

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Special Access and Admission Call for 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 18th November, published in the Government Official Journal (*Diário da República*), 2nd series, the Scientific Council of the Faculty of Pharmacy of *Universidade de Lisboa* (FFUL), at the proposal of the Coordination of the Integrated Master's Degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences (MICF), publishes the Call for admission for the academic year 2025/2026 under the Special Access and Admission Call for International Students to the Integrated Master's Degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences of the Faculty of Pharmacy of *Universidade de Lisboa*.

Integrated Master's Degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences 2025/2026 Academic Year

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

The Integrated Master's in Pharmaceutical Sciences of the Faculty of Pharmacy of *Universidade de Lisboa* 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 analyses;
- Community-directed education in the field of Health Promotion.

Coordination:

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1. Scope

- 1.1. International students who are not Portuguese nationals or citizens of a European Union country and who meet the admission requirements (Decree-Law no. 62/2018, of 6th August, which amended and republished Decree-Law no. 36/2014) may apply to this call.
- **1.2.** This call for applications is open to students who, cumulatively:
 - a) Are not Portuguese nationals, with the exception of:
 - i. Nationals of a member state of the European Union;
 - ii. Family members of Portuguese nationals or nationals of a member state of the European Union, regardless of their nationality¹;
 - iii. 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;
 - iv. 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;
 - v. 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.

b) Holders of:

- i. A qualification that gives access to higher education, understood as any diploma or certificate issued by a competent authority attesting to the successful completion of an educational programme and entitling them to apply for and enter higher education in the country in which it was awarded; or
- ii. Portuguese secondary school diploma or legally equivalent qualification.

¹ 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).

2. Vacancies

For the present call, 10 places have been established for admission to the Integrated Master's Degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences².

3. Language

Classes are taught in Portuguese and level B2 according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages is recommended.

4. Deadlines

1st Call

Application period: from 2nd of January to 7th February 2025

Publication of results: until 7th March 2025

Possible placement of substitutes: until 28th March 2025 Remaining vacancies will be advertised: until 1st April 2025

2nd Call

Application period: from 3rd April to 23rd May 2025

Publication of results: until 20th June 2025

Possible placement of substitutes: until 11th July 2025

Remaining vacancies will be advertised: until 14th July 2025

3rd Call

Application period: from 1st to 31st July 2025 Publication of results: until 18th August 2025

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

Beginning of classes - September 2025.

5. Admission conditions

5.1. Applications are open to International Students:

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

² Vacancies are automatically transferred among the calls.

- 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;
- c) 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 do not yet hold a higher education diploma.

6. Admission requirements

- **6.1.** Candidates should have an academic qualification/grade in the areas of knowledge required for the study cycle they are applying to.
- **6.2.** 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 the present 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-A of Decree-Law no. 296-A/98 of 25th of September are applicable, this demonstration is based on the homology with the exams defined in the previous paragraph;
 - c) When the above conditions are not applicable, the candidate should present documentation proving approval in the curricular components that integrate the knowledge covered by the exams defined in point 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 do not apply, the candidate should have approval, in their educational training, in the curricular components that integrate the knowledge covered by the entrance exams (Physics and Chemistry; Biology and Geology).

7. Candidates with Brazilian educational background

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.

8. Portuguese language proficiency

- **8.1.** Attendance of the integrated master's degree requires an independent proficiency level of the Portuguese language (level B2, in accordance with the <u>Common European Framework of Reference for Languages</u>).
- **8.2.** Candidates 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 they commit to attend an annual course of Portuguese language and culture.
- **8.3.** Candidates who have attended secondary education in Portuguese will not have to present any document proving knowledge of the language.
- **8.4.** Candidates who have not attended secondary education in Portuguese should:
 - a) Present a DEPLE (Diploma Elementar de Português Língua Estrangeira); or
 - b) Present a B1 level certificate issued by a ULisboa School; or
 - c) Take a Portuguese language and culture exam promoted by ULisboa, subject to the ULisboa fee and price table, which will take place on a calendar published annually.
- **8.5.** Candidates who did not attend secondary education in Portuguese and who do not provide proof of having a DIPLE (*Diploma Intermédio de Português Língua Estrangeira*, level B2) or a B2 certificate issued by a ULisboa School, commit to attend an annual Portuguese language and culture course. Attendance of this course can be simultaneous to the attendance of the 1st year of the study cycle in which the student is enrolled. At the end of the year, the student should demonstrate that they have reached level B2. Until level B2 is reached, the student is obliged to reenrol in the Portuguese language and culture course until they reach that level of proficiency of the Portuguese language.

