

APPLICATIONS 2026/2027

HOLDERS OF SECONDARY SCHOOL DOUBLE CERTIFICATION AND SPECIALISED ART COURSES

RECIPIENTS

1. This specific call includes holders of educational and training degrees with double certification at the secondary level, granting the National Qualifications Framework level 4:

- a)** Vocational courses;
- b)** Apprenticeships;
- c)** Education and training courses for young adults;
- d)** Courses from the educational network of the Turismo de Portugal, I.P;
- e)** Specialized art courses;
- f)** Professional training courses under the Training for Youth Inclusion from the Autonomous Region of Azores.

Also, students holding:

- a)** Music specialized art courses (secondary Level)
- b)** Courses from EU State Members, legally equivalent to Portugal's secondary education, conferring double certification (academic and vocational), and level 4 of the European Qualification Framework;
- c)** Other non-Portuguese courses legally equivalent to secondary education in Portugal, granting double certification (academic and vocational), for students with Portuguese nationality.

2. The holders of secondary school double certification and specialized art courses can apply for ESAP's Bachelors and Integrated Master degrees as long as the qualification is part of the areas of education and training that grant the application for each study stage (**Annex I** - Map for the National Classification in the Areas of Education and Training).

3. Applications submitted by the holder of an EU Member State course, legally equivalent to Portugal's secondary school level, granting double certification (vocational and academic) and level 4 of the European Qualifications Framework or for Portuguese citizens holders of other foreign courses legally equivalent to Portugal's secondary school level, granting double certification (academic or vocational) referred to in paragraph b) of 1st number of article 13, decree 113/2014, July 16, in its current redaction, can be replaced by the equivalent final assessment from the respective education system, by the decision of the legal and statutorily competent, in the terms and conditions deliberated by the CNAES.

4. The conditions laid in the previous point apply only to candidates who are not covered by the International Student statute.

COURSES AND EXAMS

Degree in Fine Arts and Intermedia	
Practical examination	Areas to be evaluated
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ability to observe, understand and analyze forms - Sufficient dexterity in the manipulation of the various materials and in the application of graphic techniques - Ability to organize and visually synthesize

Degree in Visual Arts - Photography	
Theoretical examination	Areas to be evaluated
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Generic knowledge about the universe of Visual Arts, with greater incidence in the Photographic - Ability to understand and critically reflect on a text about the History of Visual Arts - Ability to structure and build a commentary text - General motivation for attending the course - General objectives for after completion of the course

Degree in Comics & Graphic Storytelling	
Practical examination	Areas to be evaluated
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Diagnose the candidate's drawing and graphic invention skills - Assess the candidate's ability to idealize and design characters, spaces and representation of actions and composition of comic pages - Assess the candidate's critical thinking skills and creative process

Degree in Cinema and Audiovisual	
Practical examination	Areas to be evaluated
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assess the candidate's narrative potential - Diagnose the candidate's character-building capacity - Signal the imagery possibilities of a text - Evaluate the capabilities of observation and description of environments and other elements that are part of the cinematographic construction - Check the candidate's potential in fictional universes creation

Degree in Communication Design	
Theoretical examination	Areas to be evaluated
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ability to identify and elaborate speeches on the discipline of Communication Design, regarding its history and its social mission - Ability to isolate formal components in the visual communication image - Ability to refer to relationships between exclusively graphic elements, symbologies and meanings, which contribute to the transmission of a message - Ability to propose, conceptually, an object of visual communication

Degree in Theater	
Practical examination	Areas to be evaluated
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assess the memory potential of the candidate - Diagnose the candidate's character-building capacity - Evaluate interpretation skills - Evaluate the ability to express yourself in writing, namely in terms of syntax, grammatical rules, spelling, and lexical domain - Evaluate the creative process

Integrated Master in Architecture	
Practical examination	Areas to be evaluated
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Technical effectiveness - tonal scale - Morphology, proportions, distances and relative angles - Volume and three-dimensionality

ACCESS CONDITIONS

1. The candidates holding secondary level double certification courses and specialized art courses will be selected in descending order of the respective final grade, to be calculated the following way:

- a) Final high school course grade - 50%;
- b) Final exam grade of the high school course, 20%*;
- c) Grade obtained on the knowledge exam organized by ESAP, 30%.

