



## POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The Malawi University of Business and Applied Sciences (MUBAS) is pleased to invite eligible candidates to apply for admission into its Postgraduate Programmes. The programmes will commence in **March, 2024**.

### A. SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC SCIENCES

#### 1. Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

- a) PhD in Entrepreneurship
- b) PhD in Strategic Management
- c) PhD in Financial Management

**Applicants must have** a relevant Master's or MPhil degree from an accredited university. The duration of the PhD programme is 3 years.

#### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants will be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$ 10,000** for the whole PhD programme to cater for tuition, supervision and thesis examination with an indicative figure of **US\$ 4,500.00** for research.

#### 2. Master of Business Administration (MBA)

#### **Target Audience**

The programme is designed to suit middle or senior level managers from commercial, industrial, non – profit making or public sector organisations, especially those who would like to prepare themselves for a more challenging senior position.

**Venues: Blantyre and Lilongwe**

## Entry Requirements

An accredited university degree in any field or a relevant professional qualification such as ACCA, CIMA, CA(M), CFA, CPS etc., plus a minimum of three (3) years' work experience at a management position after obtaining the relevant qualification. Those with a strong pass shall have an added advantage.

Candidates who exited the programme with a **Postgraduate Diploma**, on grounds other than academic withdrawal, shall be eligible to join the second year to complete the dissertation, provided it is within three years after exiting.

## Fees Structure

Successful applicants will be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$7,650.00** to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination. The programme duration is 2 years offered on a non-residential basis.

**Mode of delivery:** Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays; from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

## B. SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA STUDIES

### 1. Master of Technical and Vocational Education (MTVE)

**Applicants must have** a bachelor's degree in Technical Education or its equivalent from an accredited university or institution, with a **minimum average grade of 55%**. The minimum average grade is computed based on final year grades. For applicants with grade point average (GPA) grades, please note that the requirement is a minimum GPA of **2.5**.

## Fees Structure

Successful applicants will be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$4,500.00** for domicile and SADC students and **US\$6,000.00** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination. The programme duration is 2 years offered on a non-residential basis.

### 2. Master of Arts in Media Studies (MMS)

**Applicants must have** a bachelor of arts degree in Journalism, Media Studies, Mass Communication, Business Communication or any communication related discipline from an accredited higher education institution. **Those with a strong pass (average grade of at least 55%) shall have an added advantage.**

Candidates with a first degree and at least a strong pass in a field other than those specified above must possess at least relevant experience in a media, journalism or communication related field.

## Fees Structure

Successful applicants will be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$5,500.00** for domicile and SADC students. and **US\$6,500.00** for other international students to cater for tuition,

research project supervision and dissertation examination. The programme duration is 2 years offered on a non-residential basis.

Venues: Blantyre and Lilongwe\* (\*dependent on student numbers)

### 3. Master of Arts in Health and Behaviour Change Communication (MHBCC)

**Applicants must have** a bachelor's degree in any of the following: environmental health, communication, health promotion, health education, journalism, media studies, humanities or any other related field. **Those with a strong pass (average grade of at least 55%) shall have an added advantage.**

#### Fees Structure

Successful applicants will be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$5,500.00** for domicile and SADC students and **US\$7,000.00** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination. The programme duration is 2 years offered on a non-residential basis

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## C. SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

### 1. Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Engineering

- a) PhD in Engineering (Industrial Management)
- b) PhD in Engineering (Infrastructure Development and Management)
- c) PhD in Engineering (Power and Machines)
- d) PhD in Engineering (Telecommunications)
- e) PhD in Civil Engineering

### 2. Master of Philosophy (MPhil) in Engineering

- a) MPhil in Engineering (Industrial Management)
- b) MPhil in Engineering (Infrastructure Development & Management)
- c) MPhil in Engineering (Power and Machines)
- d) MPhil in Engineering (Telecommunications)
- e) MPhil in Civil Engineering

**Applicants for PhD programmes MUST have** a relevant Masters or MPhil. degree from an accredited university or institution. The PhD programme is for 3 years.

