

# ARCHITECTURE. HISTORY AND PROJECT

## Ateneo - Transnational Architectural Models in a Globalized World. Joint PhD with Tsinghua University

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<b>Context of the research activity</b>	Within the ongoing research collaboration between Politecnico di Torino and Tsinghua University, the joint PhD Curriculum is focused on the movement of architectural and urban models, practices, and construction techniques in the globalized world, with a priority (yet not exclusive) focus on the relations between China and the West. The Curriculum investigates intentions and geographies of such exchange in the fields of Architecture, Urban Design, Landscape of Architecture, and History of Architecture. This scholarship aims to promote studies and researches on "transnational" procedures through which architectural or urban events take place.
<b>Objectives</b>	<p>Tsinghua University is a public base for China's higher education and academic research and the most prestigious university of China, which was established as the Tsinghua College in 1911.</p> <p>Based on the fruitful joint research and education activities in the field of Architecture over the last 12 years, Politecnico di Torino and Tsinghua University created a specific PhD curriculum named "Transnational Architectural Models in a Globalized World" within the framework of the Doctoral Program in Architecture, History and Project at Politecnico di Torino and the Doctoral Programs in Architecture, Urban and Rural Planning, and Landscape Architecture at Tsinghua University. It is expected to attract candidates from any scientific field of the PhD in Architecture, History and Project, aiming to spend their PhD in two prestigious research venues in Beijing and Torino.</p> <p><a href="http://www.arch.tsinghua.edu.cn/column/Home">http://www.arch.tsinghua.edu.cn/column/Home</a></p>
	<p>The activity of the PhD candidates enrolled in the Curriculum will consist in a research exchange that requires 18 months mobility at Tsinghua University, Beijing. During this period, the candidates have to complete specific training courses, both at Politecnico di Torino and Tsinghua University.</p> <p>The final output of the study and research activity within the framework of the Curriculum will be the drafting of the PhD thesis, under the joint supervision of</p>

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professors from both Politecnico di Torino and Tsinghua University, including at least one from the home institution and one from the host institution. The PhD diploma of both Universities will be awarded upon completion of the planned activities at both institutions.

The Polito PhD candidate enrolled in the Curriculum will be admitted to the procedure of the final examination if he/she has fulfilled the following educational obligations laid down jointly by the Politecnico di Torino and Tsinghua University:

- 1) the attendance of a minimum of 140 hours of training courses at Politecnico di Torino, including 100 mandatory hours of technical training and 40 mandatory training hours on “soft skills”;
- 2) the completion of a minimum of 10 mandatory credits for courses at Tsinghua University (one credit at Tsinghua University equals to 12 hours of training courses at Politecnico di Torino), including 4 on Chinese Culture, 4 on thesis work, and 2 on professional training.
- 3) the publication of at least four academic articles in scientific journals;
- 4) the positive evaluation of the thesis by the PhD Faculty of Politecnico di Torino and Tsinghua University (“Collegio Docenti”).