



Call Announcement Nr. 5/2021

Special Admission Contest for International Students University of the Azores 2021-2022

In accordance with Decree-Law 36/2014, of March 10, amended by Decree-Law 62/2018, of August 6th, 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/integrated master in the academic year 2021-2022.

1. Who may apply

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

- a) do not have Portuguese nationality;
- b) are not nationals of an European Union member State;
- c) are not family members of Portuguese nationals nor European Union member State nationals, regardless of their nationality;
- d) do not legally live in Portugal for more than two straight years up to January 1st 2021, as well as any descendants with whom they legally live;
- e) are not beneficiaries, on January 1st 2021, of the equal rights and duties status, under the international treaty granted between the Portuguese State and the State of which they are nationals;
- f) are not enrolled in a Portuguese university under a mobility program;
- g) 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.

2. Entry requirements and admission conditions

2.1. The University of the Azores accepts applications to its undergraduate programs/ integrated masters from non-European citizens who:

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

2.2. The University of the Azores can only admit applicants who:

- a) are academically successful in the areas of knowledge required for the undergraduate program/integrated master they are applying for;

and

- c) meet the pre-requisites established for each undergraduate program/integrated master in the national application process to Portuguese Universities.

3. Vacancies

For 2021, the University of the Azores provides the following vacancies:

School	Degree Code	Undergraduations	Vacancies
School of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences - Angra do Heroísmo campus (AH)	9022	Agricultural Sciences (6 semesters)	4
	9382	Nature and Patrimony (6 semesters)	5
School of Business and Economics - Ponta Delgada campus (PD)	9081	Economics (6 semesters)	4
	9147	Management (6 semesters)	5
	9254	Tourism (6 semesters)	4
School of Sciences and Technology - PD	9011	Biology (6 semesters)	4
	9384	Informatics (6 semesters)	3
	8524	Civil Protection and Risk Management (6 semesters)	2
School of Social Sciences and Humanities - PD	9853	Education (6 semesters)	2
	9756	Euro-Atlantic Studies (6 semesters)	2
	L041	Portuguese and English Studies (6 semesters)	2
	9181	History (6 semesters)	4
	9219	Psychology (6 semesters)	5
	9798	Public Relations and Communication (6 semesters)	6
	9238	Social Service (7 semesters)	3
School of Health - AH	9500	Nursing (8 semesters)	2
School of Health - PD	9500	Nursing (8 semesters)	2

School	Degree Code	Integrated Master Degrees (10 semesters)	Vacancies
School of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences - AH	8031	Pharmaceutical Sciences ¹	3

4. Application requirements

4.1. Calendar for applications 2021 is:

- a) 1st phase: from March 1 to April 18;
- b) 2nd phase: from April 19 to May 30;
- c) 3rd phase: from May 31 to July 7.

4.2. Applications must be submitted online at <https://infoestudante.uac.pt>.

4.3. Application requires the following documents:

- a) copy of 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);
- d) Portuguese High School diploma or equivalent foreign qualification, duly validated by the competent authorities.

4.4. Depending on each case, applicants must also attach to their application forms the applicable documents in each situation, duly validated by the competent authorities:

- a) Applicants who have completed admission exams for higher education acknowledged by the University of the Azores (ENEM, Vestibular, Gaokao, Exame Unificado de Acesso, Ser Bachiller,

¹ The integrated master in Pharmaceutical Sciences is taught in partnership with the Faculty of Pharmacy of the University of Porto. The University of the Azores offers the first two years and the remaining three are taught at the University of Porto.

Examen de Estado and International Bacalaureate) must attach a document proving their final score(s);

- b) Applicants with other foreign academic qualifications that give access to higher education in the country where they were obtained must attach a document proving that qualification;
- c) Applicants who have successfully completed admission exams for higher education in Portugal as self-proposed must attach a document proving their final score(s);
- d) Applicants who have approved courses taken abroad considered homologous² to the Portuguese admission exams required for the undergraduate program/integrated master they are applying to must attach a document proving their final score(s) and contents in the course(s), unless the applicable law, at the application's date, provides for the dismissal of such document.

