

NOTICE OF OPENING N.º 112/SGA/DOFAE**Faculty of Arts and Humanities****Academic Year 2026/2027****2nd Cycle Course****2nd cycle****Master's degree in Journalism and Communication****1. Number of places:**

1st call: 4 places

2nd call: 18 places

3rd call: 3 places + remaining places

2. Minimum number of students for course opening: 6**3. Application deadlines:**

1st call: 2nd to 31st March 2026

2nd call: 1st June to 15th July 2026

3rd call: 1st to 11th September 2026

4. Admission requirements:

1 – Applicants to this cycle of studies leading to a Master's Degree may be:

- a) Holders of the Bachelor's Degree in Journalism or Communication Sciences, or a legal equivalent degree;
- b) Holders of a Bachelor's Degree, or a legal equivalent degree, in specialities deemed to be appropriate to the attendance of the Master's Degree in Journalism and Communication;
- c) Holders of a foreign higher education degree in the fields referred to in subparagraph (a), which is recognised as meeting the objectives of the Bachelor's Degree and is considered appropriate to attend the Master's degree to which they are applying;
- d) Holders of an academic, scientific or professional curriculum which is recognised by the Scientific Council of the Faculty of Arts and Humanities as attesting the ability to attend this cycle

of studies, and the applicants must obtain a curriculum assessment equal or above 9.5 points.

2 - The recognition referred to in subparagraphs (b) to (d) of number 1 has only the effect of enabling access to the cycle of studies leading to a Master's Degree and it does not give the holder an equivalence to the Bachelor's degree or the recognition of that degree.

5. Selection criteria:

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a) Classification of the bachelor's degree. This is considered the classification of the academic degree of the applicant, [4/10 Weighting];

b) Curriculum vitae, [3/10 Weighting];

b1) Fields of academic training (maximum of 8 points)

b1.a) 8 points for courses within the field of Communication Sciences and Journalism

b1.b) 6 points for other courses within the field of Social Sciences and Humanities

b1.c) 4 points for courses within other fields

b2) University academic and/or professional awards (maximum of 2 points):

b2.a) 1 award: 0.5 points

b2.b) 2 awards: 1 point

b2.c) 3 or more awards: 2 points

b3) Scientific Curriculum

The scientific output of the applicants in the scientific field of the cycle of studies under consideration is assessed, up to a maximum of 6 points, on a registration cumulative basis.

b3.a) Participation in congresses, seminars and other training activities (without presentation): 1 point

b3.b) Participation in congresses and seminars with presentation: 2 points

b3.c) Publication of scientific articles or book chapters: 3 points

b3.d) Publication of a book in the relevant scientific field: 4 points

b4) Professional Curriculum (maximum of 4 points, on a registration cumulative basis)

b4.a) Curricular or extracurricular internship experience: 1 point

b4.b) Civic and/or sports-related activities: 1 point

b4.c) Professional experience* of up to three years: 3 points

b4.d) More than three years of professional experience*: 4 points

* If the professional experience is not in the specialised field, 2 points will be deducted from the reference assessment.

c) Candidate's motivation, [1/10 Weighting];

c.a) Wording of the Motivation letter: up to 10 points, including 5 points concerning the coordination of the objectives of the course with the applicant's motivations

c.b) Knowledge of the course: up to 5 points

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c.c) Interest in and enthusiasm for the field: up to 5 points

d) Interview (mandatory), [2/10 Weighting].

Jury: Maria Clara Moreira de Almeida Santos (chairperson), João Manuel Santos de Miranda and Inês Oliveira Castilho Albuquerque Amaral (Examination Board members).

Interview dates:

1st phase: 13th April, 2025.

2nd phase: 28th July 2025.

3rd phase: 21th September 2025.

2nd Cycle - Application based on Subparagraph d)

i) Academic curriculum, considering the final classification of the degree(s) held, [20/100 Weighting];

ii) Relevance of the degree(s) held for the scientific area of the study cycle, [15/100 Weighting];

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, provided these activities are in the scientific area of the study cycle in question, [15/100 Weighting];

iv) Professional curriculum, considering the duration and nature of the professional activities performed in the scientific area of the study cycle in question, [20/100 Weighting];

v) Assessment/evaluation of the applicant in the interview., [30/100 Weighting].

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 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);
- Curriculum Vitae; (MANDATORY);
- Identification document (MANDATORY only for foreign applicants);
- 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).

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/academic-services/submit-docs/>.

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:

- Maria Clara Moreira de Almeida 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/academic-services/>
- Contacts: E-mail: <https://apps.uc.pt/forms/view/sga/en>

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University of Coimbra, on 27th January 2026.

Head of Division,