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## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR STUDENT EXCHANGE BETWEEN MAKERERE UNIVERSITY 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 5 years (2019-2023) 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 Masters 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 Masters 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 Education (Curriculum and Instruction) in the College of Education, Masters of Information Systems, and Masters in Software Engineering in the College of Science and Technology to apply for student exchange programme which will take place at Makerere University, Uganda. The selected students will have opportunity to do research work and also attend some courses at the host university from November to December 2023.

### III. Funding

Each selected student will be supported with the following:

- 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 (1 student from Msc in Information Systems or Msc in Software Engineering and 1 student from Masters of Education) can be supported with a scholarship. The preferences will be given to students who have completed their coursework, so that when they go to Makerere University, they will work on their master thesis. If students want, they could also take one or two courses at the same time from this list of modules: [\(1\) MDT 7103 Learning, Cognition & Technology](#); [\(2\) MDT 7104 Principles & Practices of Open, Distance & e-Learning](#); [\(3\) MIS 7120 Management For IS Professionals](#); and the module of Design; [\(4\) MIS7117: Human Factors in Information Systems Design](#).

Selected candidates will need to successfully attend and pass the courses.

#### IV. Application requirements

- Current students of Masters in Education Curriculum and Instruction in the College of Education, Msc in Information Systems, and Msc in Software Engineering in the College of Science and Technology in their 2<sup>nd</sup> year of study (or have completed all Courseworks)
- Students with an average score of at least 70%
- Self-motivation, management and drive for learning with interest in a Technical Research project
- Proficient in use of technology in learning
- Academic essay and research paper writing skills

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 3 pages**) addressed to the Director of the UR Center of Postgraduate Studies
- A research project concept note of 3-5 pages.
- Copy of Bachelor's degree and transcripts/or HEC Equivalence
- Updated CV
- Proof of registration for 1<sup>st</sup> year or 2<sup>nd</sup> year of studies



## 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](mailto:nzanywafr@gmail.com)/[fnzanywayingoma@ur.ac.rw](mailto:fnzanywayingoma@ur.ac.rw), PG Programmes Coordinator in SoICT, and [leobuhigiro@gmail.com](mailto:leobuhigiro@gmail.com), PG Programmes Coordinator, in SoE, Tel: 0780310446 & 0788897814, and cc to [ndumathias2001@yahoo.com](mailto:ndumathias2001@yahoo.com) Tel : 0788 897 814, [alfruwitonze@gmail.com](mailto:alfruwitonze@gmail.com), and [ur-cpgscholarship@ur.ac.rw](mailto: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 is 09<sup>th</sup> November, 2023***

*Done at Kigali, 30./10/ 2023*



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