

Fact Sheet 2026-27

Incoming Students

NOVA SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Minimum: one course per semester

Maximum: 30 ECTS per semester

Course selection: at least one course from the [academic department](#) that the student is nominated to, considering bilateral agreement.

NOTE: Portuguese is the main language of instruction in all departments and programs. Language requirements apply.

LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

- MANDATORY REQUIREMENT -

To take classes lectured in Portuguese, students must present a **Portuguese language certificate in level A2** upon application.

Accepted certificates:

- A2 Certificate issued by PLE (NOVA's office for Portuguese as Foreign Language);
- [Initial Certificate of Portuguese as a Foreign Language](#) (CIPLE) issued by a Center of Assessment and Certification of Portuguese as a Foreign Language (CAPLE);
- A2 certificate/declaration issued by a Higher Education Institution (minimum duration of the course: 60 hours).

Some Academic Departments have a (limited) offer of courses lectured in English. To select these courses students must present an **English language certificate in level B1** upon application.



NOMINATIONS (UNIVERSITIES)

Deadlines:

1st semester (Sept-Jan) & Full year: until May 31st
2nd Semester (Feb-Jun): until October 31st

Procedure:

Send an email to mobilidade@fcs.unl.pt with the following information: Full name | Student's preferred e-mail | Study area (according to bilateral agreement) | Study period (1st sem./2nd sem./1 year) | Level of study (Undergrad./Master/ PhD) | Gender | Nationality.



APPLICATIONS (STUDENTS)

After receiving the nomination, NOVA FCSH will contact students with instructions for the application process.

Students' application period:

1st semester (Winter) & Full year: July 2026
2nd Semester (Spring): December 2026
(exact period to be announced)

Applicants that do not comply with the language requirement or other application requirements will not be accepted.



ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Fall semester: September - January
Spring semester: February - June

The calendar for 2026-27 hasn't yet been announced, but the [calendar for 2025-26 may be consulted HERE](#) as a reference.

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