

NOTICE OF OPENING N.º 84/SGA/DOFAE

Faculty of Sport Sciences and Physical Education

Academic Year 2026/2027

Postgraduate Course /Course not awarding degree

Non Degree Course

Advanced Specialisation Course - Postdoctoral studies in Sports Sciences

1. Number of places:

1st call: 8 places*

2nd call: 8 places**

*For the 1st semester

**For the 2nd semester

2. Minimum number of students for course opening: 1

3. Application deadlines:

1st call: 1st June to 14th July 2026

2nd call: 1st October to 30th November 2026

4. Admission requirements:

The following may apply for admission to the Advanced Specialization Course - Post-Doctorate in Sports Sciences:

a) Holders of a PhD degree

5. Selection criteria:

1. Project feasibility and level of funding [10/20 Weighting]:

1.1. Project feasibility (50%)

1.2. Financing level (50%)

2. Analysis of application documents [10/20 Weighting].:

2.1. Analysis of the Curriculum Vitae (50%):

2.1.1. Experience of publishing in international publications (20%);

2.1.2. Experience in participating in funded research projects (15%);

2.1.3. Other relevant contributions (15%).

2.2. Objectivity and clarity of the project (30%):

2.2.1. Contextualization of the study (10%);

2.2.2. Relevance of the problem and the research questions formulated (10%);

2.2.3. Consequential validity for FCDEFUC (10%).

2.3. Motivation letter (10%);

2.4. Letters of recommendation (within the specific scope of the project) (10%)

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- Recommendation letters in the specific scope of the study; (MANDATORY);

3- Curriculum vitae; (MANDATORY);

4- Identification document (MANDATORY only for foreign applicants);

5- PhD certificate (diploma) (MANDATORY, unless the course of origin is taught at the University of Coimbra);

6- Study project to be carried out and associated funding level); (MANDATORY).

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/academicos/inscricoes/PIAs>.

7. Tuition fee:

- 1,250€

8. Part-time registration: Not allowed

9. Assessment committee:

- José Pedro Leitão Ferreira.

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.

- 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>

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In person assistance at the Student Hub. Schedules at: <https://www.uc.pt/en/academic-services/location-contacts/>

University of Coimbra, on 2nd February 2026.

Head of Division,