

ACADEMIC

YEAR

2024/2025

Name of the Cycle of Studies (CS)

3rd Cycle of Studies in Health Data Science

A – Specific conditions for access to the cycle of studies

*According to the general regulations of the 2nd and 3rd cycles of U.Porto, this information is the responsibility of the CS Scientific Committee and is subject to approval by the Director of the Faculty. Exception made to **cycles of studies together with other HEIs**, to which the principles defined in the respective collaboration agreement apply, as well as in the specific regulation of the cycle of studies, formulated according to the Legal Regime of Higher Education Degrees and Diplomas (Portuguese Decree-Law nº 65/2018, of August 16). Whenever possible, it should be mentioned the scientific areas of the qualifications required for the application.*

Specific conditions for access to the cycle of studies

Students who simultaneously fulfil the general conditions for access to study cycles leading to a doctoral degree and can prove that they have academic training or professional experience in at least one of the basic scientific areas of the programme (or related areas) may apply for access to the programme:

- Computer Science, Computer Engineering
- Maths, Statistics
- Medicine, Health Sciences and Technologies
- Psychology, Economics and Management

Students should preferably have had previous contact with training and/or research in data science, intelligent data analysis, health informatics or clinical and health services research.

In addition, given that the programme will be taught in English, candidates should have (preferably certified) oral and written English language proficiency.

B – Selection and ranking criteria and sub-criteria for applicants

Selection and ranking criteria should be defined using clear, objective, easily applicable, and justified variables to safeguard the transparency and accuracy of the assessment of applications. The assessment of criteria and sub-criteria measured through a numerical scale allows a more objective assessment of the potential and academic/scientific/artistic/professional capacity of the applicants.

B – Selection and ranking criteria and sub-criteria for applicants	
1. Academic, scientific and professional CV	60%
1.1 Academic curriculum	20%
1.1.1 Pre-graduate training (10%): Average of bachelor's degree or integrated master's degree weighted by the suitability of the scientific area of the bachelor's degree or integrated master's degree for the objectives of the study cycle. If the entry qualification was awarded by a foreign higher education institution and it has not been recognised and the grade has been reconverted at the time of application, the Programme Selection Committee may consider the candidate to have the minimum pass mark for the qualification;	
1.1.2 Postgraduate training (10%): Attendance and/or completion of postgraduate training and its relevance to the objectives of the study cycle;	
1.2 Scientific production: number and quality of scientific publications. Publications as 1st author, relevant to the scientific areas of the study cycle, in indexed journals with an impact factor, with citations, are valued. The ranking of the respective journals is also valued;	20%
1.3 Relevant professional experience: Years of relevant professional experience in the areas covered by the study programme. Current teaching experience in higher education is valued. Participation in funded research projects in scientific areas relevant to the study programme is valued.	20%
2. Selection interview (0-10 points), designed to assess the candidates' preparation in the scientific areas of this programme, their professional experience and their objectives within the scope of the study cycle, including previous research experience, namely in the main scientific areas of this study cycle, as well as the possible existence of a research project, its quality and relevance to the objectives of the study cycle. Existence of a proposal for a guidance team and/or presentation of letters of reference specific to this cycle of studies.	
Candidates with an application score of less than 14 and/or a selection interview score of less than 15 may be excluded.	
Applicant's tie-breaking criteria (it can be the ranking of some elements of the previous table)	
1. Scientific production	
2. Relevant professional experience	
3. Academic CV	

3RD CYCLE OF STUDIES IN HEALTH DATA SCIENCE

VACANCIES: MAX: 20 / MIN: 5

1st PHASE VACANCIES: 20

2ND PHASE VACANCIES: REMAINDERS

TENDER SCHEDULING

	1 ST PHASE		2 ND PHASE	
	BEGIN	END	BEGIN	END
ONLINE APPLICATION SUBMISSION	02-02-2024	06-05-2024	12-07-2024	19-07-2024
PUBLICATION OF PROVISIONAL RESULTS	27-05-2024		31-07-2024	
PRIOR HEARING	28-05-2024	12-06-2024	01-08-2024	14-08-2024
PUBLICATION OF FINAL RESULTS	14-06-2024		02-09-2024	
SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINTS	17-06-2024	21-06-2024	03-09-2024	23-09-2024
PUBLICATION OF THE DECISION ON COMPLAINTS	26-06-2024		03-10-2024	
ONLINE ENROLLMENT	28-06-2024	04-07-2024	03-09-2024	09-09-2024
POSSIBLE ADMISSION OF WAIT-LISTED APPLICANTS	05-07-2024	11-07-2024	10-09-2024	16-09-2024

Method of notification of results (provisional and final) to applicants: by e-mail to the e-mail address indicated in the application.