



# Universidade de Évora

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Applications for Admission to the Master Program in  
Conservation Biology  
Academic year 2022/2023

### 1. The program is promoted by:

Universidade de Évora - Escola de Ciências e Tecnologia

### 2. Course Committee:

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### 3. Program description:

The Master's Degree in Conservation Biology (MBC-U?) provides students with advanced and integrated technical-scientific knowledge on pertinent issues in the management and conservation of biological resources. With a completion rate of 90% (16's editions) and a success rate (number of students who obtain the degree / number of students who wanted to obtain it) is around 80%. These results are an indicator of the success of MBC-U?, which offers its students the possibility of taking advantage of Erasmus + mobility. MBC-U? has contributed to the training of students from different countries Europe, South America, Africa and Asia, and its internationalization has been steadily increasing.

### 4. Career opportunities:

Environmental consultancy in the area of nature conservation in municipalities, associations of municipalities; technical support offices; environmental impact study companies; non-governmental organizations; Thematic parks; forestry, farming and hunting companies or associations; senior technicians in Ecology and Environment for central and regional administrations; Protected Areas offices; technical offices; entrepreneurship in tourism and nature activities; local development associations. Applied or fundamental scientific research in research centers, associated and public laboratories; IES. Secondary education: MBC-U? is recognised, for the purposes of article 54 of the Portuguese Statute of the Teaching Career (DL n?270 / 2009 of September 30), regulated by Ordinance n?344 / 2008 of April 30, for the recruitment group 520 of the 3rd cycle of primary and secondary education.

### 5. Number of registration at DGES:

R/A-Ef 1715/2011/AL02

## **6. Number of accreditation process by A3ES:**

ACEF/2021/0405897

## **7. Program Creation Norm:**

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## **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 Conditions of access to the cycle of studies at the University of Evora**

On the application date, the undergraduate students must satisfy conditions that guarantee the conclusion of their undergraduate degree until the 30th of October of the admission year. The admission and enrollment of these students is conditioned on the conclusion of the degree until this date, and the enrollment is canceled if the student does not complete the degree within that period.

During the first application phase, students who have a maximum of 6 curricular units or 36 ECTS missing for conclusion of their degree can apply for the 2nd cycle; in the 2nd application phase students can apply if they have at most 3 curricular units missing and in the 3rd application phase if they have at most one curricular unit missing.

The previous condition does not apply to students with a curriculum that reveals professional or scientific experience, which can be recognized by the competent scientific body, as attesting the student's ability to carry out the master's degree/post-graduation, provided that the student required that recognition in the application process.

### **iii Specific admission conditions**

1. Degree in an area relevant to Conservation Biology: ex. Biology, Environmental Sciences and Ecology, Agrarian and Animal Sciences, Forestry and Fisheries, Management of Natural Resources, Veterinary Medicine, Geography in the variant of Sustainable Development, Environmental Education, Ecotourism.

These and other 1st Cycle courses may be considered if they include in their study plans curricular units with contents in the main scientific areas of Biology and / or Ecology and Environment, including the respective sub-areas of both.

2. In the ranking, preference will be given to candidates whose grade in the 1st cycle is equal to or higher than thirteen (13) values (in 20).

## 9. Selection Process:

- Academic qualifications: 70%
  - Area of qualifications: 30%
  - Average grade in the highest qualification: 40%
  - Level of qualifications: 30%
- Curriculum analysis: 30%
  - Professional Experience in the area of the program or related fields: 50%
  - Scientific and technical activities and publications: 50%

## 10. Maximum number of admissions

- Maximum number of admissions for candidates with nationality of European Union countries: 17
- Maximum number of admissions for candidates without nationality of countries of the European Union: 3

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. Minimum number of students: 10

## 12. Tuition fee

- Candidates with nationality of European Union countries: 1200.00 €
- Candidates without nationality of countries of the European Union: 2500.00 €
  - Annual Tuition fee for international students with merit scholarship: 1200.00 €
  - Annual Tuition fee for international students with cooperation and development scholarship: 1400.00 €

In the admission year, all students with international student status who have an undergraduate average of 15 or above (on a 0-20 scale) benefit from the international student merit scholarship tuition fee and all students from PALOP countries benefit from the tuition fee for international students with cooperation and development scholarship. In the following years, to keep the merit or cooperation and development scholarship, the student has to meet the conditions stipulated in article 22 of the Academic Regulations of the University of Évora and the results are published until October 31 of each academic year, without the need to apply for the scholarship

## 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):**  
60

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

- English
- Portuguese

Lectures in Portuguese. Portuguese/English support material. Tutorial support in English for foreign students.

**15. Learning Type: Presential****16. Schedule type: Mixed****17. Classes schedule (week days and schedule)**

Mixed regime by modules/UC. Full school day (9:00 am to 12:30 pm and 2:00 pm to 5:30 pm) on Friday and Saturday. Some CU also include Thursday.

**18. Program starting date: September of 2022**

January 7, 2022  
The Rector

Ana Costa Freitas