

Knowlegde Innovation Excellence

LILONGWE UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSIONS INTO POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES FOR THE 2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR

The Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (LUANAR) is inviting applications from suitably qualified persons for admission into its postgraduate programmes for the 2019/2020 academic year.

1. Preliminary information for interested applicants

a. Minimum generic entry requirements for admissions:

| PhD programmes | MSc. and Postgraduate Diploma programmes | | | | |
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| • A recognised and relevant Master of Science Degree obtained from a recognised | • A recognised and relevant Bachelor of Science | | | | |
| institution of higher learning. | Degree obtained from a recognised | | | | |
| Candidate should also demonstrate ability to conduct independent research by providing | institution of higher learning. | | | | |
| at least one example of a scientific publication in print or electronic format as well as a | • In cases where a credit pass/cGPA of at least | | | | |
| description of any published or unpublished research, thesis, contributions to professional | 2.6 is required, candidates with a mere pass | | | | |
| or scholarly literature, and other professional or academic experiences relevant to an | but with vast relevant work experience may | | | | |
| assessment of the candidates capacity to pursue doctoral studies successfully. | also be considered. | | | | |
| • A brief curriculum vitae containing an overview of education, work, publications, and other professional activities as well as at least three | | | | | |
| references from persons in professional and academic communities; | | | | | |
| • Where necessary, candidates will also be required to take oral and/or written examinations in their major and minor fields to determine overall | | | | | |
| preparation and background to cope with their desired programme. | | | | | |

b. Conditional Offers: Candidates assessment for admission will be based on the academic transcripts provided and emphasis will be placed on the courses the candidate has already covered, and if such courses and/or their grades are found to be insufficient for admission to the desired

programme, the candidate will be required to take some enhancing courses from the existing taught MSc. or taught PhD programs before commencement of, or during their postgraduate studies.

- c. Further requirements: Candidates must also meet the specific entry requirements for each faculty/programme as outlined under Section 2 of this advert and Section F programme details section of PGDMP-2019/2020 application form.
- d. Semester Intake: Candidates must also indicate whether March or September Intake.

e. Programme duration and commencement dates:

| Programme Duration | | | |
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| PhD programmes | 3 - 4 years | | |
| Masters programmes | 2 years | | |

2. Programmes on offer and specific entry requirements

a. All postgraduate applicants are required to submit their application using PGDMP-2019/2020 Application Form.

| | Programme | Campus | Mode of Delivery | Specific Entry Requirements |
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| 1. | PhD in Agricultural and Resource Economics (Regional Programme) | Bunda | Full-time | At least two years' work experience in the public and private sectors, voluntary or community-based organizations, and international and non-governmental organizations; and A recognised Master's Degree in Economics, Agricultural Economics, Environmental Economics, and related fields with credit or <i>c</i> GPA of 3.0 and above. |
| 2. | PhD in Agricultural and Applied Economics Research | Bunda/City Campus | Research | At least two years' work experience in the public and private sectors, voluntary or community-based organizations, and international and non-governmental organizations; and A recognised Master's Degree in Economics, Social Sciences and related fields with credit or <i>c</i> GPA of 3.0 and above. |
| 3. | PhD in Animal Science | Bunda | Full time by | A recognised taught or research Masters' degree with a strong pass in |

