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## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

### International Students

In accordance with the Regulation for Access and Admission for International Students of *Universidade de Lisboa*, approved by Order no. 10579/2019, of 18<sup>th</sup> November, published in the Government Official Journal (*Diário da República*), 2<sup>nd</sup> series, the Scientific Council of the Faculty of Pharmacy of *Universidade de Lisboa*, at the proposal of the Coordination of the Integrated Master's Degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences, publishes the Call for application and selection process for the Special Access and Admission Call for International Students for the academic year 2024/2025.

### **Integrated Master's Degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences Academic Year 2024/2025**

The Integrated Master's programme in Pharmaceutical Sciences (MICF) lasts 5 academic years, 10 semesters in total.

The programme complies with European Directive 2013/55/CE (Pharmacist as a Health Agent), enabling the Master to perform all the activities listed in the Pharmacy Act related to:

- Medicinal products for human, veterinary and medical use, including design, development, manufacture, quality control, registration, selection, acquisition, storage, dispensing, information, use, monitoring and surveillance and pharmaceutical care;
- Harvesting of biological products, conducting and interpreting clinical analyses;
- Toxicological, hydrological and bromatological analysis;
- Community-directed education in the field of Health Promotion.

#### **Coordination:**

Professora Doutora Helena Margarida de Oliveira Marques Ribeiro

#### **1. Vacancies**

10 places have been established for international students<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> Vacancies are automatically transfer among the calls.

## 2. Language

Classes are taught in Portuguese.

## 3. Definition of International Student

An International Student is a student who doesn't hold Portuguese nationality (article no. 3 of Decree-Law no. 62/2018, of 6<sup>th</sup> August, which amended and republished Decree-Law no. 36/2014).

This statute does not apply:

- a) Nationals from a Member State of the European Union;
- b) Family members of Portuguese or nationals of a Member State of the European Union, regardless of their nationality<sup>2</sup>;
- c) Those who are legally living in Portugal for more than two years, uninterruptedly, on the 1st of January of the year in which they intend to enrol in higher education, as well as their children who are legally living with them;
- d) Those who are beneficiaries, on the 1st of January of the year in which they intend to enrol in higher education, of equal rights and duties status granted under an international treaty between the Portuguese State and the State of which they are a national;
- e) Those who apply to enrol in higher education through the special access and admission regimes, regulated by Decree-Law no. 64 -A/2023, of 31st of July.

## 4. Access conditions

Applications to enrol in the Integrated Master's Degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences at the Faculty of Pharmacy of ULisboa (FFUL) are open to:

- a) Holders of a qualification that, in the country in which it was obtained, confers the right to apply and enrol in higher education in that country. This qualification should be validated by the competent authority in the country where it was obtained.
- b) Holders of a Portuguese secondary school diploma or legally equivalent qualification.

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<sup>2</sup> Family members of Portuguese nationals or nationals of a Member State of the European Union, regardless of their nationality, are understood to be:

- i. The spouse of a citizen of the European Union;
- ii. The partner with whom a citizen of the European Union lives in a *de facto* union, constituted in accordance with the law, or with whom the citizen has a permanent relationship duly certified by the competent authority of the member state in which he or she lives;
- iii. A direct descendant under the age of 21 or who is a dependant of a citizen of the European Union, as well as that of the spouse or partner within the meaning of the previous sub-paragraph;
- iv. A direct ascendant who is dependent on a citizen of the European Union, as well as on the spouse or partner within the meaning of point ii).

c) Students who are or have been enrolled in a foreign higher education institution in a programme defined as higher education by the legislation of the country in question, but who don't yet hold a higher education diploma.

## 5. Application requirements

Applicants should have an academic qualification/grade in the areas of knowledge required for the study cycle they are applying to.

