

INTERPRETATION

This is a nonbinding translation of the Regulation. If any question regarding the meaning and interpretation of the present regulation arises, the Portuguese Version should prevail.

Special Period Assessment Regulation

The existence of a special period has the main purpose of allowing finalist students, who are missing a limited number of curricular units, to complete their Degree without waiting for the following academic year. All curricular units, whether they include a final exam or not, must foresee the way in which this special assessment period should take place.

In a special period, each student can only register for an exam in a set of curricular units that does not exceed 15 ECTS. In special period there is only one call. The student will only be able to have access to exams in special period for curricular units in which he is regularly enrolled in the academic year corresponding to the special period. The period for registration and examinations in special period is defined annually in the first part of the Academic Guide.

Students who find themselves in any of the following situations have access to the special period:

- **Finalist students** who, with the approval of the curricular units in which they are enrolled, can complete a 1st cycle course, 2nd cycle course or integrated master's course (does not include the completion of the 1st cycle of integrated master's courses). This benefit will cease after the 2nd Special period request.
- **Students who have been on maternity or paternity leave** during the academic year to which the Special period refers.
- **Students with physical or sensory disabilities who have entered the IST through the Special Contingent for Access to Public Higher Education** (Ordinance No. 428/97 of June 30) or students who prove that they meet the conditions set out in said Ordinance.
- **Youth and Student association members**, in accordance with the Legal Framework of Youth Associativism (Law 23/2006, of 23 June), students may take exams in special periods up to the limit defined above. The young higher education student association leader may request up to five exams in each academic year, in addition to the exams in the normal and special periods (if they are entitled) already enshrined in the legislation in force, with a maximum limit of two per subject. Youth and student leaders, in a number defined by article 23 of Law 23/2006, of June 23, benefit from this regime, who are indicated by the respective association when sending the minutes of taking office of the governing bodies, under para. 4 of article 25.^o
- **Students who are members of the School Council**, according to information to be provided by the President of the School Council.
- **Students who are members of the Executive Committee of the Pedagogical Council**, according to information to be provided by the Pedagogical Council.
- **Course Delegates (1st cycle, 2nd cycle and integrated course profile delegates)**, according to information to be provided by the Pedagogical Council.
- **Sports university students**, in accordance with the statute defined in the UL Senate, who are part of a list drawn up by the AEIST Board, based on the requirements of those interested. This

list will have a maximum number of students defined by the Management Council.

- **Students of high competition sports**, according to the statute defined by Instituto do Português do Desporto e Juventude.
- **Scholarship holders at IST**, with a grant to support management or initiation of scientific research for a duration equal to or greater than six months and whose start date is earlier than one month after the end of the 2nd Semester enrollment period.
- **Students who are members of the Autonomous Sections of AEIST**, members of a list drawn up by the AEIST Board, based on the requirements submitted by the Boards of the Autonomous Sections to the AEIST Board. This list will have the maximum number of students defined by the Management Council.
- **Students who are members of the IST Tunas** (TUIST, TFIST and TMIST), members of lists drawn up by the Tunas directorates. Such lists will have the maximum number of students defined by the Management Council.
- **Students with student worker status**, for each curricular unit the student is only entitled to the special period if has proved his student worker status at the beginning of the corresponding semester.
- **Students who are members of the board of IST student centers**, recognised by the NPE.

Cases not covered by this regulation must be submitted by request to the IST Management Council.

TRANSITIONAL REGIME

In the academic years 2020/2021 and 2021/2022, students who fulfill the following conditions will also have access to the Special period:

- In the academic year 2020/2021, students of Integrated Master's courses who lack a maximum of 15 ECTS to complete the 1st cycle of studies can take exams for the special period of Curricular Units of the 1st cycle and only the Curricular Units to who have been enrolled in that school year.
- In the academic year 2020/2021, all students (1st cycle, 2nd cycle, Integrated Master's) in Curricular Units to which they have been enrolled and obtained approval in that academic year can make improvements in a Special period, without restriction of the number of ECTS.