NOTICE OF OPENING N.º 327/SGA/DOFAE

Faculty of Sciences and Technology

Academic Year 2026/2027

2nd Cycle Course

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Master in Teaching of Biology and Geology in the 3rd cycle of Basic and Secondary Education

1. Number of places:
1st call: 0 places
2nd call: 19 places
3rd call: 1 + remaining places

2. Minimum number of students for course opening: Not applicable

3. Application deadlines:
2nd call: 1st June to 10th July 2026
3rd call: 1st to 11th September 2026

4. Admission requirements:
1 - According to Decree-Law No. 79/2014 of 14 May, in its current wording, candidates who cumulatively meet the following conditions may apply for access to the cycle of studies leading to a master's degree:
a) Hold a bachelor's degree or one of the qualifications referred to in provisions a) to c) of paragraph 1 of article 17 of Decree-Law No. 74/2006.
b) Have obtained, in that degree or in other higher education study cycles, 120 credits (ECTS) in the scientific areas of Biology and Geology and none with less than 30 credits.
c) Have oral and written command of the Portuguese language and mastery of the essential rules of logical and critical argumentation.
2 - Candidates may also apply if they meet the requirements of points a) and c) of point 1, but not

point b), and have obtained 75% of the necessary credits (90 ECTS) in the teaching area.
3 - Candidates may also apply if they meet the requirements of points b) and c) of point 1, but not point a), and hold an academic, scientific or professional curriculum that is recognized as attesting to the capacity to complete this cycle of studies by the Scientific Council of FCTUC and have obtained a minimum of 75% of the necessary credits (90 ECTS) in the teaching área.
4 - Obtain approval in a written and oral exam aimed at verifying the level of the Portuguese language and the capacity for logical and critical argumentation.

NOTES:
- Access to Teaching Masters requires a Portuguese test.

2nd Phase of Applications
Written test: 14th July, at 10:00 a.m. (Lisbon, Portugal Time)
Location: Faculty of Arts and Humanities (rooms to be indicated)
Oral test/interview: to be announced in due course

3rd Phase of Applications
Written test: 15th September, at 10:00 a.m. (Lisbon, Portugal Time)
Location: Faculty of Arts and Humanities (rooms to be indicated)
Oral test/interview: to be announced in due course

- The written test is eliminatory, that is, if applicants to the Master's Degrees in Teaching do not successfully accomplish the written part of the test (a grade of 10 out of 20), they will not attend the speaking test.
- Applicants who successfully accomplished this Proficiency Test in the last two years at the Faculty of Sciences and Technology of the University of Coimbra are exempt from sitting it again.
- The tests carried out in other higher education institutions, with successful assessment in the last two years, will be accepted, provided that they are duly substantiated by means of an oficial declaration/certificate of the of higher education institution at which the applicant took the test.
More information can be found at https://www.uc.pt/en/applications/masters-degreecourses/fctuc/dcv/portuguese-proficiency-test/

5. Selection criteria:
A. Quality of the academic and professional course [4/6 Weighting];
B. Interest in the new course [1/6 Weighting];
C. Duration of formation on University of Coimbra [1/6 Weighting].

NOTE: Assessed applications that have a grade lower than 9.5 in one of the evaluation criteria will automatically become non-approved.

6. Required documentation:
1. Motivation Letter [MANDATORY];
2. 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];
3. 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];
4. Curricular structure with ECTS distributed by scientific areas of the course that the candidate holds. COMPULSORY document, with the exception of the cases of courses taught on Faculty of Sciences and Technology of the University of Coimbra;
5. Official document certifying qualifications, issued by the institution awarding the degree, indicating the weighted average and the grading scale [MANDATORY only for holders of a degree obtained abroad that does not contain the average];
6. Document certifying at least 6 full years of work as a Teacher, with a minimum assessment grade of Good, provided in the last 10 years within the respective scientific field;
7. Curriculum Vitae [MANDATORY];
8. Copy of identification document [MANDATORY only for foreign applicants];

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: 697 EUR (annual fee).
- International student: 7,000 EUR (annual fee).

8. Part-time registration: Allowed

9. Assessment committee:
- Isabel Luci Pisa Mata da Conceição;

- Pedro Miguel Callapez Tonicher.

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.
- In the situation provided for in number 2 of the admission requirements, the registration for the curricular units concerning the components of specific didactics and introduction to professional practice, including the supervised teaching practice, may take place, whenever it is possible, simultaneously with the obtaining of the missing ECTS credits. In addition, the Scientific Council of the FCTUC is responsible for the decision on which curricular units of the training components, provided for in subparagraphs a), b) and c) of number 1 in Article no. 15 of the Decree-Law no. 79/2014, of 14th May, in its current wording, are to be attended by the applicants in order to obtain the ECTS credits that are necessary for the awarding of the Master's Degree in the specialisation considered.
- The applicants who, on the date of admission, have at least 6 full years of work as a Teacher, with a minimum assessment grade of Good, provided in the last 10 years within the respective scientific field, may choose as an alternative to the supervised teaching practice, the submission and public defence of a theoretical-practical report, scientifically supported, which covers the aforementioned teaching period.
- Without prejudice to the provisions laid down in number 1 of article no. 15 of Decree-Law no. 79/2014, of 14th May, in its current wording, the Scientific Council of FCTUC takes into account the credits obtained by the applicants who, on the date of admission, hold Master's or PhD Degrees, concerning the cycles of studies leading to these degrees, within the respective scientific field or fields, depending on the respective study programme.
- 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/
- 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/in-person/

University of Coimbra, on 11th February 2026.

Head of Division,