



MASTER IN PSYCHOLOGY OF INTERCULTURAL RELATIONS

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Following applicants can apply to the Master's Degree in Psychology of Intercultural Relations:

- a) Holders of a Bachelor's degree in Psychology, Psychological Sciences or legal equivalent;
- b) Holders of a foreign higher academic degree conferred following a first cycle of study organized according to the Bologna process in the scientific area of Psychology;
- c) Holders of a foreign higher academic degree that is recognized as satisfying the goals of a Bachelor degree in Psychology.
- d) Proven English language proficiency at a minimum level of B2 for the *Common European Framework of Reference for Languages* (CEFR).

CLASSIFICATION CRITERIA

Following selection and classification criteria were approved:

- 1) Bachelor degree grade (60%)
- 2) Academic and scientific curriculum (10%)
- 3) Professional experience in Psychology and/or Intercultural Relations (10%)
- 4) Motivation letter (10%)
- 5) Training and/or knowledge of the English language (10%)

The final classification of each candidate is the result of the weighted average of the classification of each criteria and is expressed on a scale from 0 to 20, rounded up to the hundredths place.

CRITERIA IS OPERATIONALIZED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Bachelor degree grade (60%)

For candidates who have a completed bachelor and/or integrated master's degree, the score will be equal to the final classification of that course. For candidates who are finishing their

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degree, the average of the degree course units taken so far, as communicated by the candidate on the application platform, will be considered.

These candidates will be accepted conditionally, under the requirement that they later submit a certificate of qualifications that proves the final bachelor / integrated master degree grade.

2. Academic and scientific curriculum (10%)

a) Complementary academic curriculum to the bachelor degree (5%)

- **0 points** - no additional training to the Degree in Psychology or Post-Bologna Psychological Sciences (3 years); for these cases only, if the candidate has a classification equal to or higher than 13 points, they will be given a score of 10;
- **10 points** - Graduate in Psychology or Psychological Sciences or Master's degree in another scientific field;
- **15 points** - Degree in Pre-Bologna Psychology (4 or 5 years with internship);
- **20 points** - Integrated Master's Degree in Psychology or another master's degree in the field of Psychology.

b) Scientific curriculum (5%)

- **0 points** - No experience in scientific research;
- **10 points** - Participation in research projects, (e.g., data collection, literature review, data analysis), without scientific production;
- **15 points** - Oral or poster presentations at scientific meetings;
- **20 points** - Scientific production, namely publications in peer-reviewed scientific article.

3. Professional experience in Psychology and/or Intercultural Relations (10%)

- **0 points** - No volunteering or professional experience;
- **10 points** - Volunteering experience in the field of Psychology, or Professional experience in a field other than Psychology;
- **15 points** - Professional experience (over 6 months) in the field of social sciences;

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- **20 points** - Professional experience (over 6 months) in the areas of Psychology and social and cultural diversity.

4. Motivation letter (10%)

- **0 points** - No motivation letter submitted, or letter completely irrelevant to the programme;
- **10 points** – Basic motivation: general statements about studying the programme, minimal connection to the candidate’s academic or professional background, limited clarity or structure.
- **15 points** – Good motivation: clearly written, mentions relevant academic or professional experience, demonstrates understanding of the programme and reasonable alignment with personal goals.
- **20 points** – Excellent motivation: well-structured, highly specific and compelling, demonstrates clear alignment with programme objectives, integrates academic/professional background and future goals, shows awareness of intercultural or social impact.

5. Training and/or knowledge of the English language (20%)

- **0 points** – English proficiency of B2 for CEFR;
- **10 points** – English proficiency of C1 for CEFR;
- **15 points** – English proficiency of C2 for CEFR;
- **20 points** – Perfect fluency of the English language (‘native speaker’).

MINIMUM CLASSIFICATION SCORE

Candidates with a final classification of less than 13 will not be selected.

TIE-BREAKER

In case of a tie in the final classification candidates will be ranked according to the grade of the bachelor or integrated master degree. If there is still a tie, they will be ranked according to the date and time of application for the Master registered in the submission platform (from the oldest to the most recent).

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FOREIGN GRADE HOLDERS

Holders of certificates or diplomas issued by foreign higher education institutions must ensure that documents submitted in the application mention the final classification obtained for the completion of the degree and the respective passing grade scale;

- They are accompanied by a document proving the curricular units taken for obtaining the degree, respective classifications and duration of the course;
- They are accompanied by a certified translation, whenever they are in a foreign language other than Spanish, French, English or Italian.

Admitted candidates that hold a foreign degree are admitted conditionally and are subject to the internal recognition of the degree to pursue studies foreseen in the legislation.

DOCUMENTS TO SUBMIT IN THE APPLICATION

The application is submitted exclusively online. It is mandatory to attach the following documents:

1. Photograph (headshot type);
2. Identification document (citizen card for national candidates and passport for foreign applicants);
3. Degree diploma with final course average*
4. School transcript or official document with the curricular units completed and respective classifications;
5. Curriculum Vitae;
6. Motivation letter (included directly in the platform, in the form provided);
7. Proof of English proficiency (can be a statement from home university confirming the student's English level, or a valid, standardized, test (e.g., IELTS/TOEFL; if another test is submitted, such as a free, online test, the Committee reserves the right to conduct an interview with the applicant, to be carried out by one of its members, to verify the applicant's English proficiency level).

*Candidates who are completing their degree must attach a declaration of honor (draft available in the submission platform) as an alternative to the diploma.

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Applicants who do not present the documents indicated above will be transferred to the next application round. The applicants that do not provide the missing documentation by the end of the subsequent application round will be excluded.

Successful candidates who are not selected due to lack of vacancies are transferred to the next application round (if available) and are again ranked. In the last round, candidates hold the status of substitutes, being allowed to enroll in the study cycle if there are vacancies left from non-enrolled admitted candidates for the academic year to which the application refers.

The Committee for the Analysis of Applications:

Professor Ricardo Borges Rodrigues

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