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| | | | Research | Animal Science or closely related fields. | |
| | | | | Candidates should also demonstrate ability to conduct independent | |
| | | | | research through presentation of a pre-qualifying seminar of the candidate's master's degree research. | |
| 4. | PhD in Aquaculture and Fisheries Science | Bunda | Full time | A recognised Master's Degree in Aquaculture, Fisheries Science or any closely related fields. | |
| 5. | PhD in Crop and Soil Sciences by Research | Bunda | Research | A recognised Master's Degree in Agriculture or any related fields | |
| 6. | PhD in Forestry | Bunda | Full time | A recognised Master's Degree in Forestry, Social Forestry or any closely related fields. | |
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| 7. | MSc. in Agricultural and Applied Economics | Bunda | Full time (1 year taught and 1 year research) | A recognised Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture, Economics, Social Sciences and related fields. | |
| 8. | MSc. in Rural Development and Extension | Bunda | Full time (1 year taught and 1 year research) | A recognised relevant Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture or any relevant field with a credit pass/cGPA of at least 3.00 or equivalent. Candidates with a mere pass/cGPA of not less than 2.60 or equivalent but with at least 2 years relevant work experience may also be considered. | |
| 9. | MSc. in Agribusiness Management | Bunda | Full-time Part-time (during evenings and weekends) | A recognised relevant Bachelor of Science degree in Agribusine Management, Economics, Agriculture and related fields with a minimum of 2.6 GPA or equivalent. GPA of between 2.0 and 2.6 can be considered for candidates with minimum of 2 years relevant work experience. | |
| 10. | MSc. in Agriculture Education | Bunda | Full time (1 year taught and 1 year research) | A recognised Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture Education or in equivalent. Candidates with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultur and a Certificate in Education would also be considered. | |
| 11. | 11. MSc. in Irrigation Full-time (1 year engineering fields (Civil, Irrigation, Agricultural, Water Re Engineering Bunda taught and 1 year supply and Sanitation, Environmental) with at least | | A recognised Bachelor of Science degree in any of the following engineering fields (Civil, Irrigation, Agricultural, Water Resources, Water Supply and Sanitation, Environmental) with at least a strong pass. Candidates with a mere pass/cGPA of not less than 2.60 or equivalent | | |

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| | | | | but with relevant work experience may also be considered. | |
| 12. | MSc. in Agronomy - (Agronomy or Plant Breeding) | Bunda | Full time (1 year taught and 1 year research) | A recognised Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture, Agronomy, Plant Breeding or any relevant field. | |
| 13. | MSc. in Soil Science | Bunda | Full time (1 year taught and 1 year research) | A recognised Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture, Soil Science or any relevant field. | |
| 14. | MSc. in Seed Science | Bunda | Full time (1 year taught and 1 year research) | A recognised Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture, Seed Science or any relevant field. | |
| 15. | MSc. in Crop Protection | Bunda | Full time (1 year taught and 1 year research) | A recognised Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture, Crop Protection or any relevant field. | |
| 16. | MSc. in Horticulture | Bunda | Full time (1 year taught and 1 year research) | A recognised Bachelor of Science degree in Horticulture, Agronomy, Natural Sciences or any of the Biological Sciences with at least a strong pass. | |
| 17. | MSc. in Animal Science | Bunda | Full time (1 year taught and 1 year research) | A recognised Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science with credit/ <i>c</i> GPA of 3.00 or above. Candidates with a <i>strong pass</i> but with a minimum of 2 years relevant work experience will also be considered. | |
| 18. | MSc. in Environment and Climate Change | Bunda | Full time (1 year taught and 1 year research) | A recognised Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental and Climat Change Sciences or equivalent fields. | |
| 19. | MSc. in Food Science and Technology | Bunda | Full-time (1 year taught and 1 year research) | A recognised Bachelor of Science degree in Food Science/Nutrition and Food Science pass with a credit cGPA of 3.00 or above. Candidates with a pass or cGPA of not less than 2.60 or equivalent but with a minimum of 2 years relevant work experience will also be considered. | |
| 20. | MSc. in Natural Resources Management | Bunda | Full time (1 year taught and 1 year research) | A recognised Bachelor of Science Degree in Natural Resources Management or equivalent fields. | |
| 21. | MSc. in Forestry | Bunda | Full time (1 year taught and 1 year research) | A recognised Bachelor of Science Degree in Forestry, Agroforestry, Social Forestry, Tropical Forestry, Horticulture, Agriculture, Crop Science or other relevant Biological Sciences with at least a credit pass/ <i>c</i> GPA of | |