**Applicants for MPhil. programmes MUST have** a Bachelor's degree in Engineering or relevant field with a minimum average grade of 55% or GPA of 2.5 in the final year. Subject to the evaluation of the Bachelor's degree, candidates may be required to accumulate 60 credits of taught modules relevant to the selected MPhil. research area. The duration of the programme is 2.5 years.

#### Fees Structure

- i. **US\$10, 000.00 (Paid in MK Equivalent)** to cater for tuition, supervision and thesis examination with an indicative figure of **US \$ 4,500.00** for research.
- ii. **\$5,500.00 (Paid in MK Equivalent)** to cater for tuition, supervision and thesis examination with an indicative figure of **US\$3,500.00** for research.

### **3. Master of Science in Civil Engineering (MSCE)**

Master of Science in Civil Engineering is a new programme introduced with the aim of equipping students with advanced conceptual understanding, detailed factual knowledge, and specialist technical skills in Civil Engineering. The programme has common modules, and specialised elective modules leading to specialisation in any of the following five pathways:

- a) Water Engineering
- b) Structural Engineering
- c) Transportation Engineering
- d) Geotechnical Engineering
- e) Construction Management

Applicants must have a relevant bachelor's degree in the field of Civil Engineering or any related discipline from an accredited university. Candidates with a pass must have a minimum of 2 years of work experience. For applicants with grade point average (GPA) grades, the requirement is a minimum GPA of **2.5**

#### **Fees Structure**

Fees for the programme is **US\$6,500.00** for domicile and SADC students and, **US\$7,500.00** for other international students, payable in Malawi Kwacha. Depending on nature of research, additional research fees may apply. The programme duration is 2 years and non-residential.

### **4. Master of Science in Infrastructure Development and Management (MIDM)**

Applicants must at least have a bachelor's degree in Applied Sciences, Engineering, Urban, District and Regional Planning, Architecture and Surveying from any accredited higher education institution with an **average grade of at least 55%**. The average grade is computed based on final year grades. For applicants with grade point average (GPA) grades, the requirement is a minimum GPA of **2.5**.

#### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants will be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$6,500.00** to cater for tuition, supervision and dissertation examination. The programme duration is 2 years offered on block release and non-residential basis.

### **5. Master of Science in Sustainable Energy (MSE)**

This Masters Programme is part of the Transforming Energy Access - Learning Partnerships (TEA-LP) Project, implemented at MUBAS and at other selected African Universities. The Programme has been developed with support from DFID through University of Cape Town. The programme has 2 streams; Energy Access and Energy Management. The Energy Access stream

is ideal for physical scientists, who, after the study would provide solutions to energy access challenges using physical sciences and engineering. On the other hand, Energy Management stream is for those who are not necessarily physical scientists but are from fields such as commerce and social science.

- i. **Applicants for the Energy Access** stream must have a bachelor's degree in science, engineering, renewable energy, built environment, or technical education.
- ii. **Applicants for the Energy Management** Stream must have a relevant bachelor's degree in science, engineering, built environment, renewable energy, technical education, commerce, or social science.
- iii. In both streams, the applicants must have an **average Pass of at least 55%**. The minimum average grade is computed based on final year grades. For applicants with grade point average (GPA) grades, the requirement is a minimum GPA of **2.5**. The qualifications must be obtained from any accredited higher education institution.

### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants will be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$6,500.00** to cater for tuition, supervision and dissertation examination. The programme duration is 2 years offered on block release and non-residential basis.

