

PONTIFICAL CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF RIO GRANDE DO SUL
School of Medicine
Graduate Program in Biomedical Gerontology
Regular Call 01/2025

Selection for admission to the Master's and Doctorate programs in 2025/01

1. The Coordination of the Graduate Program in Biomedical Gerontology (GERONBIO) of the School of Medicine of the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio Grande do Sul (PUCRS) hereby publishes the rules of the 01/2025 Selection Process for admission in the first academic semester of 2025/1, at the Master's and Doctorate levels, in accordance with the requirements of the Program's Regulations and the University's Statutes and General Regulations.
2. The Program, concept 7 (seven) by the Coordination of Superior Level Staff Improvement (CAPES), has 1 (one) area of concentration called Biomedical Gerontology.

The program has the following lines of research: (1) Biological Aspects of Aging, (2) Clinical and Emotional Aspects of Aging, (3) Sociocultural, Demographic and Bioethical Aspects of Aging and (4) Aging and Public Health.

Information about the area(s) of concentration, lines of research and accredited professors can be obtained via the link: https://portal.pucrs.br/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/em-ppggeronbio-PROFESSORES-POR-LINHA-DE-PESQUISA_2024.pdf

3. Eligibility

All holders of undergraduate degrees, duly recognized by the Ministry of Education (MEC) or by the competent body in their country of origin, as well as undergraduate graduates, may take part in the Master's Degree Selection Process, provided that they can prove that they completed the course before enrolling in the Postgraduate Program. Likewise, all holders of undergraduate degrees, duly recognized by the MEC or by the competent body in their country of origin, who are proficient in English and who meet one of the following requirements may take part in the Doctorate Selection Process: (1) Master's degree completed in a Postgraduate Program recommended by CAPES, (2) scientific production of relevance, with at least one article published in a journal with an **impact factor ≥ 1.0** or **Qualis B1** or higher in the **interdisciplinary area of CAPES** as first author or last author.

4. Places for candidates

This selection aims to fill up to 10 vacancies at Master's level and up to 10 vacancies at Doctorate level. In addition to the ten (10) places on offer at Master's level, five (5) places will be offered to foreign candidates and five (5) places will be offered to self-declared

black, brown or indigenous candidates. Likewise, in addition to the ten (10) places on offer at PhD level, five (5) places will be offered to foreign candidates and five (5) places will be offered to self-declared black, brown or indigenous candidates.

5. Registration

Registration will take place exclusively on the Internet, via the link: <https://webapp.pucrs.br/inscricao-stricto/#/login>, from **September 1 to November 25, 2024**.

6. Documents

When registering online, the documents specified below must be uploaded:

- 6.1. Identity card or, in the case of foreigners, passport or National Foreigner Registration (RNE);
- 6.2. Individual Taxpayer Registration (CPF) (for Brazilians only);
- 6.3. **Documented Curriculum Lattes/CNPq*** (<http://lattes.cnpq.br>). If foreign candidate, *Curriculum Vitae*;

**with a copy of the supporting documents and numbered pages (fill in Annex IV for Doctorate or Annex V for Master's Degree)*

- 6.4. A double-sided copy of your Bachelor's and/or Master's degree (the latter only for PhD candidates who already have a Master's degree) or proof of the Bachelor's or Master's degree completion by the date of enrollment;

Note: Candidates who submit only an official declaration of completion of their Bachelor's or Master's degree, issued by their university of origin, will, if selected, be required to submit a copy of their Bachelor's or Master's degree diploma at their first registration. If the candidate does not submit this documentation at registration, s/he will lose the place.

- 6.5. Copy of the academic transcript of the Bachelor's and/or Master's degree (the latter only for PhD candidates who already have a Master's degree);
- 6.6. Letter of intent from Descriptive memorial for Master's degree candidates (Annex I);
- 6.7. Research Project for applicants to the Doctorate course (Annex II);
- 6.8. Candidates with disabilities or special educational needs who require specific assistance or adapted material must attach a recent report (maximum 12 months) to the documentation, issued and signed by a specialist accredited by the Regional Medical Council (CRM). The document must specify the nature, type and degree of disability, as well as the conditions recommended for carrying out the assessment activities provided for in this Notice.
- 6.9. Specific requirements for admission to the PhD course:

- 6.9.1. Have completed a Master's Degree in a Postgraduate Program recommended by CAPES **OR** relevant scientific production, with at least one article published

in a journal with an **impact factor ≥ 1.00** or **Qualis B1** or higher in the **interdisciplinary** area of CAPES as first author.

- 6.9.2. Proficiency certificate in English, at post-graduate level, in Brazilian higher education institutions, with a minimum grade of 7.0 (seven), not older than 10 (ten) years from the date of completion. This certificate is of a qualifying nature and is not compulsory for entry to the course;

NOTE: For documents that do not have an upload field when registering online, please send them to the following e-mail address geronbio@pucrs.br by November 25, 2024 (the last day of registration).

