

NOTICE OF OPENING N.º 199/SGA/DOFAE

**Faculty of Medicine
Academic Year 2026/2027
2nd Cycle Course**

**2nd cycle
Master's Degree in Legal Medicine and Forensic Sciences**

1. Number of places:

2nd call: 23 places

3rd call: 2 places + remaining places

2. Minimum number of students for course opening: 15

3. Application deadlines:

2nd call: 1st June to 15th July 2026

3rd call: 1st to 11th September 2026

4. Admission requirements:

1. Applicants to the cycle of studies leading to this Master's degree must be:

- a) Holders of a bachelor's or integrated master's degree in Medicine, Dentistry, Law, Psychology, Social Sciences, Chemistry, Biochemistry, Chemical Engineering, Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Biology, Anthropology or related areas, having a minimum classification of 14 out of 20;
- b) In duly justified cases, holders of an academic, scientific and professional curriculum relevant for completing this cycle of studies as recognized by the Scientific Committee of FCTUC, having a bachelor's / master's degree with a classification lower than 14 out of 20.
- c) Holders of a foreign higher education degree awarded following a 1st cycle of studies according to the principles of the Bologna Process by a country compliant with this process.

2. The recognition referred to in sub-paragraph c) of paragraph 1 merely provides access to the study cycle leading to the degree of master and does not confer on its holder the equivalence to the degree of bachelor or the recognition of that degree.

NOTES:

- Applicants with courses awarded by countries that do not follow the Bologna Process (unless the institution of origin has a protocol with the Faculty of Medicine) must submit an authorization from the Scientific Committee of FMUC to apply for the course.
- Due to the fact that the course may not open in 2027/2028, it is recommended that the curricular part is completed by the end of the school year 2026/2027.

5. Selection criteria:

- a) Classification of undergraduate or integrated Masters, [25/100 Weighting];
- b) Curriculum evaluation, [25/100 Weighting];

Taking into consideration the participation in scientific activities and publications, as well as relevant professional experience in the scientific field of the cycle of studies.

- c) Interview, [50/100 Weighting].

The interview assesses the applicant's motivation and profile to be admitted to the cycle of studies, as well as the knowledge concerning the fields of Legal Medicine and Forensic Sciences.

6. Required documentation:

- Approval to apply by the Scientific Committee of the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Coimbra (MANDATORY only for applicants with courses from countries non-compliant with the Bologna Process);
- Certificate of Bachelor's degree with final course classification (diploma). A certificate proving approval in the curricular units carried out must be included, with respective classifications (school transcript). (MANDATORY, except if the primary course is a course taught at the University of Coimbra);
- Curriculum Vitae; (MANDATORY);
- Identification document (MANDATORY only for foreign applicants);
- Motivation Letter; (MANDATORY);
- Official declaration of course outlines and hourly course loads with classification of each course unit of courses previously taken (transcript), in case of equivalence credits request (MANDATORY, except in degrees awarded by the University of Coimbra under the Bologna Process – after 2007/2008).

NOTE: To obtain this declaration applicants will need to:

- submit a request to the President of the Scientific Committee of FMUC - 15 days before the end of the application deadline - indicating personal data, academic qualifications and other elements deemed necessary, for a better assessment of the application, to the e-mail: ccientifico@fmed.uc.pt (preferably signed);

- indicate the course of application;
- send proof of the elements mentioned in the application (e.g.: copy of identification document, diploma of degree, school history and curriculum vitae) all duly authenticated by the consulate or embassy;
- send a document, school history, with the subjects broken down and indication of the classifications obtained in the Higher Education Course held.

NOTE: If the documents mentioned above are written in a foreign language other than Spanish, French, and English, it is mandatory to present a translation to Portuguese undertaken by a translator recognised by the Portuguese diplomatic representation.

The submission of the authenticated original documents is mandatory to the applicants admitted who enrol and register and must be done as soon as possible in order to complete their personal file. Further information at: <https://www.uc.pt/en/academic-services/submit-docs/>.

7. Tuition fee:

- National Student or equivalent: 1,500 EUR (annual fee);
- International student: 7,000 EUR (annual fee)

8. Part-time registration: Not allowed.

9. Assessment committee:

- Duarte Nuno Pessoa Vieira;
- Francisco Manuel Andrade Corte-Real Gonçalves;
- José Guilherme Lopes Rodrigues Tralhão.

10. Other information:

- Application is subject to the payment of a 50.00 € fee, which is non-refundable, even in case of invalidation of application and of non-placement.
- Applications are submitted online at: <https://inforestudante.uc.pt/nonio/security/candidaturas.do>.
- Applicants who do not have the documents attesting the required qualifications or other documents until the end of the deadline for applications may apply conditionally. If they do not submit the required documents until the new deadline provided, their application will become "Not Admitted". Then, they can move their application onto the following call for applications without any additional charges.
- In applications definitively considered valid, and after the evaluation period has started, it is not possible to add or replace the documents presented. To add new documentation, a new application must be submitted in the next phase, if any.

ADMINISTRATION

- After the last phase of applications, and if there are still places available, applicants may submit their application by means of a request, beyond the deadline, which will be duly appraised by the coordination of the Course /Organisational Unit.

- Further information about academic issues, including the academic calendar, is available at:
<https://www.uc.pt/en/academic-services/>

- Contacts: E-mail: <https://apps.uc.pt/forms/view/sga/en>
Telephone:(00351) 239 247 195

In person assistance: at the Student Hub of the University of Coimbra. Schedules for assistance may be consulted at: <https://www.uc.pt/en/academic-services/location-contacts/>

University of Coimbra, on 28th January 2026.

Head of Division,