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Job Information

Organisation/Company	Universidade do Algarve
Department	Faculty of Human and Social Sciences
Research Field	Psychological sciences » Psychology
Researcher Profile	Recognised Researcher (R2)
Positions	PhD Positions
Country	Portugal
Application Deadline	19 Dec 2025 - 23:59 (Europe/Lisbon)
Type of Contract	Permanent

Job Status	Full-time
Hours Per Week	35
Offer Starting Date	6 Nov 2025
Is the job funded through the EU Research Framework Programme?	Not funded by a EU programme
Reference Number	Edital n.º 1727/2025 - OE202511/0114
Is the Job related to staff position within a Research Infrastructure?	No

Offer Description

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

International tender for the position of Assistant Professor, in the disciplinary area of Psychology, subarea of Cognitive Neuroscience and Neuropsychology, at the Faculty of Human and Social Sciences of the University of Algarve

By order dated October 21th, 2025, issued by the Rector of the University of Algarve, an international tender has been opened for the position of Assistant Professor in the disciplinary area of Psychology, subarea of Cognitive Neuroscience and Neuropsychology, at the Faculty of Human and Social Sciences of the University of Algarve. The tender will be open for a period of 30 working days, starting on the working day immediately after the publication of this announcement in the Diário da República (the Journal of the Republic).

This tender is governed by the provisions of Articles 37 to 39, 41-A to 51, 61 and 62-A of the Estatuto da Carreira Docente Universitária (Career Statutes for University Academic Staff, 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 in the Public Employment Exchange (BEP), within 2 working days after its publication in Diário da República, as decreed by 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 ECDU, in its current version.

The purpose of this tender is to fill one (1) position, in the form of a permanent public employment contract, in accordance with Article 25 of ECDU. The tender will end once the position has 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 compelling reasons.

In compliance with Article 9, paragraph h) of the Constitution of the Portuguese Republic, Public Administrations actively promote 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 - Admission requirements

1 – Admission requirements

a) Applicants must hold a doctoral degree in Psychology, in a specialty considered appropriate for the disciplinary subarea in which the tender has been opened, under the terms of 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 recognition before the end of the application period, will be excluded from the tender.

b) Proficiency 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. Failure to submit a language proficiency document within that deadline prevents the contract from being concluded with the candidate, with the hiring proposal being transferred to the next candidate.

c) Applicants must meet the general requirements for employment in public functions provided for in article 17, of the Public Service Labor Law, contained in the Annex to Law No. 35/2014, of 20 June, in its current version, unless exempted by the ECDU.

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

i) Do not hold a doctoral degree in Psychology, in a specialty considered appropriate for the disciplinary subarea in which the tender has been opened, under the terms of article 41-A of the ECDU;

ii) Do not hold a recognized doctoral degree in Portugal, by the closing date of the tender, if their qualification is from a foreign institution;

iii) Do not meet the general requirements for employment in public functions foreseen in Article 17 of the Law on Employment in Public Functions, contained in the Annex to Law No. 35/2014, of 20 June, in its current wording, unless exempted by the ECDU;

iv) Do not submit the required documents as determined in the Public Notice, within the deadline stipulated for this purpose.

3 - The selection committee will notify the candidates of the exclusion of their application by email with receipt of delivery, for a preliminary hearing.

II – Admission requirements in absolute merit and their assessment:

1 - Acceptance and evaluation of applicants based on absolute merit will depend, cumulatively, on the following:

a) The applicant holds a curriculum that the selection committee considers to be of scientific merit and developed research capacity, compatible with the disciplinary area for which the tender is open and appropriate to the respective teaching category;

b) Authorship or co-authorship of at least ten (10) articles in scientific journals classified as Q1 or Q2 in the Web of Science (WoS)/Journal Citation Reports (JCR) and/or Scopus/Scimago Journal Rankings (SJR) indexing and relevant to the disciplinary area and subarea of the competition (Neuropsychology, Neuroscience, Psychology, Experimental and Cognitive Psychology, Rehabilitation);

- c) Participation in at least five (5) research projects with funding obtained from competitive scientific funding programs, i.e., in which the allocation of funding is based on scientific evaluation by a panel of experts following an application submitted in a public competition;
- d) Proven clinical experience in neuropsychological assessment and/or psychological monitoring of children, adolescents, and/or adults, with a minimum duration of 5 years;
- e) Coordination of projects for the transfer of scientific knowledge for community enhancement and intervention, namely for the promotion of cognitive skills and educational development.