7. The Selection Process

7.1. The Selection Committee

The selection committee will be made up of three (3) professors from the program defined by the coordinating committee.

7.2. Stages of the Selection Process

7.2.1. Analysis of the *Curriculum Lattes*;

7.2.2. Analysis of the Research Project (only for doctoral candidates) and memorial (for Master's candidates);

7.2.3. Individual interview.

Note: Interviews will be held via videoconference between **December 2 and 6, 2024**. Further details, specific dates and times will be emailed to candidates.

7.3. Selection Criteria

Candidates will be ranked according to the criteria specified below, with performance in each of these criteria being used in the composition of the candidate's final ranking score:

7.3.1. Evaluation of the Documented *Curriculum Lattes* (or *Curriculum Vitae*, if foreign candidate), taking into account scientific production over the last 5 (five) years with a weight of 5 (five);

7.3.2. Research Project for applicants to the Doctorate course with a weight of 4 (four);

7.3.3. Descriptive memorial for applicants to the Master's program, weight 4 (four);

7.3.4. Individual interview with a weight of 1 (one);

7.3.5. In the event of a tie in the final result, the tie-breaking criteria will be in the following order:

7.3.5.1. The candidate with the highest score in the evaluation of the *Curriculum Lattes* Documented (or *Curriculum Vitae*, if foreign candidate);

7.3.5.2. The candidate who obtains the highest score in the evaluation of the Research Project or descriptive memorial.

7.4. Final ranking

7.4.1. Only candidates who achieve a mark equal to or greater than 5.0 (five) will be considered successful.

7.4.2. Candidates will be ranked on the basis of their final grade, from highest to lowest, within the limits of the number of vacancies.

8. Results of the Selection Process

The list of selected candidates and the list of alternates will be published by December 17, 2024 on the Program's website <https://portal.pucrs.br/pesquisa/programas-de-pos/gerontologia-biomedica/>

9. The timetable

Activity	Date
Publication of Notice 01/2025	01/09/2024
Registration period	01/09 to 25/11/2024
Delivery of the documents requested in item 6.	25/11/2024
Announcement of registration approval	26/11/2024
Announcement of date and time of interviews	26/11/2024
Individual interviews	02 to 06/12/2024
Publication of the results of the Selection Process	17/12/2024

10. General Provisions

10.1. The candidate's registration implies acceptance of the rules for this Selection Process contained in this Notice.

10.2. The deadline for appealing the final results of the Graduate Program in Biomedical Gerontology will be one (1) working day from the date of publication. Any appeal requests should be sent exclusively to geronbio@pucrs.br and will be analyzed and judged by the Program's Coordinating Committee.

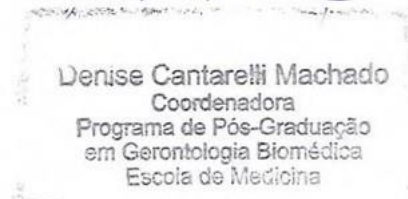
10.3. The documents of not selected candidates and selected candidates who fail to enroll in the program will be deleted from the system after the enrollment period.

10.4. Any cases not covered by this Notice will be resolved by the Coordinating

Porto Alegre, September 1, 2024.

Prof. Dr. Denise Cantarelli Machado

Coordinator of the Graduate Program in
Biomedical Gerontology



The Notice contains the following Annexes

- Annex I: Descriptive Memorial Model (for Master's degree candidates)
- Annex II: Research Project (for Doctoral degree candidates)
- Annex III: Model Letter of Intent for Orientation
- Annex IV: Evaluation of the Doctoral Candidate's Documented *Curriculum Lattes*
- Annex V: Evaluation of the Master's Degree Candidate's Documented *Curriculum Lattes*

Annex I: DESCRIPTIVE MEMORIAL MODEL

The *memoir* is a text in which the candidate presents a reflection on their work and/or study experiences. Based on this reflection, the candidate explains the reasons that led them to seek the Master's Degree Program in Biomedical Gerontology. Therefore, the memorial is not a research pre-project.

The text should contain two parts. In the first, the candidate must present the most relevant moments in their career of studies and work, analyzing them critically in relation to their significance for their professional and academic performance.

Based on this analysis, in the second part, the candidate must describe the theme and the central question or questions that will guide their studies and research in the Master's program. This second part must contain theoretical reflections based on literature in the field, duly referenced, and clearly reveal the candidate's interests and aims.

The full text should not exceed 4 pages (1.5 spacing, Arial or Calibri font, size 12, 2 cm margins on A4 paper).

