



Call Announcement

Special Admission Contest for International Students University of the Azores 2017-2018

In accordance with Decree-Law 36/2014, of March 10, amended by Decree-Law 113/2014, of July 16, and with Order No. 1137/2015, of January 20, which approves the regulation on the special admission contest for international students at the University of the Azores, the University of the Azores opens the special admission contest for international students to start an undergraduate program/ license degree in the academic year 2017-2018.

1. Who may apply

1.1. The Special Admission Contest for International Students is meant for students who:

- a) do not have Portuguese nationality;
- b) are not nationals of a European Union member State;
- c) do not legally live in Portugal for more than two straight years up to August 31st 2016, as well as any descendants with whom they legally live;
- d) are not enrolled in a Portuguese university under a mobility program;
- e) are not applying to higher education through the special admission contests regulated by Decree-Law 393-A/99, of October 2, amended by Decree-Law 272/2009, of October 1;

1.2. Students admitted into Portuguese higher education under the present regulation hold the international student status until the end of the degree in which they initially enrolled or changed to.

1.3. International students who, meanwhile, acquire the nationality of a European Union member State are not considered in 1.2.

1.4. As a result of the preceding paragraph, the international student status will cease in the school year that immediately follows the date of the nationality acquisition.

2. Entry requirements

International students who wish to apply for an undergraduate program/ a license degree at the University of the Azores must fulfill **one** of the following conditions:

- a) Hold an educational qualification required to enter higher education in the country where they completed it, duly certified by the competent local authority;
- b) Hold a Portuguese a High School diploma or a legally equivalent diploma in accordance with Decree-Law 227/2005, of December 28, and applicable Orders.

3. Admission Conditions

International students can only be admitted at the University of the Azores if, cumulatively:

- a) have an academic proficiency in the areas of knowledge required for the undergraduate program/ license degree they are applying for;

- b) have language proficiency in Portuguese equivalent to level B2, according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFRL);
- c) meet the pre-requisites required for each undergraduate program/ license degree, as established in the general contest for Portuguese Universities.

4. Vacancies

For this call, the University of the Azores provides the following vacancies:

Institution Code	Degree Code	Undergraduation	Vacancies
0140 - UAc – School of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences – Angra do Heroísmo campus	9022	Agricultural Sciences	5
	9382	Nature and Patrimony	7
0170 - UAc – School of Business and Economics - Ponta Delgada campus	9081	Economics	5
	9147	Management	13
	9254	Tourism	6
0160 - UAc – School of Sciences and Technology – Ponta Delgada campus	9011	Biology	8
	9041	Marine Sciences	5
	9384	Informatics, Computer Network and Multimedia	8
	8524	Civil Protection and Risk Management	5
	9853	Education	5
0150 - UAc – School of Social Sciences and Humanities – Ponta Delgada campus	9756	Euro-Atlantic Studies	6
	L041	Portuguese and English Studies	5
	9181	History	5
	9219	Psychology	7
	9798	Public Relations and Communication	10
	9238	Social Work	7
	9240	Sociology	6
7090 – School of Health – Angra do Heroísmo campus	9500	Nursing	1
7093 – School of Health – Ponta Delgada campus	9500	Nursing	1

5. Application requirements

5.1. Calendar for the Special Admission Contest for International Students in 2017 is as follows:

- a) 1st phase: January 17 until February 26;
- b) 2nd phase: March 20 until April 23;
- c) 3rd phase: June 19 until July 16.

5.2. Applications must be submitted online at <http://servicosonline.uac.pt>.

5.3. It is mandatory to attach the following documents:

- a) copy of an identification card/passport, that clearly indicates the nationality of the applicant;
- b) honor statement that the applicant does not have Portuguese nationality nor is covered by the Decree-Law 36/2010, of March 10 (no. 2 and 3);
- c) depending on each case:
 - i) document proving that the applicant's academic qualification gives access to higher education in the home country, duly validated by a competent authority of that country, if applicable;
 - ii) document proving the Portuguese 12th grade High School diploma or equivalent qualification, if applicable;

- d) holders of a Portuguese qualification 12th grade High School diploma or an equivalent qualification, document stating the final grade;
- e) holders of a foreign academic qualification that gives access to higher education in the home country, document stating the final grade obtained in that qualification;
- f) holders of a Portuguese or a foreign 12th grade High School diploma, document stating the final grades obtained in the entrance exams, as self-proposed candidates, if applicable;
- g) document stating the final grades obtained in courses approved abroad considered homologous to the entrance exams and suitable for the undergraduation application, as established annually by the National Commission of Higher Education Admission in accordance to no. 20-A of Decree-Law 296-A/98, of September 25, republished by Decree-Law 90/2008, of May 30, if applicable.

