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Selection Process Opening Notice – 1º semester of 2026.

Interunit Postgraduate Program in Bioinformatics at the University of São Paulo.

The President of the Postgraduate Committee of the Interunit Program in Bioinformatics of the University of São Paulo, makes public from **August 1, 2025 to October 30, 2025** at 11:55 pm, Brasília time, the applications for the selection of candidates for the Master's, Doctorate and Direct Doctorate courses with the Interunit Postgraduate Program in Bioinformatics of the University of São Paulo.

1. Registration must be completed after payment of the registration fee of R\$30.00 (thirty real). Registrations will not be accepted without proof of payment.

Banco do Brasil – 001, Agência: 7009-2, conta corrente: 130.608-1

The payment receipt will be sent 5 (five) business days after the program secretariat

confirm registration.

1.1 Foreign students and students who do not reside in Brazil are exempt from the registration fee.

1.2 There will be no refund of the fee.

1.3 To register, you must attach the documents (in PDF format) and send them via email bioinformatica@usp.br. The email must contain the information below:

Subject: Registration for 1st semester of 2026

Full name:

CPF number:

I request my registration for the Master's, Doctorate or Direct Doctorate course.

I request that the test be waived according to the document (name of document).

Full address, including zip code:

Telephone number with area code for contact purposes:

To be informed about the test, enter the email:

Attach the documents below to the email:

a) Proof of payment for registration.

b) copy of undergraduate academic transcript; If you are a candidate for a PhD, also send postgraduate academic transcript, ID (front and back) and foreign copy of passport.

c) Curriculum Vitae or Lattes CV;

d) Duly signed letter of interest, describing the reason why you would like to attend the Interunit Postgraduate Program in Bioinformatics at USP and which would be your areas of interest. The letter must be a single page and contain between 250 and 500 words;

e) Only for Direct Doctorate candidates: Research Project and letter from advisor (full name and the Faculty or Institute to which he/she is linked, informing who accepts to be the advisor after passing the exam.



Confirmation of those enrolled in the Direct Doctorate Course will be done in 3 stages:

- i. Confirmation of receipt of the documents requested in the Notice.
- ii. The Commission of Postgraduate Interunits in Bioinformatics-USP will carry out the evaluation of research projects and it will be defined whether the project is approved or rejected for the Direct Doctorate Course.
- iii. Candidates will be informed by email that registration for the Doctoral Course Direct was granted or rejected. There will be no appeal for rejected projects. But the If the interested party passes the entrance exam, he or she can request registration for the course master's degree.

2. Responsibilities. The candidate is responsible for the veracity of the information provided at the time of registration.

3. The evidence.

The test will be held exclusively remotely (online) on November 19, 2025 (Wednesday), starting at 8:30 am (Brasília time), and lasting a maximum of 3 hours. There will be a 15-minute grace period for the candidate to begin the test. The procedure for taking the online test will be sent to the email registered in the registration system at least 48 hours in advance. **It is responsibility the candidate has access to a computer with a camera and internet access during the carrying out the test.** It will not be permitted to leave the equipment or consultation of people or any type of bibliographic material, media and/or notes personnel, under penalty of disqualification and elimination from the selection process. **The candidate You must keep the camera turned on throughout the race, under penalty of disqualification otherwise.**

3.1 The test covers general knowledge in the areas of Molecular Biology, Mathematics/Statistics and Computing (content available at:

<https://www.iq.usp.br/portaliqusp/sites/default/files/anexos/4.%20%C3%81reas,%20T%C3%B3picos%20e%20bibliografia%20da%20prova%20do%20Programa.pdf> em

at the level of graduation. The test will consist of 60 (sixty) multiple choice questions, with questions divided equally between the 3 (three) areas mentioned above. The candidate must answer a total of 20 (twenty) questions, with a minimum of 14 (fourteen) must belong to a single area of knowledge (the other six questions can be from the same area as the 14 or be a combination of questions from other areas, at the discretion candidate). Candidates are prohibited from answering more than 20 (twenty) questions.

3.2 Exemption from the selection test.

3.2.1 In case of passing one of the exams listed below, the candidate will be exempt from taking the selection test, only needing to register for the selection process and attach supporting documents including the grade relating to the exam(s) in which you passed.

3.2.2 GRE General Test Exam with scores in the 60th percentile or above in sections “Quantitative Reasoning” and “Analytical Writing”. The validity of the GRE result for effect of enrollment in the Program, is 03 (three) calendar years from the date of realization.

3.2.3 POSCOMP Exam with a grade equal to or greater than 35. The validity of the result of the POSCOMP for the purpose of enrollment in the Program is 03 (three) calendar years from of its completion date.

3.2.4 3.3.4 Entrance test for the selection process carried out in the **2st semester of 2021** or later.

4 Approval criteria



Candidates who obtained a grade equal to or higher than the minimum grade indicated in one of the specified exams in item 3.3 above or obtain a minimum grade of 6.0 in the current program selection test. To pass the Direct Doctorate course, in addition to obtaining a minimum grade in a of the accepted exams, candidates will have their respective research project evaluated, in eliminatory character, by a panel appointed by the Postgraduate Committee of the Program, within a deadline and format to be defined after the first phase of the exam entry.

5 Disclosure of results.

The list of successful candidates will be published by **november 26, 2025** on the program's website.

<https://www.iq.usp.br/portaliqusp/?q=pt-br/ingresso>

Answers to questions and grades will not be published.

6. Appeal for test review.

After the results are announced, candidates who wish to request a review of the correction of their respective tests must make this request to the program secretariat by **email bioinformatica@usp.br**, within a period of 2 (two) calendar days, after the publication of the results on the website:

<https://www.iq.usp.br/portaliqusp/?q=pt-br/ingresso>

After the review, candidates who so wish may file an appeal requesting change of grade, within 2 (two) calendar days, after the review. Such a resource must be explicit about the question or questions whose grade should be changed and contain relevant argument.

The candidate will receive a response to their appeal by email within 10 (ten) business days upon receipt of the appeal.

7. Of vacancies: 100 vacancies.

8. Procedure for registering.

8.1 Registration must be done in person. The student must send an email to bioinformatica@usp.br to schedule a date and time. You must bring the original documents and copies thereof.

8.2 The successful candidate must provide a letter of acceptance from an accredited supervisor in the program, in addition to presenting all the documentation required by the Interunits Program of Postgraduate Studies in Bioinformatics – USP, according to the list of documents available in the website:

<https://www.iq.usp.br/portaliqusp/?q=pt-br/ingresso>

On the program website you will find a list of accredited advisors and their respective e-mail addresses:

<https://www.iq.usp.br/portaliqusp/?q=pt-br/orientadores>

It is the successful candidate's responsibility to contact the supervisors directly. to establish possible mentorship and the guarantee of having a letter of acceptance from the supervisor.

8.3 Candidates for a master's degree or direct doctorate must present an undergraduate degree to register.

8.4 Doctorate candidates must present a certificate of completion of the master's degree to register.

9. Deadline to register.

The candidate approved in the notice will have 48 (forty-eight) calendar months from publication from the list of those approved to enroll.

10. Information via e-mail: bioinformatica@usp.br