

MASTER'S IN PHILOSOPHY

POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY

PRESENTATION

The Lisbon Master's in Political Philosophy is an advanced postgraduate degree entirely taught in English. Within the Master, you will explore the nature of political phenomena and develop critical capacities to analyse the most pressing controversies in contemporary societies. The programme provides important philosophical knowledge for students to carry out academic research in this discipline at the highest international level. Also, it offers analytic competencies of great relevance for a wide range of careers, including policymaking, public administration, media, diplomacy and beyond.

The Master focuses both on the historical underpinnings of today's political thought and on the discussions of current issues such as the practice of human rights, the future of liberalism and European integration. In this sense, you will scrutinise the tensions between global and local justices caused by different moral and political spheres. You will also study the anthropological foundations of Man as a political animal, both from the viewpoint of classical notions of human nature and personal identity, as well as from an evolutionary scientific perspective. By focusing on the value of agreement and consent in politics, you will assess the potential and the limits of cooperative institutions. In particular, you will learn about the groundwork of the law and the state, investigating crucial concepts like the individual, person, community and society.

The Nova philosophy department counts among its members a number of experts who conduct top research at [IFILNOVA](#), a highly rated philosophy research centre in Portugal that is responsible for numerous international activities. In the Political Philosophy Master, you can join these activities and build your personalised academic path with the steady support of lecturers and researchers.

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CORE THEMES IN THE PROGRAMME

- ▶ Contemporary Political Philosophy
- ▶ European Integration
- ▶ Evolutionary Ethics and Biopolitics
- ▶ Global Justice and Local Justice
- ▶ History of Political Thought
- ▶ Law and the State
- ▶ Political Ethics and Identity

Full study plan [here](#).

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR 2021/2022

Opening date	September 2021
Vacancies	30
Course location	NOVA FCSH, Campolide Campus
Fees	EU students 1 200 €/year Non-EU students 2 500 €/year
Schedule	Evening
Length	3 semesters (2 semesters of classes + 1 semester of dissertation work)
Credits	93 credits (50 in course units of the study programme + 10 in the free-elective option + 33 in the non-taught component, which can be a dissertation, a project work or a practical work experience with report)

DEADLINES

APPLICATION

1st period of applications: February 1 – March 1, 2021
 Publication of results until March 19

2nd period of applications: March 2 – June 14, 2021
 Publication of results until July 5

REGISTRATION

1st period: March 31 - April 16, 2021
 2nd period: July 6-16, 2021

FACULTY

[André Santos Campos](#)

Early Modern Philosophy, Political Theory,
Legal Theory.

[António Marques](#)

Practical Philosophy, Kant, Wittgenstein.

[Filipe Nobre Faria](#)

Social and Political Philosophy, Ethics,
Evolutionary Ethics.

[Gabriele De Angelis](#)

Political Theory, European Union, Economic
and Monetary Union of the European Union.

[Giovanni Damele](#)

Political Philosophy, Philosophy of Law, Rhetoric.

[João Luís Lisboa](#)

History and Theory of Ideas,
Modern European Culture.

[Rui Tavares](#)

Cultural and Political History, European Union.

[Susana Cadilha](#)

Ethics and Political Philosophy, Metaethics,
Practical Rationality.

HOW TO APPLY

The following candidates are eligible for admission:

- ▶ Candidates who hold a certificate of completion of a bachelor degree awarded by a Higher Education Institution of countries subscribing to the Bologna Declaration and other degrees considered to be related, taking into account the curricular structure.
- ▶ Holders of a foreign higher academic degree that is recognized as satisfying the objectives of the bachelor degree by the statutory competent scientific body of the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities (FCSH-NOVA).
- ▶ Exceptionally, holders of a scientific curriculum recognized by the admission jury as attesting the student's capacity to carry out this cycle of studies.

The application must contain the following elements:

- ▶ Documents proving that the candidate meets the above-mentioned conditions, in particular with an indication of the final average of the Bachelor Degree. In case it is not possible to present the proof of the degree at the time of the application, one must submit the certificate of qualifications with a breakdown of the curricular units in which he or she has obtained approval.
- ▶ Updated curriculum vitae, including any existing published work.

Submit an enrolment application in [Inforestudante](#).

The fee of the application is 51€ (fifty-one euros) and there will be no refund if the candidate is excluded or is not selected.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates are ranked according to the score obtained in the selection process, based on individual merit. The following criteria are considered:

Candidates holding a bachelor's degree:

- a) Classifications / undergraduate degrees: 60%.
- b) Academic, scientific and professional curriculum vitae (value of publications, participation in projects, knowledge of languages and the scope of professional experience, adequacy of the student's training and experience to the cycle of studies and to the area of specialisation for which he /she is applying): 20%.
- c) Motivation letter 20%.

Candidates not holding a Bachelor's degree (or with an ungraded degree):

- a) Academic, scientific and professional curriculum vitae (value of publications, participation in projects, knowledge of languages and the scope of professional experience, adequacy of the student's training and experience to the cycle of studies and to the area of specialisation for which he /she is applying): 80%.
- b) Motivation letter: 20%

Application's Notice for 2021/2022 [here](#).