9. Application process

- **9.1.** The application is submitted exclusively through the application system of the Faculty of Pharmacy of *Universidade de Lisboa*, available at www.ff.ulisboa.pt.
- **9.2.** The application is subject to a payment of the respective fee and the candidate must submit the following documents:

I. Candidates from a Secondary Education Institution³:

- a) Passport-size photograph in colour;
- b) Copy of the Identification Card from the country of origin or Passport;
- c) <u>Sworn statement that the candidate does not hold Portuguese nationality</u> (the document is in Portuguese);
- d) Document proving completion of Portuguese secondary education or legally equivalent, or, in case the qualification does not 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.

II.Candidates from a Higher Education Institution4:

- a) Passport-size photograph in colour;
- b) Identification Card from the Origin Country or Passport;
- Sworn statement that the candidate does not hold Portuguese nationality
 (the document is in Portuguese);
- d) Secondary education diploma legally equivalent to the Portuguese one, 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 higher education establishment. If you have attended a foreign higher education establishment, the certificate must state

³ Documents referred to in d) and e) 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 <u>Hague Apostille</u>, These legalizations are carried out in the country of origin of the documents. Whenever they are not issued in Portuguese, English, French or Spanish, they must be translated into one of these languages.
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- that the course is recognised as higher by the legislation of the country in question;
- 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.

10. Selection and sorting criteria

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

11. Application and tuition fee

- **11.1.** The application fee is € 60,00 (sixty euros), as set out in the Table of Fees of the Faculty of Pharmacy of *Universidade de Lisboa* and will not be refunded if the candidate is excluded or not selected.
- **11.2.** The annual tuition fee is € 7000,00. Payment deadlines and instalments will be indicated at the beginning of the academic year.
- **11.3.** At the time of enrolment, 30% of the total tuition fee must be paid, plus the registration fee, in the amount of € 25, and the school insurance fee, subject to annual changes.

12. Publication of results

The results are published on the Faculty of Pharmacy of *Universidade de Lisboa* Portal.

13. Complaints

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

14. Enrolment and registration

- **14.1.** Information about the day and time in which the admitted candidates must enrol will be available on the Faculty of Pharmacy of *Universidade de Lisboa* Portal.
- **14.2.** The right to enrolment and registration expires if the candidate fails to do so, in which case the next candidate on the ranking list will be asked to fill the vacancy.
- **14.3.** Candidates who do not prove, at the time of enrolment, that they have all the documents required for the application, namely qualifications and prerequisites, will not be able to enrol and register.

15. Prerequisites

Upon enrolment, the student must present the <u>Prerequisite B</u>, a medical statement for enrolment in Portuguese higher education.

16. Obtaining nationality

- **16.1.** Students who are admitted to higher education under the 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 transitioned, 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 which they are nationals.
- **16.2.** 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 6th August, which amended and republished Decree-Law no. 36/2014, in the academic year following the date of acquisition of nationality.

17. Application rejection

- **17.1.** Applications that fulfil the general requirements but are in one of the following situations will be rejected:
 - a) Have been submitted after the deadline;
 - b) Are not accompanied by the necessary documentation to complete the process;
 - c) Do not meet the admission criteria.
- **17.2.** Candidates who make false statements will be excluded, as will those who do not provide proof of the mandatory information requested in the application.

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Doubts and omissions in the application of this call will be decided by the Scientific Council of the Faculty of Pharmacy of *Universidade de Lisboa*.

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The Dean,

(Professora Doutora Maria Beatriz da Silva Lima)