

Universidade de Évora Universidade do Algarve - Faculdade de Ciências e Tecnologia

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Applications for Admission: Doutoramento em Ciências Agrárias e Ambientais (Agricultural and Environmental Sciences) Academic Year 2025/2026

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 by all Partner Institutions together, pursuant to Article 42 of Decree-Law No. 74/2006, of 24 March, in its current republication
- c. **Type of Agreement**: Application breakdown (all partner institutions receive applications, where the host institution for the student is the one where he enrolls and pay the tuition fee)
- d. Coordinator Institution: Universidade de Évora
- e. Partner Institutions:
 - Universidade de Évora
 - Universidade do Algarve Faculdade de Ciências e Tecnologia
- f. Specific Regulation: No
- g. Host Institutions: All partner institutions
- h. Applications place:
 - Universidade do Algarve Faculdade de Ciências e Tecnologia
 - **Application dates and information**: This PhD program is permanently open and applications can be accepted at anytime.
 - Universidade de Évora

- Application dates and information: https://www.uevora.pt/en/study/applying-to-UE/doctoral-degrees
 1st phase for new and returning students
 Applications: 27/Feb/2025 to 20/Mar/2025
 2nd phase for new and returning students
 Applications: 14/May/2025 to 18/Jun/2025
 3rd phase for new and returning students
 Applications : 19/Aug/2025 to 02/Sep/2025
 (International students cannot apply for the 3rd phase of applications, unless they already have a visa or are already living in Portugal).
 Note: the opening of applications in the 2nd and/or 3rd phase is dependent on all vacancies not being filled in the previous phase.
- i. Executive Program Committee:

Luis Leopoldo de Sousa e Silva (Universidade de Évora) Maria Belém de Costa 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

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8. General conditions of access and admission

i Legal conditions for access to the cycle of studies leading to the doctorate (doctor) degree (Ph.D.degree)

Those who meet the following conditions may apply to the cycle of studies that leads to the doctorate (doctor) degree (Ph.D.degree)

- Holders of the master degree or legal equivalent;
- Holders of a bachelor degree who have a particularly relevant academic or scientific curriculum
 vitae that is recognized as attesting the capacity to carry out this cycle of studies by the
 relevant scientific body of the higher education institution they wish to be admitted to;
- Holders of an academic, scientific or professional curriculum vitae that is recognised as attesting the capacity to carry out this cycle of studies by the relevant scientific body of the higher education institution they wish to be admitted to.

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 Analisys: 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:
 8
- Maximum number of admissions for candidates without nationality of European Union countries:
 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.

Depending on the number of applications, places may be transferred between the competition for international students and the competition for European Union students.

11. Tuition fee

- Candidates with nationality of European Union countries: 1 250,00 \in
- Candidates without nationality of European Union countries: 2 500,00 $\,\in\,$

12. Organization / Duration

- a. Duration of the program: 8 semesters
- b. Number of ECTS to obtain the degree: 240

13. Language(s) of teaching

- English
- Portuguese

14. Learning Type

Presencial

15. Schedule type

Mixed

16. Classes schedule (week days and schedule)

Mandatory curricular units are taught on a tutorial basis. The optional curricular units can be taught in person or remotely, at a time to be defined.

17. Program starting date

September de 2025

February 26, 2025 The Rector

Hermínia Vasconcelos Vilar