

AFRICAN CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR INNOVATIVE TEACHING AND LEARNING MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE (ACEITLMS)







Call for Applications for Master of Education in Science Education at University of Rwanda- College of Education (UR-CE), ACEITLMS

Academic year 2019/2020

The Management of the University of Rwanda (UR) through its African Centre of Excellence for Innovative Teaching and Learning Mathematics and Science (ACEITLMS) at the College of Education (UR-CE), is pleased to invite interested and qualified candidates for applications for the Master of Education in Science Education with the following exit awards:

- 1. Master of Education in Biology Education:
- 2. Master of Education in Chemistry Education
- 3. Master of Education in Mathematics Education
- 4. Master of Education in Physics Education

1. About ACEITLMS

The ACEITLMS is one of the four African Centres of Excellence (ACEs) of the ACE II Project hosted at UR under a partnership between the Government of Rwanda and the World Bank to strengthen higher education by delivering quality postgraduate education and building collaborative research capacity in the Eastern and Southern Africa region. The core aim of ACEITLMS is to strengthen human capacity in the delivery of quality teaching and learning of mathematics and science in Rwanda and across the region, in partnership with regional and international higher learning institutions through the three main activities namely (i) teaching and learning, (ii) research and training, and (iii) community engagement. For teaching and learning, the Centre is running PhD and MEd programmes in Science and Mathematics Education whose graduates are expected to bring innovation in teaching and learning of Science and Mathematics. In this regard, ACEITLMS calls for Applications to the above-mentioned programme which is expected to start with the academic year 2019-2020.





2. Admission requirements

To be admitted to the MEd in Science Education, candidates should have an undergraduate degree with Honours in Mathematics / Science (Biology, Chemistry, and Physics) Education with upper second class or equivalent;

For Bachelors degree holders in Mathematics or Science without Education, a Postgraduate Diploma in Education is required;

As English is the language of instruction at UR, candidates should demonstrate sufficient ability in English proficiency to undertake a Masters level work.

N.B: Degree obtained outside Rwanda should obtain equivalence in respect to the Rwanda National Qualification Framework;

Female candidates and applicants with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

3. Mode of attendance, Duration and Commencement

The program is a full time by coursework in a modular system and Dissertation at UR-CE, Rukara Campus for maximum two years (four semesters) starting in September 2019.

4. Payment and fee structure

See the university fee structure accessible from University of Rwanda's website: https://ur.ac.rw/IMG/pdf/fees structure 2018 2019 combined-pivote.pdf

Opportunity for funding

(i) ACEITLMS scholarship

There are scholarship opportunities available on a competitive basis. Candidates awarded the ACEITLMS scholarships will only be supported for the duration of studies, i.e. 2 years but this will be initially granted for one year renewable upon successful completion of the first year.

(ii) Scholarship for Female candidates by IUCEA:

There are few full and partial scholarship opportunities available on a competitive basis for eligible regional female candidates for 2019 intake. For more information please visit this link https://ace2.iucea.org/index.php/call2

Candidates who would like to apply for IUCEA scholarships should submit directly their applications for special processing to get the admission letters on time.

Self sponsored candidates are highly encouraged to apply to the ACEITLMS programmes



5. Key dates for this call

- i. Opening of online application process: 22 April 2019
- ii. Closing of online application process: 24 May 2019
- iii. Selection, admission announcement of selected candidates: 14 June 2019
- iv. Starting date: 16 September 2019

6. Application process

- i. Go to UR-CPGS Website (<u>www.postgraduate.ur.ac.rw</u>) by clicking on the link <u>UR Center</u>
 <u>Postgraduate Studies</u> on UR website (<u>www.ur.ac.rw</u>);
- ii. Go to Student Portal and click on (New Application);
- iii. Fill the Bibliographical Form and click (Save) at the end;
- iv. You will get "Your Student ID Reference Number" and create PIN;
- v. Please keep this ID Reference Number as it will be your identification for your study and all transaction at UR;
- vi. Go to the bank and pay your application fees (10,000 Frw (12\$) for Rwandan and EAC citizens and 12,000Frw (14\$) for international student) at the account detailed below:

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UR-	Account Number in	Account Number in	Bank Name	SWIFT Code
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	00094-07744802-79	00094-07744803-80	Bank of	BKIGRWRW
			Kigali	

- viii. Go back to Student Portal on (www.postgraduate.ur.ac.rw);
- ix. On the right panel under Registered Users, put your Student ID reference Number and created PIN. You will get a Form where there is a link for Application;
- x. Fill the Application Form and Save at the end.

7. Required documents

Please send the following (scanned and saved in PDF one folder) documents to the following e-mail: admissions.pgs@ur.ac.rw (please make sure that the name of the folder is your ID Reference Number) with a copy to aceitlms@ur.ac.rw and mugabol2000@yahoo.com

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- i. A Motivation letter;
- ii. A recent passport sized photograph and copy of ID or Passport;
- iii. Notarized Undergraduate Degree or equivalence from HEC and transcripts;
- iv. Updated CV;
- v. Two Recommendation Letters from Academic referees who are knowledgeable about the applicant;
- vi. Sponsorship letter from an organization (if any);
- vii. Proof of payment of 10,000 FRw (12\$) for Rwandan and EAC citizens and 12,000Frw (14\$) for international candidates.

8. Address and contact details

For any additional information, clarification or inquiry, please contact:

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Thank you for choosing the University of Rwanda (UR).

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