

We are pleased to inform you that the application's period for students interested in spending a period of studies/placement at the U.Porto is now opened!

We invite you to take a look at the fantastic academic and social environment lived at the **University of Porto!**

All Applications should be submitted ONLINE.

1 - Academic application procedures

Students selected by their Home Institution have to register online in order to get the <u>username and password</u> needed to access the <u>Application Form</u>, in the U.Porto website or <u>International >Life at U.Porto > Administrative Procedures -> Ask for login</u>

The system will, automatically, send an e-mail to the registered students containing the <u>username and password</u>.

We strongly advise all students interested in undertaking a mobility period at the U.Porto to read the <u>Online Application Guide</u> also available in the same page (sidebar on the right).

For a more effective and easier way to fill the Application, before accessing the

Application Form, we recommend students to organize all the information and personal documents with the responsible for the mobility at the Home Institution, essential for submission of the application. Once the online application form is fully completed, it must be submitted by the student.

Next, students must print the *PDF file of the Application Form* and collect the signature and stamp of the Mobility Coordinator. To conclude the application, students must make the **upload** of all needed documents in **ONE file** (**Application Form** duly signed and stamped by your Home Institution, **transcript of records**, **personal documents**, etc).

Once all these stages are concluded, the application will be analysed by the University of Porto.

The deadlines for submission of international students' applications are:

Full Academic year – 31st May (results announced from 15th June);

1st semester - 31st May (results announced from 15th June);

2nd semester – 15th October (results announced from 15th November).

In order to know detailed information about academic calendar, study catalogues, course programmes, ECTS guide (Credit System applied at the U.Porto) and dates for the exams, we advise students to consult our <u>Education Offer</u> as well as each Faculty's site (under 'Cursos / Degrees'). For additional information, students may also contact directly the Faculty of interest, whose contacts are available in the same page. Information in English is available by clicking on the British flag at the top of the pages.

2 - Preparation of the Mobility

Students should organize their travel according to the <u>Academic Calendar</u> of the U.Porto, ensuring they will arrive to the beautiful city of Porto on time to participate in all academic and integration activities specially planned and organized by the University of Porto. Students that, for any reason, cannot attend classes from the first day, should arrive no later than the end of the first week of classes.

In order to help clarifying the most frequent doubts from international students, the U.Porto International Office prepared the <u>International Student Guide</u>. Therefore, to better prepare their mobility before the departure to Porto, all students should read it carefully.

3 – Teaching Language and Portuguese Language Courses

Each course's teaching language is identified in the **Education Offer** of the U.Porto.

In this respect, it is noteworthy that the University of Porto does not impose any mandatory language requirements to international students and that, although most of the subjects lectured are taught in Portuguese, the U.Porto provides a tutorial support in English to who may request for it. Also note that, some teachers may allow students to write assignments and take exams in other languages, namely in English, but this situation can only be agreed upon arrival in each individual case.

More detailed information about the **Portuguese Language Courses** offered at the U.Porto, is available online.

For other Language Courses please check the list of **Continuing Training Course** or contact our **Faculty of Arts**:

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4. Accommodation

Regarding the **accommodation**, we inform you that the International Office only manages accommodation in the University Halls of Residence.

Halls of Residence:

- Students can apply for accommodation when filling the Student Application Form;
- The request will be only **considered after the approval of the Learning Agreement proposed**
- The attribution of places is done by the International Office of the U.Porto, **by order of the application's acceptance**
- The submission of the request does not guarantee the attribution of a place in the University of Porto Halls of Residence.

Private accommodation:

The U.Porto provides a list of private accommodations available in the city, however, since the management of these requests is external to the University, <u>it cannot assume any responsibility</u> in the attribution of this type of accommodation.

Students interested in receiving the List of Private Accommodation should send an e-mail with the request to: international@reit.up.pt.

5 - ESN - Erasmus Student Network

To help students in their **integration in the U.Porto and city**, there is a group of voluntary portuguese students, **ESN-Porto**.

International students who wish to get support from this group, should get in contact with them, before or upon the arrival in the city, through their contacts: info@esnporto.org / http://esnporto.org. In case international students are interested in getting a more personalized support, they may ask for a <code>Buddy</code> (<code>Tutor</code>), either by e-mail (<code>buddy@esnporto.org</code>) or by accessing the ESN-PORTO website to get the needed information on how to request for it.