4.5. Documents in other languages rather than Portuguese, Spanish, French or English, must be translated and duly authenticated.

4.6. Applicants who wish to benefit from the student in emergency situations for humanitarian reasons status must provide documentation proving that they are in the situation referred, issued by the Borders Service and by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees or by the International Organization for Migrations.

5. Application Fee

5.1. Application fee is 50€ (non-refundable).

5.2. 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 may pay by [credit card](#) safely and without any additional costs.

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

6. Admissions

6.1. The University of the Azores verifies the admissions and may request original documents or copies duly authenticated and additional information when necessary.

6.2. The University of the Azores will refuse applications not duly completed or still lacking requested documentation.

6.3. 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/integrated master – 50%.

6.4. For applicants from Brazil who have completed the National Exam for Higher Education (ENEM), the criteria referred to in b), number 6.3., is described in Annex 1 – ENEM Brazil.

² The courses considered homologous are 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.

6.5. For applicants from China who have completed the National Exam for Higher Education Gaokao, the criteria referred in b), number 6.3., is described in Annex 2 – Gaokao (China).

6.6. For applicants from Macao who have completed the Exame Unificado de Acesso exam from Macao, the criteria referred in b), number 6.3., is described in Annex 3 – Exame Unificado de Acesso (Macao).

6.7. For applicants from Ecuador who have completed the National Exam for Higher Education Ser Bachiller, the criteria referred in b), number 6.3., is described in Annex 4 – Ser Bachiller (Ecuador).

6.8. For applicants from Colombia who have completed the National Exam for Higher Education Examen de Estado, the criteria referred in b), number 6.3., is described in Annex 5 – Examen de Estado (Colombia).

6.9. For applicants who have completed the International Baccalaureate (Diploma Program - DP), the criteria referred to in b), number 6.3, is described in Annex 6 - International Baccalaureate (Diploma Program - DP).

6.10. For applicants whose Higher Education system, of the country where the High School or legally equivalent qualification was completed, does not require higher education exams admission, the criteria referred in number 6.3. will consider the grade(s) obtained in the subject(s) considered homologous to the admission exam(s) required for each undergraduate program/integrated master.

6.11. If the number of admitted students in one of the undergraduate program/integrated master is lower than the number of vacancies, the admitted students will be presented by alphabetical order.

7. Application results

7.1. The application's results are published at the University of the Azores website <http://international.uac.pt> at "Undergraduate Programs" in the following deadlines:

- a) 1st phase application results: May 3, 2021;
- b) 2nd phase application results: June 14, 2021;
- c) 3rd phase application results: July 19, 2021;

7.2. Any complaints must be submitted on-line at <http://servicosonline.uac.pt>, within 3 working days after the announcement of each phase's results.

8. Applicable law

We recommend reading Decree-Law 62/2018, of August 6, amended by Decree-Law 62/2018, of August 6th, available [here](#), and the University of the Azores' Regulation on the special admission contest for international students, available [here](#).

9. Contacts

You may find more information on this application process at <http://international.uac.pt>. Doubts about the application process must be addressed to queroestudar@uac.pt.

Ponta Delgada, February 10, 2021.

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Annex 1 – ENEM (Brazil)

1. The University of the Azores accepts applications to the Special Admission Contest of International Students from Brazil who have successfully completed the National Exam for Higher Education (ENEM) of the last three years.

