DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS AND FINANCE

II LEVEL MASTER IN
BIG DATA IN BUSINESS
(In-class course)
A.Y. 2017/2018

Coordinator: Prof. Gianluca Cubadda

According to art. 9 of the Italian law 270/2004 the Department of Economics and Finance in collaboration with the Department of Electronic Engineering and the Department of Physics will offer for the academic year 2017-2018 the 2nd level Master in “Big Data in Business”. The Master is held entirely in English.

PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM
The Master’s aim is to provide a set of cross-disciplinary competences and to train young graduate talented students with the tools from computer science, statistics and business studies that are necessary to manage and analyze big data. The Master is limited to a maximum of 30 positions and a minimum of 15 positions. Therefore, the candidates that we aim to train must have:

a) solid IT and Telecommunication knowledge;
b) in-depth understanding of statistical aspects;
c) excellent comprehension skills of management requirements and elevated capacity to communicate the analysis’ results

Requirements include a Master of Science degree (Laurea magistrale, Laurea specialistica or Laurea Vecchio Ordinament) or a foreign Bachelor degree of at least 4 years. Furthermore, it is required a good level of English language.

LAYOUT OF THE PROGRAM
Our Master in Big Data in Business implies activities for 60 European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS) credits earned through 3 intensive semesters and a thesis. It is entirely taught in English. The program starts in January 2017 and ends in December of the same year. The Master in Big Data in Business includes two sessions:

- Lectures, which are held in three semesters, from January 2018 to May 2018
- Internship and thesis from June 2018 to December 2018

During the first semester, the student is required to attend the following courses for 24 ECTS credits:

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<th>Courses</th>
<th>Scientific Disciplinary Sector (SDS)</th>
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<td>Supervised statistical learning</td>
<td>SECS-S03</td>
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<td>Data management for big data analysis</td>
<td>INF/01</td>
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<td>Designing communication of results</td>
<td>SECS-P10</td>
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<td>The strategic management of big data result</td>
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<td>Security &amp; Privacy</td>
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During the second semester, the student is required to attend the following courses for 12 ECTS credits:
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<td>High Dimensional Time Series</td>
<td>SECS-S03</td>
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<td>Machine learning</td>
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<td>Architectures and systems for big data</td>
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In the third semester, the student should obtain 18 ECTS credits out of the following courses:

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<td>Business Cases</td>
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<td>Economic Complexity</td>
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<td>Fundamentals of corporate finance</td>
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<td>Network Virtualization and Softwarization</td>
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The above courses will be activated based on the students’ request.

At the end of the Master program, the students shall produce a written final work (Master thesis), which corresponds to 6 ECTS credits. Its topic should be agreed with the coordinator of the program. The Master thesis could be also carried out during an internship in Italian or European companies and institutions. During his visiting as an intern, the student will have two tutors, one selected by the Master Coordinator and the second one indicated by the hosting institution.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

In addition, applicants must have either an Italian Master of Science University degree (Laurea Magistrale, Laurea Specialistica or Laurea vecchio ordinamento) or an equivalent foreign University degree.

Enrollment in the Master in Big Data and Business is not compatible with enrollments in other University courses, except Italian Specialization Courses (Corsi di Perfezionamento)

### PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION AND REQUIREMENTS

The deadline to complete the online application form is **04 December 2017**. All candidates should submit their online application in the following website in English [https://delphi.uniroma2.it/totem/jsp/index.jsp?language=EN](https://delphi.uniroma2.it/totem/jsp/index.jsp?language=EN) in Italian [http://delphi.uniroma2.it](http://delphi.uniroma2.it).

The steps required to be filled in, in order to successfully complete the online application form are summarized below:

1. Click on: STUDENT SECTION (Area Studenti)
2. Choose option A - POSTGRADUATE COURSES (A- Corsi Post-lauream)
3. Choose the option: Specialization courses – Master (Master Corsi di Perfezionamento)
4. Choose the first option: Enrollment to the Admission Test for the Master/Specialization Courses (Iscrizione alla Prova di Ammissione Master/Corsi di Perfezionamento)
5. Start Application procedure (Compila la Domanda)
6. Choose the option: Faculty of Economics (Facoltà di Economia)
7. Choose: PBW - MASTER IN BIG DATA IN BUSINESS. Click on the white circle next to the Deadline (04/12/2017). Then NEXT

The system will automatically generate a document in which are represented your personal data and the amount of the application fee that has to be paid. After paying the application fee (online or in person) you will get the AUTH code. You should login in the system and confirm the payment. If the amount in the automatically generated document would be € 0,00 will not be necessary to go the bank. However, the candidate will still have to confirm the amount with the AUTH code (when the amount that has to be paid is €0,00 it will immediately appear during the registration process).

