HACS (Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences) Curricular Units Regulation

Article 1
Scope

The realisation of curricular units in Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences (HACS) aims to complement scientific and technological training with learning that enhances the understanding of the cultural complex of the moment, i.e., political, social, historical, artistic, ethical realities and deontological and economic aspects that shape society, and that promote the questioning and connection of knowledge with doubt and the uncertain nature of natural and human problems.

Article 2
Accreditation

The credits to be obtained in the 1st cycle include 3 ECTS related to the Curricular Unit Introduction to Economics/Management, under the responsibility of the Department of Engineering and Management (DEG), and 6 ECTS of free choice in HACS. The free option includes courses offered by Universidade de Lisboa and Instituto Superior Técnico.

Article 3
Mandatory HACS Curricular Unit format

The mandatory HACS UC provided by DEG will take the following format: students choose a 3 ECTS course in Management or a 3 ECTS course in Introduction to Economics. These UC’s will be offered in more than one period in order to give flexibility to coordinators and students.

Article 4
Application

Students can apply on the Fénix platform during the period indicated at the beginning of each semester by the Undergraduate Area. Each student must list, in order of preference, the Curricular Units to which they intend to apply.

Article 5
Academic Offer

The list of Curricular Unit’s can be consulted in Annex I.

Article 6
Ranking method

In order to guarantee the feasibility of the process and an equitable treatment of all students, the ranking method takes into account the classifications of students in accessing the IST, as
well as a necessary balance between the various study cycles, allowing students to apply to HACS in any semester of their academic career in the 1st cycle.

The ranking method assigns a Final Classification (CF) to the student based on the following formula1:

$$CF = NA + (MNS - NMS)$$

Where:
NA - Access grade to the course in higher education
MNS - Median course/year graded grade
NMS - Minimum grade for course/year

The NA, MNS, NMS ratings correspond to the course and academic year in which the student was placed.
In the event of a tie, the placement will be made in order of registration.

1. The formula presented will be applied for a transitional period, ending on May 13, 2022, after which it will be revised.

**Article 7**
Publication of Results

After the registration deadline, applications will be validated and communicated to the schools where HACS are offered. The lists of students enrolled in the different HACS will be published before the beginning of each academic semester.

**Article 8**
HACS achievement and accreditation

The student must complete the Curricular Unit in accordance with the procedures and regulations of each school. For this, the student will be responsible for contacting the school in order to collect all the necessary information to carry out the Curricular Unit.
At the end of the semester, the grade will be communicated to IST and the respective crediting will be done by the respective services.

**Article 9**
Follow-up

The management of the HACS will be ensured by a permanent Committee CP/CC for the implementation and monitoring of the processes involved and presentation of an annual report to the management bodies of IST (at the end of the 1st semester in which the two previous semesters are analysed).

**Article 10**
Commission constitution

Constitution of the commission: two professors who are members of the Scientific Council, two professors who are members of the Pedagogical Council including the Vice-President, a student member of the Pedagogical Council (Vice-President). The presidency of the Commission is assured by the Vice-President of the CP. The student member of the commission will not participate in the release phase of the Curricular Unit's grades.
### 1. Offer at Instituto Superior Técnico

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*Curricular Unit only available if the student has not attended the mandatory HACS Management Course or Introduction to Economics.

Note: this list is subject to change depending on the offer made available by Instituto Superior Técnico.

### 2. Offer at Universidade de Lisboa (indicative list)


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