

UNIVERSITY OF BUCHAREST
DOCTORAL SCHOOL OF HISTORY

**Regulation on the organisation and conduct of the admission contest for
Doctoral Studies in the field of HISTORY**

2026

The admission contest for Doctoral University Studies in the field of History is organised by the Doctoral School of History, in accordance with the legislation in force, based on the provisions of O.M.E. no. 3020/2024 for the approval of the Framework Regulation on Doctoral University Studies, of the O.M.E. no. 3693/2024 for the approval of the Framework Methodology on the organisation of admission to higher education in short-term university study cycles, bachelor's, master's and doctoral university study cycles, and the Regulation on the organisation and conduct of the admission contest for doctoral studies at the University of Bucharest approved in the Senate meeting of 17.12.2025.

Candidates who cumulatively meet the following conditions may present themselves for the admission colloquium:

- a) they are graduates with a Master's Degree or a Diploma equivalent to it, according to the law;
- b) the cumulative number of transferable study credits acquired for the Bachelor's and Master's Degree cycles must be at least 300 transferable credits (hereinafter E.C.T.S.);
- c) are graduates with a Bachelor's Degree or equivalent (Bachelor's Degree of graduates of 5 or 6-year study programmes, the "full time" form of education), issued before the year of graduation of the first Bachelor's Degree cohort organised in accordance with the provisions of Law no. 288/2004 on the organisation of university studies, with subsequent amendments and completions (long-term education).

Graduates of studies carried out abroad and recognised by the specialised directorate within the Ministry of Education and Research as Master's Degree Studies can also apply for the admission contest, provided that the cumulative number of transferable study credits acquired for the Bachelor's and Master's Degree cycles is at least 300 ECTS.

Citizens of the member states of the European Union, of states belonging to the European Economic Area and of the Swiss Confederation, as well as Romanians Abroad¹, regardless of citizenship, are subject to the same legal conditions as Romanian citizens, including in terms of tuition fees.

¹ According to the provisions of the *METHODOLOGY for the schooling of Romanians abroad (Romanians from everywhere) in the state higher education in Romania, on positions funded from the state budget (without tuition fees), with scholarship granted by the Ministry, respectively, without payment of tuition fees, but without scholarship granted by the Ministry starting with the academic year 2017-2018, approved by the Joint Order of the Ministry of National Education (M.E.N.) (no. 3900/16.05.2017) – Ministry of Foreign Affairs (M.A.E.) (A10-2046-26.05.2017) – Ministry for Romanians Abroad (M.R.P.) (no. C/129/07.06.2017), art. 1, paragraph 1 a) and b): "a) Persons who freely assume the Romanian cultural identity, persons of Romanian origin and those belonging to the Romanian linguistic and cultural vein, who live outside the borders of Romania, regardless of the ethnonym used (Armenians, Armanji, Aromanians, Bessarabians, Bukovinians, Kutzo-Vlachs, Daco-Romanians, Farsherots, Hertza residents, Istro-Romanians, Danube Latins, Macedo-Romanians, Macedonian-Romanians, Maramuresians, Meglenites, Megleno-Romanians, Moldovans, Moldo-Vlachs, Rramani, Rumani, Wallachians, Vlachs, Vlasis, Volohs, Macedo-Armanji), as well as all other lexical forms semantically related to the above. b) Romanians who are grateful, whether or not they have retained Romanian citizenship, their descendants, as well as Romanian citizens with a permanent domicile or residence abroad."*

The admission colloquium will take place in two sessions: July 2026 and September 2026 (in the event that the positions allocated to the Doctoral School of History are not filled).

The interview format is online.

Registrations shall be completed online on the admission platform in accordance with the approved calendar.

The results will be posted following the CSUD meeting for the validation of results in July and September 2026.

For registration, candidates will upload the following documents to the admission platform:

- registration form - standard template;
- copy of a valid identity document (B.I./C.I./passport, etc., depending on the candidate's nationality);
- birth certificate (copy);
- marriage certificate or other act of change of name (copy);
- Baccalaureate Diploma or equivalent;
- higher education diploma (Bachelor's Diploma) and transcript of records / Diploma supplement (copies);
- Master's degree Diploma / advanced studies Diploma and transcript/diploma supplement (copies) OR graduation certificate for current-year Master's graduates (copy);
- scientific activity report (academic CV);
- list of published scientific papers;
- a doctoral research proposal (written), aligned with the research field of the doctoral supervisor, including a justification of its significance;
- a comprehensive bibliography on the proposed topic, which will serve as the basis for the admission interview;
- certificate of linguistic competence (language proficiency certificate) non-legalized copy (minimum standard - level B2); for foreign citizens: a language proficiency certificate attesting knowledge of the Romanian language, OR a language proficiency certificate in an international language if the doctoral programme is conducted in that respective language;
- statement on one's own responsibility regarding the accuracy and authenticity of the documents submitted online;
- receipt proving payment of the registration fee Staff members employed by the University of Bucharest are exempt from paying this fee;
- candidates who have completed their studies abroad must submit at the registration the legalised translation of the diploma obtained abroad, along with its official recognition and equivalence by the National Center for Recognition and Equivalence of Diplomas (CNRED) within the Ministry of Education and Research.

The selection of doctoral candidates for a vacant position is made by the doctoral supervisor (within subcommittees consisting of at least 2 doctoral supervisors). The selection process of candidates is carried out through grades awarded based on the following criteria:

- the relevance and innovative character of the research topic proposed by the candidate;
- the appropriateness of the definition of concepts and the research methodology;
- the degree of knowledge of the sources and mastery of the skills for their use (source languages, modern languages, epigraphies, paleographies, etc.);
- knowledge of the state of research in the respective field (literature review);
- the relevance and correctness of the structure of the attached bibliography;
- the feasibility of the research project during the doctoral programme regulated by the laws in force;

The minimum average for admission to doctoral studies is 7 (seven). In case of equal averages, candidates shall be ranked based on the following criteria: the Master's degree average - GPA, international and national publications, in accordance with the provisions of the CNATDCU profile grid.

All candidates will be classified on a single list, in descending order of the overall averages obtained at the admission colloquium.

The distribution of the admitted candidates is made according to the ranking made during the subcommittee stage, through a unitary classification carried out by the admission commission at the level of the doctoral school (consisting of the Director of the Doctoral School of History and two members of the Council of the DSH) and approved by the Council of the DSH.

The final results of the admission to doctoral studies are validated by the Council of the Doctoral School of History and by the C.S.U.D. in the meeting held before the posting deadline and submitted to the approval of the Central Committee for Admission of the University of Bucharest.

In accordance with the C.S.U.D. Regulation, out of the total number of positions financed from the state budget occupied following the admission sessions at each doctoral school, the number of scholarship positions will be approved in the C.S.U.D. meeting in September 2026. At each doctoral school, each position will be in an identical proportion to the proportion of scholarship positions out of the total budget-funded positions allocated by the Ministry at the level of U.B.

In the event that there are remaining vacant positions, the number and type of these unoccupied positions shall be brought to the attention of the Central Admission Committee of the University of Bucharest and the Council for Doctoral University Studies, which may order their reallocation to other doctoral schools.

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