

# PhD in Development Studies

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The PhD in Development Studies is a 3rd cycle program of studies that aims to provide high quality training and produce original research in the area of Development Studies, a field of interdisciplinary research of the process of economic, social and political changes in modern societies.

This PhD program was created in 2009 and accredited by the national agency A3ES in 2015. After 2017/18 this program became a joint PhD of ISEG (School of Economics and Management), ICS (Institute of Social Sciences), IGOT (Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning) and ISA (School of Agriculture) of Universidade de Lisboa.

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## **Target**

Anyone interested in obtaining advanced academic training and doing research with a view to working in jobs related to international and national development in the public sector, the private sector, or the non-profit sector. Out-going students can find employment in teaching and research posts, managerial and executive positions in international and national organisations, consultancy, training, research projects, journalism, planning, development projects, public policy planning and evaluation, and social projects and social policies.

This programme is lectured in English, but offers tutorial in both Portuguese and English. The PhD thesis may be written in Portuguese or in English.

## **Entry conditions and selection criteria**

Anyone holding a masters degree in the areas of economics, management, law, sociology, geography, agronomy and forestry, political science, international relations, history, anthropology, or any other area deemed appropriate can apply. Students who obtained a GPA of 16 or more (out of 20) or, in special circumstances, students whose GPA is lower than 16 but have demonstrated appropriate academic training or professional experience may also apply. The Scientific Board of the PhD programme will choose candidates on the basis of the following criteria:

- Masters degree (final grade)
- First degree (undergraduate) (GPA)
- Academic and relevant professional experience
- Research proposal
- Motivation letter
- Information on two persons for recommendation letters

Non-native English speakers must hold a proficiency certificate of a level equivalent to B1 or higher according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.

For the purposes of the proficiency certification, placement test results from an authorized language school equivalent to or greater than B2 of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages are also accepted.

Personal interviews may be required.

### **What kind of themes can I study in the Program?**

Research themes for the doctoral thesis and course units are grounded in a broad range of issues related to the development of contemporary societies and its methodological variables and analytical tools. The emphasis is on agriculture and contemporary agrarian transformation; poverty, inequality and equity issues; development economics and aid finance; development cooperation, policy and political issues; geography and urbanization; migration and gender; security-development nexus; sustainable consumption, food production and ecosystem services; and modernity theoretical challenges to development.

These themes are explored in our PhD programme through course units related to the development of contemporary societies, including: theories of development and modernity, the policy and politics of development, sustainability transitions and a focus on urban development. As a Development Studies programme, interdisciplinary links are established between economics, sociology, geography, social and economic history, political science and law, thus providing an integrated perspective on development and sustainability issues in contemporary societies. A great attention is paid to the improvement of students' skills on research methods and techniques required for development studies.

One of the programme orientations focuses on development issues in Portuguese-speaking contexts (Portugal, Brazil, East Timor, Portuguese-speaking African countries), given that research in these geographical areas offers a comparative advantage for participation in international research networks.

### **How the Program is structured?**

The PhD Development Studies is a three-year programme in which students must obtain a total of 180 ECTS (credits). It comprises:

- Courses (60 credits ECTS);
- Preparation, submission and defense of thesis (120 ECTS).

Courses are taught in the first year of the Program over 2 semesters. They are:

#### 1st semester

- Theories of Modernity and Development (9.0 credits ECTS)
- Development Policy and Politics (7.5 credits ECTS)

- Research Methods in Development Studies (6.0 credits ECTS)
- Research Seminar I (3.0 credits ECTS)
- Research Essay (4.5 credits ECTS)

### 2nd semester

- Development in Transition (12.0 credits ECTS)
- Topics in Development Studies (3.0 credits ECTS)
- Elective Modules of Research Methods (6.0 credits ECTS)
- Research Seminar II (3.0 credits ECTS)
- Elective Unit (6.0 credits ECTS)

The classes will run at ISEG (that coordinates the Program) and at the other Schools (ICS, IGOT and ISA) according to the scheduled activities to be announced.

### **How to prepare a doctoral thesis?**

Applicants should present a research proposal, outlining their chosen theme, which will be evaluated by the coordinating scientific committee. Upon acceptance into the programme, the student will be assigned a tutor, under whose supervision the student will design a detailed research project towards the thesis during the first year. The research proposals will form the basis for discussion in the Research Seminar classes.

