



**Universidade de Évora
Universidade dos Açores**

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Applications for Admission: Doutoramento em Teoria Política, Relações Internacionais e Direitos Humanos (Political Theory, International Relations and Human Rights)
Academic Year 2026/2027

1. The program is promoted by

Universidade de Évora - Instituto de Investigação e Formação Avançada
Universidade dos Açores

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 dos Açores
- f. **Specific Regulation:** No
- g. **Host Institutions:** All partner institutions
- h. **Applications place:**
 - Universidade dos Açores
 - **Application dates and information:** Information regarding application deadlines, calendar, procedures, and the address for submission of applications is available on the respective official webpages of the institution. Applicants should consult the calendars and procedures defined therein: <https://estudar.uac.pt/candidaturas-a-doutoramentos/>

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<https://www.uevora.pt/en/study/applying-to-UE/doctoral-degrees>

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i. **Executive Program Committee:**

Diretor: Evanthia Balla (UÉ) Adjuntos: Irene Viparelli (UÉ) Paulo Fontes (UAc) Sílvia Roque (UÉ)

3. Program description

The PhD in Political Theory, International Relations and Human Rights, created in partnership by the Universities of Évora and the Azores, is distinguished by the centrality it gives to issues of democracy, citizenship and human rights, contextualised in the international system, driven by heterogeneous trends and forces that are sometimes contradictory. With the support of a teaching staff with high scientific and disciplinary competence and anchored in solid research experience in Research Centres of Excellence, this PhD aims to develop in-depth theoretical knowledge that, in a versatile and transdisciplinary way, drives the development of critical analyses that represent an innovative and consistent contribution to research at national and international level.

4. Career opportunities

This doctoral programme enables graduates to pursue careers in teaching, scientific research, specialised consultancy within European and international organisations and institutions, senior positions in public administration, think tanks, and organisations specialising in public policy. It also provides preparation for careers in diplomacy or in non-governmental organisations (NGOs).

5. Number of registration at DGES

R/A-Cr 224/2022

6. Number of accreditation process by A3ES

NCE/21/2100137

7. Program Creation Norm

Diário da República n.º 17 de 24 de janeiro de 2023, Aviso n.º 1618

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

The following are eligible to apply:

- a) Holders of a master's degree in the scientific field of Political Theory, International Relations, and Human Rights or related fields; holders of a bachelor's degree in this area or related areas obtained before Decree-Law no. 74/2006, of 24 March, and its subsequent versions, provided they hold university postgraduate qualifications;
- b) Holders of a bachelor's degree in this or related fields of study, provided they have professional experience in practical fields related to this area of training, or whose curriculum vitae shows scientific interest in the field of knowledge of this doctoral programme.

9. Selection Process

- Academic Qualifications: 70%
 - Area of qualifications: 60%
 - Level of qualifications: 40%
- Curriculum Analysis: 25%
 - Scientific publications: 40%
 - Conference Communications: 20%
 - Professional Training in the area of the program or related fields: 20%
 - Participation in research projects: 20%
- Interview: 5%
 - Understanding of Program Objectives: 100%

10. 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

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.

- For admission of applicants holding the nationality of European Union countries: 6 places
- For admission of applicants who do not hold the nationality of European Union countries: 4 places

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

11. Tuition fee

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

12. Organization / Duration

- Duration of the program:** 8 semesters
- Number of ECTS to obtain the degree:** 240
- Number of ECTS to obtain the doctorate course (conclusion of the curricular part):** 90

13. Language(s) of teaching

- English
- Portuguese

Although classes are taught in Portuguese, tutorial support is available in English, and materials are provided in English whenever there are students whose native language is not Portuguese.

14. Learning Type

b-Learning

15. Schedule type

Mixed

16. Classes schedule (week days and schedule)

Monday: 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday: 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday: 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

The schedule indicated may be subject to change should circumstances so require.

17. Program starting date

September de 2026

February 12, 2026
The Rector

Hermínia Vasconcelos Vilar