Ph.D SCHOLARSHIP AND CONTRIBUTIONS
(increased funding for research activities abroad and research budgets)

In addition to the post-graduate scholarship, students of the Ph.D. courses can be allocated the following additional contributions:
- the amount of the postgraduate scholarship can be increased by 50% for periods of stay abroad exceeding one month and not exceeding eighteen months in total;
- in addition to the Ph.D. scholarship, each Ph.D. student is entitled to a budget for research activities in Italy and abroad of no less than 10% of the amount of the scholarship, within the financial resources of the Scuola’s budget; any amount not utilised each year remains at the disposal of the Scuola for the same purposes.

Each year, at the moment of approval of the budget for the subsequent financial year the Scuola establishes a total allocation - the mobility fund - which includes the resources for both forms of support indicated above. The 10% research budget is intended as an overall fund, available to doctoral students and assigned according to the mobility needs of each student.

The funds available are assigned by the mobility committees, one for each academic structure, nominated at the beginning of each academic year by the respective Councils of the academic structures; they examine the students' requests and propose the issuing of the authorization and the amount of the contribution.

The commissions operate with reference to an indicator, the average value of the annual contribution per student, obtained by dividing the total amount of funds available for mobility by the total number of Ph.D. students. The average value can be exceeded by the individual student: however, in order to guarantee at least in principle that all students are given the same opportunities, the commissions bear in mind in their assessment that excess funding should only be granted for highly motivated and strongly justified requests.

In relation to the new indications from the MIUR on the destination of additional funds for research activities, the mobility commissions can also examine and approve requests for their use for other expenses relevant to the students' course of study. Reiterating that the main purpose of these funds is to help finance the students' occasional mobility (participation in congresses, summer / winter schools, short stays at other universities, laboratories or culture and research institutions), any duly
documented expenses incurred can be granted for the publication of scientific articles and monographs, including expenses for linguistic revision, and for the purchase of reproductions from another institution that cannot be acquired directly by the Scuola. Requests for the purchase of inventory and consumables (such as computers, tablets, software or books) are not accepted.

P.S: The procedure for requesting contributions at: https://www.sns.it/it/mobilita-internazionalizzazione/studiare-fuori-sede/altre-attivita-studio-ricerca-fuori-sede