ACADEMIC YEAR 2023/2024

INFORMATION FOR APPLICATIONS



Cycle of Studies		Third Cycle	Ciclo de Estudo	
Chemical and Biological Engineer	ing		Engenharia Química e Biológica	
Organic Unit Organic U	nits/Partner Universities		Place of CS edition for 2023/2024	
FEUP			FEUP	
Functioning			Teaching Language	
Daytime			In Portuguese - Suitable for English	speakers
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Places

Places	TOTAL	1 st Phase	2 nd Phase	3 rd Phase	4 th Phase
1. Number of Places	35	15	8	7	5
Does it include leftover places from the previous phase?			Yes	Yes	Yes

Minimum number of students for the functioning of the cycle of studies

5

Applications Calendar

	1 st Phase		2 nd Phase		3 rd Phase		4 th Phase	
	Beginning	End	Beginning	End	Beginning	End	Beginning	End
Submission of applications	16-01-2023	23-02-2023	24-02-2023	27-04-2023	28-04-2023	08-08-2023	26-10-2023	23-11-2023
	Beginning	End	Beginning	End	Beginning	End	Beginning	End
Application review	24-02-2023	09-03-2023	28-04-2023	16-05-2023	09-08-2023	04-09-2023	24-11-2023	14-12-2023
Posting of provisional results	10-03-2023		17-05-2023				15-12-2023	
	Beginning	End	Beginning	End	Beginning	End	Beginning	End
Prior hearing	13-03-2023	24-03-2023	18-05-2023	31-05-2023			16-12-2023	05-01-2024
Posting of final results	30-03-2023		07-06-2023		04-09-2023		12-01-2024	
	Beginning	End	Beginning	End	Beginning	End	Beginning	End
Submission of complaints	31-03-2023	21-04-2023	09-06-2023	29-06-2023	05-09-2023	25-09-2023	15-01-2024	02-02-2024
Publication of decision about complaints	28-04-2023		06-07-2023		03-10-2023		09-02-2024	
	Beginning	End	Beginning	End	Beginning	End	Beginning	End
Online enrolment	04-04-2023	12-04-2023	13-06-2023	22-06-2023	06-09-2023	18-09-2023	18-01-2024	30-01-2024
	Beginning	End	Beginning	End	Beginning	End	Beginning	End
Admission of non- placed applicants	18-04-2023	02-05-2023	27-06-2023	07-07-2023	20-09-2023	02-10-2023	06-02-2024	20-02-2024
Publication of leftover places	10-05-2023		17-07-2023		17-10-2022			

Notification of applicants

Method of notifying applicants

Applicants will be notified via e-mail to the address provided in the application form.

Credit transfer regarding training and work experience

Deadlines for credit transfer regarding training and work experience					
	1 st Phase	2 nd Phase	3 rd Phase		
Request of credit transfer regarding prior training/work experience	On application and on enrolment	On application and on enrolment	On application and on enrolment		
Publication of credit transfer results		Up to 15 working days after the end of the enrolment period or the end of the credit transfer process	Up to 15 working days after the end of the enrolment period or the end of the credit transfer process		
Change of the registration in result of the credit transfer process	Up to 10 working days after the publication of the credit transfer results	Up to 10 working days after the publication of the credit transfer results	Up to 10 working days after the publication of the credit transfer results		

Calendar for the academic year

	1 st Semester	2 nd Semester
Beginning of the academic year at U. Porto	11-09-2023	05-02-2024
Beginning of the lecturing activity in the Cycle of Studies	11-09-2023	05-02-2024
End of the lecturing activity in the Cycle of Studies	15-12-2023	24-05-2024
Deadline for completion of evaluation	02-02-2024	05-07-2024
Dealine for the completion of evaluation in the Cycle of Studies	02-02-2024	03-07-2024

Specific conditions to access the Cycle of Studies

The admission criteria are those of the FEUP General Rules for third cycles, according to the FCT (National Foundation for Science and Technology) criteria and, additionally, to the criteria of the PDEQB internal rules (Art. no. 7.):

- Hold a Master's Degree or a Second Cycle Degree in Chemical Engineering, Bioengineering, Environmental and Energy Engineering, Materials Engineering or related areas;
- Hold a Bachelor's Degree or a graduate degree in a national or foreign institution, recognized as appropriate by the Scientific Committee of the Doctoral Program:
- Have a scientific or professional curriculum recognised as relevant and appropriate by the Scientific Committee.

Selected applicants should preferably have an overall average (GPA) of 14/20 or better in at least one previous academic degree.

In addition to the above minimum requirements, competitive applicants for this Doctoral program must demonstrate:

- Motivation to attend the program clearly expressed through the application process.
- Extra appreciation will be given to publications and previous experience in research activities.

Criteria and subcriteria for selection and ranking of applicants

Academic background and professional experience

The academic curriculum is assessed based on the applicant's final degree grade and the average of the ECTS achieved in the course units considered relevant for the Cycle of Studies.

Applicants are assessed according to the selection criteria, being ranked according to the overall grade of their academic degree on a scale of 20, as:

- Grade 4.5 if: Pre-Bologna (4 to 5 years) = 17 or post-Bologna (= 300 ECTS) = 17;
- Grade 4.0 if: Pre-Bologna (4 to 5 years) = 16 or post-Bologna (> 180 ECTS; <300 ECTS) = 17 or post-Bologna (= 300 ECTS) = 16;
- Grade 3.5 if: Pre-Bologna (4 to 5 years) = 15 or post-Bologna (180 ECTS) = 17 or post-Bologna (> 180 ECTS; <300 ECTS) = 16 or post-Bologna (= 300 ECTS) = 15;
- Grade 2.5 if: Pre-Bologna (4 to 5 years) = 14 or post-Bologna (180 ECTS) = 16 or post-Bologna (> 180 ECTS; <300 ECTS) = 15 or post-Bologna (= 300 ECTS) = 14;
- Grade 1.5 if: Pre-Bologna (4 to 5 years) <14 or post-Bologna (180 ECTS) = 15 or post-Bologna (> 180 ECTS; <300 ECTS) = 14 or post-Bologna (= 300 ECTS) <14.

Applicants with a pre-Bologna degree plus a Master's Degree have an additional score of 0,5. For the case of the Integrated Master Degree or the Bachelor's + Master's Degree, the following formula is used: (1st cycle average mark x no. 1st cycle ECTS + 2nd cycle average mark x no. 2nd cycle ECTS / Total number of ECTS).

Note: In the applicants' ranking, those who do not provide in their documentation their previous degree average (higher academic degree course), nor the possibility to calculate it, will be awarded a score of 10 (on a 0-20 scale) in the "final classification obtained" criterion.

In addition, applicants may receive additional appreciation due to the scientific curriculum, up to a maximum of 1,5 points:

- 0,5 points for each scientific publication as first author in an international journal indexed to the first quartile of ISI;
- 0,2 points for each scientific publication as first author in an international journal indexed in the second quartile of the ISI;
- 0,1 points for each ISI publication in other conditions.

Professional experience is assessed taking into account its relevance to the Cycle of Studies (70%) and the number of years of relevant professional activity (30%).

90%

Motivation and capacity to undertake a doctoral program with the characteristics of the PDEQB.

The **Motivation Letter** and any **letter of recommendation** submitted by the candidate regarding their motivation and talent will be assessed, complemented with a possible interview*, if deemed necessary.

Note: In the 1st stage only the applicants with a grade equal or higher than 140 (numerical scale 0-200) will be admitted.

*The call for interview will be made by e-mail to the address provided in the application.

Tie-breaking criterion

Grade obtained in the academic degree.