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PUBLIC NOTICE: CALL FOR APPLICATIONS no. 5/2026

Católica Medical School

- Lisbon -

Academic year 2026/2027

Integrated Master in Medicine

Special Admission for International Students – 2nd Phase

The Integrated Master in Medicine arises from Decree-Law no. 74/2006 of 24th March, altered and republished by Decree-Laws no. 230/2009 of 14th September, no. 115/2013 of 7th August, no. 63/2016 of 13th September, no. 65/2018 of 16th August, and of Decree-Law no. 42/2005 of 22nd February, governed by the principles of the Regulation of Study Cycles of the Católica Medical School, the Regulation for Access and Admission to the Integrated Master in Medicine of the Católica Medical School, the Regulation for Application of International Student Status at Universidade Católica Portuguesa and by the other conditions contained in this Public Notice.

1. Conditions for admission of applicants

1. Applicants may apply to the special admission for international students if, by the end of the admissions period, **by the deadline for submitting documents and final grades**, they meet all the following conditions:
 - a) The Applicant holds a qualification that allows them to access higher education, understood as any diploma or certificate issued by a competent authority that confirms the completion of an educational program and confers the right to apply for and enter higher education in the country in which it was granted, or holds a Portuguese secondary education diploma or diploma of a legally equivalent qualification;
 - b) The Applicant completed the final exams of the final year subjects of the respective foreign secondary education degree, equivalent to subjects in Portuguese education, which can be accepted in lieu of entrance exams if they are still valid, having furthermore obtained, in each of these, a score of at least 140 points (0 to 200), namely:
 - i. Biology;
and
 - ii. Physics and Chemistry;
and
 - iii. Mathematics;
 - c) The Applicant meets the prerequisites established for admission to the degree program, namely:
 - i. Selection:
 - Minimum English proficiency score: European Common Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR), level B2;
 - Group A – Interpersonal Communication;



- ii. Ranking:
 - Motivation letter / Portfolio;
 - Mini-Multiple Interviews;
 - d) The Applicant obtained an application score that is equal to or greater than 140 points (out of 200);
 - e) The Applicant is not a national of a European Union (EU) Member State;
 - f) The Applicant is not a direct descendant, spouse (husband/wife), or partner of a national of an EU Member State;
 - g) The Applicant has not been legally residing in Portugal continuously for more than two years on the 1st of January of the year in which they intend to enter higher education (themselves, their spouse, or any of the parents with whom they lawfully reside);
 - h) The Applicant is not a beneficiary of the status of equal rights and duties conferred in accordance with international treaties between the Portuguese State and the State of which they are nationals.
2. Applicants to the special admission for international students who do not meet the requirements outlined in subparagraph b) of the previous paragraph will be given the possibility to sit internal exams on the premises of Católica Medical School.
- a) During the 1st step of the application, each applicant may register for the four internal exams or solely for the intended exam(s);
 - b) In order to fulfill the requirements for the Physics and Chemistry entrance exams, applicants must have taken both corresponding exams, and the grade will be the average of the two exams;
 - c) Internal exams will be written in English and cover the topics of the entrance exams of the Portuguese secondary education defined for the Integrated Master in medicine (program contents available on the website of Instituto de Avaliação Educativa, I.P.) indicated in subparagraph b) of the previous paragraph;
 - d) For interested applicants, Católica Medical School offers preparation sessions for the internal exams;
 - e) The doubts and omissions arising from the present article are settled under the terms of the Regulation for Application of International Student Status at Universidade Católica Portuguesa.

Attention: This notice does not exempt you from reading and accepting the Regulation for Access and Admission to the Integrated Master in Medicine of the Católica Medical School.

2. Number of Vacancies:

There are **ten (10)** available vacancies for the Special Admission for International Students.

3. Deadlines

Applications (online)	from 23 rd February 2026 (from 09:00 a.m.) to 12 th June 2026 (until 11:59 p.m.)
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Motivation Letter / Portfolio <i>(online)</i>	from 23 rd February 2026 (from 09:00 a.m.) to 14 th June 2026 (until 11:59 p.m.) – Each applicant has 48 hours to complete the portfolio once the application has been validated.
Internal Exams <i>(in person)</i>	16 th , 17 th , and 18 th June 2026
Mini Multiple Interviews <i>(in person)</i>	19 th June 2026
Submission of Documents and Final Grades <i>(online)</i>	from 22 nd to 24 th June 2026
Results <i>(online)</i>	30 th June 2026
Registration <i>(online)</i>	from 30 th to 6 th July 2026
First Day of Classes <i>(in person)</i>	08 th September 2026

Note: The last day of applications and registrations corresponds to the deadline for the respective payments.

