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Job Information

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Department	Faculty of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences
Research Field	Medical sciences » Other
Researcher Profile	Recognised Researcher (R2)
Positions	PhD Positions
Country	Portugal
Application Deadline	28 Apr 2025 - 23:59 (Europe/Lisbon)
Type of Contract	Permanent
Job Status	Full-time
Hours Per Week	35
Offer Starting Date	14 Mar 2025
Is the job funded through the EU Research Framework Programme?	Not funded by a EU programme
Reference Number	Edital n.º 473/2025 - OE202503/0530
Is the Job related to staff position within a Research Infrastructure?	No

Offer Description

International tender for the position of Assistant Professor, in the subject field of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, sub-area of Medical Sciences, at the Faculty of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences of the University of the Algarve

By ordinance dated February 8, 2025 issued by the Rector of the University of Algarve, an international tender is opened for the position of Assistant Professor in the field of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, sub-area Medical Sciences, of the Faculty of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences of the University of Algarve. The tender will be open, for a period of 30 working days, starting from the working day immediately following the publication of this announcement in the Diário da República (the Official Portuguese Gazette).

This tender is governed by the provisions of Articles 37 to 51, 61 and 62-A of the Estatuto da Carreira Docente Universitária (Career Statutes for University Teachers, forthwith referred to as ECDU), in its current version, as well as the Regulation for the Tendering of Personnel for Teaching Careers at the University of Algarve, Regulation no. 520/2010, published in Diário da República, 2nd series, no. 111, on 9 June 2010.

This tender will be published on the Public Employment Exchange (BEP), within 2 working days, after its publication in the Diário da República, pursuant to the terms of Decree-Law no. 78/2003, of 23 April, advertised on the Euraxess Portugal portal at <https://www.euraxess.pt>, and on the University's website, in both Portuguese and English, in accordance with Article 62-A, paragraph 1, of the Estatuto da Carreira Docente Universitária (University Lecturers' Career Statute - ECDU), in its current version.

The purpose of this tender is to fill five (5) positions, in the form of a non-fixed-term contract as a government employee, in accordance with Article 25 of ECDU. The tender will end once the positions have been filled.

The rector is authorized under Article 92, paragraphs d), e) and q) of Law 62/2007 of 10 September, to cancel the tender in the event of extenuating circumstances.

In compliance with Article 9, paragraph h) of the Constitution of the Portuguese Republic, Public Administration actively promotes a policy of equal opportunities for employment and career progression between men and women, taking every possible measure to avoid any kind of discrimination.

I. Tender admission requirements

1. Admission requirements

- a) Applicants must hold a doctoral degree in a speciality/field appropriate to the sub-area in which the tender has been opened, as foreseen in Article 41-A of the ECDU.
 - i) Holders of a doctoral degree obtained outside Portugal must prove their degree is recognized in Portugal under the terms of Decree-Law No. 66/2018, of 16 August and other applicable legislation.
 - ii) Applicants to whom the previous subparagraph applies who do not provide proof of their request for recognition of the degree before the end of the application period, will be excluded from the tender.
- b) Applicants must be fluent in the Portuguese language, both spoken and written.
 - i) Non-native speakers of Portuguese must provide proof of proficiency through presentation of an officially recognized diploma, from the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages of the Council of Europe (proficiency level C1) by the end of the term granted for the contract's signature.
- c) Meet the general requirements for employment as an employee of the state, foreseen in Article 17, Law no. 35/2014 of 20 June, in its current wording, from which they are not exempted by the ECDU.

2 - Applicants will be excluded from the tender procedure if they:

- i) Do not hold a doctoral degree in a speciality/field appropriate to the sub-area in which the tender has been opened, according to article 41-A of the ECDU.
- ii) Do not hold a recognized doctoral degree, by the closing date of the tender, if their qualification is from a foreign institution;
- iii) Do not submit the required documents stipulated in the Public Notice within the designated deadline.
- iv) Do not meet the general requirements for admission to public service provided for in Article 17 of the Public Service Labour Law, set out in the Annex to Law No. 35/2014, of 20 June, in its current wording, from which they are not exempted by the ECDU.

3-The selection committee will notify the excluded applicants, by e-mail with receipt of delivery, for the purpose of prior hearing.

