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LILONGWE UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES (LUANAR) – CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: BUNDA AND NRC CAMPUS ECONOMIC FEE PAYING AND MATURE ENTRY FOR THE 2026/2027 ACADEMIC YEAR

The Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (LUANAR), Bunda campus and NRC campus is inviting applications from suitably qualified persons for admission into its Economic Fee Paying and Mature entry programmes for the 2026/2027 academic year. The Economic Fee-Paying programme is open to applicants starting from Year one, with 10 slots available for each program for both campuses, while Mature Entry applicants are admitted into Year Two or Three depending on the programme requirements, with 15 slots available for each programme at Bunda campus and 20 slots available for each program at NRC campus.

Applicants are advised to only apply under one admission category, either Mature Entry or Economic Fee-Paying and select one campus only. Applications submitted under more than one category or for multiple campuses will not be considered.

1. PRELIMINARY INFORMATION FOR INTERESTED APPLICANTS

PROGRAMME (ECONOMIC FEE PAYING)	MINIMUM CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION	CAMPUS	YEAR OF ENTRY	DURATION
1. Bachelor Of Veterinary Medicine	MSCE or IGCSE 'O' level certificate with six strong credits including English, and a minimum of 3 in Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry and Physics.	Bunda	One	Six Years
2. Bachelor Of Science In Agricultural Engineering (Honours) 3. Bachelor Of Science In Environmental Engineering (Honours) 4. Bachelor Of Science In Irrigation Engineering (Honours)	MSCE or IGCSE 'O' level certificate with six credits including English, Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry and Physics.	Bunda	One	Five Years
5. Bachelor Of Science In Communication and Journalism	MSCE or IGCSE 'O' level certificate with six credits including English with distinction, Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry and Physics.	Bunda	One	Four Years
6. Bachelor Of Science In Biostatistics 7. Bachelor Of Science In Animal Science 8. Bachelor Of Science In Aquaculture and Fisheries Science 9. Bachelor Of Science In Biotechnology 10. Bachelor Of Science In Crop Science 11. Bachelor Of Science In Environmental Sciences 12. Bachelor Of Science In Forestry 13. Bachelor Of Science In Human Science and Community Services 14. Bachelor Of Science In Horticultural Science And Landscape Design 15. Bachelor Of Science In Natural Resources Management 16. Bachelor Of Science In Nutrition and Food Science	MSCE or IGCSE 'O' level certificate with six credits including English, Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry and Physics.	Bunda	One	Four Years

PROGRAMME (ECONOMIC FEE PAYING)	MINIMUM CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION	CAMPUS	YEAR OF ENTRY	DURATION
17. Bachelor of Agricultural Technology 18. Bachelor of Science in Computer Science	MSCE or IGSE 'O' level certificate with at least grade 'C' in Biology, Mathematics and Chemistry at A-Level or any comparable qualification	NRC	One	Four Years
19. Bachelor of Arts in Textiles and Fashion Design	MSCE or IGCSE 'O' level certificate with six credits including English and Mathematics, and a minimum grade of C in English and Mathematics and any other art or Sciences subjects	NRC	One	Four Years

MATURE ENTRY PROGRAMMES	MINIMUM CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION	CAMPUS	YEAR OF ENTRY	DURATION
1. Bachelor of Science in Animal Science	Candidates with a diploma with basic sciences, must have a cGPA of 2.5 or greater and must have worked for not less than two years in a relevant industry. **OR** Candidates with diploma in Animal Production and Health or Veterinary Science with passes in: Chemistry, Biochemistry I, Biochemistry II, Statistics, Anatomy and Physiology, Microbiology and Animal Health.	Bunda	Two/ Three	Four Years
2. Bachelor Of Science In Agriculture 3. Bachelor Of Science In Biostatistics 4. Bachelor Of Science In Biotechnology 5. Bachelor Of Science In Crop Science 6. Bachelor Of Science In Horticultural Science And Landscape Design	Candidates mush have a diploma in agricultural sciences from a LUANAR Senate recognized institution with passes in basic sciences (Biology, Chemistry and Physics) **OR** have a pass-with-credit diploma in agricultural sciences from a LUANAR Senate recognized institution. Applicants in possession of Diploma in Agricultural sciences may at the discretion of the Faculty of Agriculture be admitted into year three of the programme.	Bunda	Two/ Three	Four Years

