CENTRE FOR POSTGRADUATE STUDIES (UR-CPGS)

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

Call for Application for Masters of Education in Science Education at University of Rwanda- College of Education (UR-CE), ACEITLMS.

Academic year 2018/2019

The Management of the University of Rwanda (UR) through the 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 in the Masters Program in Science Education with the following exit awards:

- 1. Master of Education in Science Education (Biology Education);
- 2. Master of Education in Science Education (Chemistry Education);
- 3. Master of Education in Science Education (Mathematics Education);
- 4. Master of Education in Science Education (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 programs 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 program which is expected to start with the academic year 2018-2019.

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, 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 December 2018.

4. Payment and fee structure

See the university fee structure accessible from University of Rwanda's website www.ur.ac.rw under Academic section; Fee structure and payment information.

5. Opportunity for funding

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. Such support will cover:

- Living cost, accommodation and local transport up to 3000 US\$ per year for regional students and 2400 US\$ for local students, with an additional 600 US\$ for female candidates.
- Tuition fee as per UR fee structure, and
- A round trip air ticket for some selected candidates from other African countries.

Self sponsored candidates are highly encouraged to apply.

6. Key dates for this call

- i. Opening of online application process:October23rd, 2018
- ii. Closing of online application process: November 23rd, 2018
- iii. Selection, admission and announcement of selected candidates: November 30th, 2018
- iv. Starting date: January 7th, 2019.

7. 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 From 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 for Rwandan and EAC citizens and 12,000FRw for international student) at the account detailed below:

UR-College of	Account Number	Bank Name	SWIFT Code
Education	000094-00651933-38	Bank of Kigali	BKIGRWRW

- vii. Go back to Student Portal on (www.postgraduate.ur.ac.rw);
- viii. 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;
- ix. Fill the Application Form and Save at the end.

8. Required documents

Please send the following (scanned and saved in 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

- 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 at payment of 10,000 FRw for Rwandan and EAC citizens and 12,000FRw for international candidates.

9. Address and contact details

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Thank you for choosing the University of Rwandar URPPOS

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