5.4. If considered necessary, the Academic Management Service may request the original or authenticated documents.

5.5. Documents proving foreign qualifications that were not issued in Portuguese, Spanish, French or English, must be translated and duly authenticated.

6. Application Fee

6.1. Application requires a €50 fee (non-refundable).

6.2. Applicants living in Portugal may pay through ATM or in the treasury services at the University of the Azores in Ponta Delgada or Angra do Heroísmo; applicants living abroad must pay by bank transfer (follow information on application form).

6.3. Only applications paid within the established deadline will be considered.

7. Admissions

7.1. The Academic Management Service is responsible for accepting applications and may request additional information; applications not duly completed or still lacking requested documentation by the end of the established deadline will be refused.

7.2. Applicants will be ranked, according to the following criteria:

- a) High School or legally equivalent qualification final grade – 50%;
- b) final grades obtained in the admission exam(s) required for each undergraduate program/ license degree – 50%;

7.3. For Brazilian students who have completed the National Exam for Higher Education (ENEM), the criteria referred to in b), number 7.2., is described in Annex 1.

7.4. For Chinese students who have completed the Gaokao or Liankao exam, the criteria referred in b), number 7.2., is described in Annex 2.

8. Application Results

8.1. The application results are published at the University of the Azores website (www.uac.pt) in the following deadlines:

- a) 1st phase application results: March 13, 2017;
- b) 2nd phase application results: May 8, 2017;

c) 3rd phase application results: July 28, 2017.

8.2. Complaints must be submitted on-line at <http://servicosonline.uac.pt>, within 10 working days after the announcement of each phase applications results.

9. Tuition

9.1. The annual tuitions applicable to international students admitted and enrolled through this contest are as follows:

Course	Tuition per year
Biology	3500€
Agricultural Sciences	3500€
Marine Sciences	3500€
Economics	3000€
Nursing	4000€
Education	3000€
Euro-Atlantic Studies	3000€
Portuguese and English Studies	3000€
Management	3000€
History	3000€
Informatics, Computer Network and Multimedia	3500€
Nature and Patrimony	3500€
Civil Protection and Risk Management	3500€
Psychology	3000€
Public Relations and Communication	3000€
Social Work	3000€
Sociology	3000€

9.2. Tuition payment can be made in one or more installments:

- a) one installment in the month of September;
- b) two installments in the months of September and March;
- c) three installments in the months of September, January and May;
- d) four installments in the months of September, December, March and June.

10. Applicable law

It is recommended to read Decree-Law 36/2014, of March 10, amended by Decree-Law 113/2014, of July 16, available [here](#), and the Regulation on the special admission contest for the international students of the University of the Azores, available [here](#).

Ponta Delgada, January 6, 2017.

The Vice-Rector for Academic Affairs

Ana Teresa da Conceição Silva Alves

Annex 1

1. The University of the Azores accepts applications for the Special Admission Contest of International Students from Brazilian citizens who have successfully completed the National Exam for Higher Education (ENEM) between 2013 and 2016.

2. For ranking purposes, a **Final Exam Grade (FEG)** will be calculated in the Brazilian scale (ranging from 0 to 1000), according to the following formula:

$$\text{FEG} = (\text{P1} \times \text{HSTG}) + (\text{P2} \times \text{NSTG}) + (\text{P3} \times \text{LCTG}) + (\text{P4} \times \text{MTG}) + (\text{P5} \times \text{WG}) + (\text{P6} \times \text{EnemGrade})$$

In which:

- a) HSTG, NSTG, LCTG, MTG and WG are the final grades obtained in each exam, according to Chart 1;

Chart 1 – Brazilian Exams (ENEM)

Exam Grade Abbreviation	Exam	Contents
HSTG	Human Sciences and Technologies	Geography, History, Philosophy, Sociology and general knowledge
NSTG	Nature Sciences and Technologies	Chemistry, Physics and Biology
LCTG	Languages, Codes and its Technologies	Portuguese (Grammar and Interpretation); Modern Foreign Language, Literature, Arts, Physical Education and Information Technology
MTG	Mathematics and its Technologies	
WG	Writing	

- b) P1, P2, P3, P4 and P5 are the weights of ENEM Exams established in chart 2 for applications to each undergraduate program/ license degree;
- c) P6 is the average of ENEM exams (**AEnem**), obtained by using the following formula:

$$\text{AEnem} = (\text{HSTG} + \text{NSTG} + \text{LCTG} + \text{MTG} + \text{WG}) / 5$$

