INFORMATION FOR APPLICATIONS – ACADEMIC YEAR 2020/2021

Cycle of Studies (CS)	Second Cycle	
Software Engineering		
Organic Unit	Organic Unit(s)/University(ies) in association	Location of the CS (if in association)
FEUP		

Places

Places	TOTAL	1st Phase	2nd Phase	3rd Phase
1. Number of places available	**30**	**10**	**15**	**5**
Does it include leftover places from the previous phase?			**Yes**	**Yes**

Minimum number of students for the cycle of studies to operate.	**15**

Timeframe for applications

	1st Phase	2nd Phase	3rd Phase
Submission of applications	10th December 2019 to 15th January 2020	16th January to 6th May 2020	7th May to 5th August 2020
Posting of provisional results	31st January 2020	25th May 2020	-
Prior hearing	3rd to 14th February 2020	26th May to 8th June 2020	-
Posting of final results	21st February 2020	17th June 2020	3rd September 2020
Submission of complaints by applicants	24th February to 16th March 2020	18th June to 9th July 2020	4th to 24th September 2020
Publication of decision about complaints	Until 23rd March 2020	Until 16th July 2020	Until 1st October 2020
Enrolment	28th February to 9th March 2020	25th June to 7th July 2020	10th to 17th September 2020
Eventual admission of non-placed applicants	13th to 30th March 2020	13th to 24th July 2020	24th September to 6th October 2020
Publication of leftover places for the following phase	7th April 2020	29th July 2020	-
Beginning of the academic year	1st semester (see dates below)	1st semester (see dates below)	1st semester (see dates below)

Notification of the applicants

Means of notifying applicants
Applicants are notified via e-mail sent to the address specified on the application.

Credit transfer regarding training and work experience

	1st Phase	2nd Phase	3rd Phase
Submission of the request	Upon application and upon registration	Upon application and upon registration	Upon application and upon registration
Publication of results	15 working days after the end of the enrolment period of the corresponding application phase or the completion of the credit transfer process		
Change of the registration in result of the credit transfer process	10 working days after the publication of the credit transfer result		

Timeframe for the academic year

	1st semester	2nd semester
Beginning of classes in the Cycle of Studies	**14/09/2020**	**08/02/2021**
Deadline to finish evaluation in the Cycle of Studies	**05/02/2021**	**02/07/2021**

Access conditions and criteria for selection and ranking

Specific conditions to access the cycle of studies

The following may apply for this cycle of studies:
- BSc degree, or legal equivalent, in Informatics Engineering, Computer Science or related area.
- Higher education academic degree taken abroad, in a suitable area (Computer Science, Informatics Engineering or related area), corresponding to a 1st cycle of studies organised according to the Bologna Process by a State subscribing to this Process.
- Higher education academic degree taken abroad, in a suitable area (Computer Science, Informatics Engineering or related area), recognised, by the legally competent scientific body of the hosting institution, as fulfilling the requirements of a BSc degree.
- Applicants holding an academic, scientific or professional curriculum that provides evidence of the skills required to undertake this cycle of studies, and that is recognised by the legally competent scientific body of the hosting institution.

Proficiency in English is required since this is the Master's lecturing language. Proficiency in English will be assessed upon presentation of a TOEFL, IELTS or similar certificate, or in the selection interview* held in English.

Criteria and sub-criteria for selection and ranking of applicants

Criteria	
1. Average final scores obtained in previous degrees, (in Computer Science, Informatics Engineering or related area). Note: if the documentation submitted by the applicants does not mention the average final score of the degree mentioned in 1., and it is not possible to calculate it, the average final score considered will be 100 (on a scale from 0 to 200).	20%
2. Curricular analysis, assessed by the number of years of relevant professional practice, and letters of recommendation	25%
3. Analysis of the interview* in English conducted by two or more master course lecturers, based on the following factors:	
3.1 Motivation - interest in the topic of Software Engineering	10%
3.2 Commitment and availability - expected dedication of the candidate to finish the full master, particularly in terms of intended will to attend classes and of time to be devoted to work and study. For working students, the commitment of the company to attend classes is a decisive criterion	10%
3.3 Other skills and proven capacity - beyond the information given in the curriculum, such as innovative projects developed	5%
3.4 Attitude, communication skills, organization and structuring of ideas and discourse during the interview* in English	10%
3.5 Skills in English	20%
Obs.: Only applicants with a ranking grade equal to, or higher than, 140 (on a scale from 0 to 200) will be admitted.	

Applicants tie-breaking criterion *(it can be the classification obtained on some of the elements from the previous table)*

The fact that applicants are interviewed prevents the possibility of a tie.

Observations of Annex 1

The lack of availability to undertake and present academic work necessary to complete this cycle of studies, or insufficient communication skills in English, are reasons enough for not accepting the applicant, regardless of the curricular analysis and average application score.

* The interview will be scheduled by e-mail sent to the e-mail address indicated in the application.