

PONTIFICAL CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF RIO GRANDE DO SUL
School of Health and Life Sciences
Graduate Program in Biodiversity Ecology and Evolution - Regular Call
02/2025
Selection for admission to Master's and Doctoral programs in 2025/02

1. The Coordination of the Postgraduate Program in Ecology and Evolution of Biodiversity (PPG-EEB) of the School of Health and Life Sciences of the Pontifical Catholic University of Rio Grande do Sul (PUCRS) hereby publishes Notice 02/2025 with the rules of the Selection Process for admission in the second academic semester of 2025, at the Master's and Doctorate levels, in accordance with the requirements of the Program Regulations and the University's Statutes and General Regulations.
2. The Program, concept 6 (six) in the Coordination of Superior Level Staff Improvement (CAPES), has 1 (one) area of concentration called Ecology and Evolution of Biodiversity. The program has the following lines of research: Applied Ecology, Ecology and Conservation and Systematics and Evolution.

Information on the area of concentration, lines of research and accredited professors can be obtained via the link <https://portal.pucrs.br/ensino/mestrado-e-doutorado/ecologia-e-evolucao-da-biodiversidade/#estrutura-do-programa1>

3. Eligibility

All holders of undergraduate degrees in areas related to Health and Life Sciences or in related areas, duly recognized by the Ministry of Education (MEC) or by the competent body of the 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 have completed the course on a date prior to enrolling in the Master's Degree. Likewise, all holders of undergraduate degrees in areas related to Health and Life Sciences or in related areas, duly recognized and recommended by MEC/CAPES or by the competent body of the country of origin, may participate in the Doctorate Selection Process.

4. Places for students

This selection aims to fill up to 20 (twenty) vacancies at Master's level and up to 20 (twenty) vacancies at Doctorate level. If the number of vacancies for entrants at either level is not completely filled, the remaining vacancies may be reallocated to entrants at the other level, in accordance with this notice.

In addition to the 20 (twenty) places offered at Master's level, 02 (two) places will be offered to self-declared black, brown or indigenous candidates. Likewise, in addition to the 20 (twenty) offered at Doctorate level, 02 (two) places will be offered to self-declared black, brown or indigenous candidates. If there are no self-declared black, brown or indigenous candidates who meet the selection requirements, the places offered to these candidates may be filled by other candidates who are not self-declared black, brown or indigenous.

In addition to the 20 (twenty) places offered at Master's level, 02 (two) places will be offered to foreign candidates. Likewise, in addition to the 20 (twenty) offered at Doctorate level, 02 (two) places will be offered to foreign candidates. If there are no foreign candidates who meet the selection requirements, the places offered to these candidates may be filled by other non-foreign candidates.

5. Registration

Registration will take place exclusively on the Internet, via the following link: <https://webapp.pucrs.br/inscricao-stricto/#/login> for the period from April 28 to June 30, 2025

After completing the online registration form, the candidate must pay the registration fee of R\$ 100.00.

6. Documents

When registering online, the candidate must upload the documents specified below.

6.1. Identity card or, in the case of foreign candidates, passport or National Foreigner Registration (RNE).

6.2. Lattes/CNPq model CV (<http://lattes.cnpq.br>). If foreign candidate, *Curriculum Vitae*.

6.3. Graduation diploma or proof that you will graduate by the date of enrollment.

Note: Candidates who only present the official declaration of completion of an undergraduate course, issued by their university of origin, if selected, will have to present a copy of their undergraduate diploma at their first registration. If the candidate does not submit this documentation at registration, they will lose their place.

6.4. Copy of your undergraduate transcript.

6.5. Memorial of the candidate duly completed and documented, according to the online form available at the item 'editais' (Notices) at this link <https://portal.pucrs.br/pesquisa/programas-de-pos/ecologia-e-evolucao-da-biodiversity>

6.6. 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.

6.7. Compulsory supplementary document for PhD candidates:

6.7.1. Thesis Pre-Project.

7.1. The Selection Committee

- The Selection Committee will be made up of PPG-EEB professors appointed by the Program Coordinating Committee.
- The Selection Committee will be responsible for conducting the interviews. The other stages of the Selection and Classification Process will be the responsibility of the Program Coordinating Committee.

7.2. Stages of the Selection Process:

7.2.1. The Selection and Classification Process will comprise the following eliminatory stages:

- Candidate registration, including all required documentation.
- Proof of payment of the registration fee.
- Analysis of the Thesis Pre-Project of candidates for the PhD course.

7.2.2. The Selection and Classification Process will comprise the following qualifying stages:

- Analysis and scoring of the candidates' Memorial, according to the standard model (see item 6.6).
- Interview conducted by the Selection Committee.

7.3. Selection Criteria

7.3.1. The Memorial's score will be converted into a mark from 0 to 10, with 10 being awarded to the Memorial with the highest score, and the others being scored proportionally.

7.3.2. The interviews will be conducted online.

7.3.3. Interviews will be scored from 0 to 10 according to criteria established by the Selection Committee.

7.3.4. The arithmetic average of the Memorial and Interview scores will be considered the Final Score in the Selection and Classification Process.

7.3.5. In the event of a tie between candidates in the Final Score, the Memorial score will be used as the tie-breaking criterion. If the tie persists, the internal items of the Memorial relating to the number of articles published in Qualis A1 will be used as subsequent criteria, followed by A2, A3, A4, B1, B2 and B3, successively. If the tie persists, the age of the candidates will be used as the final tie-breaking criterion.

7.4. Final ranking:

- 7.4.1. The Final Score will be used for classification in the Selection Process.
- 7.4.2. The ranking in the Selection Process will be used to award Program scholarships, taking into account the rules stipulated in Normative Instruction 02/2023.
- 7.4.3. The final result will be announced in order of ranking in the Selection Process.

8. Results of the Selection Process for admission to the Program:

The list of selected candidates and the list of alternates will be published on the program's website by July 18, 2025

<https://portal.pucrs.br/pesquisa/programas-de-pos/ecologia-e-evolucao-da-biodiversity>

9. The timetable

| Activity | Date (time and place) |
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| Publication of Notice 01/2025 Publicação do Edital 01/2025 | April 28, 2025 |
| Registration period | April 28 to June 30, 2025 |
| Delivery of the documents requested in item 6. Entrega dos documentos solicitados no item 6. | April 28 to June 30, 2025 |
| Documents checked by the PPG Secretariat Conferência dos documentos pela Secretaria do PPG | July 1 to 2, 2025 |
| Analysis of the candidates' memorial Análise do Memorial dos candidatos | July 3 to 4, 2025 |
| Analysis of the Thesis Pre-Project of candidates for the PhD course Análise do Pré-Projeto de Tese dos candidatos ao curso de Doutorado | July 3 to 4, 2025 |
| Announcement of approved registrations and dates and interview times Divulgação das inscrições homologadas e das datas e horários das entrevistas | July 7, 2025 |
| Conducting interviews Realização das entrevistas | July 8 to 11, 2025 |
| Publication of the results of the Selection Process Publicação do resultado do Processo Seletivo | July 17, 2025 |

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 result of the Selection Process for the Graduate Program in Biodiversity Ecology and Evolution will be one (1) day from the date of publication. Any appeal requests should be sent to eebpg@pucrs.br and will be analyzed and judged by the Program's Coordinating Committee.



10.3. The documents of not approved 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 Committee of the Postgraduate Program in Ecology and Evolution of Biodiversity PUCRS.

Porto Alegre, April 28, 2025

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