(*) The course's final exam can be, according to the course undertaken, one of the following:

- Professional aptitude test, for the holders of vocational courses;

- Final exam, for the holders of training courses;
- Final exam, for the holders of youth education and training courses;
- Final tests of the courses' curricular modules, organized according to the decree number 57/2009, 21st of January, in its current redaction, for the holders of the respective courses;
- Competence final exams in tourism, in the courses organized according to the Government decree in the areas of tourism, education, and training, in the case of holders of courses by the educational network of the Turismo de Portugal, I.P
 - Artistic aptitude test, for holders of specialized art courses;
 - Final exam for holders of courses by the Training for Youth Inclusion from the Autonomous Region of Azores.

- Prova de avaliação final, no caso dos titulares dos cursos de formação profissional no âmbito do Programa Formativo de Inserção de Jovens da Região Autónoma dos Açores.

2. The access and admission to this special call depends on the candidate gaining marks equal or above to 95 points, in the scale of 0 to 200, in each of the evaluation sections referred to in the above points.

DEADLINES

1st PHASE

Applications	May 25 to June 26, 2026
Documents Delivery	until June 26, 2026
Exams period	July 6 to 17, 2026
Publication of results.....	July 21, 2026
Enrollment.....	July 22 to 30, 2026

2nd PHASE (if vacancies are available)

Applications	July 13 to August 28, 2026
Documents Delivery	until August 28, 2026
Exams period.....	September 7 to 15, 2026
Publication of results.....	September 17, 2026
Enrollment.....	September 18 to 25, 2026

3rd PHASE (if vacancies are available)

If there are remaining vacancies after the 2nd phase, ESAP may make vacancies available for a 3rd phase, with deadlines to be defined by ESAP.

All selection processes and enrollments must be completed by October 2, 2026.

VACANCIES

Architecture	4
Fine Arts and Intermedia.....	2
Visual Arts - Photography.....	2
Comics & Graphic Storytelling.....	2

Cinema and Audiovisual	5
Communication Design	2
Theater	2

DOCUMENTS

1. Application form (<http://candidaturas.esap.pt/>);
2. ID Card (for legal purposes);
3. All the documents required for the application procedure:

a) Secondary School diploma which states the course completed and the final grade, as well as the qualification level according to the National Qualification Framework (QNQ) and the European Qualification Framework (QEQ);

b) A certificate for the level of qualification, stating the subjects/training modules and respective final grades, as well as the grades gained in the external examination (aptitude tests or final exams) and the level of qualification according to the QNQ and the QEQ;

4. Power of attorney, when applicable.

PRICES

Consult ESAP's Tuition and School Fees in: <https://cesap.pt/>.

APPLICABLE LEGISLATION

Decree Law nº 113/2014, July 16, regulates higher education special calls for access and entrance, amended by Decree Law nº 11/2020, April 2.

INFORMATIONS

The reading of this page does not exclude the consultation of the guidelines for special calls for holders of courses with double certification and ESAP's specialized art courses and the detailed information made available by the DGES.

ANNEX I
MAP FOR THE NATIONAL CLASSIFICATION IN THE AREAS OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING (CNAEF)

COURSES	AREAS OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING - CNAEF
DEGREES	
Fine Arts and Intermedia	212 Performing Arts 213 Audiovisual and media production 214 Design
Visual Arts - Photography	212 Performing Arts 213 Audiovisual and media production 214 Design
Comics & Graphic Storytelling	212 Performing Arts 213 Audiovisual and media production 214 Design 215 Crafts 225 History and Archeology
Cinema and Audiovisual	212 Performing Arts 213 Audiovisual and media production 214 Design 215 Crafts 225 History and Archaeology 322 Library Science, Archives and Documentation (BAD) 342 Marketing and Advertising
Communication Design	212 Performing Arts 213 Audiovisual and media production 214 Design
Theater	212 Performing Arts 213 Audiovisual and media production 214 Design
INTEGRATED MASTER	
Architecture	544 Extractive Industry 581 Architecture and Urbanism 582 Civil Construction and Civil Engineering