



Universidade de Évora

Open call rules

Applications for Admission: Doutoramento em Arquitetura (Architecture)
Academic Year 2025/2026

1. The program is promoted by

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3. Program description

The doctorate in Architecture provides a space of training and advanced high-level research not only for those from the academy, but also for those who deal with architecture in the context of professional practice to whom this course presents the possibility of deepening knowledge and developing skills in the area of Architecture.

The thesis can integrate practical work of the project in architecture as a form of advanced research, as a context of scientific design driven research.

The course is intended to work within an international context, empowering students to work in a high academic level in a global competitive; Provides transdisciplinary knowledge on conceptual, formal and practical issues, on critical thinking, in planning and accomplishment works such as context landscape, in a comprehensive way, as cultural heritage (monumental, industrial, urban, architectural and landscape) in a more specific way with research application.

4. Specialization areas

- Architecture Project (available)

5. Career opportunities

Having in mind the value of a cultural approach to architecture, grounded with technical skills, its is recognised relevance and in a wide range of areas. Notwithstanding such scope, more specific domains of advanced architectural skills are identified, especially in a "research by design" approach, such as:

Professional "atelier" in practice of architecture; University teaching (1st, 2nd and 3rd Cycles); Integration in advanced research teams (post-doctoral) Integration in work teams of planning and intervention on the territory and on the built cultural heritage, namely in municipal, regional and national structures.

6. Number of registration at DGES

R/A-Cr 214/2011/AL01

7. Number of accreditation process by A3ES

ACEF/1819/1001841

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 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

Candidates to the doctorate programme are admitted as:

1. Those that prove to have a masters degree in architecture or equivalent area of studies;
2. Those graduated in architecture or in an equivalent area of studies, with at least a fulltime five years curricula in the university, or an equivalent curricula when coming from a foreign degree of studies;
3. Those who have either a scholar, or a scientific, and professional curriculum in the area of architecture that is evaluated as being relevant by the IIFA Scientific Council.

10. Selection Process

- Academic Qualifications: 40%
 - Area of qualifications: 40%
 - Level of qualifications: 20%
 - Average grade in the highest qualification: 40%
- Curriculum Analysis: 60%
 - Professional Experience in the area of the program or related fields: 20%
 - Artistic Experience or Portfolio / Artistic Dossier in the area of the program: 20%
 - Participation in research projects: 20%
 - Scientific publications: 20%
 - Conference Communications: 20%

Attached to the CV, candidates must submit a motivation letter in which they should outline their qualifications, experiences, and reasons for applying to the PhD programme. This letter can be written in Portuguese and/or English and must be composed with clarity, cohesion, and coherence. For candidates whose mother tongue is not Portuguese or English, a certificate of proficiency in Portuguese or English at a minimum level of B1 (according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages) must be provided.

11. Maximum number of admissions

- Maximum number of admissions for candidates with nationality of European Union countries: 6
- Maximum number of admissions for candidates without nationality of European Union countries: 4

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12. Tuition fee

- Candidates with nationality of European Union countries: 1 500,00 €
- Candidates without nationality of European Union countries: 2 500,00 €
 - Annual Tuition fee for international students with merit scholarship: 1 500,00 €
 - Annual Tuition fee for international students with cooperation and development scholarship: 1 700,00 €

In the admission year, all students with international student status who have a grade C higher or equal to 16 ($C = 0.6 \times \text{undergraduate average} + 0.4 \times \text{master's average}$, both averages on the scale 0-20), benefit from the tuition fee for international students with merit scholarship 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.

13. Organization / Duration

- a. **Duration of the program:** 8 semesters
- b. **Number of ECTS to obtain the degree:** 240
- c. **Number of ECTS to obtain the doctorate course (conclusion of the curricular part):** 60

14. Language(s) of teaching

- Portuguese

Classes will be taught in Portuguese. However, if there is more than one student whose native language is not Portuguese, classes may be conducted bilingually (Portuguese/English) or in Portuguese with all documentation and written support provided in English. Tutorial support will be available in English and/or Spanish.

15. Learning Type

Presencial

16. Schedule type

Labor

17. Classes schedule (week days and schedule)

Wednesdays or Fridays during the day (preferably in the afternoon). If conditions justify it, the schedule may be changed.

18. Program starting date

September de 2025

February 27, 2025
The Rector

Hermínia Vasconcelos Vilar