



Post-Graduate Course in Sea Science Business and Innovation

REGULATION, PROGRAM STRUCTURE AND CURRICULUM

A – REGULATIONS

Article 1

(Access to the Course of Studies)

1. To apply for this program, it is necessary to hold a bachelor's degree, with a minimum of 180 ECTS.
2. Any person who fails to meet the degree requirement stated in point 1 but holds a relevant scientific, academic, or professional curriculum may submit a request to the Coordination Commission that will assess whether the applicant may be granted admission to the course.
3. The program opens annually, subject to a minimum number of registrations established by the Coordination each year.

Article 2

(Application)

1. Application Deadlines

- a. The deadlines for submitting admission requirements are established annually by dispatch of the statutorily competent body of the Faculdade de Ciências of Universidade de Lisboa (FCUL) and the Universidade Católica Portuguesa (UCP) and disseminated through the appropriate means, particularly the FCUL (www.fc.ul.pt) and UCP (www.ucp.pt) websites.

2. Application

- a. Candidates can submit their application at the UCP academic services within the specified periods;
- b. To complete the application process for the program, applicants must submit the following documents:
 - i. application form;
 - ii. copy of the certificate of bachelor's degree or equivalent academic degree;
 - iii. school, scientific or professional curriculum, including copies of the referenced documents;
 - iv. application letter / motivation to attend the program;
 - v. copy of identification document.
- c. The application for the specialization courses requires the submission of the following documents:
 - i. application form;
 - ii. concise curriculum vitae;
 - iii. documents attesting the qualifications referred to in point 2.b. (certified copy or original document);
 - iv. copy of identification document.

3. Selection and Seriation of Candidates:

- a. Candidates who fail to meet the admission requirements for the program will not be admitted at the end of the application period and will not be considered in the seriation process.
- b. The evaluation of candidates will take into account their global merit, based on the following criteria:
 - i. academic degree, scored on a scale of 1 to 5;
 - ii. academic, scientific and technical qualifications, scored on a scale of 1 to 5;
 - iii. professional experience in the area, scored on a scale of 1 to 5;
 - iv. An interview may be scheduled with the candidate if the Coordination Commission deems it necessary.
- c. The candidates will be ranked according to the classification obtained in the selection process.

4. Communication and Disclosure of Results and Tuition Fees

- a. The enrolment and registration processes have capacity limitations established annually by the statutorily competent body of the UCP and FCUL upon the proposal by the Coordination Commission of the program.
- b. The number of openings will take into account the minimum number of students required for the program's operation. The functioning of the specialized courses depends on the program.
- c. The tuition fees and payment methods are established each year by dispatch of the Rector of the Universidade Católica Portuguesa (UCP) and the Director of the Faculdade de Ciências of Universidade de Lisboa, on a proposal from the Coordination Commission of the program.
- d. The number of openings, fees and payment method will be published through appropriate means, particularly the FCUL (www.fc.ul.pt) and UCP (www.ucp.pt) websites.

Article 3

(Description of the Program)

1. The program consists of different curricular modules, and a certificate is granted to students who successfully complete the courses that make up the program structure and curriculum, annexed to this Regulation, which must correspond to 30 ETCS.
2. The program comprises three curricular modules:
 - a. Law and Public Policies of the Sea;

- b. Marine Sciences;
 - c. Entrepreneurship and Blue Innovation.
3. Each of the three modules constitutes a thematic update course that, when taken independently, grants certification to students who successfully complete the courses and earn the necessary credits assigned to the integrated scientific areas as defined in the curriculum structure and study plans.

Article 4

(Coordination Commission)

1. The Coordination Commission of the program consists of one representative from each signatory institution, two scientific coordinators, and two academic coordinators who represent both signatory institutions. They may also have representation duties, either scientific or academic.
2. The scientific and academic coordinators are responsible for promoting the curricular coordination of the program, selecting faculty, and managing the program's operation. They are accountable in all aspects to the directors of the signatory institutions, who ultimately make final decisions.

