



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR STUDENT EXCHANGE BETWEEN UNIVERSITY OF AGDER AND THE UNIVERSITY OF RWANDA

I. Background

The University of Rwanda (UR), University of Agder (UiA) in Norway, and Makerere University (Mak) are jointly implementing a 6 years (2019-2024) project on Enhancing the Quality and Internationalization of Study programmes through Mobile Transformative Pedagogy (EQIP). The goal of the project is to increase the employability of graduates through Student and staff mobility, internationalization of study programmes, promotion of transformative pedagogy, and Technology Enhanced Learning. Participating academic programmes at the University of Rwanda are Masters of Education (Curriculum and Instruction) in the College of Education and Master's in software engineering in the College of Science and Technology. The University of Agder has one participating programme which is Masters in Multimedia and Educational Technology, while Makerere University has two participating programmes namely: Masters in Instructional Design and Technology (MIDT) in the College of Education and External Studies (CEES) and master's in information systems (MIS) in the College of Computing & Information Sciences (COCIS). One of the core activities of the project is student mobility between the three participating universities to study selected courses, and participate in a work placement, fieldwork, and project research.

II. Description

Since 2018, EQIP project has funded different curriculum development activities, research activities including mobility of staff and postgraduate students and as it is in its phasing out stage, it is to therefore invite interested students of the Masters of Science in ICT (Optional: Operational Communication), Masters of Information Systems, and Masters in Software Engineering in the College of Science and Technology to apply the for student exchange programme which will take place at University of Agder(UiA), Norway. The selected students will have opportunity to start research work and attend courses at the host university from August to December 2024.

III. Funding

Each selected student will be supported with a scholarship to travel to the hosting University and during the entire period of the exchange programme.



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The scholarship will cover:

- Travel cost to the host university
- Accommodation
- A monthly subsistence allowance for the mobility period to cater for meals

Available scholarships for exchange: up to two (2) students from School of ICT, Msc in ICT, Msc in IS or Msc in Software Engineering will be supported with a scholarship. The preferences will be given to students in 1st Year.

Here is the list of modules: ORG001Health, Safety and Environment (0 stp), MM-403Interaction Design (7.5 stp), MM-410Applied 21st Century Skills (7.5 stp), ORG453Communication, Cooperation and Research Methods (7.5 stp), MM-411E-Teaching I - Pedagogy and Learning/Instructional Design (7.5 stp). Selected candidates will need to successfully attend and pass the courses.

IV. Application requirements

- Current students of MSc in ICT, MSc in Information Systems, and MSc in Software Engineering in their 1st year of study.
- Students with an average score of at least 70%
- Self-motivation, management, and drive for learning with interest in a Technical Research project

Other desirable attributes:

- Willingness and ability to work hard and sometimes for long hours.
- Self-drive/motivation

V. Required document for application

- An application letter covering the candidate's suitability and motivation to participate in the courses, and what he/she anticipates to benefit (the letter should not exceed 2 pages) addressed to the Director of the UR Centre of Postgraduate Studies
- Admission letter for master programme,
- Proof of registration for 1st year or 2nd year of studies
- Copy of bachelor's degree and transcripts/or HEC Equivalence
- Updated CV







VI. Selection methodology

Shortlisted candidates will be invited to an interview on dates that will be communicated through emails.

VII. How to apply and key dates

Students interested in the physical exchange and who meet the requirements given above, are invited to submit their applications to the following e-mail addresses: nzanywafr@gmail.com/ or fnzanywayingoma@ur.ac.rw, PG Programmes Coordinator in SoICT, Tel: 0780310446 & 0788897814, and cc to m.nduwingoma@ur.ac.rw, Tel: 0788 897 814, rmusab10@gmail.com, and ur-cpgscholarship@ur.ac.rw, Tel: 0792988304

Students are responsible for submission of all the required documents because the incomplete applications will not be considered.

Deadline to submit the application: 21st June 2024 at 5h00PM.

Done at Kigali, 7././2024

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