2 – A vote against admission on absolute merit must be justified on non-compliance with one or more of the requirements indicated in the previous paragraph.

3 - 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 then the selection committee will proceed to vote on each of those proposals, in accordance with Article 50, paragraph 1, subparagraph b) of the ECDU. Abstentions will not be allowed.

4 - An application will be rejected on absolute merit if at least one such proposal receives favourable votes by the majority of the members of the selection committee present at the meeting. The justification for the exclusion of the applicant will be explicitly written up in the official minutes of the meeting.

5 - The selection committee will notify applicants of the exclusion based on absolute merit, by e-mail with receipt of delivery, for a preliminary hearing.

III — Application instructions

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> , and it may be submitted:

a) In person, at the Human Resources Department, situated 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 the 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 must include copies of the following documents in electronic pdf format, in Portuguese or English:

a) Valid identification document at the date of application;

b) Certificate proving that the applicant holds a doctoral degree in a specialty appropriate to the subject area being applied for and its recognition, if the qualification is foreign;

c) One (1) curriculum vitae, dated and signed, which includes details of the scientific, pedagogical and other activities relevant to the mission of higher education institutions carried out by the candidate, strictly following the order of the parameters and factors stated in Point V of this notice, and the list of works to be presented according to the following paragraph. The CV should include information regarding the indexing of articles and journals or books, including Scopus/WoS impact factors or Qualis evaluation, if applicable.

d) One (1) copy of each of the works selected by the candidate, up to a maximum of five, as the most representative, particularly regarding their contribution to the development and progress of the group in which the tender is opened, in accordance with Article 50, paragraph 6, point a) of the

ECDU. Additionally, an optional supporting document may be included to explain the relevance of the selected publications;

e) A supporting document outlining the applicant's teaching activities, if applicable, for the purposes of Article 50, paragraph 6, point b) of the ECDU;

f) 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, also as foreseen in Article 50, paragraph 6, subparagraph b) of the ECDU;

g) A career development plan document containing objectives, scientific and pedagogical development plan, and synopsis of the line of research to be implemented, with a maximum of 2,500 words;

h) Documents proving the absolute merit requirements set forth in items d) to e) of Point II;

i) Other documents which the applicant considers to be of interest for the selection committee to be able to fully appreciate his or her scientific performance, pedagogical skills, and other relevant activities that he or she may have undertaken and which would constitute a legally-founded reason for preference, although the selection committee shall only consider such activities as being duly proven if it should deem appropriate;

j) A criminal clearance certificate attesting to the fact that the applicant is not banned from working in government service or from exercising the professional functions for which he/she is applying to;

k) A statement confirming that the applicant has the physical robustness and mental profile required for the exercise of the functions in question;

l) An up-to-date vaccination certificate.

3 - The documents referred to in paragraphs j) to l) may be waived during the submission stage of the application, provided that the applicants present a declaration on their honour detailing 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 if the applicant is selected for the vacancy.

4 - The documents required in paragraphs a) to i) should be delivered in a pen-drive, which should be searchable and contain the entries of the associated publications accessible through clickable links, which may be recorded in the same digital media or in a freely accessible repository on the Internet. There should also be clickable links to the web pages of the entities or events referred to in the curriculum vitae, where relevant and feasible, and to the web pages of the subjects and course units for which the applicant has been responsible.

