Universidade de Évora

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Applications for Admission to the Master Program in
Archaeological Materials Science (ARCHMAT)
Academic year 2020/2021

1. The program is promoted by:

Universidade de Évora - Instituto de Investigação e Formação Avançada

2. Study program in Consortium:

a. **Type of Consortium:** International

b. **Type of Consortium:** Erasmus Mundus Program Diploma

c. **Type of Agreement:** The coordinating institution is responsible for the administrative and financial management

d. **Coordinator Institution:** Universidade de Évora

e. **Applications:** Call for applications is online at the section "APPLICATION"of the ARCHMAT website: www.erasmusmundus-archmat.uevora.pt. Deadline for application for EACEA scholarship: 31st January 2020. The deadline for self-paying students without EACEA scholarship to submit all relevant documents to attend the 2020-22 edition of the ARCHMAT Master course : 15th of September 2020.

f. **Executive Program Committee:**
Nicola Schiavon (Director:Universidade de Évora-Portugal)
Panagiotis Spathis (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki-Greça)
Donatella Magri (Sapienza Universitá di Roma-Itália)

3. Program description:

ARCHMAT is a 2-years Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree (EMJMD) course (120 ECTS) within a consortium of 3 degree-awarding Universities (Evora-UEVORA-PT, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki-AUTH-GR and Sapienza University of Rome -UNIROMA1-IT), and a network of associated members from international academic and professional institutions (Museums, Research and Private Enterprises). It aims is to provide students with specialized skills in archaeology and analytical characterization of materials from prehistory(Megalithic) to classical times (Greek and Roman). The study and conservation of Cultural Heritage materials is a research area with a strong multidisciplinary connotation and requires skills that span across the Humanities and Science research fields. ARCHMAT provides a common, integrated platform for excellent students coming from either Science or Humanities educational backgrounds to understand the advanced scientific methods used to investigate archaeological materials and aims to form highly specialized professional experts in the emerging field of Archaeometry, i.e Physico-Chemical Sciences applied to the study of Archaeological and Cultural Heritage materials. Classes will be delivered at UEVORA (1st semester), AUTH (2nd semester) and UNIROMA1 (3rd semester). Associated members will provide seminars/practical and field classes on Archaeometry specialised aspects/techniques and case studies and offer internships, joint supervision and topics for Thesis projects (4th semester either at UEVORA, AUTH or UNIROMA1).

4. Career opportunities:

The ARCHMAT Master Diploma holder will be fully qualified to successfully embark in doctorate courses in Archaeometry and/or Science applied to Conservation/Cultural Heritage research fields either at ARCHMAT partner Institutions or elsewhere.
The ARCHMAT Master Diploma holder will also find himself in a privileged position to apply for job opportunities in the private sector (Restoration SMEs, private profession) and/or Scientific Laboratories of Museums, or other Governmental Institutions (Ministry of Culture, Regional and National local authorities) but also at several International Organizations devoted to the Protection of Cultural Heritage objects and sites such as ICCROM and UNESCO. Last but not least, the participation as associate partners of International non-academic Institutions with high level national/international reputation in ARCHMAT and with strong contacts/affiliations with Governmental agencies and Industry such as the Instituto de Ciencia de Materiales de Aragon (ICMA) in Zaragoza and the Human Evolution Museum, Burgos -MEH from Spain, the Museo delle Civilta - MUCIV, in Rome (Italy), the Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology in San Paulo in Brasil, the Ormylia Art Diagnosis Center, in Greece - ORM), the GuoWenYan Cult. Heritage Conserv. Center, China - will prove extremely useful to ARCHMAT students in their post-Master search for job opportunities worldwide.

5. Number of registration at DGES:

R/A-Cr 13/2020

6. Number of accreditation process by A3ES:

NCE/19/1900178

7. Program Creation Norm:

Diário da República

8. General conditions of access and admission:

i **Legal conditions for access to the cycle of studies leading to the master degree**
The following individuals can apply for a cycle of studies leading to the master degree:

- holders of a Portuguese Licenciado degree or legal equivalent;
- holders of a foreign higher education undergraduate degree, which is recognized as satisfying the objectives of the degree of Licenciado by the competent scientific committee of the higher education institution where they wish to be admitted;
- holders of an academic, scientific or professional curriculum which 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.

ii **Specific admission conditions**
Bachelor (1rst Cycle degree) in Science (Chemistry, Geology, Physics, Biology and other relevant academic background). Bachelor (1st Cycle degree) in Humanities (History and Archaeology, Cultural Heritage, Conservation Science, Restoration and other relevant academic background).
Candidates have to submit all of the following documents during the different stages of the application procedure
– Proof of nationality (passport copy with photo)
– Scanned (translated) copy of the University diploma required for the enrolment in the ARCHMAT (Bachelor/I cycle degree in Physics, Earth Sciences, Chemistry, Biology-Biochemistry, Archaeology, Conservation Science, Cultural Heritage Studies)
– Scanned (translated) Copy of transcript of study results
– Curriculum vitae and Studiorum (EUROPASS format)
– Motivation letter (maximum 1 A4 page)
– Letter of recommendation by two academic referees.
– Scanned copy of TOEFL Language Proficiency Certificate 87 [iBT] or of IELTS Certificate (minimum overall score =6) or Cambridge Certificate or proof of at least 1 year English-based instruction at University level

9. Selection Process:

- Academic qualifications: 20%
  - Bachelor Degree: 100%
- Curriculum analysis: 40%
  - Academic performance: 60%
  - Motivation Letter: 10%
  - Reference Letters (2): 20%
  - Language skills: 10%
- Interview: 40%
  - Research Potential: 50%
  - Work Experience: 50%

Observations regarding the selection process:

At the end of the selection procedure, a ranking list of admitted students in decreasing order of merit is published. Available EACEA scholarships will be assigned according to the ranking list. Non-admitted

students (i.e. eligible candidate who do not fulfill ARCHMAT selection criteria, i.e. with scores < 60 points out of 100) will be notified immediately. Admitted students (score > 60 out of 100 points) can still be admitted to the ARCHMAT MASTER Course on a self-paying basis up to a total number of ARCHMAT students of 30. Self-Paying candidates will have to provide adequate proof of financial sustainability for the whole course duration.

10. Maximum number of admissions

- Maximum number for admission: 30

11. Minimum number of students: 10

12. Tuition fee

- Tuition fee: 5000.00 €

The tuition fee indicated above applies to self-paying students. The tuition fees of students holding a EACEA scholarship are according to what agreed with the partners in Rome and Thessaloniki in the signed ARCHMAT Consortium Agreement

13. Organization / duration:

a. **Duration of the program:** 4 semesters

b. **Number of ECTS to obtain the degree:** 120

c. **Number of ECTS to obtain the master's course (conclusion of the curricular part):** 90

14. Language (s) of teaching:

- English

All courses of the Master in Archaeological Materials Science (ARCHMAT) will be taught in the English language

15. Schedule type: Labor hours

16. Classes schedule (week days and schedule)

From Monday to Friday

17. Program starting date: October of 2020

June 4, 2020
The Rector

Ana Costa Freitas