



**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS TO STUDY PHD BY RESEARCH IN DATA SCIENCE
ACADEMIC YEAR 2023/2024**

SEPTEMBER INTAKE

The Management of the University of Rwanda (UR) wishes to invite interested and qualified candidates to apply for the PhD by research in Data Science with specialization in Data mining, Econometrics, Biostatistics, Demography and Actuarial Science offered at the African Centre of Excellence in Data Science (ACE-DS) College of Business and Economics (CBE).

I. Programme, entry requirements, duration and mode of attendance

The duration is 3 - 4 years, full-time PhD Program by research with publications and thesis; professional development courses and seminars will be offered.

To be admitted, interested candidates must have a MSc Degree in Statistics, Mathematics, Computer Science, Information Technology, Economics and other related fields.

Note: Female candidates both national and international are strongly encouraged to apply.

II. Key dates for this call

Closing of the online application process: July 30, 2023.

III. Required documents for application

1. A cover letter addressed to the Director of UR CPGS indicating for which program of study the application is being made and the motivation to join the program
2. Notarized BSc, MSc Degrees and transcripts (Equivalence from HEC will be required for degrees obtained out of Rwanda)
3. Copy of your ID or Passport
4. Updated CV
5. Two recommendation letters from academic referees who are knowledgeable about the applicant.
6. Sponsorship letter from an organization (if any)
7. Applicants from countries where English is not the language of instruction at higher education must provide an English Proficiency Certificate from a relevant body or institution.
8. PhD research concept note of a maximum of 3000 words.



IV. Selection criteria

Completeness and accuracy of required documents (see previous section).

V. Funding

Self-sponsored and candidates with sponsorship from employers or other organizations are encouraged.

VI. 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.)

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

NB:

All documents must be in PDF

If all required documents are not submitted, you cannot go to the next step.

For any additional information, clarifications or inquiry, please do not hesitate to contact: Mr. Charles NZARAMYIMANA, Tel: (+250) 788456452 and for more information, please visit ACE-DS website: <http://www.aceds.ur.ac.rw>

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