

NOTICE OF OPENING N.º 14/SGA/DGF

Faculty of Sciences and Technology

Academic Year 2026/2027

Postgraduate Course /Course not awarding degree

Non Degree Course

Training Course on Heuristic Optimisation

1. Number of places:

1st call: 18 places

2. Minimum number of students for course opening: 6

3. Application deadlines:

1st call: 7th July to 7th September 2026

4. Admission requirements:

- 1) Being enrolled with or having concluded a higher-education course in a scientific, technological or related area, or possessing professional experience relevant to the Heuristic Optimisation course in those areas;
- 2) Proven programming knowledge;
- 3) English language skills (oral and written comprehension and expression)

5. Selection criteria:

- A - Academic Review-Analysis of the CV and assessment of the applicant's eligibility for the program, based on the defined prerequisites. [Weighting 3/10];
- B - Individual test to assess programming skills, [Weighting 3/10];

- C - Individual interview for candidates who pass the individual test, with a particular focus on problem-solving skills, English proficiency, and motivation to enroll in this course. [Weighting 4/10].

6. Required documentation:

- Declaration on honour of the veracity of documents and data submitted to the UC (document available in Inforestudante, in the application area).; (MANDATORY);
- Certificate confirming successful completion of the modules taken, with the respective grades (academic transcript) (MANDATORY, unless the course was taught at the University of Coimbra under the Bologna Process (after 2007/2008));
- Curriculum vitae; (MANDATORY);
- Declaration of English language proficiency (document available in Inforestudante, in the application area); (MANDATORY);
- Identification document (MANDATORY only for foreign applicants);
- Motivation Letter; (MANDATORY);
- Qualifications certificate or Certificate of Enrolment in a higher education course that proves the fulfillment of the condition for admission to the course (COMPULSORY except for UC students and ex-students);.

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:

80€

8. Part-time registration: Not allowed.

9. Assessment committee:

- Carlos Manuel Mira da Fonseca;
- Luís Filipe dos Santos Coelho Paquete.

10. Other information:

ADMINISTRATION

- 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.
- 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/>

Note: Tuition / Price:

- 80€ - The course fee will be subsidized by the TOPDEI project under the Sponsorship Agreement between the University of Coimbra and Feedzai (First Foundation Project). The subsidy covers the full cost of the course.

University of Coimbra, on 6th July 2026.

Head of Division,