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NOTICE OF OPENING N.º 294/GA/GAI

Institute for Interdisciplinary Research

Academic Year 2019/2020

3rd Cycle Course

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PhD in Human Rights in Contemporary Societies

1. Number of places:

1st call: 8 places

2nd call: 6 places

3rd call: 1 + remaining places

Extra call: remaining places

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

3. Application deadlines:

1st call: 4th February to 29th March 2019

2nd call: 1st April to 15th July 2019

3rd call: 19th August to 6th September 2019

Extra call: 14th to 31st October 2019

4. Admission requirements:

1 - Can apply for admission to the PhD in Human Rights in Contemporary Societies:

- a) Holders of a postgraduate or bachelor's degree in areas relevant to the program, holders of a particularly relevant academic or scientific curriculum that is recognized as attesting to the capacity to carry out this study cycle;
- b) Holders of the master's degree or legal equivalent in social or human sciences or areas considered relevant to the program
- c) Holders of a school, professional, scientific or professional curriculum that is recognized as attesting ability to carry out this cycle of studies by the Academic Board of the Institute for

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2 - The recognition referred to in subparagraphs b) and c) of paragraph 1 only allows access to the cycle of studies leading to a PhD Degree and does not grant its holder the recognition or equivalence to a Bachelor's or Master's Degree.

5. Selection criteria:

1. Applicant's scientific and academic merit (Weighting 6/20);
 - a) Final classification of Bachelor's Degree (50%);
 - b) Other Academic Degrees, Master's Degree and English language skills (50%);
2. Applicant's profile (Weighting 6/20);
 - a) Publications or other outputs (research) (50%);
 - b) Relevant experience (activism or professional) (50%);
3. Merit of the research project (Weighting 8/20);
 - a) Adequacy of the research project to the objectives of the Doctoral Programme (50%);
 - b) Originality and relevance of the research project (50%).

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, explaining the reasons that lead the applicant to apply, if relevant according to the criteria established by the organic unit of the desired course (MANDATORY);
- 2 - Workload and programmes of curricular units if credits are to be requested (MANDATORY, unless the course of origin is taught at the University of Coimbra under the Bologna Process - after 2007/2008);
- 3 - 1st Letter of Recommendation (MANDATORY);
- 4 - 2nd Letter of Recommendation;
- 5 - Certificate indicating all curricular units completed and classification obtained on each of the curricular units is required (MANDATORY, except if the primary course is a course taught at the University of Coimbra);
- 6 - Certificate of higher education degree with final classification (diploma). (MANDATORY, except if the primary course is a course taught at the University of Coimbra);
- 7 - Curriculum Vitae (Europass format); (MANDATORY);
- 8 - Copy of Identification Document (MANDATORY only for foreign applicants).
- 9 - Theme proposal: an abstract (the core issues with a rough outline) of the research to be

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undertaken as PhD thesis 1,500 words max. (MANDATORY);

NOTE: Admitted candidates who register and enroll in the course are required to present the original documents until the 31st of December in order to complete their individual student file.

The documents mentioned above must be certified by the local Portuguese consulate and / or legalized by the Apostille system under the Convention on Abolishing the Requirement of Legalization for Foreign Public Documents (better known as the Hague Convention), signed at The Hague, October 5, 1961, with the exception of documents issued by European Union Member-States. However, in case of doubt about the documentation presented, the aforementioned certification or submission of additional documentation may be requested to any applicant. If the above-mentioned documents are in a foreign language other than Spanish, French or English, a translation must be presented. Translations must be duly certified by the competent authorities.

7. Tuition fee:

-2,000€ (annual fee)

8. Part-time registration: Allowed.

9. Assessment committee:

- Ana Cristina Alvarez Caiano da Silva Santos;
- Bruno Daniel Gomes Sena Martins.

10. Other information:

- Application is subject to the payment of a fee in the amount of 50.00 €, non-refundable, including in cases of invalidation of application, non-placement or when the study cycle does not open due to the lack of the minimum number of enrollees.
- Applications are submitted online at: <https://inforestudante.uc.pt/nonio/security/candidaturas.do>;
- More information at <https://www.uc.pt/academicos>;
- Contacts: e-mail: <http://www.uc.pt/academicos/e-mail>; phone (00351) 239 24 71 95; in person at the support centres of the Academic Management Service, in the hours available at <http://www.uc.pt/en/academicos/contactos/atendimento>.

University of Coimbra, on 31st January 2019.

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The Vice-Rector,

Madalena Alarcão

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