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- Ph. D. in Juridical and Political Sciences (Law School of the University of Coimbra), 1982
- Full Professorship (Law School of the University of Coimbra), 1994

Past Positions:

- Vice-Rector of the University of Coimbra
- Member of the Superior Council of the Administrative and Fiscal Courts,
- Counsellor of State
- Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Law
- President of the Representatives Assembly of the Faculty of Law
- President of the Directive Council of the Centre for Planning, Urban and Environmental Studies
- President of the Directive Council of the Jus Gentium Conimbrigae Studies Centre
- Member of the Interdisciplinary Research Institute of the University of Coimbra
- President of the Portuguese Universities Assessment Committee

Prizes and honours

- Prize medal of the Pinhel Municipality
- “Pessoa 2003” Prize (<http://www.premiopessoa.pt/pessoa.html>)
- Prize Valdemar Ferreira, of the São Paulo International Academy of Law and Economy (Brazil)
- Commander of Rio Branco (Brazil)
- Commander of Freedom Order conferred by the President of the Portuguese Republic