



# Universidade de Évora

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Applications for Admission to the Ph.D. Program in  
Health, Technologies and Well-being Sciences  
Academic year 2021/2022

### 1. The program is promoted by:

Universidade de Évora - Instituto de Investigação e Formação Avançada

### 2. Study program in Consortium:

- a. **Type of Consortium:** National
- b. **Type of Consortium:** Diploma to be awarded jointly by all the partner institutions, under the terms of article 42 of Decree-Law no. 74/2006, dated March 24 in its current republication
- c. **Type of Agreement:** Rotative (administrative and financial management of the institution responsible for the edition)
- d. **Coordinator Institution:** Universidade de Évora
- e. **Host Institution:** Universidade de Évora
  - **Applications:** The application is done online, in the integrated information system of the University of Évora <https://siiue.uevora.pt/>, between 25 October and 11 November 2021.
- f. **Executive Program Committee:**
  - Manuel Lopes - Universidade de Évora
  - Helena Canhão - Universidade Nova de Lisboa
  - Carlos Silva – Universidade de Évora
  - Diogo de Freitas Branco Pais - Universidade Nova de Lisboa
  - César Fonseca – Universidade de Évora
  - Sónia Dias - Universidade Nova de Lisboa

### 3. Program description:

This study cycle results from a process of intense collaboration between the academic institutions, research centres and researchers of the proposing institutions.

It is worth mentioning 3 nuclear aspects that underlie the pertinence of this study cycle

a. The complexity and centrality of Health - Health is recognised as a highly complex and central phenomenon, whose understanding requires a perspective that goes beyond interdisciplinarity and is anchored in transdisciplinarity. It is also accepted that the intervention in health cannot continue to develop based on models centred on the professions and these being organised in monolithic, corporative and hierarchical structures. Health intervention also needs to go beyond the sum of the intervention of the different professions. If we consider the perspective of the social determinants of health, health intervention needs to go beyond the clinic in a narrow sense and consider organisational, social and political intervention. For this, intervention needs to be cross-professional, considering the contribution of the traditional health professions, but also those of other areas of knowledge. The proposing institutions understand that research constitutes a determining element for the quality of care provided, and it is therefore necessary to create conditions for research to become part of the lexicon of competencies of health professionals; so that a rapid transfer of knowledge can take place, thus reflecting the most recent advances in care;

b. The doctorate as a response to professional development needs - This PhD programme in association is also a product of the needs felt by health professionals and identified by the proponent entities. In the context of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is important to underline that training and qualifying in Health and Well-being Sciences and Technologies is relevant, as it constitutes one of the ways of reinforcing human capital competences and developing rigorous instruments that enable understanding complex health situations and intervening in problem solving.

c. The PhD as a co-constructed development path - The transversal skills course (CCT) was created by the IIFA in collaboration with the Rectorate with the aim of endowing doctoral students with a set of soft skills that support them in their research and preparation of the thesis. Each student will choose the modules that he/she considers to have more added value for his/her path. The skills to be developed include aspects related to ethics in research, open access and dissemination of science, oral and written communication in research and planning and management of scientific projects.

Based on these core aspects and anchored in an excellent Research Centre (Comprehensive Health Research Centre), where they will find a motivating, multidisciplinary, internationalized research context and with assumed strategic leadership, we firmly believe that we have gathered the ideal conditions for the development of a doctoral path.

### 4. Specialization areas:

- Health Sciences and Wellbeing (**available**)
- Nursing (**available**)
- Health and Technology (**available**)

### 5. Career opportunities:

For a clinical career

For academic careers

For laboratories and research centres

### 6. Number of registration at DGES:

R/A-Cr 229/2021

## 7. Number of accreditation process by A3ES:

NCE/20/2000141

## 8. Program Creation Norm:

Diário da República

## 9. 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.

### ii Specific admission conditions

The following are specific conditions for admission

- a) Holders of the Master's degree or legal equivalent in areas of Health Sciences, Nursing, Health Technologies, Pharmaceutical Sciences, Biomedical Sciences, Biological Sciences, Human Motricity, Engineering and Computer Sciences, or other related areas;
- b) Holders of a Master's degree in any area of knowledge when they have a particularly relevant academic or scientific curriculum in the area of health;
- c) Exceptionally, holders of a licenciado degree or legal equivalent in the areas referred to in a), or other related areas conferred by a Portuguese higher education institution, with a minimum classification of 16/20, as well as graduates from foreign institutions with an equivalent degree and classification, recognized under the legal terms, and holding a relevant scientific curriculum in the area of health, that attests to their capacity to carry out this cycle of studies by the Scientific Council of the consortium institution that coordinates each edition of the course (University of Évora or Nova University of Lisbon);
- d) Admission into the specialty area of nursing shall be limited to those with bachelor's and master's degrees in nursing.

The recognition referred to in the previous number is proposed to the statutorily competent body of the host institution by the Course Director.

## 10. Selection Process:

- Academic qualifications: 50%
  - Qualification area: 30%
  - Highest of the qualification average: 40%
  - Level of qualification: 30%
- Curriculum analysis: 50%

- Conference communications: 10%
- Teaching experience in higher education: 20%
- Professional experience in the course area or related areas: 20%
- Training in transversal skills: 20%
- Scientific publications: 20%
- Participation in research projects and activities: 10%

## **11. Maximum number of admissions**

- Maximum number for admission, per speciality:
  - Health Sciences and Wellbeing: 15
  - Nursing: 15
  - Health and Technology: 15

## **12. Tuition fee**

- Tuition fee: 2750.00 €

## **13. Organization / duration:**

- a. **Duration of the program:** 6 semesters
- b. **Number of ECTS to obtain the degree:** 180
- c. **Number of ECTS to obtain the doctorate course (conclusion of the curricular part):**  
72

## **14. Language (s) of teaching:**

- Portuguese
- English

English-speaking tutoring will be provided whenever necessary

## **15. Learning Type: Presential**

## **16. Schedule type: Mixed**

## **17. Classes schedule (week days and schedule)**

Fridays from 14h to 21h  
Saturdays from 9h to 19h

**18. Program starting date: October of 2021**

October 21, 2021  
The Rector

Ana Costa Freitas