II – Admission requirements in absolute merit and their assessment

1-Admission in absolute merit will depend on the cumulative fulfilment of the following requirements:

- a) Be a medical doctor with a specialist degree in an area relevant to the sub-area of Medical Sciences, which is part of the disciplinary groups published in Order no. 5389/2024, published in the Diário da República, 2nd series, no. 94, of 15 May;
- b) On the closing date for applications, the candidate must be registered with the Portuguese Medical Association in Portugal or its equivalent outside Portugal, for at least 2 years;
- c) Have a minimum of 2 years of clinical care after completing initial training in medicine;
- d) Possession of an overall curriculum vitae that the selection committee considers to reveal scientific merit, research capacity and value of the pedagogic activity already developed, compatible with the sub-area in which the tender has been opened, and appropriate to the position of Assistant Professor.

2 – A vote against admission in absolute merit must be based on failure to comply with one or more of the criteria set out in the previous paragraph:

3 - In order to assess the absolute merit of the applicants, each member of the selection committee will independently submit a list of the applicants that do not meet the requirements indicated in paragraph 1 of point II, and provide a written justification for their decision and shall then proceed to vote on each of those proposals, in accordance with Article 50, paragraph 1, subparagraph b) of the ECDU, no abstentions are allowed.

4 An application will be rejected on absolute merit by a majority vote by the members of the selection committee present at the meeting. The justification for exclusion of the applicant will be an integral part of the meeting minutes.

5 - The selection committee will notify the applicants of their admission or exclusion based on absolute merit, for the purpose of a prior hearing.

III — Submission of the application

1 – The application must be submitted by means of a request addressed to the Rector of the University of Algarve, available on the website of the University <https://www.ualg.pt/procedimentos-concursais>, accessing Documentos – Pessoal Docente – Formulário de Candidatura.

Applications can be:

- a) In person at the Human Resources Department on floor 0 of the Library Building at the Penha Campus of the University of Algarve in Faro; or
- b) By registered mail, posted no later than the deadline for submitting applications, addressed to: Serviços de Recursos Humanos, Campus da Penha, Universidade do Algarve, 8005-139 Faro, Portugal.

2- The application for admission to the tender, dated and signed, must include the following documents, in Portuguese or English:

- a) Photocopy, or in electronic pdf format, of a valid identification document at the date of application;
- b) Photocopy, or in electronic pdf format, of the Professional Certificate of the Portuguese Medical Association or equivalent outside Portugal;
- c) Certificates proving the applicant holds a doctoral degree, in a speciality appropriate to the competition, and the other academic degrees, photocopied and in electronic pdf format;

- d) One (1) copy in paper and one (1) copy in pdf format of the applicant's curriculum vitae, duly signed and dated, in which the scientific, pedagogic and other relevant activities for the mission of the higher education institutions, carried out by the applicant, integrating an index and numbered annexes, respecting obligatorily the order of the parameters and factors set out in point V of this notice and the list of works to be presented in accordance with the following paragraph;
- e) One (1) printed or photocopied copy and one (1) copy in pdf format of each of the works selected by the applicant, up to a maximum of five, as being the most representative, namely in terms of their contribution to the development and evolution of the sub-area in which the competition is open, under the terms and for the purpose of Article 50, paragraph 6, subparagraph a), of the ECDU and, optionally, a document explaining the relevance of the publications selected;
- f) A document that objectively evidences the number of citations to the publications indicated in the curriculum and explanation of the method used for counting, with sufficient detail so that the selection committee can reproduce the procedure;
- g) A document framing the applicant's pedagogic activity, if any, as foreseen in Article 50, paragraph 6, subparagraph b) of the ECDU;
- h) Indication of the results of the pedagogic surveys, carried out in relation to the curricular units for which the applicant has been responsible, when they exist and if applicable, and as foreseen in Article 50, paragraph 6, subparagraph b) of the ECDU;
- i) A document with a career development plan, containing objectives, a development plan and a synopsis of the line of research they intend to implement and a pedagogic development plan, with a maximum of 5000 words, printed and in electronic pdf format;
- j) Other documents, including in particular other diplomas or certificates proving the courses referred to in the curriculum vitae or letters of reference, which the applicant considers to be of interest for the selection committee to fully appreciate their scientific performance, their pedagogic capacity and other relevant activities carried out, or which constitute grounds for legal preference, which, however, will be taken into account by the selection committee if duly proven and if the jury deems it so.
- k) A criminal clearance certificate attesting that the applicant is not banned from working in government service or from exercising the professional functions for which they are applying;
- l) A statement confirming that the applicant has the physical robustness and mental profile indispensable for the exercise of the functions in question;
- m) An up-to-date vaccination certificate.

