

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FOREIGN APPLICANTS

MASTER'S AND DOCTORAL DEGREES IN PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES AT UNICAMP

This document provides essential information for foreign applicants regarding the selection process for the Master's and Doctoral programs in Pharmaceutical Sciences at the University of Campinas (Unicamp) for the first semester of 2027.

Foreign applicants residing abroad are subject to the same deadlines, documentation requirements, and evaluation stages as Brazilian candidates.

Candidates must be able to communicate in Portuguese to properly carry out the course activities, as classes are taught in this language.

1. First Step: Contact an Accredited Advisor

Before applying, candidates must contact and secure a commitment from a professor accredited by the Graduate Program in Pharmaceutical Sciences. A signed commitment letter (Annex I) is a mandatory document for the application process. The proposed research project must be compatible with the intended advisor's line of work.

The list of advisors' curricula can be found [here](#).

2. Documentation and Legalization

Foreign applicants must follow the specific procedures for documents produced abroad:

Hague Apostille: For [signatory countries of the Hague Convention](#), consular legalization is replaced by an Apostille obtained in the country of origin.

For non-signatory countries, documents must still bear the official seal of the Brazilian Consulate or Embassy in the country of origin.

Documents issued abroad must be accompanied by a sworn translation made in Brazil (Law No. 14.195/2021), except documents in Portuguese, birth/marriage certificates, and documents from France ([due to a specific bilateral agreement](#)).

If approved, a Student Acceptance Letter will be issued to facilitate obtaining a student visa at the Brazilian consular office in the applicant's country of origin.

3. Key Dates and Deadlines

Stage	Period
Application Period	October 16 to October 22
Written Examination	November 9 to 11 (as per summons)
Research Project Presentation	November 11 to December 4 (as per summons)
Registration (Enrollment)	February 1 to 3, 2027
Scholarship Submission Deadline	March 1, 2027

3. Required Application Documents

All documents must be legible, in PDF format, and sent to posgraduacao@fcf.unicamp.br.

- **Registration Form:** Generated via the SIGA system (dac.unicamp.br).
- **Identification:** Digital copy of a valid passport identification page.
- **Academic Records:**
 - o Undergraduate diploma (or certificate of completion).
 - o Official Undergraduate academic transcripts.
 - o **For Doctoral applicants:** Master's diploma or proof of defense by March 1, 2027.
- **Research Project:** Maximum 20 pages (double-spaced), following FAPESP standards.
- **Curriculum Lattes:** Documented CV from the Lattes Platform.
- **Cover Letter:** Describing previous experiences and motivations.
- **Commitment Letter:** Signed by the prospective advisor (Annex I).

4. Selection Process Stages

The selection consists of two eliminatory stages. While typically conducted in Portuguese, these may be held in English upon the applicant's request and with the advisor's consent.

I. Written Dissertation Exam

- **Format:** Synchronous online exam lasting two hours.
- **Focus:** Analysis and interpretation of scientific data/texts. Master's exams are in Portuguese; Doctoral exams are in English.
- **Minimum Passing Score:** 5.0 out of 10.0.

II. Research Project Presentation

- **Format:** 10-minute presentation followed by a 20-minute defense before an examining committee.

- **Virtual Presentation:** Foreign residents are eligible to present via virtual means.
- **Technical Requirements:** Applicants are responsible for a stable internet connection, camera, and microphone.
- **Minimum Passing Score:** 5.0 out of 10.0.

5. Scholarships

Approval in the selection process does not guarantee a scholarship. Scholarships (CAPES/CNPq) are awarded based on the final ranking. Candidates must provide proof of scholarship application to FAPESP or another funding agency by March 1, 2027.

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