

Call for Applications

The Scientific Council of the Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Lisbon, under the proposal of the Scientific Committee of the Master Programme in Laboratory Medicine, publishes the 2025/2026 Call for Applications:

Master Programme in Laboratory Medicine 2025/2026

The Master in Laboratory Medicine programme has a duration of two academic years, organised into four semesters. Three semesters correspond to the curricular component, while one semester is dedicated to a laboratory internship in Clinical Analysis/Clinical Pathology, which also includes an internship report or dissertation.

The Master in Laboratory Medicine aims to provide advanced technical and scientific training in line with current knowledge across the various fields that comprise laboratory medicine. The programme ensures the transmission of specialised knowledge in theoretical, technical, and experimental components in areas such as Clinical Chemistry, Haematology, Immunology, Microbiology, Laboratory Endocrinology and Functional Study of Metabolism, Organs and Systems, Drug Monitoring and Clinical Toxicology, Molecular Pathology/Molecular Biology, Cytogenetics, and Molecular Genetics. This training equips students with the necessary skills to contribute to the prevention, diagnosis, and monitoring of diseases within the scope of laboratory medicine.

Coordinator:

Professor Doutor Rui Manuel Amaro Pinto

1. Number of vacancies¹

1.1 National and European Union Member-States students: 16

¹ Vacancies are automatically reclaimed between stages and types of entry if they are not filled in full.

1.2 International students: 5

2. Definition of an International Student

- 2.1 The International Student is the student who does not have Portuguese nationality (article 3 of Decree-Law no. 62/2018, of August 6, which amended and republished Decree-Law no. 36/2014).
- **2.2** The conditions of the previous paragraph do not apply to:
 - a) Nationals of a member state of the European Union;
 - b) Family members of Portuguese nationals or nationals of a Member State of the European Union, regardless of their nationality²;
 - c) Those who are not nationals of a Member State of the European Union and are not covered by the previous paragraph, but who have been legally resident in Portugal for more than two years, uninterruptedly, on January 1st of the year in which they intend to enter higher education, as well as their children who are legally resident with them;
 - d) Those who are beneficiaries, on January 1st of the year in which they intend to enter 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 enter higher education through the special access and entry regimes regulated by Decree-Law no. 64-A/2023, of July 31.

3. Teaching Language

The classes are taught in Portuguese.

4. Admission Requirements

The candidates should be:

² Family members are Portuguese nationals or nationals of a member state of the European Union, regardless of their nationality:

a) The spouse of a citizen of the European Union;

b) The partner with whom a citizen of the European Union lives in a de facto union, constituted under the terms of the law, or with whom the citizen has a permanent relationship duly certified by the competent authority of the member state where they reside;

c) A direct descendant under the age of 21 or who is a dependent of a citizen of the European Union, as well as a spouse or partner within the meaning of the previous point;

d) The dependent direct ascendant of a citizen of the European Union, as well as that of the spouse or partner within the meaning of point (ii).

- a) Holders of an undergraduate degree: BSc degree or legal equivalent in the areas of Pharmaceutical Sciences;
- b) Holders of a foreign higher education academic degree awarded after accomplishing a 1st cycle of studies, structured according to the principles of the Bologna Process by a State that has adhered to this Process, in the areas of Pharmaceutical Sciences;
- c) Holders of a foreign higher education degree in the areas of Pharmaceutical Sciences recognized as complying with the objectives of the Bsc degree by the Scientific Board;
- d) Holders of an academic, scientific or professional curriculum that is recognized by the Scientific Council as attesting the ability to carry out this cycle of studies.

5. Application

- 5.1 The application is exclusively online submitted through the application platform of the Faculty of Pharmacy, available on <u>www.ff.ulisboa.pt</u>. A careful reading of the Application Handbook is advised.
- **5.2** Applications are only considered when supported by the following documents:
 - a) Document proving possession of a bachelor's or master's degree, indicating the final grade³;
 - b) Curriculum vitae duly updated, including documents proving the publications/activities mentioned in the CV.
 - c) A motivation letter setting out the reasons for applying to this course;
 - d) Copy of the identification Card, Citizen Card, or Passport, for personal data validation, and one passport photo in colors.
 - e) <u>International Student Statement</u>, in case of international students.
 - f) <u>Statement of Honour</u>, that the applicant has not yet completed the degree or does not have the degree completion document at the time of application.
 - g) Other elements considered relevant by the candidate for the purposes of assessing the application.