3 - The documents referred to in paragraphs k) to m), may be waived during the submission stage of the application provided that the applicants declare under oath, the situation in which they find themselves in relation to each of these requirements, the failure to make a written declaration constitutes grounds for exclusion. The delivery of these documents will be required, should the applicant be selected for the vacancy.

4 - The pdf documents required in paragraphs b) to j), should be delivered in a pen-drive, which should be searchable and contain the entries of publications associated with clickable links (links), to the documents/domains that contain the publications, which may be recorded in the same digital media or exist in a free access repository in the Internet. There should also be clickable links to the webpages of the entities or events referred to in the curriculum vitae, and when relevant, and feasible, to the webpages of the courses (curricular units) for which the applicant has been responsible.

5 – The curriculum vitae and respective appendices must be systematized in the order of the parameters and factors listed in point V of this Announcement. Failure to comply with this order may result in information not being considered for evaluation, the same applies to the accessibility

of the links, the functioning of which must be checked by the candidate so that the members of the jury have access to the information.

6 - According to Article 7, paragraph 2 of the Regulation governing tenders for the contracting of lecturing personnel for the University of Algarve, the selection committee may request additional documentation related to the submitted curriculum.

IV – Public Hearings

1-The selection committee may decide to hold public hearings on an equal footing for all applicants as foreseen in Article 50, paragraph 4, subparagraph b) of the ECDU and of no. 2 of article 7 of the regulation governing tenders for the contracting of career lecturing personnel for the University of Algarve.

2-If the tender selection committee decides to hold the hearings referred to in the previous paragraph, the conditions and scheduling of it shall be announced to the applicants at least 8 days in advance.

V - Evaluation parameters and ranking in relative merit, respective weighting and final valuation system

The assessment and ranking of applicants in relative merit will be based on the seriation criteria and their weight identified below, resulting in the ordering of the weighted average of the quantitative scores obtained in each of the assessment parameters, within a scale of 0-100 points:

Curriculum evaluation (100%) - The Curricular Evaluation focuses on the activities developed by the applicants in the sub-area of the tender, and its adequacy to the category of Assistant Professor, considering the following parameters:

A) Scientific performance (40%) - The following factors will be taken into account when assessing scientific performance in the sub-area of the competition:

1)Scientific production - Quality and quantity of scientific production (books, book chapters, Articles in indexed journals) expressed, namely, by the number and type of publications in indexed international journals and by the recognition given to them by the scientific community (translated in the quality of journals and citations by other authors) (35%).

2)Supervision of academic work: supervision of advanced training, namely supervision of internships, master's degrees, doctorates or other research work (15%);

3) Scientific experience, assessed through the quality and quantity of scientific projects that the applicant coordinated and participated in (15%);

B) Pedagogic Capacity (30%):

The following factors will be considered when assessing pedagogic capacity:

1) Teaching activity - Quality and diversity of the teaching activity developed by the candidate, taking into account, among other relevant factors, the results of broad opinion surveys (e.g. pedagogical surveys), which should be mentioned in the curriculum vitae, whenever available (55%);

2) Proven experience of a pedagogical approach to medical teaching using problem-based learning (15%);

3) Coordinating and boosting pedagogical projects - Ability to coordinate and boost pedagogical projects, such as developing new subject programmes, creating and coordinating new courses or study programmes, reforming and updating existing projects, as well as carrying out projects with an impact on the teaching/learning process (15%);

4) Production of pedagogic material - Quality and quantity of pedagogic material produced by the applicant as well as publications of pedagogical materials with ISBN or ISSN (15%).

C) Other Activities Relevant to the University's Mission (30%)

i) Extension (25%)

1) Performance of relevant clinical activity - hospital career positions, leadership and functions performed, medical assistance activity, experience and/or leadership capacity in the area of assistance, science and postgraduate teaching. (25%)

2) Ability to intervene in the scientific and professional communities expressed, namely, through participation in working groups, the organization of events, collaboration in the edition of journals, presentation of lectures by invitation, participation in evaluation activities of academic nature, particularly outside the institution itself, and consultancy activities (25%);

3) Participation in actions and publications of scientific, cultural or technological dissemination, as well as other publications with ISBN or ISSN, that promote increased health literacy among the general population (25%);

4) Participation in the development of extension projects including scientific dissemination and the economic and social valorisation of knowledge (25%);

ii) Management (5%)-Participation in university management bodies, clinical or research units, coordination of courses, study cycles and/or subject areas, participation in scientific committees and ad hoc committees, temporary positions and tasks assigned by management bodies and other activities relevant to the smooth running of the institution. In assessing this parameter, the nature, responsibility and duration of the positions must be taken into account, as well as the results obtained in carrying out the associated duties.