At the end of the first year of the Program, a specially appointed committee nominated by the Program Coordination team will assess the students' research projects, who may approve the project, to suggest changes or to recommend that the student discontinue the programme.

Upon approval of the research project and confirmed who will be the supervising professor, the thesis proposal will be registered at the appointed supervisor's School. The student then has two academic years in which to research and write the thesis.

### **Where to prepare the PhD thesis?**

There are Research Centres at all Schools where the students are expected to initiate their research activities. After the research proposal having been approved, the students will be registered as PhD students at the supervisor's Research Centre.

## RESEARCH CENTRES

**CSG - ISEG** (*Research in Social Sciences and Management, School of Economics and Management*)

Ciências Sociais e Gestão, CSG (Research in Social Sciences and Management, <http://csg-iseg.blogspot.pt>) is the R&D consortium created in 2013 at ISEG by four of its Research Centres: SOCIUS (*Centro de Investigação em Sociologia Económica e das Organizações*), ADVANCE (*Centro de Investigação Avançada em Gestão*), CEsa (*Centro de Estudos sobre África, Ásia e América Latina*) and GHES (*Gabinete de História Económica e Social*).

The purpose of this association was to bring together, under the same structure, a group of researchers who share a similar conception of the study of socio-economic and organizational reality, increasing the critical mass and enhancing the complementarity of approaches. The research carried by them integrates the social and behavioural variables in understanding complex phenomena, whose particularity also results from the space and time in which they are located. The combination of these researchers into a single unit enables the crossing of their research perspectives, articulating them in the same groups and lines, creating common events and generating more opportunities to work together – in a word, allowing scientific advancement in their areas and better dissemination and transfer of knowledge to society.

This new research structure is assumed as openly interdisciplinary, bringing together the scientific areas of the associated R&D units: economic and organizational sociology, economics, management, finance, development studies, economic and social history and, to a lesser extent, other areas of the social sciences, such as demography, economic anthropology, social and organizational psychology, law and economics.

CSG got the classification of Excellent in the last evaluation by FCT.

**UECE-ISEG** (*Research Unit on Complexity and Economics, School of Economics and Management*)

UECE (<https://pascal.iseg.ulisboa.pt/~uece/index.shtml>) produces research, both theoretical and applied, mainly in Economics, but also in the Sciences of Complexity and in inter-disciplinary areas. The main areas of research are macroeconomics and monetary economics, microeconomics, markets and finance and complex economic systems.

The main UECE goals are: promoting research on dynamical systems and on complexity, with an emphasis on economic applications, and also on other economic fields, such as game theory and macroeconomics; developing new

statistical methods applied to economics; studying the consequences of dynamic, non-linear and complex systems in what concerns economic analysis and forecasting; organizing seminars, conferences and other events to disseminate scientific results; participating in international research networks and promoting participation of researchers in international congresses and conferences; promoting and publishing papers, working papers and other documents to stimulate research in these recent economic theory areas.

UECE got the classification of Very Good in the last evaluation by FCT.

### ICS (*Institute of Social Sciences*)

The Instituto de Ciências Sociais da Universidade de Lisboa (<http://www-ics.ulisboa.pt>) is an internationally renowned multidisciplinary university institution that produces knowledge concerning individuals and the societies that they have succeeded in creating and whose operation is guided by scientific and ethical principles as well as by the idea of social responsibility.

It is within the scope of this Vision of the Institute and the values underlying it (scientific autonomy, intellectual openness, diversity, and institutional cooperation) that the ICS's Mission and major goals are defined: research, published in nationally and internationally renowned journals and books and disseminated in networks and scientific meetings; postgraduate programmes, framed within the research themes, the projects underway and international cooperation networks; outreach, with particular importance being granted to the Observatories on Portuguese Society and research which affects public policy, not forgetting our readiness to respond to requests for studies from private and public bodies.

The research that ICS undertakes focuses on contemporary societies and is currently organized into the following research areas: Environment, Territory and Society; Power, Society and Globalization; Empires, Colonialism and Post-Colonialism Societies; Regimes and Political Institutions; Socio-political Attitudes and Behaviours; Identities, Cultures, Vulnerabilities and Life course, Inequality and Solidarity: practices and policies. The disciplinary areas involved in this project are: Social and Cultural Anthropology, Political Science, Economics, Human Geography, History, Social Psychology, and Sociology.

