

PhD IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT

GRADING SCALE

grade	F (fail)	C	C+	B-	B	B+	A-	A	A+
Grade equivalent (out of 30)	<18	18-19	20-21	22-23	24-25	26-27	28-29	30	30 cum laude

REQUIREMENTS COHORTS AS OF 2018-2019

1st year:

Study plan:

1 preparatory course + PhD compulsory courses + curriculum compulsory courses + seminars (MNT, MKT, ACC Depts) + research activity

Requirements:

- Exam for each course (except preparatory course)
Each course is given a grade.
- Research presentation (to be drafted under the supervision of the advisor and to be submitted before the beginning of the 2nd year: early September). No grade is given to the research presentation.

If fails in exams > 3, then the result is “NOT admitted to 2nd year” (no PhD pass and no MPhil pass).

If fails in exams \leq 3, then retake is required. Just one retake for each failed exam.

If all exams are passed (post retake, if any) and GPA is \geq B, then the result is “admitted to 2nd year - PhD pass”.

If all exams are passed (post retake, if any) and GPA is C or C+, then the result is “NOT admitted to 2nd year – yes MPhil pass”.

If one or more exams are not passed (post retake, if any), then the result is “NOT admitted to 2nd year – NO MPhil pass”.

In case of MPhil pass, the transcript will include grades of exams (post retake, if any).

2nd year:

Study plan:

courses (compulsory and electives) + seminars (MNT, MKT, ACC Depts) + research activity

Requirements:

- Exam for each course.
Retake is required in case of fail; just one retake for each failed exam.
- Second-year paper (to be drafted under the supervision of the advisor and to be submitted by the end of June); the paper is assessed by a blind reviewer; the results can be: Accept; Revise and Resubmit; Reject.
If the result is Revise and Resubmit, the student has 6 weeks to resubmit a new paper; the final result can be: Accept; Reject.

If:

- all exams are passed (grade \geq C) and
 - the result of the paper is “accept” (post resubmission, if required),
- then the result is “admitted to 3rd year – PhD pass”.

If any other situation (fail(s) in exams; Reject in the second-year paper; both fail(s) in exams and reject for the paper), then the result is “NOT admitted to 3rd year - MPhil pass”.

In case of MPhil pass, the transcript will include only grades of 1st year exams.

3rd and 4th year:

- Curriculum PhD Seminar in Business Administration & Management;
- Seminars organized by the Departments of Management & Technology, Marketing and Accounting;
- Submission of one research paper per year;
- Two seminar presentations per year to illustrate one's own research output, at least one in Bocconi;
- Thesis submission (following the detailed instructions available [at this page](#)).

