



Universidade de Évora

Universidade do Algarve - Faculdade de Ciências e Tecnologia

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Applications for Admission to the Ph.D. Program in
Agricultural and Environmental Sciences
Academic year 2023/2024

1. The program is promoted by:

Universidade de Évora - Instituto de Investigação e Formação Avançada
Universidade do Algarve - Faculdade de Ciências e Tecnologia

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:** Distribution of applications (all partner institutions receive applications and the enrollment is distributed among all the partner institutions)
- d. **Coordinator Institution:** Universidade de Évora
- e. **Partner Institutions:**
 - Universidade de Évora
 - Universidade do Algarve - Faculdade de Ciências e Tecnologia
- f. Universidade de Évora

- **Applications:** University of Évora:

1st phase - 15/Feb/2023 to 15/Mar/2023

2nd phase - 03/May/2023 to 21/Jun/2023

3rd phase - 14/Aug/2023 to 01/Sep/2023

(International students cannot apply for the 3rd phase of applications, unless they already have a visa or already reside in Portugal) <https://www.uevora.pt/estudar/cursos/doutoramentos?curso=2669>

University of Algarve: Applications open throughout the year <https://fct.ualg.pt/curso/1826/candidaturas?tipo=d>

g. **Executive Program Committee:**

Fátima Baptista, Universidade de Évora

Maria de Belém Freitas, Universidade do Algarve

3. Program description:

The main objective of the PhD program in Agricultural and Environmental Sciences is to promote the conciliation between agricultural production and environmental quality, preserving functional processes and biodiversity. This 3rd Cycle is a scientific-pedagogical interface between agrarian sciences and environmental sciences, generating synergies that promote production processes more sustainable and territorially more balanced. The functional integration of both domains will be the main distinguishing feature of this PhD program, which is believed to be different in the national panorama of the 3rd Cycle offer. At the end of this course, students should be able to demonstrate: (1) the ability to systematically understand the two fundamental areas of the course - agricultural sciences and environmental sciences; (2) methodological knowledge associated with the two fundamental areas of the course and proficiency in the research methods necessary for the development of experimental work; 3) ability to autonomously conceive and carry out research according to high requirement parameters.

4. Career opportunities:

Our PhD students are taught with the skills that will allow to develop a career in both national and international academic institutions (at any of the three higher education cycles), national and international research centres, agricultural and industrial companies, just as well as technical and scientific consultancy offices.

5. Number of registration at DGES:

R/A-Cr 235/2015/AL01

6. Number of accreditation process by A3ES:

ACEF/2021/1401777

7. Program Creation Norm:

Diário da República n.º 32 de 14 de fevereiro, Aviso n.º 3053/2023

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.

ii Specific admission conditions

Holders of a master's degree (or equivalent) in scientific areas in the field of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences - such as Agriculture and Forest Sciences, Agricultural Engineering, Environmental and Ecology Sciences, Environmental Engineering, Animal Science, Food Sciences, Biodiversity and Conservation or others, accepted by the Course Committee.

In particular conditions, candidates with the graduation degree obtained before the implementation of the Bologna Process might be accepted, if the degree was obtained in the scientific areas of the study cycle and if the candidates have an academically and scientifically relevant curriculum (to be recognized by the Pedagogic and Scientific Council of the Institute of Advanced Studies and Research as having the competence and skills to undergo the study cycle).

Fluency in Portuguese and/or English, spoken and written, is mandatory. In case of doubt, the jury may call the candidate for an interview. Failure to comply with this criterion leads to non-admission.

9. Selection Process:

- Academic qualifications: 50%
 - Area of qualifications: 50%
 - Weighted average (1st cycle and 2nd cycle ECTS, weighting based on ECTS completed in each cycle): 50%
- Curriculum analysis: 50%
 - Scientific publications: 40%
 - Participation in research projects: 20%
 - Conference Communications: 20%
 - Training in transversal competences: 10%
 - Professional Training in the area of the program or related fields: 10%

10. Maximum number of admissions

- Maximum number of admissions for candidates with nationality of European Union countries: 4
- 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 €

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:

- English
- Portuguese

14. Learning Type

Presential

15. Schedule Type

Labor hours

16. Program starting date

September of 2023

May 3, 2023
The Rector

Hermínia Vasconcelos Vilar