Ciências ULisboa
Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa

PUBLIC NOTICE

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

1ST PERIOD
APPLICATIONS FOR 3RD CYCLE OF STUDIES
2026/2027

Application Conditions:

In order to apply for a **3rd Cycle course/PhD "Doutoramentos"** Degree, the international student must have a Master/"Mestrado" degree or l**egal equivalence**; or a "Licenciatura" degree or **legal equivalence,** holder of a relevant scholar or scientific *Curriculum Vitae,* that provides the competences required to be enrolled in the specialization area of the PhD programme.

Consider as **legal equivalence** to the degree of "Licenciatura" and "Mestrado" (Master), the recognition of qualifications provided for in Decree-Law no. 66/2018, from 16th of August as well as the degrees recognized or that have already been considered equivalents by the previous legislation (Decree-Law no. 283/83 from 21st June, and Decree-law no. 341/2007 from 12th October).

The validity of the referred degrees must be confirmed by the competent authority of the state from which the documents are originated. The Final Certificates/Diplomas must be certified by the Portuguese consular services or be presented with the Apostille (Hague Convention) by the competent authority of the state from which the documents are originated, and whenever they are not issued in Portuguese, English, French or Spanish, they must be translated into one of these languages (validated by the consular or embassy services).

Admission Conditions:

In order to apply for a 3rd Cycle, international students must demonstrate the knowledge and expertise required by the course for which they are applying for **and, if applicable, the knowledge of english or portuguese language.**

Application period:

1st period*: 01st July to 17th August 2026;
2nd period: 2nd December to 15th January 2027.

*Applications for the PhD in Biodiversity, Genetics and Evolution, in the first phase, are open from 01 July to 01 September 2026

Vacancies:

In the attached table you can consult the vacancies available for each course (which includes international students).

Applications:
Applications are submitted exclusively online at: https://fenix.ciencias.ulisboa.pt/
The application is subject to a payment fee (60Euros).

Documents required:

- *Curriculum Vitae;*
- Degree Diploma [1];
- Legal equivalence of a Master's and/or Bachelor's degree (for applicants whose degree has been obtained in a foreign institution)[2];
- Grades Certificate[1];
- Grades Programmes (Certificate of Syllabus and Workload of the concluded subjects stamped and signed by the institution of higher education) if requested by the coordinator of the course;
- Sworn Statement (declaration of honor and signed by the applicant, stating that the candidate has not the Portuguese nationality and is not included in any of the special conditions which confirm the International Student Status, according to the International Student Statute, approved by legislation (Decree-Law no. 62/2018 de 06 de August 06th, article no. 3) - Draft;
- Cover letter;
- Proof of knowledge of english or portuguese language (if applicable);
- Work plan indicating the general objectives to be achieved - optional;
- Guidance acceptance Statement(s) of supervisor(s);
- Passport or International Identity Card - optional;
- Declaration, issued by the Portuguese Immigration and Borders Services, authorizing legal permanence in Portugal (this document should be sent or delivered until the day of registration/enrollment).

[1]**Attention**: The Certificates/Diploma must by certified by the Portuguese consular service or be presented with the Apostille (Hague Convention) by the competent authority of the state from which the documents are originated, and whenever they are not issued in Portuguese, English, French or Spanish, they must be translated into one of these languages (validated by the consular or embassy services).

[2] The recognition of qualifications provided for in Decree-Law no. 66/2018, from 16th of August, as well as the degrees recognized or that have already been considered equivalents by the previous legislation (Decree-Law no. 283/83 from 21st June, and Decree-law no. 341/2007 from 12th October).

The original documents of the Diploma/certificates must be presented in the registration/enrollment as well the identification card or passport.

Selection Process:
The admission process and selection condition for each course of study is covered by a panel appointed by the Scientific Council of the Faculdade de Ciências.

Results:
The results will be available at https://ciencias.ulisboa.pt/en/prospective-students/applications/phd-applications

Registration and Tuition Fees:
Application fee: 60€.
Registration fee: 50€.
Annual Tuition Fee (can be pay through installments): 2.750€

The payment of the application fee must be made through bank transfer after submitted the application and received by email the information:

Bank: Caixa Geral de Depósitos
IBAN: PT50003508240001225203011

Address:
Faculdade de Ciências da Universidade de Lisboa
Campo Grande, Ed. C5, 1749-016 Lisboa, Portugal
Fiscal Number: 502 618 418

Attention:
The applicant must keep the payment proof of the application fee since this is one of the documents that must be attached to the application form after submit the application. The application will not be validated without the *upload* of the proof of payment of the application fee in the BANK TRANSFER tab.

All the information available on the special access for International Students can be found in the following legislation:

- Decreto-Lei n.º 36/2014, **de 10 de março**, amended by Decreto-Lei n.º 113/2014, **de 16 de julho,** amended and republished by Decreto-Lei n.º 62/2018, **de 06 de agosto** and amended by Decreto-Lei n.º 20/2025, **de 18 de março**;
- Despacho n.º 10579/2019, de 18 de novembro;
- Despacho nº 750/2016 (in atualization), de 15 de janeiro.

This information does not discharge the reading of the above mentioned legislation.

Vacancies PhD Courses	2026-27 (includes International Students)
Biodiversity, Genetics and Evolution	**14**
Biology	**20**
Biology and Ecology of Global Changes	**12**
Biochemistry	**20**
Sea Sciences	**16**
Geophysical Sciences and Geoinformation	**20**
Biomedical Engineering and Biophysics	**10**
Physical Engineering	**10**
Statistics and Operations Research	**10**
Physics and Astrophysics	**20**
Geology	**20**
History and Philosophy of Science	**15**
Informatics	**20**
Mathematics	**10**
Digital Media	**10**
Chemistry	**12**
Sustainable Energy Systems	**10**