

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS TO STUDY MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ECONOMICS ACADEMIC YEAR 2022/2023 SEPTEMBER INTAKE

The University of Rwanda, College of Business and Economics (CBE) School of Economics (SoE), together with the International Partner University is offering a two-year Master of Science Degree in Economics Programme (MSc programme). The MSc programme is designed to meet national and international demand for quantitatively oriented economists who are well-equipped to undertake thorough quantitative analysis and research to support evidence-based economic policymaking. The MSc programme accepts qualified candidates from Rwanda, East Africa, and elsewhere; in particular, candidates from public economic policy making institutions are encouraged to apply.

The German development cooperation (GIZ) has since 2019 supported the International Academic Partnership between the University of Rwanda, the Kiel University and the Kiel Institute for the World Economy for the implementation of the SoE MSc in Economics and research programme.

Building on a quantitatively-oriented first year, the MSc programme has three specializations in the second year: (i) Applied Quantitative Economics; (ii) Monetary Economics; and (iii) Development Economics

Classes will take place mainly during the weekend at the College of Business and Economics-Gikondo Campus in the following way:

- 1. Face-to-face teaching at CBE-Gikondo Campus
- 2. Remote teaching (e-learning) by using UR Moodle Platform-Blue Button.
- 3. Tutorial sessions (revision& exercises with lecturers) will be delivered both face to face and remotely.

I. Entry requirements

To be admitted, interested candidates must have:

- 1. Bachelor's degree, with an Upper Second-Class Honors or above, in Economics programme of recognized universities,
- 2. Bachelor's degree, with a cumulative average score of 70% or above, in Statistics, Applied statistics or Mathematics programme of recognized universities; or
- 3. Bachelor's degree in Economics with a Lower Second Class Honors and with working experience of at least 2 years.

Selected applicants will have the opportunity to take a four-week pre-MSc-entry (non-credited) refresher course in Mathematics, Statistics, Econometrics, and Economics



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 during August - September 2022. A pass-mark in the mandatory entry tests in those fields is part of the admission requirements of all applicants.

II. Key dates

- 1. Closing of online application process: 4th July 2022
- 2. Notification of preliminary selection and admission to pre-entry: 23rd July 2022
- 3. Refresher courses: between 2nd August and 11th September 2022
- 4. Entry test: 17th September 2022

III. Required documents for application

- 1. A cover letter describing the motivation for joining the MSc programme and indicating the envisaged specialization.
- 2. Notarized undergraduate degree or equivalence from Higher Education Council and notarized transcripts of degree(s)
- 3. Copy of ID or Passport
- 4. Writing sample based on Master thesis
- 5. Resume / CV
- 6. Non-native English speakers must provide an English proficiency certificate from a relevant institution
- 7. Two (2) letters of recommendation
- 8. Sponsorship letter from an organization or employer (if any)

IV. Scholarships and study funding facilitation

Scholarships are expected to be provided on a competitive basis by a partner organization.

V. Application process

- 1.Go to UR Website (www.ur.ac.rw)
- 2.Go to Admission, Applicant Portal and click to (New Application)
- 3. Fill the **Biographical Form** and click (**Save**) at the end you will get "**Your Student ID Reference Number**". Please keep this ID Number as it will be your ID identification for all transactions at UR
- 4. Create a PIN of 5 numeric digits, do not start with a 0 (this PIN will serve as your password to access your student account), leave the page and open the link below.



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5. Candidates are requested to submit all required documents by using the Link: pgfile.ur.ac.rw/pgfile/findme.php

NB: All documents must be in PDF If all required documents are not submitted, you cannot to go the next step.

For any additional information, clarifications or inquiry, please do not hesitate to contact

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