Within the scope of its research projects and as an Associate Laboratory of FCT (Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia), the ICS also undertakes activities supporting the scientific community, including activities in the field of knowledge infrastructures such as the library, the archives, and the databases (Social Surveys and Political Surveys), as well as in the field of publications: *Análise Social*, *Imprensa de Ciências Sociais* and *Working Papers*; it also undertakes projects intended to disseminate scientific knowledge to a non-academic audience.

Currently, the Institute has about 80 researchers and 150 postgraduate students and is engaged in 60 research projects. Close to sixty per cent of its activities are financed from its own funds, which are obtained on a competitive basis.

### **CEG-IGOT** (*Institute of Geography and Spatial Planning*)

The Instituto de Geografia e Ordenamento do Território da Universidade de Lisboa (IGOT-UL) is the School of Geography and Spatial Planning of the University of Lisbon (<http://www.igot.ulisboa.pt>). IGOT's mission is to ensure university-level education, research and knowledge dissemination in the fields of geography, spatial planning and territorial development. The Centre for Geographical Studies ([www.ceg.ulisboa.pt](http://www.ceg.ulisboa.pt)) is the research unit of IGOT. Established in 1943, CEG is the main Portuguese institution conducting research in the field of Geography.

Currently, around 150 researchers, of which 82 have a PhD degree, develop their research at CEG. The work is global in scope and addresses cutting-edge subjects of contemporary human and physical geography and planning and territorial development, aiming at contributing to theoretical, methodological and empirical knowledge on the field. CEG owns and publishes continuously since 1965 the prestigious journal *Finisterra*. CEG is involved in several collaborative research partnerships and networking activities, both at international and national scales.

Due to the high quality of research environment and facilities, such as a specialized library and a vast map and photography collections and the new GeoMod Lab (geocomputation laboratory), CEG hosts numerous visiting Scholars and Researchers as well as graduate students from around the world, including from some of the most prestigious research centers in the field.

### **ISA** (*School of Agriculture*)

With over 160 years of experience, ISA (*School of Agriculture*, Instituto Superior de Agronomia, <http://www.isa.ulisboa.pt>) has been adjusting its teaching to both the technological evolution and the reality of the country, focusing both on quality and modernization. The core mission of ISA is Higher Education, Research & Development and Technology Transfer in scientific fields of Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resources Engineering, Food Science and Engineering, Animal Production Engineering, Environmental Engineering, Biology, Biology and Landscape Architecture.

### **LEAF – Linking Landscape, Environment, Agriculture and Food**

LEAF is a new research center resulting from the merging of four research units from the ISA. LEAF is uniquely positioned to conduct studies on the whole agro-

food chain, dealing with main issues on a variety of scales, from cells and microorganisms to landscape design.

LEAF supports young talented scientists wishing to develop a career in research, to place the technology transfer in the agenda as a priority, to strengthen advantageous relationships with stakeholders, including industry, business, local, regional and governmental authorities. Its research addresses not only the immediate competitiveness of the economy but also the long-term sustainability of production in global markets together with the maintenance and improvement of natural resources.

**CEF – Forest Research Center**

CEF develops research, post-graduate education, and outreach activities on issues dealing with forests, agro-forestry systems semi-natural areas, and forest-based industrial chains. CEF shares the EU Forest 2020 vision of forests and semi-natural areas as vital, productive and multifunctional ecosystems, contributing to sustainable development and human well-being, in a healthy environment. CEF is committed to an international perspective on research issues and fosters a diverse academic community. Most of the experimental research is located in Portugal, but it extends to the Mediterranean region and to tropical and sub-tropical regions and encompasses global approaches.

**CEABN - Centre for Applied Ecology "Prof. Baeta Neves"**

CEABN is organized in five different working areas, three of them traditionally related with research: (1) Biodiversity in agricultural and forest landscapes; (2) wildlife management and (3) fire ecology and management. The remaining two other areas - (4) Ecological design and landscape architecture and (5) agro-environmental education and dissemination of results - allows CEABN to apply the results of the former.

In 2011, together with the Research Centre in Biodiversity and Genetic Resources (CIBIO), CEABN established the InBio, a Biodiversity and Evolutive Biology Research Network. The mission of InBIO is to develop world-class research in the area of biodiversity. Its 19 research groups are based in several universities and research institutes across Portugal and in one university in Angola.

