

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Special Contest for Access and Admission for International Students to Bachelor's Degree in Nutritional Sciences

1) How can I apply?

The application is made exclusively online at <https://candidaturas.nms.unl.pt/cssnet-nms/page>

Please fill in the form. Do not skip any information.

2) What fees will I have to pay?

The first step to apply is the initial payment of 70€, non-refundable amount. The fee must be settled in the following 24 hours, after the submission of your application in the platform. Only after this step you'll be able to join the process.

3) Who is able to apply for the Bachelor's?

- Students who do not have Portuguese nationality and who were not born in any European Union State Member;
- Students who are not legally residing in Portugal counting with reference to 1st of January of the year in which you intend to enter Higher Education;
- Students who have not requested entry into higher education through the Special Contests or Regimes regulated by Decree-Law no. 393-A/99, of 2nd of October, amended by Decree-Law no. 272/2009, of 1st of October.

4) Is the validation of the documents needed in order to apply?

Yes. All documents mentioned in *Access Requirements* must be recognized by a Portuguese consular officer or by the Hague Convention in the country where the papers were obtained whenever they are issued by institutions from countries not belonging to the European Union.

5) What's the tuition expected as an International Student? What other costs should I expect?

A degree in Nutritional Sciences in NOVA Medical School | Faculdade de Ciências Médicas has an annual fee of 7,500€. Another option is to pay in monthly installments (seven) which can be paid by the 28th of each month. Bear in mind that the last payment must be made by the end of March.

To this expense adds not only application* and registration** fee but also school insurance***.

- 6) In case of dual nationality/citizenship (one of which is portuguese), can I apply for this Special Contest as na International Student?

No. In this particular case portuguese nationality prevails. Therefore, the only way to apply for the Bachelor's Degree in Nutrition Sciences in NOVA Medical School Faculdade de Ciências Médicas will be through one of the two ways available to national students.

- 7) Is it now mandatory to deliver the *Group A Prerequisite* by the time I apply for this course? Instead, can I submit a medical certificate containing the same kind of information?

Yes, one of the documents you'll need to submit is the Group A Pre-requisite form (available on our website) filled out correctly by a doctor registered in the Portuguese Medical Association. The submission of any other document for this purpose will not be accepted.

In the Group A Prerequisite form pay attention to the "*Issued on*", it concerns the date document was created and signed.

Please note that only **Attachment III.1** is to be submitted. The remaining attachments must be kept by the doctor or health services.

- 8) Does this Pre-requisite needs to be fulfilled by the family doctor?

No. This document can be filled in by any doctor as long as he is registered in Portuguese Medical Association.

- 9) How should I consider the expiration date of the Pre-requisite?

In order to get this information right at the time of the submission you must take into account the period between the date of issue of the pre-requisite and the deadline for application, which may not exceed 30 days.

- 10) Does NOVA Medical School | Faculdade de Ciências Médicas recognizes Secondary Education (*Ensino Médio*) in Brazil as equivalent to the Secondary Education in Portugal?

Yes, it does.

- 11) Does NOVA Medical School | Faculdade de Ciências Médicas recognizes National High School Exam (*ENEM*) for the application for the Bachelor's Degree in Nutrition Sciences?

Yes, it does, as long as the exam has taken place in the 4 calendar years prior to the application.

12) What is the minimum *ENEM* score required?

To apply for the Bachelor's Degree in Nutrition Sciences as an International Student is required a minimum score of 100 points in the National High School Exam (commonly known as *ENEM*) in the specific Natural Sciences and Its Technologies knowledge area.

13) Can those who enter through the Special Contest for International Students change their student status at a later date?

A student who joins under the provisions of the International Student Regulations retains the status of International Student until the end of the course in which they initially enrol or to which they transfer.

Exceptions are International Students who acquire the nationality of a Member State of the European Union. This will take effect in the academic year following the acquisition of nationality.

14) Can I ask for equivalence in the curricular units using the ones I got approval in Higher Education in my country of origin?

Yes, you can ask for equivalence of curricular units or for other courses taken at a national or foreign Higher Education institution and whether obtained before or after the Bologna Process. Note that you will only be able to submit this request after registration and enrolment in the Bachelor's Degree of Nutrition Sciences and regarding the deadline for this purpose (NOVA Medical School | Faculdade de Ciências Médicas Regulation on the Crediting of Competences).

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Subtitles

*Application Fee (Academic Year 23/24) = 70€

**Registration and Enrolment Fee (Academic Year 23/24) = 35€

***School Insurance (Academic Year 23/24) = 14€