

CALL FOR PhD APPLICATIONS

The present Call for the academic year 2020/2021 establishes the deadlines for applications to the 3rd Cycle, including the admission and access for International Students through the *Regulamento de Ingresso e Acesso para Estudantes Internacionais* of the University of Lisbon, as well as the specific conditions regarding instructions of the application process and the enrollment in this cycle of studies.

PART I – PhD IN PHARMACY

Introduction

The PhD degree follows the standard structure of 4 years (8 semesters), starting with a curricular component in the first and second semester, in parallel with research work. The following semesters are dedicated to research work leading to the preparation of the thesis.

Objectives

The overall aim of the PhD in Pharmacy at FFULisboa is to reflect research and innovation activities into tangible direct benefits to the society, based on advanced qualification in the area of medicines and interactions with health, health promotion and disease prevention.

Specialties

The PhD in Pharmacy confers the Doctor degree in the following specialties:

- Biopharmaceutics and Pharmacokinetics;
- Cellular and Molecular Biology;
- Biochemistry;
- Pharmaceutical Biotechnology;
- Food Science;
- Pharmacoepidemiology;
- Pharmacognosy and Ethnopharmacology;
- Pharmacology and Pharmacotherapy;
- Microbiology;
- Pharmaceutical and Therapeutic Chemistry;
- Social Pharmacy;
- Pharmaceutical Technology;
- Toxicology.

Coordinator:

Professor Cecília M. P. Rodrigues

PART II – NUMBER OF VACANCIES

1. National Students: 20.
2. Internacional Students: 5.

PART III - DEADLINES

1st phase application (for national and international students)

Applications – July 6 to October 9, 2020

Delivery of relevant documents to Academic Services - October 12-15, 2020

Publication of results – November 4, 2020

Appeal – up to 10 days after publication of results

Enrollment – up to 15 days after acceptance of application by the Scientific Council

2nd phase application (for national and international students)

2nd phase will only be available if surplus vacancies remain from 1st phase.

Applications – November 2, 2020 to January 8, 2021

Delivery of relevant documents to Academic Services - January 11-15, 2021

Publication of the results – February 3, 2021

Appeal – up to 10 days after publication of results

Enrollment – up to 15 days after acceptance of application by the Scientific Council

Application of students with scholarships from the Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT)

PhD candidates awarded with FCT scholarship should contact the Academic Services of FFULisboa.

PART III – ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND APPLICATION

1. Admission Requirements

Candidates applying to the cycle of studies leading to the PhD degree in Pharmacy shall be:

- a) Holders of a Master degree or legal equivalent in related fields to Pharmaceutical Sciences;
- b) Holders of Bachelor degree or legal equivalent, possessing a relevant academic or scientific curriculum that is recognized by the legal and statutorily competent body of the university where they wish to be admitted as attesting abilities to carry out this cycle of studies;
- c) Exceptionally, holders of an academic, scientific or professional curriculum recognized by the Scientific Council as attesting abilities to carry out this cycle of studies.

The recognition referred in b) and c) will be based on recommendations issued by two professors or PhD researchers, considered experts in the scientific field of study applicable and appointed by the Coordinator of the corresponding cycle of studies.

2. Application

Applications are submitted through the FenixEdu platform and must include the following documents:

- a) Application (written request) addressed to the President of the Scientific Council*;
- b) Updated Curriculum Vitae, dated and signed;
- c) PhD Work Plan*;
- d) PhD Course Plan*;
- e) Copy of certified transcripts showing all academic degrees awarded, with final grade (in English or Portuguese).

In case of foreign academic degrees, applicants must submit a degree certificate legally recognized by the Portuguese Consulate of the country of origin or by the Hague Apostille. And, whenever it is not issued in Portuguese, English, French or Spanish, it must be translated into one of these languages.

- f) Acceptance letter from supervisor(s);
- g) Copy of ID document (CC, passport, etc.) for personal data validation;
- h) International Student Declaration, in case of international students;

A non-refundable application fee is due in the amount of 75€.

After the submission of the application on the FenixEdu platform, the documents should be delivered in original format to the Academic Office, during the period indicated in the deadlines.

2.1. Are considered international students, according to the [International Student Statute \(ISS\)](#):

- Applicants who have not Portuguese nationality;
- Applicants who are not nationals of the European Union Member-States;
- Non-European Union nationals residing legally in Portugal for less than two years, uninterruptedly, on 1 January of the year in which they make the application;
- Applicants who are not family members of Portuguese or nationals of the European Union Member-States;
- Applicants who do not benefit of the status of equal rights and duties granted under an international treaty signed between the Portuguese State and the State of which they are nationals.

3. Submission of the Application

- 3.1. The application only becomes valid after the correct presentation of all necessary elements and documents and the payment of the application fee, until the end of the established deadline.
- 3.2. The non-submission of the required documents or the incorrect presentation (e.g., illegible documents, not legalized foreign documents, etc.) will invalidate the application. The candidate will be informed of this fact by the Fenix platform or by e-mail.
- 3.3. If the required corrections are not made, the application will be rejected.
- 3.4. The online application will become valid only after payment of the application fee. If the payment is not made until the indicated deadline, the application will be cancelled.
- 3.5. Errors or omissions in filling out the electronic application form, or in carrying out the application process, are the sole responsibility of the candidate.

4. Selection and Ranking Criteria

- 4.1. The application will be appreciated by the PhD Coordinator and the Scientific Council through the assessment of the elements described in number 2.
- 4.2. The candidates are selected by verifying the adequacy of the scientific, academic and professional curriculum to the field and general objectives of the research to be carried out, as well as the adequacy of academic training to the 3rd Cycle.
- 4.3. An interview may also be required as an additional criterion.

PART IV – REGISTRATION AND ENROLLMENT

1. Once the application is accepted by the Scientific Council, the student should proceed with the enrollment in the PhD Course, during the established deadline.
2. The annual fee for national and international students for the academic year 2020/2021 is 2,750.00€, fixed by the General Council of ULisboa.
3. The deadlines and the payment installments are indicated at the beginning of the academic year.
4. The registration fee is 75€ and the school insurance is 1,43€. These amounts are due in case of effective enrollment, in the academic year 2020/2021.
5. For further information, please consult the [Faculty website](#).
6. PhD students, who have not been successful in getting the FCT scholarship but wish to remain enrolled in the PhD Course, should pay the tuition fee corresponding to enrollment.

Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Lisbon, 6 May, 2020

The Dean

Matilde Fonseca e Castro, PhD

Full Professor