

NOTICE OF OPENING N.º 528

Faculty of Sciences and Technology Academic Year 2020/2021 2nd Cycle Course

2nd cycle Master in Computational Biology

1. Number of places: 3rd call: 20 places

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

3. Application deadlines:

3rd call: 17th August to 15th September 2020

4. Admission requirements:

1. Applicants to the cycle of studies leading to this Master's degree must be:

a) Holders of a bachelor's degree (180 ECTS) or legal equivalent in the fields of Biology, Biochemistry, Cellular and Molecular Biology, Chemistry, Medical Chemistry, Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Physics, Physical Engineering, Technological Physics, Applied Physics, Biomedical Engineering, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Computer Science, Informatics Engineering, Electrotechnical and Computational Engineering or in similar fields, with completed 1st cycle whose study plans include 12 ECTS in the scientific area of mathematics or 6 ECTS in statistics or biostatistics;

b) Holders of a foreign higher academic degree, in the areas referred to in a), conferred following a 1st cycle of studies organized according to the principles of the Bologna Process by a State

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compliant with this Process, with completed 1st cycle whose study plans include 12 ECTS in the scientific area of mathematics or 6 ECTS in statistics or biostatistics;

c) Holders of a higher academic degree in one of the areas mentioned under the previous points obtained abroad that is recognized as meeting the objectives of the degree of bachelor by the Scientific Committee of FCTUC;

d) In duly justified cases, holders of an academic, scientific or professional curriculum relevant for this cycle of studies and, as such, be recognized by the Scientific Committee of FCTUC, as follows, and applicants must obtain a curricular evaluation equal to or higher than 14 points. The application evaluator evaluates applicants CV, rating it on the scale of 0 to 20 in criteria i) to iv) and their respective weights:

i) School curriculum, considering the final classification of the course (s) taken (25%);

ii) relevance of the course (s) taken to the scientific area of the study cycle (25%);

iii) Scientific curriculum, considering participation in congresses, seminars, research projects, number and scientific quality of publications (monographs, book chapters, articles in periodicals), prizes and similar awards, as long as they are activities in the scientific area of this study cycle (25%);

iv) Professional curriculum, considering the duration and nature of the professional functions performed in the scientific area of this study cycle (25%).

2. The recognition referred to in sub-paragraphs b) to d) of paragraph 1 merely provides access to the study cycle leading to the degree of master and does not confer on its holder the equivalence to the degree of bachelor or the recognition of that degree.

5. Selection criteria:

- A. Quality of the academic and professional background (4/6 Weighting);

- B. Commitment to the new course (1/6 Weighting);
- C. Duration of studies at the University of Coimbra (1/6 Weighting).

6. Required documentation:

1. Motivation Letter; (MANDATORY);

2. 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);

3. Certificate of bachelor's degree with final classification obtained (diploma). (MANDATORY, except in degrees awarded by the University of Coimbra);

4. Curriculum Vitae; (MANDATORY);

5. Copy of identification document (MANDATORY for international applicants only);

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6. Official document, issued by the Institution awarding the bachelor's degree, indicating the weighted average (MANDATORY only for international applicants that present a diploma that does not specify weighted average).

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:

- National student or equivalent: 1,063,47 EUR (annual fee);

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

8. Part-time registration: Allowed.

9. Assessment committee:

- Irina de Sousa Moreira.

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.

- Registration and enrollment of International Students is only confirmed after a single payment corresponding to 30% of the total tuition fee (payment of 3 months of tuition), plus the application fee.

- 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, 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.

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- 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

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University of Coimbra, on 6th August 2020.

The Vice-Rector,

Cristina Albuquerque

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