2. For ranking purposes, a **Final Exam Grade (FEG)** will be calculated in the Brazilian grading system (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 scores 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/integrated master 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	Degree	Weight HSTG	Weight NSTG	Weight LCTG	Weight MTG	Weight WG	Weight AEnem
		P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
School of Agrarian and Environmental Sciences - AH	Agriculture Sciences		0,5		0,2		0,3
	Pharmaceutical Sciences		0,5			0,5	
	Nature and Patrimony	0,25	0,45				0,3
School of Business and Economics - PD	Economics	0,3			0,4	0,3	
	Managment	0,3			0,4	0,3	
	Tourism	0,3		0,4		0,3	
School of Siences and Technology - PD	Biology		0,35				0,65
	Informatics				0,35		0,65
	Civil Protection and Risk Management	0,2	0,2				0,6

School	Degree	Weight HSTG	Weight NSTG	Weight LCTG	Weight MTG	Weight WG	Weight AEnem
		P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
School of Social Sciences and Humanities - PD	Education	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	
	Euro-Atlantic Studies	0,6		0,1		0,3	
	Portuguese and English Studies	0,5				0,5	
	History	0,5				0,5	
	Psychology	0,3	0,3			0,4	
	Public Relations and Communication	0,4		0,2		0,4	
	Social Service	0,6			0,1	0,3	
	Sociology	0,6			0,1	0,3	
School of Health - AH	Nursing	0,1	0,3	0,1			0,5
School of Health - PD	Nursing	0,1	0,3	0,1			0,5

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

$$PGt = FEG \times 200/1000$$

4. The minimum admission score in the Final Exam Grade (FEG) required at the University of the Azores is 100 in the Portuguese grading system.

Annex 2 – Gaokao (China)

1. The University of the Azores accepts applications to the Special Admission Contest of International Students from students from China who have successfully completed the National Exams for Higher Education Gaokao, indicated in Chart 1, in the last three years.

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 and Biology
HS	Humanities Stream (Wen Ke)	Chinese, Mathematics, foreign language (mostly english)	Political Science, History and Geography

2. Applications to each undergraduate program/integrated master require approval in the exams indicated in Chart 2.

Chart 2 – Required exams for each undergraduate program/integrated master

School	Degree	Exam Abbreviation
School of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences - AH	Agricultural Sciences	NSS
	Nature and Patrimony	NSS ou HS
School of Business and Economics - PD	Economics	NSS ou HS
	Management	NSS ou HS
	Tourism	HS
School of Sciences and Technology - PD	Biology	NSS
	Marine Sciences	NSS
	Informatics, Computer Network and Multimedia	NSS ou HS
	Civil Protection and Risk Management	NSS ou HS
School of Social Sciences and Humanities - PD	Education	NSS ou HS
	Euro-Atlantic Studies	HS
	Portuguese and English Studies	HS
	History	HS
	Psychology	NSS ou HS
	Public Relations and Communication	HS
	Social Service	HS
	Sociology	HS
School of Health – AH	Nursing	NSS
School of Health – PD	Nursing	NSS

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

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

Which:

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

Annex 3 – Exame Unificado de Acesso (Macao)

1. The University of the Azores accepts applications to the Special Admission Contest of International Students from Macao who have successfully completed, in the last three years, the exams required in Macao indicated in chart 1.

Chart 1 – Macao Exams

Exam Abbreviation	Exams
PA	Portuguese A
PB	Portuguese B
ENG	English
MAT	Mathematics
MATAD	Mathematics (additional exam)

2. Applications to each undergraduate program/integrated master require approval in the exams indicated in Chart 2.

Chart 2 – Required exams for each undergraduate program/integrated master

School	Degree	Exam Abbreviation
School of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences - AH	Agriculture Sciences	PB and MAT
	Nature and Patrimony	PB and ENG
School of Business and Economics - PD	Economics	PA and MAT
	Management	PA and MAT
	Tourism	PA and ENG
School of Sciences and Technology - PD	Biology	MAT or MATAD
	Informatics	MAT or MATAD
	Civil Protection and Risk Management	MAT or MATAD
School of Social Sciences and Humanities - PD	Education	PA and MAT
	Euro-Atlantic Studies	PA and ENG
	Portuguese and English Studies	PA and ENG
	History	PA
	Psychology	PA and MAT
	Public Relations and Communication	PA and ENG
	Social Service	PA and MAT
	Sociology	PA and MAT
School of Health - AH	Nursing	PA or ENG
School of Health - PD	Nursing	PA or ENG

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

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

Which:

- SGE is the student's grade in the Macao exam;
- MES is the maximum exam score (100 points for the exams PA, PB, ENG and MAT. The MATAD exam has a maximum score of 60 points).

