



DIPLOMA SUPPLEMENT

Introduction

The Decree Order nº 30/2008, of 10 January, regulates the standardised model of the Diploma Supplement referred to in article 39 of the Decree-Law nº 42/2005, of 22 February, and defined as:

A document that accompanies a higher education diploma which provides a description of the national higher education system within which the original qualification is granted, of the institution awarding the qualification, of the nature, level and objectives of the studies successfully completed by its holder, as well as detailed information on the results gained.

The University of Évora started to issue Diploma Supplements to graduate students in 2001, having adapted both its format and content in accordance with the above mentioned legislation.

Diploma Supplement is issued in a widely spoken European language, given automatically and free of charge to every student upon graduation to all its Bologna cycles of study: Graduate, Master and Doctorate degrees.

Nature

The Diploma Supplement is issued in two languages (Portuguese and English) and is to be regarded as a supplementary explanation of the original qualification received rather than a substitute for it. Therefore, it is not proof of qualification on its own.

The Diploma Supplement was produced according to a template jointly developed by the European Commission, Council of Europe and UNESCO – CEPES, comprising introductory information and eight information sections. Information in all eight sections must be provided.

Foundational principles

To promote transparency in Higher Education qualifications at national and international level and to contribute to the creation of a European space of Higher Education;

To facilitate academic and professional recognition, by means of additional information on an individual's qualifications;

To aid mobility and access to further study and employment abroad.