## **D. SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

### **1. Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Sciences (PhD)**

- a) PhD in Applied Sciences (Applied Mathematics)
- b) PhD in Applied Sciences (Applied Statistics)
- c) PhD in Applied Sciences (Environmental Health)
- d) PhD in Applied Sciences (Environmental Sanitation)
- e) PhD in Applied Sciences (Environmental Protection and Management)
- f) PhD in Applied Sciences (Industrial Process Technology)
- g) PhD in Applied Sciences (Information Systems)
- h) PhD in Applied Sciences (Information Technology)
- i) PhD in Applied Sciences (Public Health Engineering)
- j) PhD in Applied Sciences (Renewable Energy)
- k) PhD in Applied Sciences (Water Resources Management)

### **2. Master of Philosophy in Applied Sciences (MPhil)**

- a) MPhil in Applied Sciences (Applied Mathematics)
- b) MPhil in Applied Sciences (Applied Statistics)
- c) MPhil in Applied Sciences (Data Analytics)
- d) MPhil in Applied Sciences (Environmental Health)
- e) MPhil in Applied Sciences (Environmental Sanitation)
- f) MPhil in Applied Sciences (Environmental Protection and Management)
- g) MPhil in Applied Sciences (Industrial Process Technology)
- h) MPhil in Applied Sciences (Information Technology)
- i) MPhil in Applied Sciences (Public Health Engineering)

- j) MPhil in Applied Sciences (Renewable Energy)
- k) MPhil in Applied Sciences (Water Resources Management)

**Applicants for PhD programmes MUST have** a relevant Masters or MPhil degree from an accredited higher education institution. The PhD programme is for 3 years.

**Applicants for MPhil. programmes MUST have** an honours degree in the first or upper second division or a bachelor's degree with an average grade of at least **55%**. The average grade is computed based on final year grades. For applicants with grade point average (GPA) grades, the requirement is a minimum GPA of **2.5**.

Candidates with a bachelor's degree will be required to accumulate 60 credits of taught modules relevant to the selected MPhil research area. The MPhil programme is for 2.5 years.

### **Fees Structure**

- i. **US\$10, 000.00 (Paid in MK Equivalent)** for the whole PhD programme to cater for tuition, supervision and thesis examination with an indicative figure of **US\$ 4,500.00** for research.
- ii. **US\$5,500 (Paid in MK Equivalent)** for the whole MPhil programme to cater for tuition, supervision, and thesis examination with an indicative figure of **US\$3,500.00** for research.

### **3. Master of Science in Data Analytics**

The MSc in Data Analytics is a new programme introduced in the Department of Computing and Information Systems. The programme aims to provide students with advanced knowledge of Data Analytics and Information Systems including specialised areas such as data mining, machine learning, data visualisation and security of Big Data, having state of the art techniques, programming toolkit, and industrial and societal application scenarios.

**Applicants must have** a relevant bachelor's degree such as a BSc in Information Technology/Systems, Computer Science, Business and related fields from any accredited higher education institution.

### **Fees Structure**

Fees for the programme shall be the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$6,500.00** for domicile and SADC students and **US\$7,500.00** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination. The programme duration is 2 years offered on a non-residential basis.

### **4. Master of Science in Environmental Health (MEH)**

**Applicants must have** a bachelor's degree with an average grade of at least **50%**. The average grade is computed based on final year grades. For applicants with grade point average (GPA) grades, the requirement is a minimum GPA of **2.0**. The applicant must specialise in Environmental Health, Public Health or any other related field from any accredited higher education institution.

Applicants with a Postgraduate Diploma in Environmental Health shall be re-admitted into the programme for another one year to complete and submit their dissertation with the full cost of fees for the year.

### **Fees Structure**

Fees for the programme shall be the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$6,500.00** for domicile and SADC students and **US\$7,500.00** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination. Research fees for students who want to conduct their research using University laboratory will depend on the type of research. The programme duration is 2 years offered on a non-residential basis.

## **5. Master of Science in Environmental Protection and Management (MEPM)**

**Applicants must have** a relevant bachelor's degree in Pure, Natural or Applied Sciences from any accredited higher education institution.

### **Fees Structure**

Fees for the programme shall be the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$6,500.00** for domicile and SADC students and **US\$7,500.00** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination. Research fees for students who want to conduct their research using University laboratory will depend on the type of research. The programme duration is 2 years offered on a non-residential basis.

