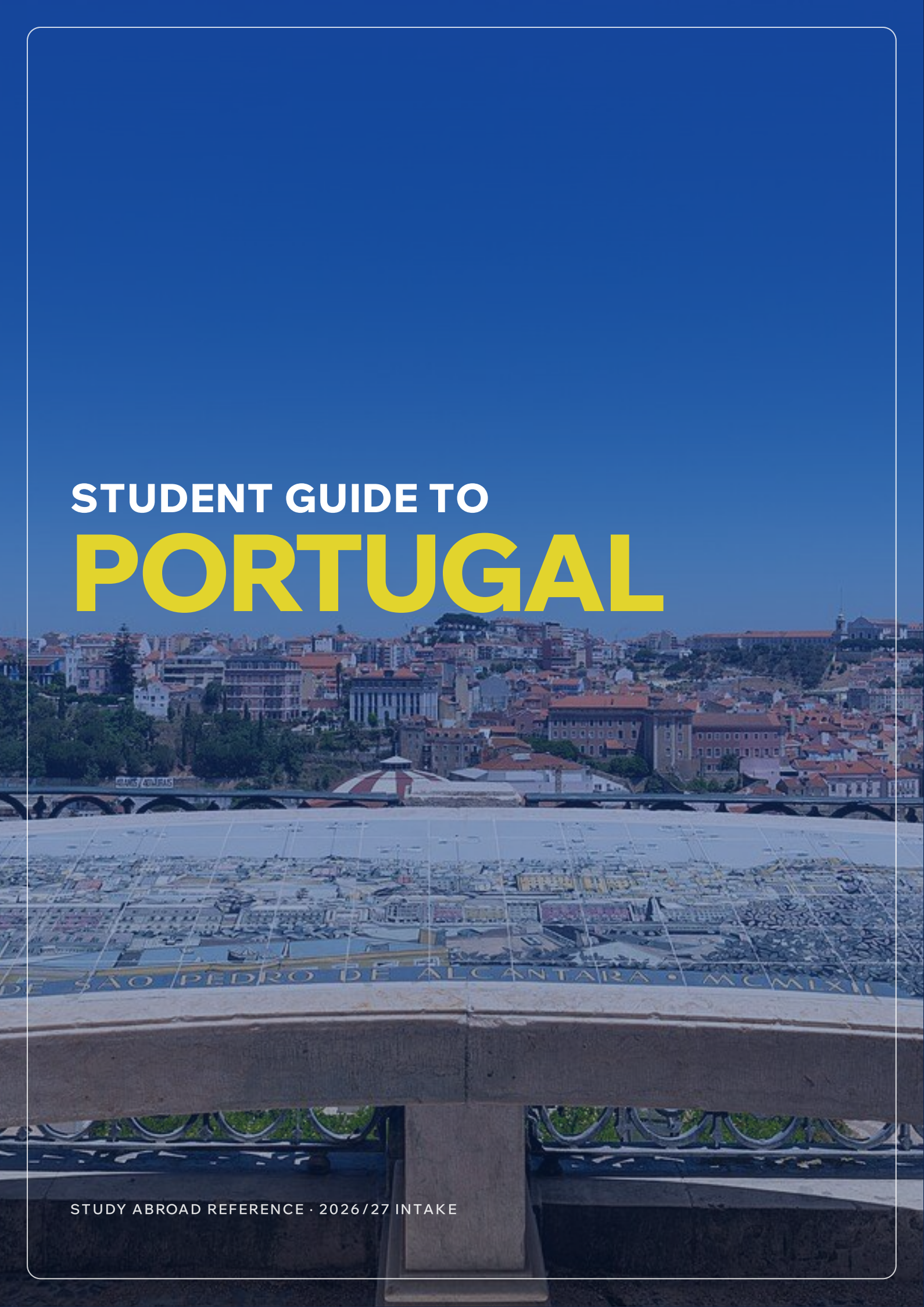


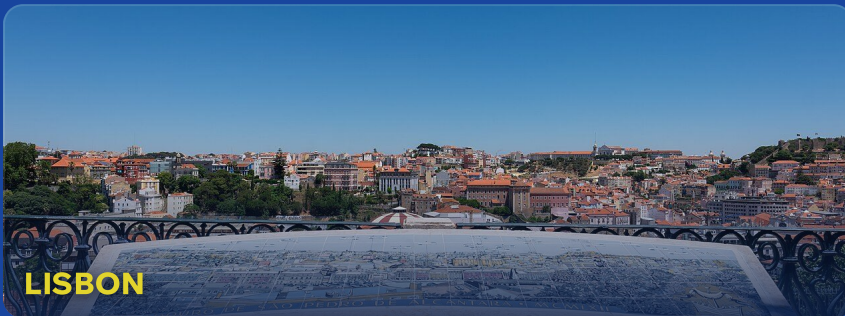
The background of the entire page is a photograph of a cityscape, likely Lisbon, Portugal, viewed from an elevated position. In the foreground, there is a stone balustrade and a large, detailed map of the city of Lisbon, which is overlaid on the photograph. The map shows the city's layout, including the Tagus River and various landmarks. The text "STUDENT GUIDE TO" is in white, and "PORTUGAL" is in large, bold, yellow letters. The text "STUDY ABROAD REFERENCE · 2026/27 INTAKE" is in white at the bottom left.

