

Research Support
Services at the
University of Padua

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Unipd Research Resources

- 60 M€ / year for research (20-25 M€ internal)
- 2,200 Professors & researchers
- 2,000 Support (non academic) staff members
- 800 Post docs
- 1,300 Doctoral candidates
- 32 Departments
- 15 Research Centres
- 1 University Hospital
- 1 Veterinary Hospital
- 1 Experimental Farm
- 1 Library Centre





"Large University" in the Italian context

• 58,000 students

Wide Research Scope

- Arts&Humanities
- Social Sciences
- Engineering
- Physics
- Technology
- Life Sciences
- Medicine
- Natural Sciences

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Unipd Research Priorities



- Pursue of excellence and multidisciplinarity in research
- Be attractive for disruptive research projects (and competitive research funds) and for «game changers»: transformative researchers
- Foster the participation of researchers to competitive funding opportunities

Department Focus

32 Departments responsible for teaching and research activities

Basic funding comes from an assigned University budget complemented by intramural as well as National and International funding → award on a competitive basis

Unipd Research Support – Central Intramural programmes

BIRD (Integrated Budget for Department Research)

14M€/Y distributed to the 32 departments - Aimed at funding basic research needs, post-doctoral research grants, small to mid-size research projects

Calls for infrastructures

4 calls from 2017 to 2020, >12M€ invested for state-of-the-art technology and services to support frontier research

MSCA Seal of Excellence@UNIPD

Annual call, 1M€ for funding MSCA fellow candidates awarded with the Seal of Excellence – MSC Actions → employment contract and research budget

Supporting TAlent in Research STARS@UNIPD grants

3 calls since 2017 (every 2 ys , 7M \in) funding research projects to consolidate ERC promising candidates' track record and research team \rightarrow employment contract and research budget





Departments

- Promotion to research staff
- Grant management

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Unipd Research Support – Central Services



Central offices complement research support at Department level by offering

Training initiatives for researchers

Talent@UNIPD

Calls aimed at scouting excellent research ideas and proposals towards an ERC application

Master your Research and Training Needs – MSCA Marathon@UNIPD

Intensive training to selected MSCA postdoctoral candidates choosing Unipd as Host Institution

EU Research Hub@Unipd & Master Class@Unipd

Team of four experts staffed at the International Research Office, supporting researchers through **consulting & training in** proposal design, writing and submission for H2020 and Horizon Europe

Training initiatives for Department admistrative research support staff

Grant management (national and international funding), IPR, research contracts

Unipd Research Support – Organization and Actors



Research and Business Relations Area – Central research support services & staff

- Research and Quality Office: pre-award & post-award support, research data monitoring, internal auditing
- International Research Office: training and support in proposal writing, pre-award and post award support for individual PIs and Research Groups
- Research Valorization Office (Technology | Knowledge Transfer Office): IPR Management,
 patents and spin-offs support and training
- Career Service: interships and placement opportunities → addressed to students & PhDs

Department research support services & staff

Research – Research and Third mission Units: (post-award) grant preparation,
 grant management



Thank you

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