



Universidade de Évora

Open call rules

Applications for Admission: Mestrado em Sociologia (Sociology)
Academic Year 2025/2026

1. The program is promoted by

Universidade de Évora - Escola de Ciências Sociais

2. Course Committee

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3. Program description

The aim of the Master's Degree course in Sociology is to offer advanced and specialized training in the field of sociology, based on a solid theoretical, methodological, and instrumental formation capable of adequately substantiating the scientific and professional practices in two areas of specialization: 'Regional Development' and 'Human Resources'.

Developing skills oriented to employability, career progression in the fields of sociological intervention, and for the pursuit of the 3rd cycle studies (PhD), the Master in Sociology enables to conceptualize social reality with sociological thinking, as well as to ensure the management of the human resources of organizations and territories, from a development perspective.

Masters students in Sociology will also develop skills to design and/or coordinate fundamental or applied sociological research studies, in the organizational and societal domain, as well as to plan and evaluate social and organizational intervention programs and projects, and also to carry out studies of social and prospective diagnosis for organizations and territories. In the same way, they will be able to provide technical advice and/or specialized training to companies and other organizations in the areas of human resources, organizational and territorial development, as well as to integrate and stimulate discussion and research networks.

In addition to general skills, the specialization in 'Regional Development' allows the development of competences to:

- Discuss the development of the territory through the sociological theories;
- Evaluate supranational, national and regional public policies that frame the development of territories;
- Use sociological intervention tools in territories.

In addition to general skills, the specialization in 'Human Resources' allows the development of competences to:

- Use tools to support and drive processes of social and organizational innovation and human resources development in work organizations;
- Choose and implement human resources management techniques that allow people management in different organizational contexts.

4. Specialization areas

- Regional Development (**available**)
- Human Resources (**available**)

5. Career opportunities

The Master's Degree course in Sociology offers advanced and specialized training aimed at practicing the profession of sociologist in organizations and companies from different areas and sectors: local authorities, deconcentrated public administration, local development associations, secondary and higher education institutions, social solidarity institutions, vocational schools and other education and vocational training organizations, private companies, and consultancy.

The possibility of experiencing an Internship in the 2nd year is an important mechanism to demonstrate skills, consolidate acquired knowledge and competences and to enhance students' employability.

6. Number of registration at DGES

R/A-Ef 1780/2011/AL02

7. Number of accreditation process by A3ES

ACEF/1920/0309087

8. Program Creation Norm

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9. General conditions of access and admission

i Legal conditions for access to the cycle of studies leading to the master degree

Those who meet the following conditions may apply to the cycle of studies that leads to the master degree:

- Holders of the bachelor degree or legal equivalent;
- Holders of a foreign academic degree fully recognised as satisfying the objectives identical to the bachelor degree 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 recognized as attesting to 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 **Conditions of access to the cycle of studies at the Universidade de Évora**

On the application date, the undergraduate students must satisfy conditions that guarantee the conclusion of their undergraduate degree until the 30th of October of the admission year. The admission and enrollment of these students is conditioned on the conclusion of the degree until this date, and the enrollment is canceled if the student does not complete the degree within that period

During the first application phase, students who have a maximum of 6 curricular units or 36 ECTS missing for conclusion of their degree can apply for the 2nd cycle; in the 2nd application phase students can apply if they have at most 3 curricular units missing and in the 3rd application phase if they have at most one curricular unit missing

The previous condition does not apply to students with a curriculum that reveals professional or scientific experience, which can be recognized by the competent scientific body, as attesting the students ability to carry out the masters degree/post-graduation, provided that the student required that recognition in the application process

iii **Specific admission conditions**

The Master in Sociology is directed to students holding a degree in Sociology or in Social Sciences and Humanities, granted by Portuguese or foreign universities.

10. Selection Process

- Academic Qualifications: 50%
 - Area of qualifications: 40%
 - Level of qualifications: 30%
 - Average grade in the highest qualification: 30%
- Curriculum Analysis: 50%
 - Scientific and technical activities and publications: 20%
 - Participation in research projects: 20%
 - Professional Experience in the area of the program or related fields: 20%
 - Professional Training in the area of the program or related fields: 20%
 - Training in transversal competences: 20%

11. Maximum number of admissions

- Maximum number of admissions for candidates with nationality of European Union countries:
 - Regional Development: 7
 - Human Resources: 7
- Maximum number of admissions for candidates without nationality of European Union countries:
 - Regional Development: 3
 - Human Resources: 3

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.

12. Minimum number of students

Minimum number of students:

- Regional Development: 6
- Human Resources: 6

13. Tuition fee

- Candidates with nationality of European Union countries: 1 050,00 €
- Candidates without nationality of European Union countries: 2 500,00 €
 - Annual Tuition fee for international students with merit scholarship: 1 050,00 €
 - Annual Tuition fee for international students with cooperation and development scholarship: 1 250,00 €

In the admission year, all students with international student status who have an undergraduate average of 15 or above (on a 0-20 scale) benefit from the international student merit scholarship tuition fee and all students from PALOP countries benefit from the tuition fee for international students with cooperation and development scholarship.

In the following years, to keep the merit or cooperation and development scholarship, the student has to meet the conditions stipulated in article 22 of the Academic Regulations of the University of Évora and the results are published until October 31 of each academic year, without the need to apply for the scholarship.

14. Organization / Duration

- Duration of the program:** 4 semesters
- Number of ECTS to obtain the degree:** 120
- Number of ECTS to obtain the master's course (conclusion of the curricular part):** 66

15. Language(s) of teaching

- Portuguese

Tutorial support and guided bibliography in English, according to the profile of the students in each annual edition of the course.

16. Learning Type

Presencial

17. Schedule type

Mixed

18. Classes schedule (week days and schedule)

Thursdays and Fridays from 2:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

19. Program starting date

September de 2025

February 26, 2025
The Rector

Hermínia Vasconcelos Vilar