³ If the applicant has not yet completed their degree or does not possess the degree completion document at the time of application, they must specify the course they are currently completing or have already completed. As part of the application process, they must provide a Transcript of Records or an Achievement Certificate. Additionally, the Motivation Letter should state that they are in the process of completing their degree and include the expected completion date. A Statement of Honour confirming the degree completion must also be submitted.

The completion of the degree and the corresponding classification are key factors in the applicant evaluation process. The absence of these elements may result in exclusion. The Selection Board of the Study Cycle may choose to rank and select applicants without a completed degree alongside those from the 2nd call. If admitted, enrollment will always be conditional upon the submission of the degree completion certificate.

- **5.3** Documents proving the applicant's qualifications must be issued by the competent authority of the country where they were obtained and must be legalized if not issued in Portugal. Legalization must be completed by a Portuguese consular officer or through the <u>Hague Apostille</u> in the country of origin. If the documents are not in Portuguese, English, or Spanish, they must be translated into one of these languages.
- **5.4** All documents must be attached, in *PDF* format, on the application platform. If any of the mandatory documents are divided into several files, they must be compiled into a single ZIP file.

6. Selection and Ranking Criteria

- **6.1** Applicants will be selected by the Selection Board of the Study Cycle, taking into account the following parameters:
 - a) Academic degree classification and adequacy to the programme;
 - b) Curricular evaluation;
 - c) Motivation Letter and, if necessary, an interview with the applicants may be carried out by the Scientific Committee of the course.
- **6.2** If the number of applicants is lower than the vacancies, all applicants who gather the access conditions defined in the no. 4 will be placed in alphabetical order.

7. Deadlines

1st Call

Application period – 1 April to 06 June 2025 Publication of results – until 20 June 2025 Registration and enrolment – 25 to 26 June 2025 Possible placement of reserves applicants: until June 30, 2025.

2nd Call

Application period – 1 July to 24 July 2025 Publication of results – until 31 July 2025 Registration and enrolment – 07 to 08 August 2025 Possible placement of reserves applicants: until August 13, 2025

3rd Call

Application period – 15 August to 31 August 2025

Publication of results – until 5 September 2025 Registration and enrolment – 11 to 12 September 2025 Possible placement of reserves applicants: until September 16, 2025

Appeal period - up to 10 working days after publication of results Beginning of classes - September 2025

8. Application and Tuition Fees

- **8.1** The application fee is 75€ (seventy-five euros), non-refundable, even if the candidate is excluded or not selected.
- 8.2 The annual tuition fees for <u>national students</u> for the 2025/2026 academic year will be fixed by the General Council of the University of Lisbon in:
 - a) 3.750€ for the 1st year of the course (curricular programme);
 - b) 1.500€ for the 2nd year of the course.
- **8.3** The annual tuition fees for <u>international students</u> for the 2025/2026 academic year will be fixed by the General Council of the University of Lisbon in:
 - a) 5.000€ for the 1st year of the course (curricular programme);
 - b) 2.000€ for the 2nd year of the course.
- **8.4** Students must pay the first instalment of tuition fees, school insurance and the enrolment or registration fee at the time of enrolment.
- **8.5** Deadlines and instalments will be specified at the beginning of the academic year.
- **8.6** For further information, please consult the <u>Pharmacy Faculty website</u>.

9. Schedule:

The schedule is after-work, from Monday to Friday, starting at 17h30. Classes will take place at the Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Lisbon.

10. Final Provisions

- **10.1** In accordance with the legal provisions in force, admitted applicants may apply for the equivalence of their previous academic qualifications.
- **10.2** Should the master course fail to reach the minimum number of students required to run, the application fee will be refunded to the applicant.

Dean,

(Professor Maria Beatriz da Silva Lima)