STUDENT GUIDE TO PORTUGAL

STUDY ABROAD REFERENCE · 2026/27 INTAKE

ABOUT PORTUGAL

- Portugal is a **warm, coastal** country in south-west Europe, with **Lisbon** as the capital.
- Home to around **10 million people** and one of Europe's **safest, most affordable** destinations.
- A **growing tech and startup** hub with English-taught degrees.
- Famous for its **relaxed lifestyle** and welcoming culture.
- The **Euro (€)** is the official currency.
- Some of the most popular student cities:

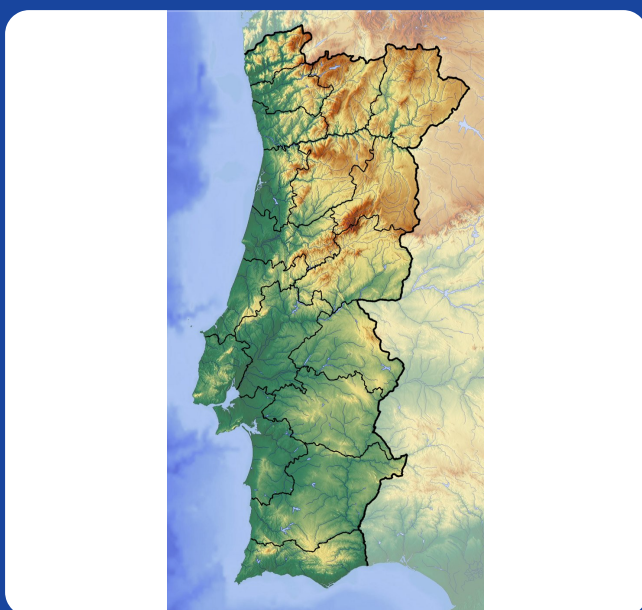


INDIA TO PORTUGAL

CURRENCY

Euro (€) · 1 EUR ≈ ₹100 (indicative)

Delhi	≈ 11h 00m	Portugal
Mumbai	≈ 11h 00m	Portugal
Bengaluru	≈ 12h 00m	Portugal
Chennai	≈ 12h 30m	Portugal
Hyderabad	≈ 11h 30m	Portugal

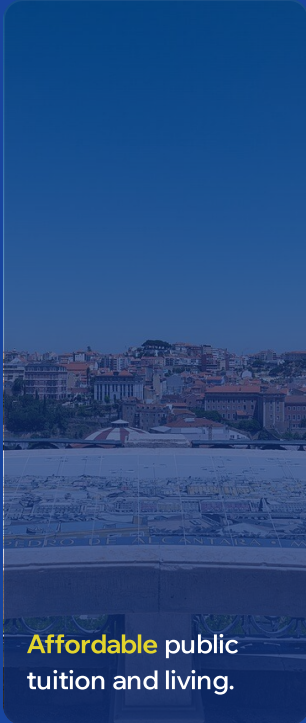


FACTS

- Capital: **Lisbon**
- Flight distance: ~8,000 km
- Time zone: **WET (UTC+0)**
- Tuition: €3,000–7,000 / yr
- Proof of funds: ~€9,120 / yr
- Main intakes: **Sep · Feb**

Public non-EU tuition. Figures indicative; verify per intake.

WHY STUDY IN PORTUGAL?



Affordable public tuition and living.



Growing tech & startup scene in Lisbon and Porto.



Safe and welcoming with a mild climate.



Job-seeker residence pathway after study.



Portugal blends **affordable, English-taught degrees** with a **safe lifestyle** and a growing tech economy.

TYPES OF INSTITUTIONS

- Portugal has an affordable, high-quality public system.
- They fall into three broad groups:



PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES

Research-led, low-fee institutions.



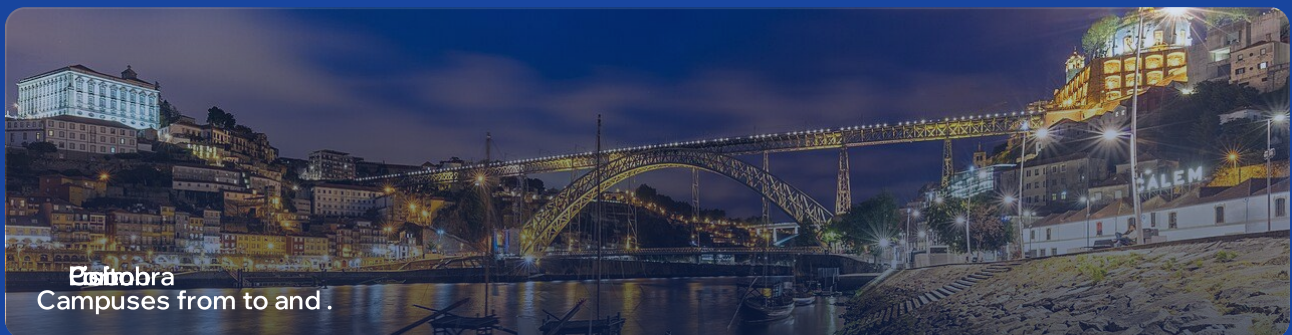
POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTES

Applied, career-focused programmes.



