



Call for Applications

The Scientific Council of the Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Lisbon, under the proposal of the Scientific Committee of the Master Programme in Biopharmaceutical Sciences, publishes the 2018/2019 Call for Applications:

Master Programme in Biopharmaceutical Sciences 2018/2019

The 2-year Master Course in Biopharmaceutical Sciences is organized in 4 semesters.

This Course enlarges the classical concept of biopharmaceutical sciences by providing scientific, multidisciplinary background on the discovery phase of the drug development process, at advanced level. The programme includes the study of molecular mechanisms of disease, potential therapeutic targets and therapeutic strategies, while motivating students to equate and solve problems. Aimed at preparing creative and independent investigators and knowledgeable professionals, the Course will encourage the debate of recent topics and the use of advanced experimental technologies. These objectives will further engage the contribution of professors and investigators from other institutions, pharmaceutical industry, and biotechs.

In this openness perspective, the student will have the option to obtain credits in other related scientific areas within the University of Lisbon, not restricted to the Faculty of Pharmacy, although with complementary interests. The Course will benefit from the close collaboration with the FCT R&D unit Research Institute for Medicines (iMed.Ulisboa), at Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Lisbon.

Coordinator: Professor Cecília M. P. Rodrigues

1. Number of places

1.1 National students: 27;

1.2 International students: 5.

2. Admission Requirements

The candidates should be:

- a) Holders of an undergraduate degree: Bachelor degree or legal equivalent in the areas of Health Sciences, Life Sciences or Biotechnology;
- b) Holders of a foreign higher education academic degree awarded after accomplishing a 1st cycle of studies, structured according to the principles of the Bologna Process by a State that has adhered to this Process, in the areas of Health Sciences, Life Sciences or Biotechnology;
- c) Holders of a foreign higher education degree in the areas of Health Sciences, Life Sciences or Biotechnology recognized as complying with the objectives of the Bachelor degree by the Scientific Board;
- d) Holders of an academic, scientific or professional curriculum that is recognized as attesting the ability to carry out this cycle of studies.

3. Application

3.1 The application is exclusively online submitted through the application platform of the Faculty of Pharmacy, available at www.ff.ulisboa.pt.

3.2 Applications are only considered when supported by the following documents:

- a) Motivation letter – Max. 1 page A4;
- b) Updated curriculum vitae;
- c) Certificate proving that the candidate holds a Bachelor's degree or equivalent academic degree, with indication of the final grade¹;
- d) Copy of the identification Card, Citizen Card or Passport, for personal data validation, and 1 Photo;
- e) International Student Declaration, in case of international students.

¹ The Graduates by a Foreign Higher Education Institution must submit a Degree Certificate legally recognized by the Portuguese Consulate in that country or for the Hague Apostille.

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3.3 Are considered international students, according to the International Student Statute (ISS):

- Applicants who have not Portuguese nationality;
- Applicants who are not nationals of the European Union Member-States;
- Non-European Union nationals residing legally in Portugal for less than two years, uninterruptedly, on 31 August of the year in which they make the application.

All documents must be attached, in PDF format, on the application platform. If any of the required documents is divided into multiple files, they should be compiled in a single ZIP file.

4. Selection and Ranking Criteria

Applicants will be selected by the Selection Board of the Study Cycle, taking into account the following parameters:

- a) Academic degree classification and adequateness to the programme;
- b) Curricular evaluation;
- c) If necessary, an interview can be scheduled with members of the Scientific Committee of the course.

5. Deadlines

1st Call

Application period – June 1 to July 20, 2018

Publication of results – July 31, 2018

2nd Call

Application period - July 21 to September 5, 2018

Publication of results - September 10, 2018

Appeal period - up to 10 days after publication of results

Registration and enrollment - September 17 to 21, 2018

Beginning of classes - September 24, 2018

6. Application and Tuition Fees

6.1 The application fee is 75€, non-refundable, even if the candidate is excluded or not selected.

6.2 The annual tuition fees for the school year 2018/2019 charged to the national students are:

- a) 1.500€ for the 1st year of the course (curricular programme);
- b) 1.750€ for the 2nd year of the course.

6.3 The annual tuition fees for the school year 2018/2019 charged to the international students are:

- a) 3.250€ for the 1st year of the course (curricular programme);
- b) 3.750€ for the 2nd year of the course.

6.4 Deadlines and instalments will be specified at the beginning of the academic year.

6.5 For further information, please consult the Pharmacy Faculty website.

7. Schedule:

The Course runs from Monday until Friday, 17.00 to 20.00 h. Classes will be held at the Faculty of Pharmacy, University of Lisbon. The research project leading to the dissertation will develop in internal and/or external laboratories, both in Portugal and abroad,, recognized by the Scientific Committee of the Master Course, and co-supervised by an internal faculty member.

8. Final Provisions

8.1.In accordance with the legal provisions in force, admitted applicants may apply for the equivalence of their previous academic qualifications.

8.2.Should the master course fail to reach the minimum number of students required to run, the application fee will be refunded to the applicant.

Lisbon, 23 April, 2018

The President of the Scientific Council,



Professor Matilde Fonseca e Castro