

NOTICE OF OPENING N.º 382/GA/GAI**Faculty of Economics
Academic Year 2023/2024
2nd Cycle Course****2nd cycle****Masters Degree in International Relations - Peace, Security and Development Studies****1. Number of places:**

Total number of places: 30

1st call: 15 places

Note:

- 3 out of these 15 places are reserved for applicants holding the Diploma of the National Defense Course of the National Defense Institute (IDN), under the protocol between UC (FEUC) and IDN.
- #15 places are exclusively reserved for students under the Coimbra-Bordeaux Protocol and are not made available in the call.

2. Minimum number of students for course opening: 8**3. Application deadlines:**

1st call: 1st March to 14th July 2023

4. Admission requirements:

1. Applicants to this 2nd cycle course must:

- a) Hold a bachelor's degree or equivalent;
- b) Hold a higher education degree awarded by a foreign institution after a 1st study cycle structured according to the principles of the Bologna Process by a State compliant with this process;
- c) Hold a higher education degree awarded by a foreign institution recognized by the Scientific Board of the Faculty as fulfilling the objectives of a bachelor's degree;
- d) Holders of a school, scientific or professional curriculum recognized as attesting the capacity to pursue this cycle of studies by the Scientific Committee of the Organizational Unit.

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

3 - Applicants must show proficiency in the Portuguese language.

Note: Regarding Assessment Regime, admission to the 2nd year of the course is dependent on obtaining an average of 14 points (out of 20) in the curricular units of the 1st year.

5. Selection criteria:

1. Professional background and academic qualifications (Weighting 10/20);

- a) academic qualifications;
- b) publications in scientific journals;
- c) publications in non-scientific journals;
- d) scientific research;
- e) professional experience;
- f) links between professional activity and the scientific area of International Relations;
- g) volunteering;
- h) extra-curricular activities.

2. Applicant's profile (Weighting 4/20);

- a) Motivation letter;
- b) Recommendation letter;
- c) Proof and justification of areas of interest;
- d) Future aims and academic objectives.

3. Research proposal (Weighting 6/20).

- a) Relevance;
- b) Structure and Coherence;
- c) Capacity for theoretical and empirical argumentation;
- d) Demonstration of knowledge;
- e) Feasibility of proposal.

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:

- Certificate from other post-graduate courses completed, if any, including time and program.;
- Certificate of Bachelor's degree with final course classification (diploma). A certificate proving

approval in the curricular units carried out must be included, with respective classifications (school transcript). (MANDATORY, except if the primary course is a course taught at the University of Coimbra);

- Certificate proving completion of National Defense Course from National Defense Institute -IDN, indicating final classification obtained (COMPULSORY for applications falling under UC-IDN protocol);
- Curriculum vitae (MANDATORY, except for applicants under the Coimbra-Bordeaux Agreement);
- Identification document (MANDATORY only for foreign applicants);
- Letter of recommendation 1 (MANDATORY, except for applicants under the Coimbra-Bordeaux Agreement);
- Letter of recommendation 2 (MANDATORY, except for applicants under the Coimbra-Bordeaux Agreement);
- Motivation Letter; (MANDATORY);
- 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);
- Official document certifying qualifications, issued by the institution awarding the degree, indicating the weighted average and the grading scale. (MANDATORY only for holders of a degree obtained abroad that does not contain the average);
- Substantiated proposal for thesis theme (with a maximum of two pages).

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:

- 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:

- Daniela Rute Dos Santos Nascimento;
- Sofia José Figueira Santos.

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.
- 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 the Student Hub of the University of Coimbra. Schedules for assistance may be consulted at: <https://www.uc.pt/en/academicos/contactos/presencial>.

University of Coimbra, on 28th February 2023.

The Vice-Rector,

Cristina Albuquerque