MATURE ENTRY PROGRAMMES	MINIMUM CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION	CAMPUS	YEAR OF ENTRY	DURATION
7. Bachelor Of Science In Agricultural Engineering 8. Bachelor Of Science In Environmental Engineering 9. Bachelor Of Science In Irrigation Engineering	Candidates mush have a diploma in agricultural sciences from a LUANAR Senate recognized institution with passes in basic sciences **(Biology, Chemistry and Physics)** **OR** have a pass-with-credit diploma in agricultural sciences from a LUANAR Senate recognized institution. Applicants in possession of Diploma in Agricultural sciences may at the discretion of the Faculty of Agriculture be admitted into year three of the programme.	Bunda	Two/ Three	Five Years
10. Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics 11. Bachelor of Science in Agribusiness Management 12. Bachelor of Education Science majoring Agriculture and Biology 13. Bachelor of Education Science majoring Physics and Mathematics	MSCE or IGCSE 'O' level or its equivalent with at least six (6) credit passes including English. Alternatively, at least three passes with grade "C" including English at A-Lebel or any comparable qualification and a relevant Diploma obtained from an accredited institution of higher learning.	Bunda	Two/ Three	Four Years
14. Bachelor Of Science In Agricultural Extension	MSCE certificate/equivalent O-Level qualifications OR 3 passes with at least grade 'C' in Biology, Mathematics, English and Chemistry & Physics at A-Level or any comparable qualification AND a relevant University Diploma in Agriculture or agricultural related subjects, extension and rural development or an equivalent of a university diploma in the prescribed fields.	Bunda	Two/ Three	Four Years
15. Bachelor Of Veterinary Medicine	High School A levels with a minimum of Four A's including Chemistry, Biology, Physics and Mathematics OR Diploma in Animal Health programme with credit from a recognised institution and added advantage of work experience	Bunda	Two/ Three	Four Years

MATURE ENTRY PROGRAMMES	MINIMUM CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION	CAMPUS	YEAR OF ENTRY	DURATION
16. Bachelor Of Science In Aquaculture And Fisheries Science 17. Bachelor Of Science In Environmental Science 18. Bachelor Of Science In Forestry 19. Bachelor Of Science In Natural Resources Management	A relevant diploma obtained from an accredited institution of higher learning and a minimum of 2 years of relevant post-diploma work experience.	Bunda	Two/ Three	Four Years
20. Bachelor Of Science In Communication And Journalism	MSCE or IGCSE 'O' level or its equivalent with at least four (4) credit passes including English. Alternatively, at least three passes with grade "C" including English at A-Level or any comparable qualification and a relevant Diploma obtained from an accredited institution of higher learning.	Bunda	Two/ Three	Four Years
21. Bachelor Of Science In Food Science And Technology	A Candidate with a diploma in an unrelated scientific discipline must have a strong pass in Chemistry, Mathematics, Biology and Physics with a cGPA of 2.5 or greater and must have worked for 2 years in a relevant industry. **OR** Candidates with a diploma in Food Science and Technology or related discipline. These may at the discretion of Faculty of Food and Human Sciences be admitted into year 3 of the programme.	Bunda	Two/ Three	Four Years
22. Bachelor of Science in Gender and Development	A Candidate with a diploma in an unrelated discipline must have a strong pass in Chemistry, Mathematics and Biology with a cGPA of 2.5 or greater and must have worked for 2 years in a relevant industry. **OR** Candidates with a diploma in a related discipline. These may at the discretion of Faculty of Food and Human Sciences be admitted into year 3 of the programme.	Bunda	Two/ Three	Four Years

