

Student Selection Criteria



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Postgraduate Student Selection Criteria

Student selection is performed by the Selection Committee in accordance with paragraph 2 of Article 4 of Law 3685/2008 in 3 phases.

First Phase:

Checking documents of all candidates for completeness.

Second Phase:

Rating of the candidates as shown below:

- Grade of the diploma following completion of undergraduate studies (the exact grade-maximum 10 points)
- Grades in relevant courses (Human & Animal Physiology, Neurobiology, Neuroscience, Cell Biology, Biochemistry, Molecular Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Biostatistics, etc. (5 points)
- The relevant ranking of the applicant as is specified in the reference letters or provided by the administration in order to account for differences between different degrees and/or fields (50% 1 point, 25% 2 points, 15% 3 points, 10% 4 points and 5% 5 points)
- Relevance of undergraduate studies with the Subject of the Program (Biology related courses (2 points) physical and technological sciences (1 point), humanities and others (0 points)
- Personal statement of interest (3 points). The personal statement should include at least the following information; a) courses taken that include neurobiology/neurosciences b) the reasons for choosing this Program and c) their future goals
- Execution of a research thesis project in the first cycle of studies or equivalent time spend in research (5 points)
- Experience in research in addition to undergraduate research thesis project (5 points)
- Publications in international peer-reviewed Journals (points equal to the impact factor of the paper, the points are duplicated in case of 1st author publication)

Minimum requirement to proceed to the next phase is 15 points.

Third Phase

Qualified candidates will be interviewed by the selection committee (up to 20 points).

The oral interview is intended to:

- acknowledge the scientific training and assess the personality of each candidate.
- identify specific knowledge, skills, experiences and activities pertinent to the program



- document proficiency in the English language as the personal interview will be conducted in English.
- identify and attempt to solve potential difficulties in attending regularly the school and meet his/her other obligations to the Program.

All Candidates will be ranked based on the overall score each collected, and successful candidates will be identified.

Then the ranking tables are transmitted to the SIC for audit and finalization of the candidates invited to the program.

Successful applicants are requested to reply in writing within seven (7) working days whether they accept or not the invitation to join the Program, thereby accepting all Program bylaws .

No response from selected candidate within the above deadline is tantamount to rejection. If denied, the Secretariat informs immediately the next in rank.