Within the deadline of 4 December 2017, the candidate should sent the following documents in the following e-mail address bigdata@uniroma2.it :

- Curriculum vitae (CV)
- Transcripts of bachelor and Master of Science degree or an equivalent foreign degree (for Italian candidates a self-declaration, according to L.D no. 445 of 28 December 2000 D.P.R 28.12.2000, n. 445, would be enough (self-declaration module can be found in the following link http://web.uniroma2.it/module/name/Content/newlang/italiano/navpath/SEG/section_parent/5996
- English language proficiency certificate (or, as second best, self-declaration).
- Reference letter
- Motivation letter.

Each application will be evaluated by the Admission Board. The President of the Admission Board is the coordinator of the Master, Prof. Gianluca Cubadda. His contacts are the Department of Economics and Finance, University of Rome Tor Vergata, Via Columbia 2, 00133 Roma, tel.: (+39)0672595435/5847; e-mail: bigdata@uniroma2.it

The maximum number of enrolled students is 30 and the minimum required is 15. If the number of applicants will exceed the maximum availability, the first 30 ranked will be selected. Failure to register within the established deadline leads to immediate waiver and the seat will be assigned to the next candidate. The list of the eligible applicants will be published on 18 December 2017 in the University website http://www.uniroma2.it.

TUITION FEE
The eligible candidates should enroll within 10 January 2018 following the steps that can be found in the following link http://web.uniroma2.it/module/name/Content/newlang/italiano/navpath/SEG/section_parent/5996 (bottom of the page: ISTRUZIONI PROCEDURE). Select School of Economics (Facoltà di Economia), Code of the Master (Codice Corso)

The tuition fee is € 7,500 divided in two installments :

- € 3,896 1st installment that must be paid within 10 January 2018 (includes a virtual stamp of € 16,00 and € 130,00 for issuing the final diploma).
- € 3,750 second installment to be paid within 31 March 2018

If the tuition fee has to be paid by a Public institution or Private Enterprise, you are kindly requested to contact the Master office by e-mail in the following address segreteriamaster@uniroma2.it

Our Master programs has envisaged the possibility to enroll in single courses. The degree requirements are the same as those for enrollment in the Master. The fee for each single course is € 250 per ECTS credit (plus a virtual stamp of € 16,00) to be paid within 10 January 2018 following the same procedure as for the tuition fees. A
statement reporting the number of credits will be issued, conditional to having attended the courses and passed the relative exams.

**INCENTIVES AND SCHOLARSHIPS**
Eligible applicants with disability of 66% or more will only pay a tuition fee of € 505,00 (5% of the total amount of the tuition fee, plus the fee of € 130,00 for the final diploma). The disability should be stated in the application procedure. In addition, the student will be required submit the documentation that confirms the percentage of disability.
The Master Council may grant, according to Master’s regulation, full or partial tuition fee waiver.

**STARTING DATE OF THE PROGRAM**
The Master in Big Data in Business will start on **15 January 2018**.

**ATTENDANCE AND FINAL DIPLOMA**
The minimum attendance requirement is 75% of the lectures.
All the students who have passed the exams, has successfully presented the final thesis, and has regularly paid the tuition fee will be obtain the 2nd level Master in Big Data in Business.

**CONTACTS**
Please, do not hesitate to contact us for additional information or assistance on tel. (+39)0672595435; e-mail: bigdata@uniroma2.it

Additional administrative information can be found in the following link http://web.uniroma2.it/module/name/Content/newlang/italiano/navpath/SEG/section_parent/5996

Rome,

Il Direttore Generale
Dott. Giuseppe Colpani

Il Rettore
Prof. Giuseppe Novelli
ATTACHMENT A

Admission Selection Process

The criteria used to evaluate the candidates of Master in Big Data in Business are as follows:
- Academic curriculum, max 65 points;
- English language proficiency (or self-assessment), max 6 points. English language proficiency such as TOEFL, IELTS, Cambridge, GRE or equivalent certificated are strongly recommended;
- Reference letter and motivation letter - a maximum of 9 points.

It is necessary to obtain an overall score not smaller than 60 for the admission.