This requirement is demonstrated as follows:

- a) If the candidate holds a Portuguese secondary education diploma, the entrance exams required by FFUL (Physics and Chemistry; Biology and Geology) should be presented. The exams used in the application must have been taken this calendar year or in the 3 calendar years preceding the application.
- b) If the candidate comes from a foreign education system, in which the provisions of Article no. 20<sup>o</sup>-A of Decree-Law no. 296-A/98 of 25<sup>th</sup> of September are applicable, this demonstration is based on the homology with the exams defined in the previous paragraph.
- c) When the above conditions aren't applicable, the candidate should present documentation proving approval in the curricular components that integrate the knowledge covered by the exams defined in paragraph a).
- d) If the candidate holds a qualification that, in the country in which it was obtained, gives the right to apply to and enrol higher education in that country and for which the provisions of the previous points don't apply, the candidate should have approval, in the educational training, in the curricular components that integrate the knowledge covered by the entrance exams (Physics and Chemistry; Biology and Geology)
- e) If the candidate holds a secondary school diploma from Brazil (*Diploma do ensino médio*), the demonstration is based on approval in the *Exame Nacional de Ensino Médio* (ENEM), carried out in the calendar year or in the three calendar years prior to the application, in the area of Natural Sciences and Technologies, which covers the contents of Chemistry, Physics and Biology, as long as the candidate has obtained a classification/grade of no less than 500 points.
- f) The candidate must also have a level of knowledge of the Portuguese language (if not a Portuguese native speaker).

The verification of the knowledge of the Portuguese language is carried out as follows:

- a) Attendance of the integrated master's degree requires an independent proficiency level of the Portuguese language (level B2, in accordance with the [Common European Framework of Reference for Languages](#)).
- b) Applicants who only have an intermediate proficiency level of Portuguese language (level B1, according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) can apply for this special access and admission call if the candidate commits to attend an annual course of Portuguese language and culture.
- c) Applicants who have attended secondary education in Portuguese will not have to present any document proving knowledge of that language.
- d) Applicants who haven't attended secondary education in Portuguese should:
  - i. Present a DEPLE certificate (*Diploma Elementar de Português Língua Estrangeira*); or
  - ii. Present a B1 level certificate issued by a School of ULisboa; or
  - iii. Take a Portuguese language and culture exam promoted by ULisboa, subject to the ULisboa fee and price table, and this exam will take place on a calendar published annually.
- e) Applicants who didn't attend secondary education in Portuguese and who don't provide proof of having a DIPLE (*Diploma Intermediário de Português Língua Estrangeira*, level B2) or a B2 certificate issued by a ULisboa School, undertake to attend an annual Portuguese language and culture course. Attendance of this course can be simultaneous to the attendance in the 1<sup>st</sup> year of the study cycle in which the student enrolled. At the end of the year, the student should demonstrate that they have reached level B2. Until level B2 isn't reached, the student is obliged to re-enrol in the Portuguese language and culture course until they reach the level of proficiency of the Portuguese language.

## 6. Application process

The application is submitted exclusively through the application system of the Faculty of Pharmacy of ULisboa: [www.ff.ulisboa.pt](http://www.ff.ulisboa.pt).

Application is subject to payment of the respective fee and the candidate should submit the following documents:

### **Applicants from a Foreign Secondary Education Institution<sup>3</sup>:**

- a) Passport size photograph;
- b) Identification Card from the Origin Country or Passport;
- c) [Sworn statement that the candidate doesn't hold Portuguese nationality](#) (the document is in Portuguese);
- d) Document proving completion of Portuguese secondary education or legally equivalent, or, if the qualification doesn't correspond to Portuguese secondary education, document proving that the qualification provides access to higher education. The document must be validated by the country's competent entity and must indicate the classification/grade scale;
- e) Document proving approval in the entrance exams defined for the programme the candidate is applying to (Physics and Chemistry; Biology and Geology) or document that allows the candidate to prove that, during the academic training, passed the final exams/curricular components that integrate the knowledge covered by the entry exams mentioned above. The entrance exams must have been carried out in the calendar year or in the 3 calendar years prior to the application;
- f) Declaration of Portuguese language proficiency level.

