

ANNOUNCEMENT FOR APPLICATIONS - Academic Year – 2018 / 2019
Doctoral Program in Information and Communication in Digital Platforms (3rd Cycle)
(Joint Doctoral Program of University of Aveiro and University of Porto)
(Registered at DGES under n° R/B - Cr 225/2008 and accredited by A3ES ref CEF/0910/14112)
Application call - 1st Call

1. Number of places:

- 1.1. Total number of places for the academic year indicated above: 20
- 1.2. N° of places 1st Call: 20
- 1.3. Minimum number of enrolments necessary for the running of the Study Cycle, by pathway: N/A

2. Entry qualifications:

- 2.1. Master level degree, or legal equivalent in Communication Sciences and Technologies, Communication Sciences or Information Science;
- 2.2. Foreign higher education degree in Communication Sciences and Technologies awarded on completion of a 2nd cycle study programme organised in accordance with the principles of the Bologna Process by a State adhering to this process.
- 2.3. Foreign higher education degree in Communication Sciences and Technologies, Communication Sciences or Information Science recognised as satisfying the objectives of the master degree by the scientifically and statutorily competent body.
- 2.4. The Scientific Council of the University of Aveiro can admit applicants who do not meet the conditions specified above but whose academic, scientific or professional curriculum reveal an adequate preparation for frequenting the programme, in accordance with Article 30, N° 1c), Decree Law n° 74/2006, as expressed in Decree Law n° 107/2008, of June 25, and line c) of Article 54, No. 1 of the Study Regulations of the University of Aveiro
- 2.5. The recognition referred to in 2.2, 2.3 and 2.4 effect only entry to the study cycle and do not confer equivalence to the degree of master or recognition of this degree.

3. Selection criteria:

- 3.1. Applicants for enrolment will be selected by the Scientific Council of the University of Aveiro in accordance with the proposal made by the Director of the Study Cycle, taking into account the following parameters:
 - a) Academic curriculum;
 - b) Scientific curriculum;
 - c) Professional curriculum;
 - d) Objectives and motivation to enrol the program;
 - e) Interest in developing research in one of these areas:
 - Information representation and organization;
 - Informational behaviour;
 - Communication processes in new media;
 - Participative media applications (Science communication, Education and training, Health, tourism, Interactive TV, videogames).
- 3.2. An interview and / or a written test may be required as complementary criteria.
- 3.3. Sub-criteria and their respective weighting are given in a specific minute approved by the jury for this application, available on the opening notices page of the study programme.

4. Application period: 1st Call - 16th to 27th April 2018

5. Formalisation of application – applications should be made exclusively via Internet, at the following address: <http://paco.ua.pt>.

5.1. List of documents necessary for the processing of applications, being considered obligatory, at risk of exclusion, those indicated below, with the exception of 5.1.5.:

- 5.1.1. Photocopy of Identity Card, Residence Permit, or other identification document in the case of foreign applicants;
- 5.1.2. Certificate of qualifications indicating the degree held by the applicant;
- 5.1.3. Certificate of courses of the study programme completed by the applicant as well as the grades awarded and the respective credits;
- 5.1.4. Curriculum Vitae and a Motivational letter that should also include information related with d) and e) of 3.1.

5.1.5. Other documents which the applicant considers relevant for the assessment of the merit of his or her curriculum.

5.2. Under the terms of Article 124, N° 1 c) and e) of the Code of Administrative Procedure, interested parties will not be heard in advance.

5.3. The application process is conducted exclusively via the upload of the required documents (students with prior qualifications from the University of Aveiro are not required to upload documents relating to the certification of their qualifications and disciplines). Delivery of the original documents may be required at any moment for verification purposes.

In the case of qualifications awarded abroad, the documents should be authenticated by the official educational body of the respective country and recognised by the diplomatic authorities, or Portuguese consular authorities, or carry the apostille of The Hague Convention. The same applies to translations of documents not originally written in Spanish, French or English (translation into one of these languages is obligatory).

5.4. In the event that a complaint has been made and a previously “not admitted” applicant comes to be “admitted”, they will have the right to admission and an additional place will be made available.

5.5. Notifications related to this procedure will be sent to applicants at the email address given at the time of application.

6. Payment: The fee for application is 20Euros (unrefundable). Payment must be made through the payment methods provided by the application platform. If it is not possible for the candidate to formalize the payment by the means available, they should do so by sending, by post, proof of application and cheque or postal order made out to the Universidade de Aveiro, to the Serviços de Gestão Académica, Campus de Santiago, 3810-193 Aveiro, Portugal, before the deadline for payment indicated on the proof of application. **Applications will only be considered valid when payment is made within the established deadline.**

7. Period for selection of applicants: 1st Call - 9th to 15th May 2018

8. Period for approval of lists of applicants by the Scientific Council and the Rectorate: 1st Call – 16th to 18th May 2018
The respective lists of applicants can be consulted at <http://paco.ua.pt>.

9. Period for registration and enrolment: 1st Call – 21st to 25th May 2018

Online via the Academic Portal - PACO

Admitted applicants who do not register within the period indicated will not be permitted to register after the deadline. They may reapply to the study cycle in a later call, should this take place.

Under the terms of Article 14, N° 1 of the University of Aveiro Study Regulations, enrolments may be cancelled up to the 31st December of the respective academic year, however, in this case, half of the cost of the established fee will be due independently of whether the applicant has attended the study cycle or not.

10. Academic Calendar: The academic calendar to be applied is the one established by the University of Aveiro for the academic year 2018/2019.

11. Study plan and tuition fees:

Consult the site: <http://www.ua.pt/ensino/course/181>
ICPD site: icpd.web.ua.pt

University of Aveiro, March 2018

The Rector, Prof. Doutor Manuel Assunção