



Universidade de Évora

Edital

Applications for Admission to the Ph.D. Program in
Biology
Academic year 2020/2021

1. The program is promoted by:

Universidade de Évora - Instituto de Investigação e Formação Avançada

2. Program Coordination:

Luiz Carlos Gazarini (gazarini@uevora.pt)
Anabela Ferreira Belo (afb@uevora.pt)
Pedro R. Almeida (pmra@uevora.pt)

3. Program description:

The overall objective of the Program is, based on an integrated training with scientific research basis, to provide students with general skills and scientific training in Biology that will contribute to their integration into the current labour market. It proposes a comprehensive program that integrates different areas of biology, namely Biodiversity and Conservation, Functional Biology, Global Change Biology, Aquatic and Marine Biology, Molecular Biology and Plant Protection among others. The specific objectives are:

- 1) to deepen students' knowledge of biology through contact with diverse scientific areas and professional contexts
- 2) to enable flexible training, by attending optional courses at the University of Évora or other national or European higher education institutions, with the approval of the Course Committee
- 3) to promote international thesis projects whose results are published as articles in international journals (ISI).

The Program was accredited by the Agency for Evaluation and Accreditation of Higher Education in 2016.

Within the scope of the AMIGO Consortium, possibilities for the mobility of PhD students are provided for a period of 3 months to the following countries:

1. Cabo Verde: Universidade de Cabo Verde (Uni-CV) 1 vacancy;
2. Montenegro: Universidade de Montenegro 2 vacancies;
3. Marrocos: UNIVERSITE CHOUAIB DOUKKALI 2 vacancies;
4. Argélia: UNIVERSITE DE BEJAIA 1 vacancy;
5. Palestina: BIRZEIT UNIVERSITY 1 vacancy;

4. Career opportunities:

Wide range of employment prospects linked not only to scientific research and teaching, in public and private institutions, but also to entrepreneurship and consultancy. In addition, the PhD in Biology was submitted to recognition by the Ministry of Education for progression in the teaching career under Administrative Rule 344/2008 of April 30 (Recruitment Group 520 - Biology and Geology) of the 3rd Cycle of Basic Education and of Secondary Education.

5. Number of registration at DGES:

R/A-Ef 1788/2011/AL01

6. Number of accreditation process by A3ES:

ACEF/1415/13132

7. Program Creation Norm:

Diário da República n.º 75 de 17 de abril, Aviso nº 4035/2017

8. General conditions of access and admission:

i Legal conditions for access to the cycle of studies leading to the «Doutor» degree (Ph.D. degree)

The following individuals can apply for a cycle of studies to the «Doutor» degree (Ph.D. degree):

- holders of a Portuguese Mestre degree (Master degree) or legal equivalent;;
- holders of an undergraduate degree holding a specially relevant academic or scientific curriculum, which is recognized as attesting capacity to carry out this cycle by the competent scientific committee of the higher education institution where they wish to be admitted;
- holders of an academic, scientific or professional curriculum that is recognized as attesting the ability to carry out this cycle of studies by the competent scientific committee of the higher education institution where they wish to be admitted.

9. Selection Process:

- Academic qualifications: 40%
 - Area of qualifications: 40%
 - Average grade in the highest qualification: 40%
 - Level of qualifications: 20%
- Curriculum analysis: 60%
 - Participation in research projects: 30%
 - Scientific publications: 30%
 - Professional Training in the area of the program or related fields: 20%
 - Conference Communications: 20%

Observations regarding the selection process:

Depending on the number of applications, there may be a transfer of vacancies between the competition for international students and the competition for students of the European Union.

10. Maximum number of admissions

- Maximum number of admissions for candidates with nationality of European Union countries: 5
- Maximum number of admissions for candidates without nationality of countries of the European Union: 2

Depending on the number of applications, there may be transfer of vacancies from the international students applications to the European Union students applications or vice-versa.

11. Tuition fee

- Candidates with nationality of European Union countries: 1250.00 €
- Candidates without nationality of countries of the European Union: 2500.00 €
 - Annual Tuition fee for international students with merit scholarship: 1250.00 €
 - Annual Tuition fee for international students with cooperation and development scholarship: 1450.00 €

All students with international student status who have a weighted average grade with a weight of 60% to the undergraduate degree grade and a weight of 40% to the master degree grade, which is equal to or higher than 16 (in a scale of 0-20), will have a reduced tuition fee in the first year of the program due to the merit scholarship. To maintain this reduced tuition fee in the following years, the student has to pass all curricular units and have an average grade equal or above the minimum merit grade. All students with international student status from PALOP countries, will have a reduced tuition fee in the first year of the program due to the cooperation and development scholarship. To maintain this reduced tuition fee in the remaining years the student has obtain a minimum academic performance.

12. Organization / duration:

- a. **Duration of the program:** 8 semesters
- b. **Number of ECTS to obtain the degree:** 240
- c. **Number of ECTS to obtain the doctorate course (conclusion of the curricular part):**
30

13. Language (s) of teaching:

- Portuguese

The classes will be taught in Portuguese, with tutorial support in English for students whose mother language is not Portuguese.

14. Learning Type: Presential

15. Schedule type: Mixed

16. Classes schedule (week days and schedule)

Flexible.

17. Program starting date: September of 2020

January 29, 2020
The Rector

Ana Costa Freitas