## The University of Porto

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The University of Porto (U.Porto) is the largest and one of the most prestigious Higher Education Institutions in Portugal, with origins dating back to the 18th century.

U.Porto is a comprehensive university, providing 290 degree programmes in all fields of study, of which 147 master and 89 PhDs. It is also the leading producer of science in Portugal with 2,680 articles (23% of the country's production) indexed in ISI Web of Science.

U.Porto counts 31,500 students of which 3,700 are international, 1,890 teaching staff and researchers and 1,650 administrative staff in 15 Schools and 60 research units. It participates, among others, in 24 European projects under Erasmus Mundus Action 2 (partnerships) and in 9 European masters and joint doctorates under Erasmus Mundus Action 1.

U.Porto is positioned in 5 rankings among the best 100 European universities and in 7 rankings among the best 350 universities in the world.

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## 2. APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS & PROCESS:

Application Procedure for mobility	http://sigarra.up.pt/up_uk/web_base.gera_pagina?p_pagina=122272		
Application Documents	1. Passport photos;		
	2. ID document (Passport/ID Card);		
	3. Study Visa (when requested);		
	4. European Health Insurance Card (CESD)/PB4/Private Insurance;		
Application Deadline	Fall Semester	15th June	
	Spring Semester	30th November	

## **3. ACADEMIC INFORMATION:**

Information about	https://sigarra.up.pt/up_uk/WEB_BASE.GERA_PAGINA?p_pagina=1001599
courses	
Language requirements	Although speaking Portuguese is not a pre-requisite to study at the U.Porto, most courses unit are taught in Portuguese. Therefore, learning Portuguese makes the integration the University and in the country easier. Besides, this is a unique opportunity to learn the third European language most widely spoken (about 250 million speakers on the world). 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. For second and third degree cycle programmes proficiency in English may be required.

	Information about the Portuguese Language Courses offered at the U.Porto, available online:				
Language Courses	https://sigarra.up.pt/flup/en/web_base.gera_pagina?P_pagina=2419				
	http://sigarra.up.pt/flup/en/CUR_GERAL.CUR_VIEW?pv_ano_lectivo=2012&pv_origem =CUR&pv_tipo_cur_sigla=A&pv_curso_id=220				
	ECTS Credits The University of Porto uses the ECTS Grading system. The number of ECTS credits for each course reflects the total workload a student is expected to devote to the course (in the form of lectures, homework, reading, essays, consultations, seminars, etc.). 60 ECTS credits are attached to the workload of a full-time year of formal learning (academic year) and the associated learning outcomes. At the University of Porto, one credit corresponds to 27 hours of student total work.				
	1 full academic year = 60 ECTS credits 1 semester = 30 ECTS credits				
	Local Grade Grades awarded on a scale of 0-20 (pass mark 10)				
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		18 to 20	Excellent		
		16 and 17	Very good		
		14 and 15	Good		
Institutional system for		10 to 13	Sufficient		
credits and grades		0 to 9	Fail		
	ECTS Grades The ECTS grading scale is based on the percentile (similar but not identical to the class rank) of a student in a given assessment, that is how was graded his/her performance relatively to other students enrolled in the last three years of the same curricular unit/course (or in a significant group of students). Therefore, ECTS grade does not have a direct fixed correspondence to the local grade.				
		ECTS Grade	% of students who		
			have achieved this grade		
		А	10		
		В	25		
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		E	10		
		FX	-		
4. ADDITIONAL INFO	4. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:				
	Students from EU countries are allowed in the country upon the presentation of their				
Student Visa	valid ID card or passport. All foreign exchange students coming from non-EU countries should hold a study visa				
	obtained at the Portuguese Embassy or Consulate in their home country. Additional information: <u>http://sigarra.up.pt/up_uk/web_base.gera_pagina?p_pagina=122271</u>				

University Housing Private accommodation	Halls of Residence:- The procedure for attribution is on a "first come first served" basis The request will be only considered after the approval of the Learning Agreementproposed Your request does not justify a legal claim for receiving a room in the University of PortoHalls of Residence An answer to the request will be given in due time and always after the approval of theLearning Agreement by the U. Porto The University housing request is made through the online application form.The International Office – Incoming Mobility Unit provides a list of availablerooms/apartments upon request; however, we do not assume any responsibility for thiskind of accommodation as it is not managed by the University.In case you are interested in this information, we will be pleased to send you the listunder request.			
Insurance	Students should bring a travel / private Health Insurance, or the European Health Insurance Card. Medical Services of the University are also available for international students.			
Cost of Living	Housing Meals Transports	between 135 EUR and 200 EUR per month (in University Residence Halls) between 200 EUR and 300 EUR per month (in private accommodation) Between 150 EUR and 200 EUR per month 30,00 EUR Approx. (for a Z2 Andante monthly pass)		
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5. Arrival & Orientat	ion Details			
Transportation to Porto:	Nearest Airport: Francisco Sá Carneiro Airport with Metro connection to the centre of Porto   To help the incoming mobility students in several issues and in the integration both in the city and university life there is a group of voluntary students, ESN-Porto (Erasmus Student Network), which one can contact before/after arrival: info@esnporto.org / http://esnporto.org. You can also get information on how to get a Buddy in Porto (buddy@esnporto.org)			
Orientation	Registration Meetings and welcoming reception		<u>Fall 2014:</u> September <u>Spring 2015:</u> February	
International Student Life	http://www.esnpo	orto.org/		

6. U.PORTO ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2014/2015 * subject to adjustments				
Fall	Classes begin	September 15		
	Christmas Holidays	December 22 – January 2		
	End of classes	December 22		
	Final Exams	Between January and February		
Spring	Classes begin	February 16		
	Easter Holidays	From March 30 to April 6		
	End of the Academic Year	July 31		
	Final Exams	Between June and July		
INFORMATION FOR FULL DEGREE PROGRAMMES				
	The reference values for tuition fees of each study cycle are:			
Tuition Fees	1 <sup>st</sup> Cycle/Degrees and Integrated masters – 999 EUR/year; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cycle/Masters - 1250 EUR/year;			
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Cycle/Doctorates - 3580 EUR/year.			