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## **NOTICE OF OPENING N.º 240/GA/GAI**

**Faculty of Sciences and Technology**

**Academic Year 2022/2023**

**3rd Cycle Course**

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**PhD in Civil Engineering**

### **1. Number of places:**

1st call: 15 places

2nd call: 14 places

3rd call: 1+remaining places

Supplemental application call: remaining places

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

### **3. Application deadlines:**

1st call: 1st to 31st March 2022

2nd call: 1st June to 15th July 2022

3rd call: 1st to 13th September 2022

Supplemental application call: 17th to 28th October 2022

### **4. Admission requirements:**

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

a) Holders of the master's degree in Civil Engineering or any other appropriate, namely Environmental Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Naval Engineering, Building Rehabilitation, Acoustic and Energy Efficiency for a Sustainable Construction, Urban Mobility Management, Sustainable Management of the Urban Water Cycle, Soil Mechanics and Geotechnical Engineering, Urban Fire Safety, Steel and Composite Construction and Architecture, or legal equivalent;

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b) Holders of a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering or any other appropriate, such as Environmental Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Naval Engineering and Architecture, with at least 5 years of academic training in Higher Education, full time or equivalent degree obtained abroad;

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:**

1. Quality and adequacy of the academic course and professional experience, (10/10 Weighting);

a) School curriculum (55%):

a1) the grade will be the final grade obtained in the course, or the average of more than one;

b) Relevance of the course(s) (10%):

b1) totally irrelevant 0 points

b2) relevant 10 points

b3) totally relevant 20 points

c) Scientific curriculum (10%):

c1) 0 units 0 points

c2) from 1 to 4, 10 points

c3) more than 5, 20 points

d) Professional curriculum (25%).

d1) 1 year of professional experience, 0 points

d2) from 2 to 4, 10 points

d3) 5 years or more, 20 points

Regarding access under subparagraph c) of point 1 of the admission conditions, the application evaluator assesses the applicants curriculum, rating it on a scale from 0 to 20 in criteria i) to iv) and their respective weighting:

i) School curriculum, considering the final classification of previous courses (55%):

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- the grade will be the final grade obtained in the course, or the average of more than one.
- ii) relevance of the course(s) held for the scientific area of the study cycle (10%):
  - totally irrelevant 0 points
  - relevant 10 points
  - totally relevant 20 points
- iii) Scientific curriculum, considering the participation in congresses, seminars, research projects, the 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 the study cycle in question (10%):
  - 0 units 0 points
  - from 1 to 4, 10 points
  - more than 5, 20 points
- iv) Professional curriculum, considering the duration and nature of the professional functions performed in the scientific area of the study cycle in question (25%).
  - 1 year of professional experience, 0 points
  - from 2 to 4, 10 points
  - 5 years or more, 20 points

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;
- 2 - 2nd Letter of Recommendation;
- 3 - Certificate from Master's degree with final course classification obtained (Master degree diploma). If the certificate does not indicate the average of completion, a certificate proving approval in the curricular units carried out must be included, with respective classifications (school transcript); (MANDATORY, except if the origin course is a course taught at the University of Coimbra);
- 4 - Certificate of degree with final classification obtained (diploma). If the certificate does not indicate the average of completion, a certificate proving approval in the curricular units carried out must be included, with respective classifications (school transcript); (MANDATORY, except if the origin course is a course taught at the University of Coimbra);
- 5 - Curriculum vitae; (MANDATORY);
- 6 - Identity Document (Mandatory for international applicants);
- 7 - Motivation Letter; (MANDATORY);
- 8 - Official declaration of course outlines and hourly course loads with classification of each course

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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/Inscricoes/PIAs>.

**7. Tuition fee:**

- 2,750€ (annual fee).

**8. Part-time registration:** Allowed.

**9. Assessment committee:**

- Paulo Alexandre Lopes Figueiredo Coelho;
- Paulo Jorge Rodrigues Amado Mendes;
- Paulo Manuel Mendes Pinheiro da Providência e Costa.

**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, 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.
- 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.

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- 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/academicos>.
- Contacts: E-mail: <https://apps.uc.pt/forms/view/sga/en>; 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 18th February 2022.

The Vice-Rector,

Cristina Albuquerque

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