4. Necessary documentation

For applicants who have completed secondary education, the necessary documentation is as follows:

- Passport-type photo;
- Identification Document and tax identification number;
- Certificate/diploma of foreign secondary education, legally equivalent to the Portuguese Diploma. Applicants will need to request an equivalence certificate at the Direção Geral de Educação;
- Proof of completion of foreign final exams or final year subject exams of the respective foreign secondary education degree, legally equivalent to the subjects in Portuguese education, and/or of the internal exams written at Católica Medical School;
- Proof of English language proficiency;
- Declaration, under oath, that the applicant is eligible as an "International Student".

Notes:

- If the Applicant is still completing secondary education during the application, they may present provisional documents, i.e., the grades they have obtained thus far, as well as an estimate of their final grades. At the end of the application process, in the period defined for "Submission of Documents and Final Grades", all applicants must present all the aforementioned documents.
- The prerequisites are compulsory and eliminatory, intended for the selection and ranking of applicants, and are only valid for the academic year for which the student is applying. Failure to carry out the ranking prerequisites will result in exclusion from the stage of the competition you are in.
- Original documents/certificates are not required during the application; however, it is compulsory to present, face-to-face, all original documents submitted in the application process.



- Original documents issued abroad in accordance with the legislation of the respective country, and documents issued outside Portugal legalized by a foreign civil servant, are considered legalized under Portuguese Law if the signature of the public servant is certified by a Portuguese diplomatic agent or consular officer in the respective State and the signature of that agent is authenticated with the respective consular seal. In the case of documents issued by signatories of the Hague convention of 5th October 1961, the documents will be legalized by apostille, under the terms of article 3 of the convention.
- Documents are only accepted if they are in Portuguese or English. Documents in other languages must be presented as an official translation in English or Portuguese, duly certified and issued within the terms of notarial law.

5. Submission of the application

The application to the Integrated Master in Medicine degree program of the Católica Medical School is submitted exclusively via the online system on the website: <https://www.fm.ucp.pt/integrated-master-medicine/applications?change-language=1>. The application process is as described in the Regulation for Access and Admission to the Integrated Master in medicine of the Católica Medical School.

6. Assessment of applications and publication of results

The selection and ranking of applicants will be performed by the selected jury, composed of the Dean of the Católica Medical School, Professor António Medina de Almeida, and the members of the **Admissions Assessment Committee**.

The application grade will be a weighted average of the assessment of the following criteria:

Criterion (expressed on a scale from 0 to 200)	Weighting
Secondary education grade	40%
Grades of the entrance exams	45%
Grade of the ranking prerequisite	15%

The results will be communicated to applicants in the online application process and will be expressed as follows: Admitted / Not Admitted / Excluded. The anonymized final ranking list can be consulted in the online application process.

7. Operation

The Integrated Master in Medicine has a duration of 6 years (360 ECTS). Classes are usually taught from Monday to Friday, from 8:30 to 19:00. Assessments usually take place during the same hours as classes. The program is taught in English. The Integrated Master in Medicine involves teaching activities inside and outside of the classroom, and specific software is actively used. As a result, students are expected to own a laptop computer to ensure that they can complete all learning activities without limitations.

8. Tuition fees, payments and other fees

The value of tuition fees, payments and other fees are determined annually, and published in a separate document (*Tabela de propinas, taxas e emolumentos*), so these values may be subject to change in subsequent academic years.

The updated values can be consulted on the Católica Medical School website: <https://www.fm.ucp.pt/students>



The application fee is non-refundable in situations of cancellation, withdrawal, or exclusion of the application.

The registration requires payment of the respective fee (which includes student insurance), as well as the first three (3) monthly tuition fees, as indicated in the *Tabela de propinas, taxas e emolumentos*.

In cases of cancellation of registration **until 1st September 2026**, the second and third monthly tuition fees will be refunded. The annual registration fee and the first monthly tuition fee are not refundable in cases of cancellation of registration, even if requested within the established deadline.

9. Registration

Registration information will be sent to admitted applicants after the results have been published. To complete the registration, the payment of the annual registration fee and the first 3 (three) monthly tuition fees will be required, as well as the submission of the online enrollment form, including information requested by the Ministry of Science, Technology, and Higher Education (RAIDES survey).

If the applicant does not register within the established deadline, their application will be considered to be withdrawn.

The original documents submitted during the application process must be presented **until 10th September 2026**, under penalty of cancellation of enrollment, and without any refund for payments made until that date. The submitted documents must be original or authenticated copies. For the purpose of archiving the student's individual record, the Academic Services may make a copy of the original document, which will be returned to the student, without any additional costs.

10. Creditation of previous training or education

After admission, applicants may request the creditation of previously completed training or education. When requested, the creditation will be processed according to the Regulation of Creditations at Universidade Católica Portuguesa, and the appropriate fees will be applied.

11. Contacts

<u>Emails</u>	<u>Telephone Numbers</u>
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Academic and Administrative Services of Católica Medical School:

Office hours (in person and via telephone): Monday to Friday, from 09:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and from 02:30 p.m. to 05:30 p.m.

Online office hours: by appointment, scheduled by e-mail (medicina.fm@ucp.pt)



Location:

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Lisbon, 18th February 2026

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