NOVA IMS

The NOVA Information Management School (NOVA IMS) is an unit of Universidade Nova de Lisboa. It is a research based school and the first institution in the Iberian Peninsula to join iSchools, an international organisation that gathers the best universities in research and teaching in the area of information management.

NOVA IMS offers bachelor, postgraduate, master and doctoral programmes in statistics, information management, and information systems and technologies. NOVA IMS Master Programmes are ranked among the top 4 Best Master Programmes in the World according to Eduniversal Masters Ranking 2014-2015.

For more information please see: www.novaims.unl.pt/index.asp?lang=EN.

GOALS

The main goal of this programme is training of managers and experts to:

- Develop techniques and methodologies of data collection;
- Master the tools and processes used for the storage, organisation and access to information in an entity responsible for the production of central banks’ statistics;
- Apply the statistical and computational methodologies and tools of exploration and analysis of information, to produce official statistics that can add value to decision making;
- Organise and communicate results, in written form and orally, adapting them to the level and specific interests of the audience.

TARGET

The programme is targeted at staff of central banks, including producers, analysts or users of statistical information.

The programme is also addressed to all those interested in central banks’ statistics, particularly employees in statistical departments of banks and other financial institutions, as well as in national statistical offices and other statistical authorities.

COORDINATORS OF THE PROGRAMME

- João Cadete de Matos
- Maximiano Pinheiro
- Pedro Simões Coelho

FACULTY

The teaching staff is composed by both academics and renowned professionals from the European System of Central Banks.
STUDY PROGRAMME

The programme offers 16 elective course units, which correspond to 96 ECTS (European Credit Transfer and Accumulation System). To earn the postgraduate programme diploma, students complete 60 ECTS, which correspond to 10 course units. Students can enroll in maximum 12 course units, total of 72 ECTS.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR AND TIMETABLE

The programme lasts for 2 semesters and each course unit takes place once a week, in a 2 hour session. The Fall Semester takes place from September until January, and the Spring Semester from February to June. The classes run in an after working schedule (after 4.30 pm, in Lisbon time), 3 to 4 times a week.

TYPE OF ATTENDANCE

The classes run in classroom or by web conference. It is also possible to follow classes in a mix mode: attending classes in classroom in specific periods of the student’s choice, and following the rest of the programme by web conference.

The students may choose to follow the postgraduate programme in a part-time format and complete it in the span of 2 academic years.

INDIVIDUAL COURSE UNITS

The participants may choose to follow individual course units, either by web conference or in classroom. In the latter, the students may choose to enroll in the course units, both at the beginning of the Spring Semester or the Fall Semester.

Tuition Fees

The tuition fee for this postgraduate programme is 4.500€ and the tuition fee for individual course units is 750€ per each individual course. The addition tuition to obtain the master degree (2nd year for the development of a scholarly thesis or work project) is 1.750€. There are special discounts and forms of payment for the postgraduate programme. For more information, please visit the programme’s webpage.

APPLICATIONS AND ADMISSIONS

The applications are online, via NOVA IMS' Applications Portal, in the following link: www.novaims.unl.pt/Candidaturas/default.aspx.

The applications phase for the Fall Semester (individual course units or the whole postgraduate programme) will take place from April 7th to May 14th, 2015. For the Spring Semester (only available for individual course units), the applications phase will take place in January, 2016.

The selection process is based on the analysis of the applicant’s academic and professional curriculum.

CONTACTS

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ORIGIN OF THE STUDENTS

TESTIMONIALS

“From a central bank worker point of view, this postgraduate programme gives you a broad knowledge of different tools and theory of how to collect and handle data, and an introduction of important statistics. The programme gives you a better knowledge of the process behind the disseminated statistics and opportunity to networking with other coworkers around the world. Highly recommended!”

Eder John Pina
Banco de Cabo Verde

“I strongly recommend this postgraduate programme to every central bank’s employees interested in Central banks statistics, especially to those with background on statistics, mathematics and Economy. The programme was well structured regarding the set of subjects provided per semester as well as the infrastructure needed for the abroad students in order to attend/follow the lectures and to interact with the portfolio of products and services.”

Sara Liseth
Norges Bank

“The postgraduate programme in Statistical Systems is an excellent programme for any person employed in statistics compilation at central banks or national statistical offices. The programme is well balanced between theory and practice and affords the student many opportunities to apply the lectures in their work environment. It is the most authoritative programme for macroeconomic statisticians working in central banks and will undoubtedly add value to the skills set of employees from junior to senior management. We highly recommend this programme if you are serious about a career in official statistics and especially at a national central bank”.

Lisa and Barend DeBeer
South African Reserve Bank
"The postgraduate programme in Statistical Systems with specialization in Central Banks’ Statistics is essential to learn the statistical production processes of central banks, and it has been quite useful to understand and to perform the work which is done in the Statistics Department. Furthermore, the diversity of its students’ nationalities provides us different insights on these processes, which I consider to be an important asset."

Ricardo Colaço

"Being able to participate in the postgraduate programme in Statistical Systems, with specialization in Central Banks’ Statistics, is an important milestone in my career because it allows me to consolidate knowledge and acquire a conceptual and analytical framework that is very important and essential to the performance of my functions at the Portuguese Central Bank. The pedagogical quality, cooperation, requirements and accuracy of the teaching staff are key factors for a better performance and greater satisfaction as a student, and also to the differentiation of the postgraduate programme in Statistical Systems at NOVA IMS."

Ana Teresa Oliveira

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If you need more information about the Postgraduate Programme in Statistical Systems, with a specialisation in Central Banks’ Statistics, contact any of the elements of this programme’s team, who will be glad to clear any questions you may have.

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