### **Applicants from a Foreign Higher Education Institution<sup>4</sup>:**

- a) Passport size photograph;
- b) Identification Card from the Origin Country or Passport;
- c) [Sworn statement that the candidate doesn't hold Portuguese nationality](#) (the document is in Portuguese);
- d) Secondary education diploma legally equivalent to the Portuguese, detailing the subjects/courses taken, as well as the national final exams in the terminal subjects from the secondary education considered homologous to the entrance exams required for the programme the candidate is applying to (Physics and Chemistry; Biology and Geology).
- e) Certificate of enrolment in a foreign higher education institution, stating that the course is recognised as higher education by the legislation of the country;

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<sup>3</sup> Documents referred to in paragraphs c), d), e) and g) are issued by the competent entity of the country where the qualifications were obtained and when issued by institutions in non-EU countries, they must be legalized by a Portuguese consular agent or by the [Hague Apostille](#). These legalizations are carried out in the country of origin of the documents. Whenever they aren't issued in Portuguese, English, French or Spanish, they must be translated into one of these languages.

<sup>4</sup> The marked documents must be endorsed by the Portuguese consular service or presented with the [Hague Apostille](#) and issued by the legally competent authority of the State where the document originates (Official Education Services). Whenever documents aren't issued in Portuguese or English, they must be translated into one of these languages.

- f) Certificate of the curricular units completed in the programme and institution of origin, with the corresponding credits (ECTS) and the grades obtained, explaining the grading scale used in the country of origin and indicating the provisional average to the nearest tenth;

Applications that aren't duly instructed with the documents required will not be accepted.

## **7. Ranking criteria**

Applicants are ranked in descending order of their final secondary school grades. The grades are expressed on a scale of 0 to 200. The average grade should be greater than or equal to 100 as a condition to be ranked and the application to proceed for evaluation.

## **8. Application deadlines**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Call**

Application period: from 2<sup>nd</sup> of January to 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Results: until 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Remaining vacancies will be advertised: until 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Call**

Application period: from 3<sup>rd</sup> April to 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Results: until 21<sup>st</sup> June 2024

Remaining vacancies will be advertised: until 15<sup>th</sup> July 2024

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Call**

Application period: from 1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2024

Results: until 16<sup>th</sup> August 2024

Deadline for complaints – up to 10 working days after the results are published.

Beginning of classes – September 2024.

## **9. Results**

Results are published on the Faculty of Pharmacy's webpage.

## **10. Complaints**

Interested parties may submit a duly substantiated complaint regarding the final decision on the placement of Applicants admitted within 10 working days from the date of publication of the results. The Scientific Council is responsible for giving the decision on the appeals presented, within 15 working days after receiving the complaints. There is no appeal against the final decision of the Scientific Council.

## **11. Application fee**

A fee of 60€ is due for the application, with no refund if the candidate withdraws, is excluded or isn't selected.

## **12. Tuition fees and taxes**

The annual tuition fee is 7000€. Payment deadlines and instalments will be indicated at the beginning of the academic year.

At the time of enrolment, 30% of the total tuition fee must be paid, plus the registration fee, in the amount of 25€ and school insurance.

## **13. Other requirements**

Upon enrolment, the student must present the [Prerequisite B](#), a medical statement for enrolment in Portuguese higher education.

## **14. Enrolment**

Enrolment is carried out under the [Academic Deadlines of the Faculty of Pharmacy of ULisboa](#).

## **15. Obtaining EU nationality**

Students who are admitted to higher education under this Special Access and Admission Call for International Students maintain the status of international student until the end of the study cycle in which they initially enrolled or to which they transition, even if, during the programme, they will be granted with the status of equal rights and duties under an international treaty between the Portuguese State and the State of that are national.

International students who acquire the nationality of a European Union Member State are considered national or European Union students, in accordance with article no. 3 of Decree-Law no. 62/2018, of 6<sup>th</sup> August, which amended and republished Decree-Law no. 36/2014, in the academic year following the date of acquisition of nationality.

## **16. Application rejection**

Applications that, despite meeting the necessary general conditions, are in one of the following situations are rejected:

- a) Have been submitted after the deadline;
- b) Aren't accompanied by the necessary documentation to complete the process;
- c) Don't meet the admission criteria;
- d) Applicants who make false statements are automatically excluded from the application process.

## **17. Doubts and omissions**

Doubts and omissions of this Call will be decided by the Scientific Council of the Faculty of Pharmacy of *Universidade de Lisboa*

Faculty of Pharmacy of *Universidade de Lisboa*.

The Dean,

(Professora Doutora Maria Beatriz da Silva Lima)