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NOTICE OF OPENING N.º 50_A/GA/GAI

Faculty of Sciences and Technology

Academic Year 2020/2021

3rd Cycle Course

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PhD in Biosciences

1. Number of places:

1st call: 24 places

2nd call: 25 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: 10th February to 31st March 2020

2nd call: 1st April to 15th July 2020

3rd call: 17th August to 30th September 2020

Extra call: 02nd to 06th November 2020

4. Admission requirements:

1- Applicants for admission to the PhD in Biosciences must be:

a) Holders of a master's degree in Biology or related fields, or any other appropriate training, namely, Chemistry, Physics, Agricultural Sciences, Environmental Engineering, Pharmaceutical Sciences or Medicine, or legal equivalent, with a minimum classification of 16 values;

b) Holders of a bachelor's degree in Biology or related fields, or any other degree with appropriate training, namely Chemistry, Physics, Agrarian Sciences, Environmental Engineering,

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Pharmaceutical Sciences or Medicine with at least 4 years of academic training in Higher Education, full time, or equivalent in the case of a degree obtained abroad, and a final final mark of 18 values;

c) In duly justified cases, holders of a school, scientific or professional curriculum relevant for pursuing this cycle of studies as recognized by the Scientific Committee of FCTUC. Applicants must obtain a curricular evaluation equal to or higher than 10 points.

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:

- Analysis of letters of recommendation and letter of motivation, (20/100 Weighting);
- Cv Assessment, (80/100 Weighting).

Regarding the access referred to in sub-paragraph c) of paragraph 1 of the conditions of admission the application evaluator assesses the CV of applicants and rates it on a scale of 0 to 20 following the criteria i) to iv) and their respective weights:

- i) School curriculum, considering the final classification of the course (s) taken by the applicant (25%);
- ii) Relevance of the course (s) taken to the scientific area of the study cycle to which you they are applying (25%);
- iii) Scientific Curriculum, considering the participation of applicants in congresses, seminars, research projects, number and scientific quality of publications (monographs, book chapters, articles in periodicals), prizes and similar elements, as long as these activities are developed in the scientific area of the study cycle in question (25%);
- iv) Professional curriculum, considering the duration and nature of the professional activity in the scientific area of the study cycle in question (25%).

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- 1st Letter of Recommendation; (MANDATORY);
- 2 - 2nd Letter of Recommendation; (MANDATORY);
- 3 - Certificate of Bachelor's degree with final course classification (diploma) (MANDATORY,

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except if the primary course is a course taught at the University of Coimbra);

4 - Certificate of Master's degree with final classification (diploma) (MANDATORY, except if the primary course is a course taught at the University of Coimbra);

5 - Copy of Identity Document (MANDATORY only for foreign applicants);

6 - Curriculum vitae; (MANDATORY);

7 - Motivation Letter; (MANDATORY);

8 - 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);

9 - Official document, issued by the institution conferring the degree, with certified grade (weighted average) (MANDATORY only for foreign candidates).

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 until the 31st of December of the year of entry in order to complete their personal file.

Further information at: <https://www.uc.pt/en/academicos/percurso/PIAs>.

7. Tuition fee:

- 2,750€ (annual fee).

8. Part-time registration: Allowed.

9. Assessment committee:

- Isabel da Silva Henriques.

10. Other information:

- Application is subject to the payment of a 50EUR fee, which is non-refundable, even in case of invalidation of application and of 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>;

- 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

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submit the required documents until the new deadline provided, they can move their application into the following call without any additional charges. If they choose not to move their application within the mentioned deadline, their application will become “Not Admitted” in the final ranking list.

- After the last phase of applications, and if there are still places available, applicants may submit their application by means of a request 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/academicos>.

- Contacts: E-mail: <http://www.uc.pt/academicos/e-mail>; Telephone:(00351) 239 247 195; In person assistance: at one of the academic centres of the Academic Management Services of the University of Coimbra. Schedules for assistance may be consulted at: <https://www.uc.pt/en/academicos/contactos>.

University of Coimbra, on 29th May 2020.

The Vice-Rector,

Cristina Albuquerque

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