplomas and certificates bear an indication of this payment, as provided by the authorization of the Italian Revenue Agency.

Art. 5

In the event of reprinting due to loss or theft, the competent office issues a duplicate upon request, subject to the submission of a report filed with the police or Carabinieri.

The new document bears a specific annotation: "Duplicate".

Here's a formal English translation using Research Doctorate (PhD) terminology consistently:

In the event that, at the time of issuing a duplicate, the Rector and/or General Director are no longer in office, the diplomas and certificates shall indicate both the names of the Rector and General Director who conferred the degree and those in office at the time of issuing the duplicate.

In the case of subsequent changes to personal data, the graduate may request their transcription on all official records of their academic career by submitting a specific, justified, and documented request to the competent office, prepared in accordance with current regulations. Modifying the heading of the relevant academic record entails the issuance of a new diploma/certificate reflecting the updated identifying information.

The delivery of diplomas with updated data, issued under this regulation, is conditional upon the prior return of the previously issued document, which will be destroyed.

Art. 6

For all matters not explicitly covered by this regulation, reference is made to the University Academic Regulations, the Luiss Research Doctorate (PhD) Regulations, and the applicable legislation.

This regulation enters into force on the date of issuance of the Rectoral Decree and is published on the University's website.