Article 5

(Curriculum and Teaching)

1. The curricular component of the program is composed of the Study Plan approved by the competent bodies of FCUL and UCP.
2. The Study Plan of the program may include a component of compulsory seminars, optional seminars, conference series, and other useful courses.
3. The courses and seminars are preferably held in English.
4. Teaching of any of the courses will primarily be conducted remotely, with the exception of the Project course, which will take place in a face-to-face format, following the "Bootcamp" model. However, certain specific components of some courses may require in-person technical instruction.
5. The tasks of scientific and academic coordination will be carried out by two PhD-holding professors from the Coordination Commission, with one representing each of the signatory institutions.
6. The faculty of the program should be composed of professors from UCP or FCUL. However, some courses may be taught by invited professors with specific competences.

Article 6

(Attendance)

1. The Universidade Católica Portuguesa has a mandatory in-person attendance policy that applies to this program.

2. The number of unjustified absences given to each course (seminars and courses), should not exceed 1/3 of the total hours taught.
3. In case of absence, students may request justification before the Coordination Commission.

Article 7

(Examinations)

1. The evaluation of each course is determined by the scientific coordination of the program and the different professors and should be adapted to the specificities of the contents taught.
2. Students must be evaluated on both oral and written communication, and there must be at least one written element (essay, report, paper, reading sheet, or other), at the end of each course.
3. Final grades for courses are scored on a scale from 0 to 20.
4. It is not possible to appeal the evaluations.
5. The final grade of the program, as well as the specialized courses, is calculated as the weighted arithmetic average by ETCS of the completed courses.

Article 8

(Deadlines for the publication of grades)

1. Professors for the different courses of the program must record the final grades no later than fifteen days after the date of the final evaluation and communicate them to the students in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation.

Article 9

(Payment Rules and Tuition Fees)

1. Enrolment in the program requires payment of the fees established for applications and registrations, as well as tuition fees during the curricular period.
2. The amounts of the fees and tuition fees are determined annually by the Rector of UCP and the Director of FCUL.
3. Tuition fees are paid at UCP, following the general rules of the University and the tuition fees defined set for the current program.
4. For registration in isolated modules, the tuition fee corresponds to the price set for each course, plus a registration fee.
5. The deadline for issuing certificates and diplomas, as well as their format, are governed by the general rules for issuing diplomas currently in effect at UCP.

Article 10

(General Conditions for Approval)

1. To complete the program, students must obtain at least 30 ECTS
2. Upon successful completion of the program, students will receive a Post-Graduate Certificate.
3. Completion of individual courses will be acknowledged with a certificate of attendance.

B – PROGRAM STRUCTURE

1. The program comprises three modules:
 - i) Module 1 – Law and Public Policies of the Sea
 - ii) Module 2 – Marine Sciences
 - iii) Module 3 – Entrepreneurship and Blue Innovation
2. The attendance of the three modules corresponds to the entirety of the program, and a certificate is granted to students who obtain approval in courses assigned to the scientific areas integrated into the study plan.
3. Each of the modules 1,2 or 3, when attended independently, constitutes a **specialization course** in the corresponding thematic area. Certification is granted to students who obtain approval in courses totaling 7 credits for module 1, 6 credits for module 2, and 17 credits for module 3.
4. Each of the modules 1 or 2, when attended in conjunction with module 3, constitute a **enhancement program** in the respective thematic area.
5. Scientific areas of the program:
 - a. Earth Sciences (CEarth)
 - b. Life Sciences (CLife)
 - c. Individuals, Institutions and Markets
 - i. Management (IIM-MAN)
 - d. Institutions, Values, Beliefs and Behaviors
 - i. Political Science (IVB-PS)
 - ii. Legal Sciences (IVB - LS).
6. Number of credits required, according to the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System, for the completion of the program: 30 ECTS.
7. Normal duration of the program: 1 quarter.
8. Credits required per scientific area to complete the program:

Scientific Area	Acronym /	Acronym /	ECTS
	FCUL	UCP	Mandatory

Institutions, Values, Beliefs and Behaviors/ Political Science		IVB-PS	6
Institutions, Values, Beliefs and Behaviors / Legal Sciences		IVB-LS	1
Individuals, Institutions and Markets / Management		IIM-MAN	1
Life Sciences	SLIFE		4,5
Earth Sciences	CEARTH		1,5
Seminars	QA	PRJ	4
Project (a)		IIM-MAN	12
Total			30

- a) Corresponds to 12 ECTS of Module 3 and can be taken in any of the scientific areas.

Module 1

(Specialization Course in Law and Public Policies of the Sea)

1. Main scientific areas: Legal Sciences and Political Science.
2. Number of credits required, according to the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System, for the completion of the program: 7 ECTS.
3. Normal duration of the program: 2 weeks.
4. Credits required per scientific area to complete the **Specialization Course** in Law and Public Policies of the Sea:

Scientific Area	Acronym / FCUL	Acronym / UCP	ECTS
			Mandatory
Law of the Sea		IVB-LS	1
Politics and Strategy in the Economy of the Sea		IVB-PS	6
Total			7

Module 2

(Specialization Course in Marine Sciences)

1. Main scientific area: Life Sciences.
2. Number of credits required, according to the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System, for the completion of the program: 6 ECTS.
3. Normal duration of the program: 2.5 weeks.

4. Credits required per scientific area to complete the **Specialization Course** in Earth Sciences:

Scientific Area	Acronym / FCUL	Acronym / UCP	ETCS
			Mandatory
Governance and Environmental Management in the Marine Environment	CLIFE		1,5
Aquaculture	CLIFE		1,5
Marine Biotechnology	CLIFE		1,5
Mineral and energy resources in the marine environment	CEARTH		1,5
Total			6

Module 3

(Specialization Course in Entrepreneurship and Blue Innovation)

1. Main scientific areas: Economics and Management.
2. Main scientific area of the Project: variable, depends on the scientific area of the work to be developed.
3. Number of credits required, according to the European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System, for the completion of the program: 17 ECTS.
4. Normal duration of the program: 3 weeks.
5. Credits required per scientific area to complete module:

Scientific Area	Acronym / FCUL	Acronym / UCP	ECTS
			Mandatory
Entrepreneurship, management, and internationalization		IIM-MAN	1
Seminars	QA	IIM-MAN	4
Project	QA	MAN	12
Total			17

C – CURRICULUM

Module 1 – Law and Public Policies of the Sea

Courses	Scientific Area	Type	Working time (hours)		ECTS	Obs.
			Total	CH/AW		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Politics and Strategy in the Economy of the Sea	IVB-LS	Block	164	18/146	6	
Law of the Sea	IVB-PS	Block	27	3/24;	1	

Module 2 – Marine Sciences

Courses	Scientific Area	Type	Working time (hours)		ECTS	Obs.
			Total	CH/AW		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Governance and environmental management in the marine environment	CLIFE	Block	41	14/27	1,5	
Aquaculture	CLIFE	Block	41	14/27	1,5	
Marine Biotechnology	CLIFE	Block	41	14/27	1,5	
Mineral and energy resources in the marine environment	CEARTH	Block	41	14/27	1,5	

Module 3 – Entrepreneurship and Blue Innovation

Courses (1)	Scientific Area (2)	Type (3)	Working time (hours)		ECTS (6)	Obs. (7)
			Total (4)	CH/AW (5)		
Entrepreneurship, management, and internationalization	IIM-MAN	Block	27	3/24	1	
Seminars	QA IIM-MAN	Block	115	18/108	4	
Project	QA a)	Block	312	24/288	12	Scientific area of choice

a) The Project can be developed in any scientific area (QA) related to the module(s) carried out in conjunction with the Project/Seminar

CH - Contact hours

AW – Hours of Autonomous Work