Annex 4 – Ser Bachiller (Ecuador)

1. The University of the Azores accepts applications to the Special Admission Contest of International Students from students from Ecuador who have successfully completed, in the last three years, the National Exams for Higher Education Ser Bachiller, indicated in chart 1.

Chart 1 – “Ser Bachiller” Exams

Exam Abbreviation	Exams
MAT	Mathematical Skills
LAN	Language Skills (spanish)
CIE	Cientific Skills
SOC	Social Skills
AB	Abstract Skills

2. Applications to each undergraduate program/integrated master require approval in the exams indicated in chart 2.

Chart 2 – Required exams for each undergraduate program/integrated master

School	Degree	Exam Abbreviation
School of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences - AH	Agriculture Sciences	MAT
	Nature and Patrimony	CIE
School of Business and Economics - PD	Economics	SOC and MAT
	Management	SOC and MAT
	Tourism	SOC and LAN
School of Sciences and Technology - PD	Biology	CIE
	Informatics	MAT
	Civil Protection and Risk Management	MAT or CIE or SOC
School of Social Sciences and Humanities - PD	Education	MAT and LAN and CIE and SOC
	Euro-Atlantic Studies	LAN and SOC
	Portuguese and English Studies	LAN and SOC
	History	LAN and SOC
	Psychology	MAT and LAN and CIE and SOC
	Public Relations and Communication	LAN and SOC
	Social Service	MAT and LAN and SOC
	Sociology	MAT and LAN and SOC
School of Health - AH	Nursing	LAN
School of Health - PD	Nursing	LAN

3. For ranking purposes, the **Final Exam Grade (FEG)** in the Ser Bachiller is calculated as follows:

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

Which:

- a) SGE is the student’s score in the Ser Bachiller exam;
- b) MES is the maximum exam score (10 points).

Annex 5 – Examen de Estado (Colombia)

1. The University of the Azores accepts applications to the Special Admission Contest of International Students from students from Colombia who have successfully completed the National Exam for Higher Education Examen de Estado, in the last three years.

2. For ranking purposes, a **Final Exam Grade (FEG)** will be calculated in the colombian grading system (ranging from 0 to 500), according to the following formula:

$$\text{FEG} = (\text{P1} \times \text{CR}) + (\text{P2} \times \text{MAT}) + (\text{P3} \times \text{SC}) + (\text{P4} \times \text{NS}) + (\text{P5} \times \text{ENG}) + (\text{P6} \times \text{AExEst})$$

in which:

- a) CR, MAT, SC, NS and ENG are the final grades obtained in each exam, according to Chart 1;

Chart 1 – Colombian exams

Exam Abbreviation	Exams
CR	Critical Reading (Spanish)
MAT	Mathematics
SC	Social and Citizenship
NS	Natural Sciences
ENG	English

- b) P1, P2, P3, P4 and P5 are the weights of the colombian exams established in chart 2 for applications to each undergraduate program/integrated master degree;

- c) P6 is the average score of the colombian exams (**AExEst**), obtained by using the following formula:

$$\text{AExEst} = (\text{CR} + \text{MAT} + \text{SC} + \text{NS} + \text{ENG}) / 5$$