5 - The curriculum vitae and respective appendices must be systematized in the order of the parameter factors listed in point V of this Notice. Failure to comply with this order may result in the information not being considered for evaluation. The same applies to the accessibility of the clickable links, whose correct functioning must be verified by the candidate, so that the selection committee members 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 hiring 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, and pursuant to the terms of Article 50, paragraph 4, subparagraph b) of the ECDU and pursuant to Article 7, paragraph 2, of the Regulation governing tenders for the contracting of 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 the hearing shall be announced to the applicants at least eight (8) days in advance.

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

The evaluation and ranking based on relative merit is based on the evaluation of the applicant's curriculum vitae, which focuses on activities carried out by the candidates in the disciplinary area of the tender, with a curriculum vitae with a special focus on the field of Cognitive Neuroscience and Neuropsychology, appropriate to the category of Assistant Professor, considering the following parameters:

A) Scientific Performance (40%)

B) Pedagogical capacity (30%)

C) Other relevant activities for the University's mission (30%)

The assessment for each parameter is based on the factors and weightings indicated below and will be expressed on a scale of 0-100 points.

A) Scientific Performance (40%) - In the evaluation of scientific performance in the disciplinary area and subarea of the tender, the following factors will be considered:

i) Scientific production: Quality and quantity of scientific production (books, book chapters, articles in indexed international 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 as the quality and reference made to them by other authors) (30%);

ii) Scientific training in Cognitive Psychology, Cognitive Neuroscience, and Neuropsychology: Existence and quality of specific training in the disciplinary area of the tender, namely courses, degrees, internships, summer schools, among others. Training and experience in advanced techniques for the study of human cognition, such as neuroimaging techniques (EEG-ERPs) and eye-tracking, are valued. Scholarships and other funding obtained for scientific training in competitive funding competitions for scientific activity are also valued (20%);

iii) Participation in scientific projects. Quality and quantity of competitively funded scientific projects in which the applicant has participated in the area for which the tender is open (10%);

iv) Academic supervision: Advanced training supervision, namely supervision of master's and doctoral degrees (10%);

v) Intervention in scientific communities: Assessment of the capacity to intervene in scientific communities, expressed, in particular, through the participation of (co-)editor of journals, participation in review activities of journal articles, presentation of communications at conferences, presentation of lectures as a guest, participation in evaluation juries and in consultancy activities and other activities of recognized merit (10%);

vi) Career development plan: Assessment of the potential contribution of the submitted document to the scientific and pedagogical development of the disciplinary area and subarea in which the scope of this tender falls, with the aim of promoting the research activities associated with them (20%).

B) Pedagogical capacity (30%) - In the evaluation of pedagogical capacity, the following factors will be considered:

i) Teaching activity: Quality and diversity of the teaching activity carried out by the applicant, taking into account, among other relevant factors, experience at various levels of undergraduate and

postgraduate education and the results of extensive opinion gathering (e.g., pedagogical surveys), which should be mentioned in the curriculum vitae, whenever available (50%);

ii) Coordination and dynamization of pedagogical projects: Ability to coordinate and dynamize pedagogical projects, the reform and updating of existing projects, as well as the implementation of projects with an impact on the teaching/learning process (20%);

iii) Other activities of a pedagogical nature: Quality and quantity of pedagogical material and publications of a pedagogical nature produced by the candidate, other activities with an impact on the teaching-learning process carried out by the applicant, including supervision of internships for graduates or masters (10%);

iv) Participation in academic examination boards: Participation in academic examination boards is taken into account, with particular emphasis on participation as an examiner (20%).

C) Other relevant activities for the University's mission (30%) - In the evaluation of other relevant activities, the following factors will be considered:

i) Holding management positions in governing bodies of higher education institutions or research units (25%);

ii) University extension activities, namely, provision/coordination of consultancy services; participation in national and international projects and organizations of professional or cultural interest; involvement in training projects that promote interaction with society (25%);

iii) Promotion in professional training courses (10%);

iv) Organization of scientific or cultural events in the area for which the tender is open (10%);

v) Professional practice in Psychology - Specialization in Neuropsychology - must hold a Professional Specialization Diploma in Psychology from the OPP, with a Basic Specialization in Clinical and Health Psychology and an Advanced Specialization in Neuropsychology (15%).

vi) Professional practice in Psychology - Proven professional experience in neuropsychological assessment and/or psychological monitoring of children and/or adolescents and/or adults for a minimum of 5 years (15%).

