

# CALL FOR APPLICATIONS TO STUDY MASTER PROGRAMS IN IN HEALTH SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

### ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/2022 SEPTEMBER INTAKE

The University of Rwanda through its Regional Center of Excellence (*RCE*) hosted by the College of Medicine and Health Sciences (CMHS) is offering Masters Program in Vaccines, Immunisation and Health Supply Chain Management (VIHSCM) with the following award: Master of Health Supply Chain Management. The program lasts for two years and is full-time by coursework (offered in a module basis) organized through face-to-face learning (on site), distance learning, work placement and dissertation.

#### I. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

The current call targets public servants from South Sudan and Burundi, and self-sponsored candidates from any country with:

At least a bachelor's degree or equivalent in Medicine, Pharmacy, Public Health, Procurement, Logistics, Supply Chain, Nursing, or other related health sciences.

A Minimum of at least two years' relevant work experience in the area of HSCM at mid or senior management level.

#### II. KEY DATES FOR THIS CALL

Closing of online application process: 15<sup>th</sup> August 2021

### III. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR APPLICATION

- 1. A cover letter addressed to the Director of postgraduate studies which should contain the candidate's motivation to join the program
- 2. Detailed curriculum vitae
- 3. Notarized Undergraduate Degree or Equivalence from Higher Education Council (HEC) for degrees acquired outside of Rwanda; applicants can apply for equivalence online or do so when they arrive in Rwanda. No student shall be allowed to continue to study after 6 months without submitting the equivalence issued by HEC (Those who have degree from abroad)
- 4. Copies of notarized academic transcripts (original/notarized transcripts will be required during registration)
- 5. Two recommendation letters from academic referees who are knowledgeable about the applicant and their studies
- 6. Recommendation from the employer or employer representative at the applicant working institution
- 7. Copy of national identity card or passport.



#### IV. SELECTION CRITERIA

Completeness and accuracy of required documents (see previous selection)

#### V. FUNDING

There are 14 scholarships from EAC RCE-VIHSCM for students from Partner States public institutions available on a competitive basis (highest marks) for eligible candidates from South Soudan and Burundi. Once selected, highly deserving applicants from EAC Partner States are presented to a Regional Scholarship Awards Committee for consideration and scholarships will be awarded based on quota system. **Self-sponsored applicants are encouraged to apply.** 

## 5.1.Admission of those who missed out last year without reapplication (Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania and Rwanda)

During the previous academic year 2020/2021, the call for applications attracted a lot of interests from Rwanda, Kenya, Tanzania, South Sudan and Uganda. Following RCE and EAC Partner States evaluation process the total number of approved candidates for scholarships eligibility are as follows:

Country	Total # of admissible applicants	Total # approved for scholarships	Candidates on waiting list
Burundi	1	1	0
Kenya	33	10	23
Rwanda	64	7	57
Republic of South Sudan	8	8	0
United Republic of Tanzania	14	7	7
Uganda	24	7	17
Zimbabwe	1	0	1

Given that the process of readvertising and getting the Permanent Secretaries of the Ministries of Health and Foreign Affairs go through to have awardees approved, we would like to admit those who missed out last year without readvertising for Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and Uganda. This is made possible by the ranked selection process approved by the Partners States last year as attached to this note. It also prevents demoralizing future applicants for those who missed out last year.



Therefore, the RCE is currently calling for new applications for scholarships for public servants from South Sudan and Burundi, and new applications for self-sponsored candidates from any country to for the Master's Degree program for the period of 2021-23, which will start in September 2021.

#### VI. APPLICATION PROCESS AND COURSE FEES

- 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" and create PIN;
- 4. Please keep this ID Number as it will be your ID identification for all transactions at University of Rwanda;
- 5. Candidates are requested to submit all required documents by using the link http://pgfile.ur.ac.rw/pgfile/findme.php.

NB: All documents must be in PDF If all required documents are not submitted, you failed to go to the next step When your submission succeeds, you will find a message in your email box.

#### VII. FURTHER INFORMATION

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

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