



**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS TO STUDY MASTERS PROGRAMMES IN  
DEVELOPMENT AND GOVERNANCE  
ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/2022  
SEPTEMBER INTAKE**

The University of Rwanda, College of Arts and Social Sciences, School of Governance is offering two master programmes:

- **Master of Arts in Development Studies**
- **Master of Science in Local Governance and Leadership Studies**

Both are weekend programmes in the main building at Gikondo Campus, Kigali.

The duration of the programmes is three semesters (18 months). The first two semesters are dedicated to coursework and the final is for research and thesis writing. The possible extension is of one semester (6 months) maximum.

**I. Entry requirements**

1. An Upper 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Honours Degree, or equivalent meritorious academic record, or,
2. A Lower 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Honours Degree (or equivalent) with minimum of two years' work in a development/governance-related field
3. A computer literacy is essential
4. A good command of the English Language is compulsory
5. For further details on minimum admission requirements, refer to the UR policy for Postgraduate programs.

**II. Key dates for this call**

Closing of online application process: July 31, 2021

**III. Required documents for application:**

1. A cover letter indicating for which program of study the application is being made and description of the motivation to join the program.
2. Detailed curriculum vitae
3. Notarized degree or equivalent from HEC, for degrees acquired our side of Rwanda.
4. Notarized academic transcripts.



5. Two recommendation letters from academic referees who are knowledgeable about the applicant,
6. Copy of National identity card or Passport.

#### IV. Selection criteria

Completeness and accuracy of required documents (see previous section)

#### V. Funding

Candidates are encouraged to apply for scholarships elsewhere or can be self-sponsored.

#### VI. Application process

Go to UR Website ([www.ur.ac.rw](http://www.ur.ac.rw))

Go to Admission, Applicant Portal and click to ([New Application](#))

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*

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.

Candidates are requested to submit all required documents by using the

Link: [pgfile.ur.ac.rw/pgfile/findme.php](http://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.**
- **When your submission succeeds, a message will be sent to your e-mail box.**

#### VII. Further Information

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

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**Done at Kigali, June 22, 2021**

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