CATÓLICA LISBON
BUSINESS & ECONOMICS

Aix*Marseille université
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DOUBLE DEGREE

FACTSHEET 2025 | 2026

Achieve greatness

Aix-Marseille

Located in the southeastern region of Provence, Aix-Marseille is a modern and interdisciplinary university focused on research and training. With nearly 80,000 students and 5 large campuses, the university aims to provide a world-class center for research and higher education.

Programs

CATÓLICA-LISBON		Aix-Marseille	
MSc in Economics		Master in Economics	
Specialization	Flexible Track	Track	Data, Analysis, Decision and Economic Evaluation
			Research in Economics
	Applied Economics Economic Theory Macroeconomic Policy	Track	Data, Analysis, Decision and Economic Evaluation
			Research in Economics
		Master in Econometrics	
		Track	Econometrics Data Science
			Research in Econometrics
	Finance & Banking	Master in Finance	
		Track	Financial Modelling
			Financial Risks and Sustainable Finance
			Research in Finance

Study Plan at CATÓLICA-LISBON

Double Degree programs include a tailor-made study plan according to the MSc program and chosen specialization. The detailed study plan will be provided to students before the course enrollment period and includes foundation, specialization, and elective courses.

In addition, at CATÓLICA-LISBON, students also must attend Career Accelerator Lab Workshops designed to develop professional and career skills and must also complete 2 LERNE sessions (a Laboratory for Experimental Research Center).

During their 1st year at CATÓLICA-LISBON, Double Degree students must complete at least **60 ECTS** before continuing their studies at Aix-Marseille.

Study Plan at Aix-Marseille

For the 2nd year of the Double Degree program, the study plan at Aix-Marseille includes core courses and electives, depending on the chosen track.

At the end of the Double Degree program, all courses passed both at CATÓLICA-LISBON and Aix-Marseille will count towards the student's final GPA and CATÓLICA-LISBON's Diploma. CATÓLICA-LISBON uses the ECTS system, and all courses will be converted according to the University's grade and credit system.

> Internship Requirement

During the 2nd year, students must complete an internship of at least three months, which can be undertaken in France, Portugal, or any other location. This internship should be formally recognized by the Host School.

Dissertation

During their 2nd year of studies, students write **one dissertation** that should be submitted **to both schools**. The dissertation will be developed with the support of a supervisor of the Host School. Although no co-advisor from CATÓLICA-LISBON is necessary for the dissertation development, the dissertation must fulfill the requirements of both schools.

Students must defend their dissertation at both schools, according to the rules and timing set by each institution. The defense at CATÓLICA-LISBON takes place upon completing their study plan, including credited courses from Aix-Marseille, and settling their treasury situation.

Double Degree programs award two diplomas, each issued independently by the respective institutions based on their rules and timelines. After the dissertation defense, CATÓLICA-LISBON's final certificate can be requested immediately, while the diploma is awarded during the Graduation Ceremony, usually in November.

Timeline

Year 1 - CATÓLICA-LISBON	
Beginning of the Program	End of August 2025
Start of Enrollment at Partner School	Early February 2026
Erasmus+ Grant Application	March/April 2026
End of Academic Activities	End of May 2026
Year 2 – Aix-Marseille	
Beginning of the Program	Mid-September 2026
End of Academic Activities	End of June 2027
Dissertation	
1st Submission Deadline (Aix-Marseille)	TBC
1st Submission Deadline (CATÓLICA-LISBON)	Early June 2027
1st Defense Period	October 2027

Tuition and Fees

Double Degree students pay tuition fees only to CATÓLICA-LISBON. Other costs related to annual enrolment fees or academic materials might also apply, depending on each host school's procedures.

Please note that any type of fees incurred on the Double Degree partner school's side (such as registration fees, health insurance fees, academic material costs, etc.) is merely indicative and might be subject to change at any time without prior notice and under the Double Degree partner school's sole responsibility. Fees subject to yearly updates can be found on CATÓLICA-LISBON's website.

Scholarships

CATÓLICA-LISBON Top+

CATÓLICA-LISBON Top+ is a scholarship program for students with outstanding academic records. Double Degree students can only be granted a scholarship for the 1st year in which they are physically present at CATÓLICA-LISBON.

Erasmus+ Grant

Students can apply for the Erasmus+ Grant for their 2nd year at Aix-Marseille. The Double Degree Team will reach out to students by the application period.

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