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## Call for Applicants

The Scientific Council of the Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Lisbon, under the proposal of the Scientific Committee of the PhD Programme in Pharmacy, publishes the 2023/2024 Call for Applications:

### PhD Programme in Pharmacy 2023/2024

The PhD Program in Pharmacy lasts 8 semesters and begins with a curricular component in the first and second semester, which runs in parallel with work and research. The remaining semesters correspond to research work leading to the preparation of an original doctoral thesis.

#### Field of expertise:

The Doctor of Pharmacy degree confers the doctoral degree in the following specialties:

- Biopharmacy 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.

**Course Coordinator:** Professor Maria Alexandra de Oliveira Silva Braga Pedreira de Brito.

#### 1. Number of vacancies

National and European Union Member-States students: 20

International students: 5

## 2. Teaching Language

The activities will take place mostly in Portuguese, although there may be modules or sessions lectured exclusively in English. The evaluation elements may be submitted either in Portuguese, English or another language agreed with the supervisor. The contents and materials are mostly in English.

## 3. Admission Requirements

The candidates should be:

- a) Holders of a master's degree or legal equivalent in areas related to Pharmaceutical Sciences.
- b) Holders of a bachelor's degree or legal equivalent, with a particularly relevant academic or scientific curriculum that is recognized as attesting the capacity to carry out this cycle of studies by the Scientific Council.
- c) Exceptionally, the holders of an academic, scientific, or professional curriculum that is recognized as attesting the capacity to carry out this Cycle of Studies by the Scientific Council.

The recognition referred to in paragraphs b) and c) will be based on opinions issued by two PhD professors or researchers, considered experts in the scientific field of study and appointed by the coordinator of the corresponding study cycle.

## 4. Application

**4.1** The application is exclusively online submitted through the application platform of the Faculty of Pharmacy, available at [www.ff.ulisboa.pt](http://www.ff.ulisboa.pt). A careful reading of the [Application Handbook](#) is advised.

**4.2** Applications are only considered when supported by the following documents:

- a) [Application](#) to the President of the Scientific Council.
- b) Updated curriculum vitae, including supporting documents of the publications/activities referenced in the CV.
- c) [Work Plan](#) - Presentation of a research proposal, indicating the object of study, the methodology and the objectives of the research, duly framed by bibliography of reference in the area of study to which you are applying, with the Declaration of acceptance of the supervisor and co-supervisor (s), if applicable.
- d) [Doctoral Course Plan](#).
- e) Certificate proving that the candidate holds a bachelor's or master's degree, with indication of the final grade.

- f) Copy of the identification Card, Citizen Card, or Passport, for personal data validation, and 1 Photo.
- g) [International Student Declaration](#), in case of international students.

**4.3** For the purposes of the provisions of this document, International Student is the student who does not have Portuguese nationality (artigo 3º do Decreto-Lei n.º 62/2018, de 6 de agosto). The following are not covered by the provisions of the previous number:

- a) The nationals of a member state of the European Union.
- b) Family members of Portuguese nationals or of nationals of a Member State of the European Union, regardless of their nationality<sup>1</sup>;
- c) Those who, not being nationals of a member State of the European Union and not covered by the previous item, have been residing legally in Portugal for more than two years, continuously, on January 1st of the year in which they wish to enter higher education, as well as their children who are residing legally with them.
- d) Those who, on January 1st of the year they wish to enter higher education, are beneficiaries of an equal rights and duties status granted under an international treaty signed between the Portuguese State and the State of which they are nationals.

All documents must be attached, in PDF format, on the application platform. If any of the required documents is divided into multiple files, they should be compiled in a single ZIP file.

## 5. Selection and Ranking Criteria

**5.1** Applicants will be selected by the Selection Board of the Study Cycle, considering the following parameters:

- a) Academic degree classification and adequateness to the programme;
- b) Curricular evaluation.

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<sup>1</sup> Family members of Portuguese nationals or of nationals of a member state of the European Union, regardless of their nationality:

- I. The spouse of a citizen of the European Union;
- II. The partner with whom a European Union citizen lives in a de facto union, formed under the terms of the law, or with whom the citizen maintains a permanent relationship duly certified by the competent entity of the member state where he/she resides;
- III. The direct descendants who are under the age of 21 or are dependents of a European Union citizen, as well as the spouse or partner as defined in the previous sub-paragraph;
- IV. The direct ascendant dependent of a Union citizen and of the spouse or partner as defined in point (II).

c) If necessary, an interview can be scheduled with members of the Scientific Committee of the course.

**5.2** If the number of applicants is lower than the vacancies, all applicants who gather the access conditions defined in the no. 3 will be placed in alphabetical order.

## **6. Deadlines**

### **1st Call**

Application period – April 1 to April 30, 2023

Publication of results – May 12, 2023

Registration and enrollment - May 29-30, 2023

### **2nd Call**

Application period - July 1 to August 31, 2023

Publication of results - September 08, 2023

Registration and enrollment - September 13-14, 2023

### **3rd Call**

Application period - November 1, 2023, to January 31, 2024

Publication of results - February 09, 2024

Registration and enrollment - February 14-15, 2024

Appeal period - up to 10 days after publication of results

Start of PhD course - September 2023

## **7. Application and Tuition Fees**

**7.1** The application fee is 75€, non-refundable, even if the candidate is excluded or not selected.

**7.2** The annual tuition fees for the school year 2023/2024 charged to the national students are:

a) 2750.00 € (two thousand seven hundred and fifty euros).

**7.3** The annual tuition fees for the school year 2023/2024 charged to the international students are:

a) 2750.00 € (two thousand seven hundred and fifty euros).

**7.4** For the 2023/2024 academic year, the tuition fee will be set by the General Council of the University of Lisbon.

**7.5** Deadlines and instalments will be specified at the beginning of the academic year.

**7.6** For further information, please consult the [Pharmacy Faculty website](#).

**8. Application for a grant from the Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT):**

The call for doctoral research fellowships from the Foundation for Science and Technology is held annually. It is up to the candidates to apply to this institution together with their supervisors. After acceptance and respective enrollment in the PhD Program in Pharmacy at ULisboa, the Academic Services will issue any document necessary for the award of the grants.

**9. Final Provisions**

**9.1** In accordance with the legal provisions in force, admitted applicants may apply for the equivalence of their previous academic qualifications.

**9.2** Should the PhD course fail to reach the minimum number of students required to run, the application fee will be refunded to the applicant.

Lisbon, April 1, 2023

Dean,

(Professor Maria Beatriz da Silva Lima)