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Master in Development Studies

CLASSIFICATION CRITERIA

a) Bachelor's degree Grade (Scale: 10-20; Weight = 40%)

Value corresponding to the final classification obtained in the course. For candidates that hold more than one degree, the highest grade is considered.

b) Suitability of the bachelor's degree to the course (Scale: 0-20; Weight = 10%)

- 20 points - Very Adequate (Public Administration, International Relations, Political Science, Anthropology, Sociology, Economics, African Studies, Asian Studies)
- 15 points - Adequate (Law, Geography, Management, Finance, European Studies or other Social and Human Sciences)
- 10 points - Less Adequate (Degrees in other scientific fields)

c) Academic and scientific curriculum (Scale: 0-20; Weight = 20%)

- 20 points – Relevant postgraduate training/exchange experience and relevant published academic work
- 15 points – Additional postgraduate training or relevant exchange experience; or published academic work
- 10 points – No training beyond the Bachelor's degree and absence of relevant exchange experience

d) Professional experience (Scale: 0-20; Weight = 10%)

- 20 = More than 5 years of experience in activities with significant relevance regarding the course
- 10 = Experience in activities with some relevance regarding the course
- 5 = No experience in activities relevant regarding the course

e) Motivation for the course (Scale: 0-20; Weight = 20%)

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MINIMUM CLASSIFICATION SCORE

Candidates with a final classification lower than 12 will not be selected (scale: 0-20).

TIE-BREAKER

In case of a tie in the final classification, candidates will be ranked according to the grade of the bachelor degree. If there is still a tie, candidates will be ranked according to the date and time of application registered in the application's platform (from the oldest to the most recent).

FOREIGN GRADE HOLDERS

Holders of certificates or diplomas issued by foreign higher education institutions must ensure that:

- The documents submitted in the application mention the final classification obtained for the completion of the degree, as well as the respective grade classification scale;

- They are accompanied by a document proving the curricular units taken for obtaining the degree, respective classifications and duration of the course;

- They are accompanied by a certified translation, when they are in a foreign language other than Spanish, French, or English.

Admitted candidates that hold a foreign degree are admitted conditionally and are subject to the internal recognition of the degree to pursue studies, as foreseen in the legislation.

DOCUMENTS TO SUBMIT IN THE APPLICATION

The application is submitted exclusively online. It is mandatory to attach the following documents:

1. Photograph (headshot type);
2. Identification document (citizen card for national candidates and passport for foreign applicants);

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3. Degree diploma with final course average*

4. School transcript or official document with the curricular units completed and respective classifications;

5. Curriculum Vitae;

6. Motivation letter (included directly in the platform, in the space provided);

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