



APPLICATION PROCESS | 2025

MASTER'S AND DOCTORATE IN URBAN MANAGEMENT

The Graduate Program in Urban Management at the Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Paraná publicly discloses the opening of the application process for new candidates for **master's degree and doctorate, 2025**.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

The vacancies are open according to the supervision availability of the Faculty Staff and according to PPGTU's research lines.

- Public Policy and Management.
- Urban and Regional Planning and Project.
- Management and Environmental Technologies.

For additional information about research topics and projects at PPGTU, please visit: www.pucpr.br/ppgtu at the menu *Faculty*.

	Master's	Doctorate
Duration	24 months	48 months
Credits	24 credits	48 credits
Vacancies*	15	15
Scholarships and Exemptions	see item 3.2	see item 3.2

(*) The number of vacancies can be adjusted as needed, according to our faculty staff supervision capacity, limitations and institutional convenience. (CAPES/PPGTU).

1.1. Deadlines

FASES	Master's	Doctorate
Application	August 12 th /2024 to November 8 th /2024	
Written Exam	November 25 th /2024	
Interview (*)	November 25 th to 27 th /2024	
Results	December 6 th /2024	
Commitment form signature	December 9 th to 11 th /2024	
Beginning of classes – master's	April/2025	-
Beginning of classes - doctorate	-	May/2025

(*) The interview appointment will be organized by PPGTU.

2. APPLIANCE PROCEDURES – MASTER'S AND DOCTORATE

Applications should be submitted following these instructions:

- **Brazilian applicants and foreigners already residing in Brazil**

Apply through bit.ly/selecaoPPGTU-2025-1 . Before the deadline, the required documents must be uploaded before the deadline within the online application platform under the "candidate lounge" section (*ambiente do candidato*). The application will be confirmed after the payment fee is processed and all necessary documents have been successfully submitted online.

- **Foreigner applicants living abroad**

Apply by sending an e-mail to gestaourbana@pucpr.br. Please attach all necessary documents in PDF format.

2.1. Required documents

- Curriculum Vitae in PDF for foreign applicants or Curriculum Lattes in PDF (<http://lattes.cnpq.br>) for Brazilian applicants.
- Project Proposal (dissertation or thesis) in Portuguese, English, or Spanish (item 3.3).
- Copy of graduation diploma or certificate of course conclusion emitted by the home University.
 - For doctorate candidates, include one copy of the master's degree diploma or conclusion certificate emitted by the home University.
- Copy of Passport for foreign applicants or copy of Identification document with photo for Brazilian applicants.

3. APPLICATION PROCESS

3.1. Vacancies distribution

Vacancies for master's and doctorate are limited (see item 1); they are distributed according to faculty staff availability and along research topics of the three main research lines of PPGTU.

Candidates can indicate their preferred supervisor and proposal, but it is not guaranteed it won't change. The final supervision assignment will be confirmed once the application process is concluded and candidates are accepted. Detailed information about the research projects and areas of interest of each faculty member can be found at www.pucpr.br/ppgtu, under the "Faculty Staff" section, as well as in their Curriculum Lattes.

3.2. Scholarships and Exemptions

PPGTU offers full and partial scholarships, with reduced monthly fees or complete exemptions based on its specific categories. These scholarships will be allocated in a later application phase for the approved candidates under criteria outlined by an internal committee.

We estimate providing fifteen scholarships distributed across CAPES categories I and II. The precise number will be confirmed once the Brazilian's supporting agencies make their allocations.

- Scholarship for master's degree (CAPES I): full exemption of scholar fees.
- Scholarship for master's degree (CAPES II): in addition to the exemption of scholar fees, students will receive a monthly financial aid of R\$ 2.100,00 up to 24 months.
- Scholarship for doctorate degree (CAPES I): full exemption of scholar fees.
- Scholarship for doctorate degree – (CAPES II): in addition to the exemption of scholar fees, students will receive a monthly financial aid of R\$ 3.100,00 up to 48 months.

Faculty members also offer full exemption scholarships for research projects. These scholarships are managed by the respective professors, who have the authority to nominate suitable candidates.

Exemption from institutional fees is granted to foreign candidates who fulfil specific criteria, such as foreign nationality and residence. However, it is crucial to consider the requirement of being physically present in Curitiba, following the guidelines established by PPGTU.

3.3. Project Proposal for Master's (dissertation) and doctorate (thesis)

Candidates are encouraged to discuss their project proposal with a faculty member before submitting their application. The selection committee will assess each proposal based on its feasibility, the contemporaneity of references, alignment with PPGTU's research lines, and a robust methodological approach.

The **dissertation's** Project proposal should not exceed 8 pages (excluding pre- and post-textual content). It's recommended to include:

1. **Introduction:** clearly define the problem under analysis and provide a rationale for the research.
2. **Objectives:** general and specific.
3. **Theoretical framework:** present the theoretical foundations and key concepts relevant to the research.
4. **Research methodology:** Define the scope of the study, identify data sources, detail data collection techniques, describe variables and measurements (if applicable), and specify data analysis tools.
5. **Body:** dissertation's scope and expected results.
6. **Preliminary schedule:** estimated start dates and deadlines for each activity. Address critical points, uncertainties, potential weaknesses, and proposed solutions.
7. **References:** List cited references following the ABNT style.

The **Thesis** Project proposal should not exceed 15 pages (excluding pre- and post-textual content). It's recommended to include the following elements:

1. **Introduction:** clearly define the problem under analysis and provide a rationale for the research.
2. **Objectives:** general and specific.
3. **Originality:** Contextualize the originality within the field.
4. **Theoretical framework:** present the theoretical foundations and key concepts relevant to the research.
5. **Research methodology:** Define the scope of the study, identify data sources, detail data collection techniques, describe variables and measurements (if applicable), specify data analysis tools and the proposal of original models or alternatives (if applicable);
6. **Body:** projected scope of the thesis and expected outcomes.
7. **Preliminary schedule:** estimated start dates and deadlines for each activity. Address critical points, uncertainties, potential weaknesses, and proposed solutions.
8. **References:** List cited references following the ABNT style.

3.4. Evaluation Process for Master's and Doctorate

The evaluation process includes the following classificatory elements:

- I. **Written Exam (in-person¹)** – of discursive nature and centered in the Urban Management field, addressing relevant topics to PPGTU's research lines and thematic interests. The following research and study sources are recommended: [URBE Journal](#); [RBEUR Journal](#); [Revista Cadernos Metr pole](#); [EURE Journal](#); [SciELO](#); [RedALyC](#); and [CAPES' Journal Database](#).
- II. **Project Proposal (Dissertation or Thesis)** – As detailed in section 3.3, candidates must submit a project proposal that adheres to the outlined guidelines.
- III. **Interview (in-person¹)** – to be scheduled by the internal committee. This interview will discuss topics such as the candidate's curriculum, the dissertation/thesis project proposal, and the candidate's experiences and interests.
- IV. **Curriculum analysis** – to be done by the internal committee, considering aspects such as academic and scientific activities, research, teaching and extension.

¹ Foreign candidates and individuals living outside the metropolitan area of Curitiba can apply for remote participation in both the written exam and the interview. The request must be submitted no later than ten days before the written exam date.

4. GENERAL DISPOSITIONS

For all purposes, candidates are subject to the rules of this document and those established by PUCPR, with emphasis on Resolutions No. 314/2019-CONSUN/PUCPR (*stricto sensu* Rules) and Resolutions No. 128/2013-CONSUN/PUCPR (PPGTU Rules).

5. ADITIONAL INFORMATION

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