



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 2026/2027

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:** Applications for the PhD program are permanently open.
 - Universidade de Évora

- **Application dates and information:** <https://www.uevora.pt/en/study/applying-to-UE/doctoral-degrees>

Phase 1 - for new and returning students

Applications: February 13, 2026 to March 12, 2026

Phase 2 - for new and returning students

Applications: April 30, 2026 to May 22, 2026

Phase 3 - for new and returning students

Applications: July 21, 2026 to August 11, 2026

(International students cannot apply to the 3rd application phase, unless they prove that they already have a visa or reside in Portugal at the time of application).

Note: the opening of applications in the 2nd and/or 3rd phases is dependent on not filling all vacancies 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 spoken and written Portuguese and/or English is required, duly proven in the case of students from countries where these are not official languages. In case of doubt, the jury may call the candidate for an interview. Failure to meet this criterion will result in the candidate's 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 Analysis: 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.

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11. Tuition fee

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

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

Presential

15. Schedule type

Mixed

16. Classes schedule (week days and schedule)

Mandatory course units are taught in a tutorial format. Optional course units may be taught in person or remotely, at a time to be determined.

17. Program starting date

September de 2026

February 14, 2026
The Rector

Hermínia Vasconcelos Vilar