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**CALL FOR APPLICATION FOR PHD POSITIONS AND SCHOLARSHIPS IN ATMOSPHERIC AND  
CLIMATE SCIENCE, ASTROPHYSICS AND SPACE PHYSICS**

**Academic Year 2020/2021**

**I. Background**

The University of Rwanda (UR) through Rwanda Astrophysics, Space and Climate Science Research Group (RASCSRG) is pleased to invite interested and qualified candidates to apply for 3 available PhD by research scholarships. The scholarships are in the following areas:

- (1) Atmospheric and Climate Science,
- (2) Astrophysics, and
- (3) Space Physics

Successful candidates will register as full-time PhD students at the University of Rwanda- College of Science and Technology (UR-CST) for a period of minimum of three years (six semesters) and maximum of four years (eight semesters) starting in April 2021.

**II. Deadline for application**

Friday, March 26, 2021

**III. Entry requirements**

1. Master's degree with distinction from a reputed University in one of the following subjects: Physics, Atmospheric Physics, Climate sciences, Meteorology, Astrophysics, Cosmology and Space physics.
2. At least one paper (publication) in international peer reviewed journal.
3. Being Rwandan citizens.
4. Age limit: Male candidates must be less than 40 years and 45 for Female (*Reference: as per UR Policy and Procedures for Scholarships Awards-Oct. 2020*).

**NB:**

1. *UR academic staff, female candidates and applicants with disabilities are encouraged to apply.*
2. *Degree obtained outside Rwanda should obtain equivalence in respect to the Rwanda National Qualification Framework.*



#### IV. Required documents

1. A motivation letter: outlining why you choose to apply for this scholarship, what your long-term career aspirations are, and how you think the successful completion of the sponsorship will benefit those aspirations.
2. A recent passport sized photograph;
3. A copy of ID or Passport;
4. A notarized copy of master's degree;
5. A certified copy of MSc transcripts showing marks for each course taken
6. An updated CV
7. Three recommendation letters from academic referees

#### V. Selection methodology

An interview will be organized, in accordance with the UR Policy and Procedures for Scholarships Awards-Oct. 2020.

#### VI. Funding

Successful candidates will receive a full scholarship from the Rwanda Astrophysics, Space and Climate Science Research Group (RASCSRG) that covers tuition fees and a monthly stipend.

#### VII. How to apply

Applicants are requested to send documents as listed above by email to the scholarship officer ([gashayijagloriose@gmail.com](mailto:gashayijagloriose@gmail.com)/[ur-cpgscholarship@ur.ac.rw](mailto:ur-cpgscholarship@ur.ac.rw)) at UR-CPGS, with a copy to [nkundapheneas@yahoo.fr](mailto:nkundapheneas@yahoo.fr) and [bonfilssafari@gmail.com](mailto:bonfilssafari@gmail.com)

#### For more information, contact:

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Done at Kigali, March 5, 2021

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