VI - Ranking and voting methodology

1 The methodology for selection in relative merit is the following:

a) During the meeting, each member of the selection committee will submit a written document, which will be annexed to the meeting minutes, stating their own ordering of the applicants, of the applicants' scientific performance, pedagogic skills and other relevant activities, and their respective weights. At each ballot, every member of the selection committee will abide by the ordering they submitted and abstentions are not permitted.

b) The first ballot is intended to determine which applicant is placed at the top of the ordered list.

c) If an applicant obtains more than half of the votes, they shall be ranked first in the ordered list;

d) If two applicants obtain exactly half of the votes each, the selection committee president shall have the casting vote, deciding which shall be placed at the top of the ordered list. The selection committee president will use as tiebreaker criteria, in this order:

i) the number and quartile of scientific publications, with the one with the highest number and quartile prevailing;

ii) the date of the doctorate, whichever is the most recent;

- e) If neither of those two cases occurs, a new ballot will take place after elimination of applicants who did not receive any votes in the first ballot and also eliminating the applicant with the least votes who received at least one vote;
- f) If there is a draw between two or more applicants for the position of least-voted, another ballot shall be held to determine which of the least-voted applicants shall be eliminated. At this ballot, selection committee members vote for the applicant ranked last in their own seriation;
- g) If there is still a draw between two or more applicants, the selection committee president shall decide which shall be eliminated. The selection committee president will use as tie-breaking criteria, in this order:
- i) the number and quartile of scientific publications, prevailing the one with the lowest number of publications and quartile;
- ii) the date of the doctorate, whichever is the most recent;
- h) After this applicant has been eliminated along with the applicants who received no votes in the first ballot, another ballot will be held to decide which applicant shall be ranked first in the ordered list, continuing to use the same procedure until one applicant obtains more than half the votes for first place;
- i) Once an applicant has been placed first on the ordered list, his or her name shall be removed from the voting and the process will be repeated to find the second-placed applicant, and so on until all the applicants have been ordered.

VII - Composition of the Selection committee

President: Vice-Rector of the University of Algarve, Professor Doctor Nuno Gonçalo Viana Pereira Ferreira Bicho, by delegation of powers from the Rector.

Vowels:

- Doctor Carlos Manuel da Silva Robalo Cordeiro, Full Professor at the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Coimbra;
- Doctor Luís Ricardo Simões da Silva Graça, Full Professor at the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Lisboa;
- Doctor Henrique José Cyrne de Castro Machado Carvalho, Invited Full Professor and Director of the Abel Salazar Institute of Biomedical Sciences at the University of Porto;
- Doctor Pedro Manuel Sarmento Rodrigues Póvoa, Full Professor, Faculty of Medical Sciences/NOVA Medical School of the University of Nova de Lisboa;
- Doctor Jorge Manuel Nunes Correia Pinto, Full Professor at the School of Medicine of the University of Minho;
- Doctor Miguel Castelo-Branco Craveiro Sousa, Full Professor at the Faculty of Health Sciences of the University of Beira Interior;
- Doctor Inês Maria Pombinho de Araújo, Associate Professor at the Faculty of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences at the University of Algarve.

VIII – Access to the tender procedure

The tender process may be consulted at the University of Algarve's Human Resources Department, on floor 0 of the Penha Library Building at the Penha Campus of the University of Algarve in Faro, from 9.30am to noon and from 2.30pm to 5pm, through previously scheduled appointment.

28 February 2025. — The Vice-Rector for Research and Culture, *Nuno Gonçalo Viana Pereira Ferreira Bicho*.

Where to apply

Website

<https://www.ualg.pt/en/tender-procedures>

Requirements

Research Field

Medical sciences » Other

Education Level

PhD or equivalent

Skills/Qualifications

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Specific Requirements

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Languages

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Level

Excellent

Research Field

Medical sciences » Other

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Additional Information

Benefits

The tender has been opened for the purpose of filling five (5) positions, in the form of a non-fixed-term contract as a government employee

Eligibility criteria

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Selection process

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