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| | | | | 3.0. Candidates with a mere pass but with vast relevant work | |
| | | | | experience may also be considered. | |
| | | | | A recognised Bachelor of Science Degree in Forestry, Agroforestry, | |
| 22. | MSc. In Environmental | | Full time (1 year | Social Forestry, Tropical Forestry, Horticulture, Agriculture, Crop Science | |
| 22. | Forestry | Bunda | taught and 1 year | or other relevant Biological Sciences with at least a credit pass/cGPA of | |
| | | | research) | 3.0. Candidates with a mere pass but with vast relevant work | |
| | | | | experience may also be considered. v | |
| | | | | A recognised Bachelor of Science Degree in Forestry, Agroforestry, | |
| | | | Full time (1 year | Social Forestry, Tropical Forestry, Horticulture, Agriculture, Crop Science | |
| 23. | MSc. in Agroforestry | Bunda | taught and 1 year | or other relevant Biological Sciences with at least a credit pass/cGPA of | |
| | | | research) | 3.0. Candidates with a mere pass but with vast relevant work | |
| | | experience may also be considered. | | | |
| | MSc. in Aquaculture | | Full time (1 year | A recognised Bachelor of Science Degree in Aquaculture, Fisheries | |
| 24. | | Bunda | taught and 1 year | Science, Animal/Veterinary Science or other relevant biological sciences, | |
| | | | research) | with at least a credit pass/cGPA of 2.60. Candidates with a mere pass | |
| | | | | but with vast relevant work experience may also be considered. | |
| | | Bunda | Full time (1 year taught and 1 year research) | A recognised Bachelor of Science Degree in Aquaculture, Fisheries | |
| 25. | MSc. in Fisheries | | | Science, Animal/Veterinary Science or other relevant Biological Sciences, with at least a credit pass/cGPA of 2.60. Candidates with a | |
| 25. | Wise. III Fishenes | | | mere pass but with vast relevant work experience may also be | |
| | | | | considered. | |
| | | | | A relevant Bachelor of Science degree in Food Science, Human Nutrition | |
| | | | Full time (1 year | or any relevant field with a credit pass/cGPA of at least 3.00 or | |
| 26. | MSc. In Human Nutrition | Bunda | taught and 1 year research) | equivalent. Candidates with a mere pass/cGPA of not less than 2.60 or | |
| | | | | equivalent but with vast relevant work experience may also be | |
| | | | | considered. | |
| | | City Campus | Weekend (1 year taught and 1 year research) | A relevant Bachelor of Science Degree obtained from an institution of | |
| | Master of Science in Gender and Development | | | higher learning recognized by NCHE. | |
| 27. | | | | A credit pass/cGPA of at least 3.00 or equivalent. | |
| | | | | Candidates with a mere pass/cGPA of not less | |
| | | | | than 2.60 or equivalent but with vast relevant | |
| | | | | work experience may also be considered. | |

3. Application procedure

a. The address for obtaining and submitting application forms is: The University Registrar, LUANAR, Bunda Campus, P.O. Box 219, Lilongwe, and (Attention Admissions Office). The application form can also be downloaded from www.luanar.ac.mw and from the following LUANAR Official Updates Facebook group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/luanarupdates/

b. A complete application package MUST include the following:

- i. Application form PGDMP-2019/2020;
- **ii.** Copies of all relevant degrees/certificates/academic transcripts which are being used for the application. These must be duly certified as true copies of the originals by a recognised Commissioner of Oaths.
- iii. Two academic reference letters.
- iv. 1 page research interest concept note.
- v. Write up on candidate's research experience and suitability for Postgraduate studies.
- vi. Curriculum vitae (CV) with names and contact details of three traceable referees.
- vii. Original proof of availability of funds for training i.e. official sponsorship letter.
- viii. Proof of payment of an appropriate application fee bearing the name of the applicant and the amount of application fee paid.
- ix. English proficiency certificate (a must for all international applicants) or proof that undergraduate courses were taught in English Language. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED!
- c. **Application fee:** all applicants are <u>strictly</u> required to <u>deposit</u> a <u>non-refundable</u> application fee of K10, 000.00 for Malawian and \$30.00 USD for international applicants to one of the following **Bunda Fees Bank Accounts**:

| DETAILS | NATIONAL BANK OF MALAWI | NBS BANK |
|----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Account Type | Current | Current |
| Account Number | 2175762 | 0050886475017 |
| Branch | Lilongwe Branch | Lilongwe Branch |
| Swift Code | NBMAMWMW008 | NBSTMWMW |

4. Closing date

THE CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIVING APPLICATIONS IS MONDAY, 31ST DECEMBER 2018 ONLY APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BY THIS DEADLINE WILL BE CONSIDERED.