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APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND ACCOMMODATION

Application deadlines	1st semester : 1 March to 15 July 2nd semester: 1 September to 15 December
Online applications	Students within the Framework of the Erasmus or other Mobility Programmes shall apply online at http://www.uc.pt/en/driic/mobilidade/in/

Accommodation

All students are advised to read carefully the application guide before starting the online application.

Mobility students may book their own accommodation at student's residences or private lodging included in the online accommodation platform of the University of Coimbra available at www.uc.pt/go/accommodation

ACADEMIC INFORMATION**Academic calendar**

1st Semester: From September to December
Christmas Break: last two weeks of December to first week of January
Examination Period -1st Semester: first week of January to first week of February

2nd Semester: From February to June
Easter Break: one week in the Easter month
Academic Festivity "Queima das Fitas": one week in May
Examination Period -2nd Semester: June to July
Resit Examination Period: July
Summer Holidays: 1 to 31 August

Assessment system

Assessment comprises written, oral and practical tests/examinations, papers, theses, projects, reports, and portfolios. All these modes of assessment may take place during and/or at the end of each semester. More detailed information about assessment methods can be found in the content description of different course units of the study programmes.

1. The final assessment of a course unit is expressed by a grade on a scale of whole numbers from 0 to 20, with 10 as the minimum pass mark.
2. The final classification of a diploma/degree programme is expressed as a number from 10 to 20 on the scale of whole numbers from 0 to 20.
3. The final classification is the arithmetic weighted average of the classifications obtained in the course units that make part of the course structures of the diploma/degree programmes.
4. The final classification is usually associated with a qualitative definition in four classes: Pass (10-13) Good (14 and 15), Very Good (16 and 17) and Excellent (18-20).

The Academic Services at each Faculty (called "Bedel" in some of them) deal with examination scheduling and registration as well as marks.

Language of instruction

The majority of course units are conducted in Portuguese. Although there is a number of course units offered in English (<http://www.uc.pt/en/ects/catalogo>); and in some cases, exchange students make arrangements with lecturers in order to be allowed to do examinations or submit assignments in English (or in another language, if both parts know it). Modern Language studies are usually medium-taught (in Portuguese, English, French, German, Dutch, Spanish or Italian).

The Faculty of Sciences and Technology usually offers complete master courses in English in the fields of Ecology, Cell Biology and Software Engineering; and a doctoral programme in the field of Information Technology.

Language requisites

As you can see from above it is very important that students have a good knowledge of the Portuguese language. Therefore, they are advised to attend the Intensive Language Preparation Course at the beginning of the months of September and February. The course is not free of charge for exchange students.

Apart from those, there are a number of Portuguese Language and Culture

<p>Information on courses</p>	<p>Courses running at the Faculty of Letters at the beginning of each semester and throughout the year. Learn more at www.uc.pt/go/learn-portuguese</p>
<p>European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System (ECTS)</p>	<p>Course study programmes are available at http://www.uc.pt/en/ensino</p> <p>Please contact ECTS departmental coordinators of the subject area that interests you most for more information.</p>
<p>Information on the ECTS departmental coordinators</p>	<p>All courses of the University of Coimbra are organised in compliance with the ECTS. For further information see http://www.uc.pt/ects</p> <p>The University of Coimbra has an ECTS Coordinator per Faculty, and each Faculty nominates an ECTS Departmental Coordinator by subject area/department. They work in close connection with the International Relations Unit and deal with issues about the academic recognition of student mobility.</p> <p>See their names and contacts at http://www.uc.pt/ects</p>

USEFUL LINKS ABOUT PORTUGAL, THE CITY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF COIMBRA

<p>About Portugal</p>	<p>Official Portuguese tourist website http://www.visitportugal.com/</p>
<p>About Coimbra</p>	<p>Official tourist website of Portugal's Main Land http://www.turismo-centro.pt/</p> <p>Find out all you can do in Coimbra http://www.turismodecoimbra.pt/</p>
<p>How to get to Coimbra</p>	<p>International Relations Unit http://www.uc.pt/en/driic/mobilidade/ac/</p>
<p>About the University of Coimbra</p>	<p>Official tourist website of the University of Coimbra http://visit.uc.pt</p>
<p>Finding your way after arrival and during your studies</p>	<p>Welcome Guide of the University of Coimbra http://www.uc.pt/international-applicants/welcome-guide</p>