PRIVATE & CATÓLICA

Business and specialist providers.



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Campuses from to and .

TOP UNIVERSITIES

- Portugal hosts several **globally recognised** universities.
- Admission is **merit-based** and competitive.

University of Lisbon

LISBON

Portugal's largest university.

University of Porto

PORTO

Top-ranked research university.

University of Coimbra

COIMBRA

Historic UNESCO-listed university.

NOVA University Lisbon

LISBON

Strong in business, science and tech.

Católica Lisbon

LISBON

Leading business and economics school.

University of Minho

BRAGA

Engineering, science and business.

Indicative selection — confirm each programme's entry requirements and intake before applying.

POPULAR FIELDS OF STUDY

- Portugal is strong in **IT, business and tourism**.



COMPUTER SCIENCE & IT

Software, data and startups.



BUSINESS & MANAGEMENT

International business and MBA.



ENGINEERING

Civil, mechanical and industrial.



TOURISM & HOSPITALITY

A world tourism destination.



MARINE & ENVIRONMENT

Ocean science and sustainability.



DESIGN & ARTS

Design, media and fine arts.

TUITION & COSTS

- Portugal's public tuition is **affordable**, and living costs are among Western Europe's lowest.

Undergraduate
non-EU, per year

€3,000–7,000

Postgraduate / Master's
per year

€3,000–8,000

Business & specialist
per year

higher, varies

Living costs
per year

€7,000–10,000

Proof of funds for visa

~€9,120 / yr



University merit scholarships and **Erasmus+** grants support international students.

COST OF LIVING

- Portugal is one of **Western Europe's most affordable** places to live.

Accommodation residence / shared flat	€350–600
Food & groceries	€200–280
Transport student pass	€30–40
Health & insurance	~€50
Phone, internet & leisure	€100–160
Estimated monthly total	~€700–1,000

Figures indicative for 2026 — costs vary between the capital and smaller cities.

SCHOLARSHIPS & FUNDING

- University and EU scholarships help offset already-low tuition.

University Merit Awards

INSTITUTIONAL

Tuition reductions for strong applicants.

Camões Institute

GOVT

Language and mobility support.

Erasmus+

EU MOBILITY

Grants for eligible study periods.

Faculty Scholarships

DEPARTMENTAL

Programme-specific awards.

Eligibility, deadlines and amounts change each cycle — confirm on the official scholarship pages.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

BACHELOR'S

- **12 years** of schooling with a strong Class 12 record.
- **IELTS 6.0** or Portuguese for local-language courses.
- Subject prerequisites for some courses.
- Apply directly to each university.

MASTER'S

- A recognised **bachelor's degree** in a relevant field.
- **IELTS 6.5** or language proof.
- Statement of purpose and references.
- Portfolio or interview for some programmes.

INTAKES

- **September** — main intake — widest choice of courses
- **February** — second intake at some universities
- **Rolling** — apply early for visa and housing

STUDENT VISA & FUNDS

1

OFFER & ACCEPTANCE

Accept your offer and pay any fees.

2

PROOF OF FUNDS

Show ~€760/month for living costs.

3

APPLY AT CONSULATE

Apply for the national student visa.

4

DOCUMENTS & BIOMETRICS

Submit documents and give biometrics.

5

APPROVAL & TRAVEL

Receive approval and travel to Portugal.

6

RESIDENCE PERMIT

Register with SEF/AIMA on arrival.

WORK & POST-STUDY

- Students may work part-time, then extend their residence permit to **seek work** after graduating.

Part-Time Work

~20 HRS/WEEK

Permitted alongside study.

Job-Seeker Residence

POST-STUDY

Extend your permit to seek work.

Work Permit

SKILLED ROUTE

Convert once you have a job offer.

In-Demand Sectors

GROWTH AREAS

IT, tourism, engineering and startups.

HOW TO APPLY

1

SHORTLIST

Choose universities and English-taught programmes.

2

PREPARE DOCUMENTS

Transcripts, IELTS, SOP and references.

3

APPLY

Apply directly to each university.

4

OFFER & FUNDS

Accept your offer and arrange proof of funds.

5

VISA

Apply for the national student visa.

6

DEPARTURE

Arrange housing and register on arrival.



Your Portugal study journey — one step at a time.