**Fees (ISEG)**

1st year	3000 €
2nd year	2000 €
3rd year	2000 €
4th year and after	1000 €/year



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### ISEG

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His main research interests are focused on complexity, cycles and long-term dynamics and evolution of modern economies. He published "As Time Goes By", with Chris Freeman (2001, Oxford University Press), "The Years of High Econometrics" (2007, Routledge) and "Shadows", with Michael Ash (forthcoming).

He will be the coordinator of the PhD program in Development Studies after the academic year 2017/18.

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Her research interests include economic and social history of East Africa, Mozambique and of the Indian diasporas, in the XIX e XX centuries. She is coordinator of the research line "Lusophone Space: Institutions, Identities and Agency" at CSG. She has recent national and international publications on the social and economic history of the Ismailis of Mozambique (1950-74). She is the coordinator of the PhD Cooperation Programs ISEG/UL with the Economic Faculty of the Universidade Eduardo Mondlane, in Mozambique. She is also a member of the scientific committee of the Master in Development and International Cooperation at ISEG/ULisboa.

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His main area of research is urban policymaking and participatory mechanisms with civil society. His interdisciplinary approach includes also socioeconomic

transitions in the peripheral Eurozone during the recent sovereign-debt crisis, and new forms of decision-making on local and supra-local scales. His work has been published in peer-reviewed journals such as Policy Studies, Radical Housing, and Clinical Psychology, international books, policy-oriented reports, and he has recently contributed to the Global Encyclopedia of Public Administration, Public Policy, and Governance (Springer). He collaborated with the Council of Europe (Congress of Local and Regional Authorities) in 2017 and, since 2014, he has collaborated with the Municipality of Lisbon on participatory policies for urban regeneration.

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Simone's research interests lie at the border between planning research and critical urban studies: urban security and safety; urban fear and planning; housing policy; crisis, austerity and neoliberal urban policy; urban futures; Southern European cities. He is author of *Fear, Space and Urban Planning* (Springer, 2017) and articles in journals including *Urban Geography*, *Urban Affairs Review*, *Journal of Planning Education and Research*, *International Planning Studies*, *Planning Practice and Research*, *Space and Culture*, *Cadernos Metr pole*, *Finisterra*, *Archivio di Studi Urbani e Regionali*.

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Director of CENTROP (Center for Tropical Studies for the Development) at ISA, and responsible for different graduations programs developed on Agronomy and Natural Resources Management on Cape Vert, Angola and Timor. From 2013 is member of executive board of CTA (The Technical Centre for Agricultural and rural co-operation, an institution ACP.EU. He was Vice-President of ICP (Portuguese

Cooperation) 2001-2003; Deputy Director (2005 -2007) and Director of IPAD (Portuguese Agency for Development) 2007 – 2012.

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His research is dedicated to the economic valuation of the environment, relationships agriculture, biodiversity and ecosystem services and evaluation of agricultural, rural and environmental policies; integrated in Forest Research Centre (CEF). Teaches at the BSc, MSc and PhD levels, being a member of the Scientific Committees of two PhD Programmes (PhDP) of an interdisciplinary and inter-university nature: PhDP in Climate Change and Sustainable Development Policies and PhDP in Interdisciplinary Landscape Management.

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Research topics have focused on critical issues of the internationalization, innovation and regional development policies in European peripheral regions, supported by national and international research projects. He was President of the Portuguese Association of Geographers (2004-2008) and Vice-Chair of the Regional Studies Association (2008-2011). Currently he is a Fellow of the Regional Studies Association.

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Research and teaching topics have focused on gender, environment and spatial planning. She has collaborated in several projects with public entities: 'National Programme for Spatial Planning Policy' (PNPOT); 'Study of Seismic Risk and Tsunamis in the Algarve' (ERSTA); 'Regional West Regional Planning and Tagus Valley Plan' (PROT OVT); 'Study for gender indicators in the environment and territory domains' 'Gender mainstreaming guide'; 'Policies and measures to promote equality and fight against discrimination in municipalities'; 'Study to support the implementation of national equality policy measures from a territorial perspective'; 'GenMob, Gender and Mobility: inequality in spacetime' (EEA Grants, PT07, 2nd Open Call).

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