Annex II: RESEARCH PROJECT

The candidate must present a Research Project according to the following structure:

- Cover
- Cover Sheet
- Table of contents
- *Resumo* (in Brazilian Portuguese)
- Abstract
- Introduction
- Literature Review
- Justification
- Objective(s)
- Methods
- Timetable



- Budget
- References*
- Annex(es) and Annex(es) - if necessary

*Citations and bibliographical references must be formatted in **Vancouver Style**. The rules are available on the website of the PUCRS Central Library, whose address is <http://www.pucrs.br/biblioteca> <http://www.pucrs.br/biblioteca>.



Annex III: MODEL LETTER OF INTENT TO GUIDE

Porto Alegre, _____ of _____ 2024.

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Coordination of the Graduate Program in Biomedical Gerontology
PUCRS

Dear Sirs/Madams,

I hereby inform you that I am aware of the research project entitled " xxxxx " submitted by xxxx (name of candidate) applying for a place on the () Master's () Doctorate course of the Postgraduate Program at Biomedical Gerontology, in the line of research entitled xxxx.

Furthermore, I express my intention to be his/her advisor, should the candidate be approved in the selection process of Call No. 01/2025.

Sincerely.

Prof. Dr.

Annex IV: EVALUATION OF THE DOCTORATE CANDIDATE'S DOCUMENTED CURRICULUM LATTES

Add the total score, according to the maximum score for each item analyzed, as well as the page number(s) of the documented Curriculum Lattes.

POINT PER ITEM	ANALYSIS ITEM	Maximum score	TOTAL Score	The documented CV*
0 ' 5	English language proficiency**	0 ' 5		
0 ' 1	Participation in Congresses	0 ' 5		
0 ' 5	Participation in a Research Group registered with CNPq	0 ' 5		
0, 25	Scientific Initiation Scholarship	0 ' 2 5		
0 ' 5	Extension, specialization or residency courses	0 ' 5		
1 ' 0	Master's Degree	1 ' 0		
0, 25	Presentation of Papers at National Congresses	0 ' 7 5		
0 ' 5	Presentation of Papers at International Congresses	1 ' 2 5		
0 ' 5	National book chapters	0 ' 5		
1 ' 0	International book chapters	1 ' 0		
(A1x1, 5)	Published articles Journals Qualis Interdisciplinary Area A1			



(A2x0.85)	Published articles Journals Qualis Interdisciplinary Area A2	3, 0		
(A3x0.7)	Published articles Journals Qualis Interdisciplinary Area A3			
(B1x0.55)	Published articles Journals Qualis Interdisciplinary Area B1			
(B2 x 0.4)	Published articles Journals Qualis Interdisciplinary Area B2			
(B3x0.25)	Published articles Journals Qualis Interdisciplinary Area B3			
(B4x0,1)	Published articles Journals Qualis Interdisciplinary Area B4			
0, 25	Teaching activity (undergraduate and postgraduate) / proven supervision	0 , 2 5		
TOTAL POINTS				----- --
*Proficiency in English, at postgraduate level, in Brazilian higher education institutions, with a minimum mark of 7.0 (seven), not exceeding 10 (ten) years from the date of completion. This certificate is of a qualifying nature and is not compulsory for entry to the course				
See Qualis interdisciplinary area link: https://sucupira.capes.gov.br/sucupira/public/consultas/coleta/veiculoPublicacaoQualis/listaConsultaGeralPeriodicos.jsf				
*THE DOCUMENTED CV CONTAINS A COPY OF THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS WITH THE PAGES NUMBERED IN ASCENDING ORDER.				

Annex V: EVALUATION OF THE MASTER'S DEGREE CANDIDATE'S DOCUMENTED CURRICULUM LATTES

The candidate must add the total score, according to the maximum score for each item analyzed, as well as the page number(s) of the *document* presented in the *documented Curriculum Lattes*.

MAX. POINT PER ITEM	ANALYSIS ITEM	TOTAL Score	CV PAGE DOCUMENTED*
(0,5)	English language proficiency**		
*(0,5)	Participation in Congresses (0.1 each)		
*(0,5)	Participation in Research Groups		
(1,0)	Scientific Initiation Scholarship		
(0,5)	Extension, specialization or residency courses		
*(2,5) PAPERS PRESENTED	Scientific Initiation Events (0.5)		
	National Congresses (1.0)		
	International Congresses (1,2)		
*(4,5) PUBLISHED WORK	National Book Chapter(s) (0.5)		
	International Book Chapter(s) (1.0)		



S	Article(s) in National Journals (0.5)		
	Article(s) in International Journals (1.5)		
TOTAL			
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<u>See Qualis interdisciplinary area link:</u> https://sucupira.capes.gov.br/sucupira/public/consultas/coleta/veiculoPublicacaoQualis/listaConsultaGeralPeriodicos.jsf			
<u>*THE DOCUMENTED CV CONTAINS A COPY OF THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS WITH THE PAGES NUMBERED IN ASCENDING ORDER.</u>			