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

School	Degree	Weight CR	Weight MAT	Weight SC	Weight NS	Weight ENG	Weight AExEst
		P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
School of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences - AH	Agriculture Sciences		0,2		0,5		0,3
	Nature and Patrimony				0,5	0,2	0,3
School of Business and Economics - PD	Economics		0,4	0,3		0,3	
	Management		0,4	0,3		0,3	
	Tourism	0,4		0,3		0,3	
School of Sciences and Technology - PD	Biology				0,35		0,65
	Informatics		0,35				0,65
	Civil Protection and Risk Management			0,2	0,2		0,6
School of Social Sciences and Humanities - PD	Education	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2	
	Euro-Atlantic Studies	0,1		0,6		0,3	
	Portuguese and English Studies	0,5		0,1		0,4	
	History	0,3		0,5		0,2	
	Psychology	0,2	0,3	0,3		0,2	
	Public Relations and Communication	0,2		0,4		0,4	
	Social Service		0,3	0,5		0,2	
Sociology		0,3	0,5		0,2		
School of Health - AH	Nursing	0,1	0,3	0,1			0,5
School of Health - PD	Nursing	0,1	0,3	0,1			0,5

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

$$\text{PGt} = \text{FEG} \times 200/500$$

4. The minimum admission score in the Final Exam Grade (FEG) required at the University of the Azores is 100 in the portuguese grading system.

Annex 6 – International Baccalaureate (Diploma Programme- DP)

1. The University of the Azores accepts applications to the Special Admission Contest of International Students who have successfully completed the International Baccalaureate (Diploma Programme- DP) in the last three years.

2. For ranking purposes, a **Final Exam Grade (FEG)** will be calculated in the original grading system (ranging from 0 to 7), according to the following formula:

$$\text{FEG} = (\text{P1} \times \text{Group1}) + (\text{P2} \times \text{Group2}) + (\text{P3} \times \text{Group3}) + (\text{P4} \times \text{Group4}) + (\text{P5} \times \text{Group5}) + (\text{P6} \times \text{Group6})$$

in which:

- a) Group1, Group2, Group3, Group4, Group5 and Group6 are the final scores obtained in each exam, according to Chart 1;

Chart 1 – International Baccalaureate exams

Exam Grade Abbreviation	Exams
Group 1	Language and Literature
Group 2	Language acquisition (additional language)
Group 3	Individual and society (Management, Economics, Geography, History, Technology Information, Philosophy, Psychology and Anthropology)
Group 4	Sciences (Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Design Technology and Informatics)
Group 5	Mathematics
Group 6	Arts

- b) G1, G2, G3, G4, G5 and G6 are the weights of International Baccalaureate exams established in chart 2 for applications to each undergraduate program/integrated master degree.

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

School	Degree	Weight G1	Weight G2	Weight G3	Weight G4	Weight G5	Weight G6
		P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
School of Agrarian and Environmental	Agriculture Sciences				0,6	0,4	
	Nature and Patrimony		0,2	0,4	0,4		
School of Business and Economics - PD	Economics	0,3		0,3		0,4	
	Management	0,3		0,3		0,4	
	Tourism	0,4	0,3	0,3			
School of Sciences and Technology - PD	Biology				1		
	Informatics					1	
	Civil Protection and Risk Management			0,5	0,5		

School	Degree	Weight G1	Weight G2	Weight G3	Weight G4	Weight G5	Weight G6
		P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
School of Social Sciences and Humanities - PD	Education	0,2		0,2	0,2	0,2	0,2
	Euro-Atlantic Studies	0,1	0,3	0,6			
	Portuguese and English Studies	0,5	0,4	0,1			
	History	0,2	0,2	0,6			
	Psychology	0,1	0,2	0,3	0,1	0,3	
	Public Relations and Communication	0,2	0,4	0,4			
	Social Service		0,2	0,5		0,3	
	Sociology		0,2	0,5		0,3	
School of Health - AH	Nursing		0,3	0,3		0,4	
School of Health - PD	Nursing		0,3	0,3		0,4	

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

$$\text{PGt} = \text{FEG} \times 200/7$$

4. The final grade required in a), number 6.3 (IB-DP final score), will be converted to the Portuguese grading system ranging from 0 to 200 (PGt), according to the following formula:

$$\text{IB-DP final score} = 200/45$$