Chart 2 – Weight of ENEM exams to calculate the FEG (Final Exam Grade)

School Code	School	Course Code	Course	Weight HSTG	Weight NSTG	Weight LCTG	Weight MTG	Weight WG	Weight AEnem
				P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
140	School of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences - Angra do Heroísmo campus (AH)	9022	Agricultural Sciences		0,50		0,20		0,30
		9382	Nature and Patrimony	0,25	0,45				0,30
170	School of Business and Economics - Ponta Delgada campus (PD)	9081	Economics	0,30			0,40	0,30	
		9147	Management	0,30			0,40	0,30	
		9524	Tourism	0,30		0,40		0,30	
160	School of Sciences and Technology - PD	9011	Biology		0,35				0,65
		9041	Marine Sciences		0,50	0,20	0,20	0,10	
		9384	Informatics, Computer Network and Multimedia				0,35		0,65
		8524	Civil Protection and Risk Management	0,20	0,20				0,60

School Code	School	Course Code	Course	Weight HSTG	Weight NSTG	Weight LCTG	Weight MTG	Weight WG	Weight AEnem
				P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
150	School of Social Sciences and Humanities - PD	9853	Education	0,20	0,20	0,20	0,20	0,20	
		9756	Euro-Atlantic Studies	0,60		0,10		0,30	
		L041	Portuguese and English Studies	0,50				0,50	
		9181	History	0,50				0,50	
		9219	Psychology	0,30	0,30			0,40	
		9798	Public Relations and Communication	0,40		0,20		0,40	
		9238	Social Work	0,30	0,30			0,40	
		9240	Sociology	0,60			0,10	0,30	
7090	School of Health - AH	9500	Nursing	0,10	0,30	0,10			0,50
7093	School of Health - PD	9500	Nursing	0,10	0,30	0,10			0,50

3. The FEG will be converted to the Portuguese grading scale ranging from 0 to 200 (PGt), according to the following formula:

$$\text{PGt} = \text{FEG} \times 200/1000$$

4. The minimum admission score in the Final Exam Grade (FEG) required at the University of the Azores is 95 in the Portuguese grading scale.

Annex 2

1. The University of the Azores accepts applications for the Special Admission Contest of International Students from China who have successfully completed the National Exam for Higher Education Gaokao or Liankao, between 2014 and 2017, indicated in Chart 1.

Chart 1 – Chinese Exams Gaokao/Liankao

Exam Abbreviation	Mandatory Exam	Contents	Additional Exam
NSS	Natural Sciences Stream (Li Ke)	Chinese, Mathematics, foreign language (mostly English)	Physics, Chemistry or Biology
HS	Humanities Stream (Wen Ke)	Chinese, Mathematics, foreign language (mostly English)	Political Science, History or Geography

2. Applications to each undergraduate program/ license degree require the successful completion of the exams indicated in Chart 2.

Chart 2 – Required exams for each undergratuation

School Code	School	Course Code	Course	Exam Abbreviation
140	School of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences - Angra do Heroísmo campus	9022	Agricultural Sciences	NSS
		9382	Nature and Patrimony	NSS or HS
170	School of Business and Economics - Ponta Delgada campus	9081	Economics	NSS or HS
		9147	Management	NSS or HS
		9524	Tourism	HS
160	School of Sciences and Technology - Ponta Delgada campus	9011	Biology	NSS
		9041	Marine Sciences	NSS
		9384	Informatics, Computer Network and Multimedia	NSS or HS
		8524	Civil Protection and Risk Management	NSS or HS
150	School of Social Sciences and Humanities - Ponta Delgada campus	9853	Education	NSS ou HS
		9756	Euro-Atlantic Studies	HS
		L041	Portuguese and English Studies	HS
		9181	History	HS
		9219	Psychology	NSS or HS
		9798	Public Relations and Communication	HS
		9238	Social Work	HS
		9240	Sociology	HS
7090	School of Health - Angra do Heroísmo campus	9500	Nursing	NSS
7093	School of Health - Ponta Delgada campus	9500	Nursing	NSS

3. For ranking purposes, the **Final Exam Grade (FEG)** in the Gaokao / Liankao exam is calculated as follows:

$$FEG = \frac{SGE}{HEGR} \times 200$$

In which:

- a) SGE is the student's grade in the Gaokao/Liankao exam;
- b) HEGR is the highest Gaokao/Liankao exam grade per region.