MATURE ENTRY PROGRAMMES	MINIMUM CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION	CAMPUS	YEAR OF ENTRY	DURATION
23. Bachelor Of Science In Human Sciences And Community Services 24. Bachelor Of Science In Nutrition And Food Science	A Candidate with a diploma in an unrelated discipline must have a strong pass in Chemistry, Mathematics and Biology with a cGPA of 2.5 or greater AND must have worked for 2 years in a relevant industry. **OR** Candidates with a diploma in a related discipline. These may at the discretion of Faculty of Food and Human Sciences be admitted into year 3 of the programme. Candidates with diplomas from other accreditated institutions and NRC's Food, Nutrition and Livelihood Security programme from earlier years will be considered for admission in Year 2 **OR** Candidates with a Diploma from the 2017-revised Food, Nutrition and Livelihood Security programme from LUANAR's Natural Resources College (NRC) will be considered for admission Year 3	Bunda	Two/ Three	Four Years
25. Bachelor of Science in Food Technology 26. Bachelor of Education Science 27. Bachelor of Science in Computer Science 28. Bcahelor of Agricultural Technology 29. Bachelor of Science in Agriculture 30. Bachelor of Science in Applied Sciences	MSCE or IGSE 'O' level certificate with at least grade 'C' in Biology, Mathematics and Chemistry at A-Level or any comparable qualification AND a relevant University Diploma (which also covered basic science courses) obtained from an accredited institution of higher learning	NRC	Two/ Three	Four Years
31. Bachelor of Arts in Textile and Fashion Design	MSCE or IGSE 'O' level certificate with at least grade 'C' in Mathematics and English at A-Level or any comparable qualification AND a relevant University Diploma (which also covered textile courses) obtained from an accredited institution of higher learning and relevant work experience in the textile and fashion industry or non-traditional qualifications such as vocational qualifications, foundation courses, or prior learning assessments	NRC	Two/ Three	Four Years

2. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

a. Additional requirements for admission

Candidates must meet the specific minimum entry requirement for each Faculty/programme as outlined above.

b. International Students

International students are admitted using the same criteria for Malawian candidates. Successful international candidates are required to submit police clearance reports from their countries of origin and pay USD100 processing fee for a study permit, during their registration at LUANAR.

c. Tuition fees for the 2026/2027 academic year

LEVEL OF STUDY	COLLEGE/CAMPUS	TUITION AND ADMINISTRATIVE FEES/YEAR
Bachelors Degree (Economic Fee-Paying)	Bunda and NRC Campus	MWK2, 800, 000.00 (Subject to change at any time)
Bachelors Degree (Mature Entry)	Bunda and NRC Campus	MWK995,000.00 (Subject to change at any time)

3. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

All applicants are required to apply using an online application system accessible using the following link https://luanar.ac.mw/pgapps/new_use_form.php

A complete application package must include:

i. Scanned copies of original diplomas/certificates/academic transcripts which have been indicated on the application. These must be duly certified by a Commissioner of Oaths as true copies of the originals.

ii. Proof of payment of application fee deposit slip bearing the name of the applicant and the amount of application fee paid.

iii. Proof of English Language proficiency for international candidates whose first language is not English.

All applicants are strictly required to deposit a non-refundable application fee of K20,000.00 for Malawian and US$35.00 for international applicants to the following bank account:

	BUNDA CAMPUS	**NRC CAMPUS**
DETAILS	NATIONAL BANK OF MALAWI	NATIONAL BANK OF MALAWI
Account Name	LUANAR Student Rentals	NRC Fees
Account Type	Current	Current
Account Number	1000969806	1848984
Branch	Lilongwe	Lilongwe Branch
Swift Code	NBMAMWMW008	NBMAMMWMW

NOTE: LUANAR DOES NOT ACCEPT PAYMENTS THROUGH AIRTEL MONEY OR TNM MPAMBA UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, ONLY THE ABOVE ACCOUNT DETAILS. PLEASE BE AWARE THAT LUANAR PERSONNEL WILL NOT CONTACT APPLICANTS DIRECTLY TO SOLICIT ANY PAYMENTS.

4. CLOSING DATE

THE CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIVING APPLICATIONS IS TUESDAY, 31ST MAY 2026.

All applications technical challenges should be reported to academics@luanar.ac.mw, admissions@luanar.ac.mw, nraadmissions@luanar.ac.mw OR nrcacademics@luanar.ac.mw

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