VI - Selection process in relative merit

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, other relevant activities and professional practice in psychology, with their respective weights. At each ballot, every member of the selection committee will abide by the order 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, he/she shall be ranked first in the ordered list;

d) If two applicants obtain exactly half of the votes, the president of the selection committee breaks the tie by choosing the candidate who is placed first on the ranked list. The jury president will use the date of the doctorate with the most recent date prevailing, as the tiebreaker;

e) If neither of those two cases occurs (c and d), a new vote will be held after removing the candidates who did not receive any votes in the first voting and also eliminating the least voted candidate but 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 a tie between two or more candidates in this vote, the president of the selection committee will decide which candidate to eliminate. The president of the selection committee will use the date of the doctorate as the tiebreaker, with the most recent one prevailing;

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 the 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 Jury

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

Members:

Doctor Maria de São Luís Vasconcelos Fonseca e Castro Schöner, Full Professor at the Faculty of Psychology and Educational Sciences, University of Porto;

Doctor Liliana Xavier Marques de Sousa, Full Professor at the University of Aveiro;

Doctor Margarida Maria Ferreira Diogo Dias Pocinho, Professor at the Faculty of Arts and Humanities, University of Madeira;

Doctor Saúl Neves de Jesus, Professor at the Faculty of Human and Social Sciences, University of Algarve;

Doctor Alexandra Isabel Dias Reis, Professor at the Faculty of Human and Social Sciences, 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 9.30 a.m. to noon and from 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m., by a previously scheduled appointment.

October 29th, 2025. — The Vice-Rector for Research and Culture of the University of Algarve, Professor *Nuno Gonçalo Viana Pereira Ferreira Bicho*.

Where to apply

Website

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

Requirements

Research Field

Psychological sciences » Psychology

Education Level PhD or equivalent

Skills/Qualifications

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Languages PORTUGUESE

Level Excellent

Research Field Psychological sciences » Psychology

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Additional Information

Benefits

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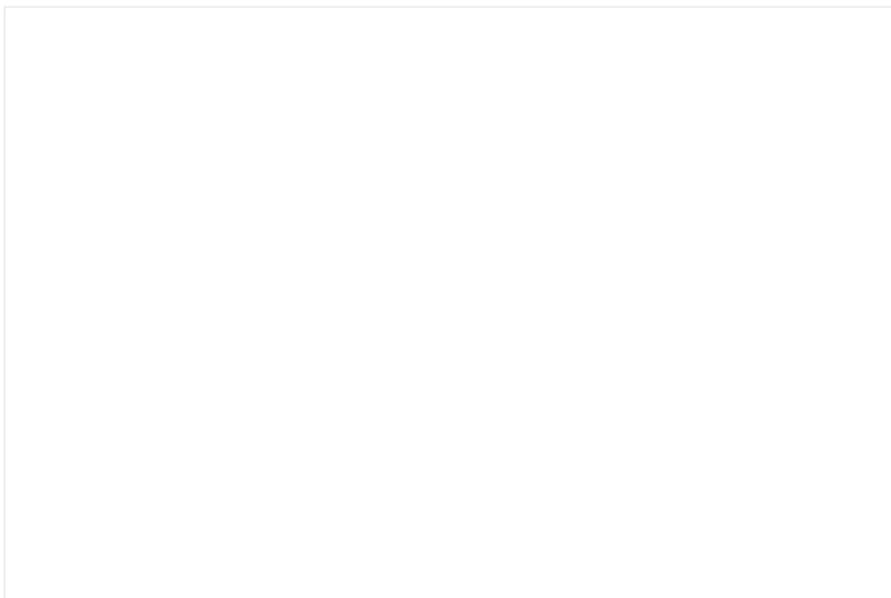
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