

Academic Year 2026/2027

**Interuniversity PhD Programme in History:
change and continuity in a global world (PIUDHist)**

NOTICE

1. Places

The number of available places for this PhD programme is 20.

2. Admission requirements

The following are eligible to apply for this cycle of studies:

- a) Holders of a master's degree or equivalent in History or in the fields of Social Sciences and Humanities, with preference given to candidates with research experience in History;
- b) Holders of a bachelor's degree or equivalent, with a particularly relevant academic or scientific curriculum and who present letters of recommendation that are recognised by the Directive Committee of the PhD as attesting to their capacity to undertake this cycle of studies;
- c) Holders of a particularly relevant academic, scientific or professional curriculum and who present letters of recommendation that are recognised by the Directive Committee of the PhD as attesting to their capacity to undertake this cycle of studies.

3. Application process

3.1. Applications will be submitted exclusively online through the FenixEdu platform of the Institute of Social Sciences (ICS) of the University of Lisbon.

Link to the website for submitting applications: <https://fenix.ics.ulisboa.pt>

To create a registration, please access <https://fenix.ics.ulisboa.pt/accountCreation>

In case you already have a registration, you can recover the access at <https://fenix.ics.ulisboa.pt/passwordResetRequest>

In case you already have a student number at ICS, you should use your Campus/Edu account credentials by selecting the “Login ULisboa” option at <https://fenix.ics.ulisboa.pt>

You may recover your access to Campus/Edu account at <https://utilizador.ulisboa.pt>

3.2. The applications must be submitted with the following documents:

- a) Certificate of completion of a bachelor's degree and master's degree, or legally equivalent degree;
- b) Updated curriculum vitae, including published or duly documented works;
- c) Personal statement, explaining the reasons for applying to this cycle of studies;
- d) Presentation of a preliminary research project, indicating the object of study and describing the objectives of the research to be developed in the doctorate, up to 1000 words;
- e) Two letters of recommendation, issued by national or foreign specialists, recognised as suitable by the Directive Committee of the PhD;
- f) Master's thesis and, if applicable, other relevant publications, in PDF format.

3.3. The application will only be admitted upon payment of the application fee in the amount of €50.00 (fifty euros).

4. Application calls and deadlines

4.1. Applications may be processed in two calls, within the deadlines stipulated below.

4.2. The 2nd application call will only take place when the number of places set in no. 1 is not fully filled by the applications of the candidate(s) admitted in the 1st call, and only for the places that are not filled by those.

4.3. The application calls will take place within the following deadlines:

a) 1st call:

Application submission: 2 March to 30 April 2026.

Interviews: until 11 May 2026.

Publication of results: 15 May 2026.

Deadline for complaints (preliminary hearing): up to 10 working days after publication.

Registration period: 10 days after application approval.

b) 2nd call:

Application submission: 18 May to 26 June 2026.

Interviews: until 3 July 2026.

Publications of results: 6 July 2026.

Deadline for complaints (preliminary hearing): up to 10 working days after publication.

Registration period: 10 days after application approval.

4.4. Once the application calls are complete, if there are places to be filled, a 3rd application call will be opened, with applications being accepted from 13 July to 4 September 2026. Applications submitted in this call will be evaluated in order of receipt.

5. Criteria for ranking applications and admission

5.1. Candidates will be ranked according to the final classifications assigned to the applications by the Selection Jury and expressed on a scale of 0 to 20 points, taking into account the following criteria:

- a) Bachelor's grade: 10%
- b) Master's grade: 25%
- c) Experience and capability to develop advanced research: 35%
- d) Personal statement, interview and preliminary research project: 30%

5.2. The interviews will be conducted in English by two members of the Selection Jury via videoconference.

5.3. After evaluating the applications according to the criteria and weightings defined, the Selection Jury will proceed to rank the applications in descending order of their final classifications.

5.4. Candidates whose final application score is equal or higher to 10 points and whose ranking is less than or equal to the number of places set in no. 1, in the first application call, or the remaining places from the second application call, will be admitted to the Doctoral Programme.

5.5. The admission of foreign candidates, except those from Portuguese-speaking countries, is contingent upon presentation of proof of Portuguese language proficiency at level B2.

5.6. Reserve list:

5.6.1. Candidates whose final application grade is equal to or higher than 10 points and, cumulatively, whose order number in the final ranking is higher than the number of places defined in no. 1. will be placed on the reserve list.

5.6.2. Candidates placed on the reserve list will be admitted to the Doctoral Programme for any vacancies that may arise after the registration deadline, in ascending order of their ranking number in the final list.

6. Annual tuition fee

1st curricular year: €1,375.00 (one thousand three hundred and seventy five euros)

2nd, 3rd and 4th curricular years: €1,200.00 (one thousand two hundred euros)

Indicative amounts subject to approval by the General Council of the University of Lisbon, by agreement between the institutions of the consortium.

7. Duration of the programme

4 years, 8 semesters, 240 ECTS.

8. Contacts

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<http://piudhist.ics.ul.pt/>

<https://www.ics.ulisboa.pt/en/doctorates/piudhist>

9. Composition of the selection jury

The selection jury is composed of the members of the Directive Committee of the PhD in office on the date of this Notice, namely:

Professor José Miguel Sardica (FCH-UCP) (President)

Professor Isabel Corrêa da Silva (ICS-ULisboa)

Professor Paulo Oliveira Fontes (FT-UCP)

Professor Eugénia Rodrigues (FL-ULisboa)

Professor Ana Sofia Ribeiro (IIFA-UÉvora)

Professor Marina Costa Lobo

Director of the ICS-ULisboa