



**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR MASTERS IN PHARMACEUTICAL ANALYSIS AND
QUALITY ASSURANCE**

ACADEMIC YEAR 2023/2024

SEPTEMBER INTAKE

In order to transform the medical and health sciences, bio-engineering, pharmaceutical sciences, eHealth and eLearning and other Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs), as well as research and health care delivery, the 9th Ordinary Meeting of the EAC Sectoral Council of Ministers of Health, held on 17th April, 2014 in Zanzibar, United Republic of Tanzania, approved the implementation of the proposed “Multi-National East African Community (EAC) Regional Centres of Excellence (CoE) for Skills and Tertiary Education in Higher Medical and Health Sciences Education Program” (*EAC/SCM/Health/Decision 024*). The Republic of Rwanda was mandated to host both the Biomedical Engineering and E-Health and the “*EAC Regional Centre of Excellence for Vaccines, Immunization and Health Supply Chain Management (EAC RCE-VIHSCM)*”.

The EAC RCE-VIHSCM is launching the Master’s programme in Pharmaceutical Analysis and Quality Assurance. The Master’s Programme in Pharmaceutical Analysis and Quality Assurance has been accredited by Rwanda Higher Education Council (HEC) and is being lined up for region validation by the Inter University Council of East Africa (IUCEA) and the higher councils of education of the EAC Partner States. **The RCE is now calling for applications for the 1st Cohort for public servants from the Republic of Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), Kenya, Rwanda, South Sudan, United Republic of Tanzania (Mainland and Zanzibar) and the Republic of Uganda.** If recommended by their governments, they will be offered a fully sponsored scholarship. Applications for self-sponsored candidates are also welcome. Only 2 slots are reserved for successful private applicants who have the financial means to sponsor themselves.

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

The Master’s programme in Pharmaceutical Analysis and Quality Assurance is a two-year program delivered under a blended learning approach to cater for in-service status of students. Studies are organized through face-to-face (on site) learning, off campus learning, field placement/industrial attachment and dissertation writing.

The entry requirements are a bachelor's degree or equivalent in Pharmacy, Medicine, Chemistry, Laboratory Sciences, Biotechnology, Chemistry and other relevant Life Sciences related to health. Applicants must have graduated with at least a second class, upper division or 70% or a GPA of 3.25 in the above subject matter.



Applicants must have strong background of pharmacology and chemistry related subjects. Applicants should be working in health sector with minimum of at least two years' relevant work experience in the area of pharmaceutical analysis, quality control or proficiency testing at mid or senior management level is mandatory.

II. Key dates for this call

Closing of the online application process: July 31, 2023

III. Required documents for application

All applicants are required to submit the following:

1. A cover letter addressed to the Director of UR CPGS which should contain the candidate's motivation to join the program
2. Detailed curriculum vitae
3. Copies of academic certificates (Notarized copies will be required before admission)
4. Copies of academic transcripts (Original/notarized transcripts will be required before admission)
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

The selection will be done through the assessment of submitted documents. Only applicants who meet the entry requirements indicated above and who have submitted all the required documents will be selected.

V. Funding/Scholarship Award

The EAC RCE-VIHSCM has reserved scholarships for students from the public institutions in EAC Member States. Once selected, highly deserving applicants from EAC Member States are ranked for scholarship award to cover the tuition fee, return air ticket and stipend during the face to face lectures. The scholarship will be offered based on quota system/equal number of students per each EAC Member State. Other variables include gender, age limit of not more than 45 years, disability, and distribution of human resources for health in a country.



ONLY 2 slots are reserved for private paying candidates. The scholarship recipient should have not been awarded any kind of scholarship by the EAC RCE-VIHSCM to pursue a master's programme.

VI. Application process and course fees

1. Go to UR Website (www.ur.ac.rw)
2. Go to Admission, Applicant Portal, and click on ([New Application](#))
3. Fill out 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), leave the page, and open the link below.
5. Candidates are requested to submit all required documents by using the
6. Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/QW3NX8J>

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 the EAC RCE-VIHSCM at email: director.rcevihscm@ur.ac.rw.

Done at Kigali, on...../.....2023

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