## **6. Master of Science in Occupational Safety and Health (MOSH)**

**Applicants must have** a bachelor's degree in a discipline related to occupational safety and health such as Environmental Health, Environmental Engineering, Chemistry or any relevant subject area, with **an average grade of at least 50%**.

### **Fees Structure**

Fees for the programme shall be Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$6,500.00** for domicile and SADC students and **US\$7,500.00** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination. Research fees for students who want to conduct their research using University laboratory will depend on the type of research. The programme duration is 2 years offered on a non-residential basis.

## **7. Master of Science in Sanitation**

The MSc in Sanitation is part of the Global Sanitation under the auspices of the Global Sanitation Graduate School (GSGS) – IHE-Delft in The Netherlands with support from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. The programme is jointly implemented by the **Department of Physics and Biochemical Sciences** and the **Department of Environmental Health**.

**Applicants MUST have** a relevant bachelor's degree in any Applied Science or equivalent undergraduate degree. The programme has three exits: Postgraduate University Certificate, Postgraduate Diploma and MSc depending on completion of modules and dissertation.

### **Fees Structure**

Fees for the programme shall be Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$6,500** for domicile and SADC students and **US\$7,500.00** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination. Research fees for students who want to conduct their research using University laboratory will depend on the type of research. The programme duration is 2 years offered on a non-residential basis. ***There is a possibility of partial fees waiver upon successful enrolment into the programme.***

## **8. Master of Science in Water Resources Management (MWRM)**

**Applicants must have** a relevant bachelor's degree in Pure, Natural or Applied Sciences from any accredited higher education institution.

### **Fees Structure**

Fees for the programme shall be the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$6,500.00** for domicile and SADC students and **US\$7,500.00** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination. Research fees for students who want to conduct their research using a University laboratory will depend on the type of research. The programme duration is 2 years offered on a non-residential basis.

## **APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR PhD APPLICANTS**

***Please note that PhD candidates may apply for placement at any time of the academic year.***

A complete PhD application package **MUST INCLUDE:**

- i. Proof of payment of the application fee (A non-refundable application fee of **MK30,000** for Malawian applicants and **US\$60.00** for international applicants)
- ii. Completed PG programmes application form.
- iii. Certified copy of academic transcript/ academic record.
- iv. Certified copies of relevant certificates.
- v. A sample of the applicant's written academic work (journal papers, books, conference papers, conference reports, etc).
- vi. Abstract of master's degree research study.
- vii. A concept note relating to the proposed research of not more than five (5) pages (topic, introduction, problem statement, research objective, preliminary literature review, methodology, and references).
- viii. Reference letters from two (2) traceable referees (one academic and one professional).
- ix. Recent curriculum vitae.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR MPhil APPLICANTS

**Please note that MPhil candidates may apply for placement at any time of the academic year.**

A complete MPhil application package **MUST INCLUDE:**

- i. Proof of payment of the application fee (A non-refundable application fee of **MK30,000** for Malawian applicants and **US\$60.00** for international applicants)
- ii. Completed PG programmes application form.
- iii. Certified copy of academic transcript/ academic record.
- iv. Certified copies of relevant certificates.
- v. A concept note relating to the proposed research of not more than five (5) pages (topic, introduction, problem statement, research objective, preliminary literature review, methodology, and references).
- vi. Reference letters from two (2) traceable referees (at least one academic).
- vii. Recent curriculum vitae.

## APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR MASTER'S DEGREE APPLICANTS

A complete Master's programme application package **MUST INCLUDE:**

- i. Proof of payment of the application fee (A non-refundable application fee of **MK20,000.00** for Malawian applicants and **US\$60.00** for international applicants)
- ii. Completed PG programmes application form.
- iii. Certified copy of academic transcript/ academic record.
- iv. Certified copies of relevant certificates.
- v. Reference letters from two (2) traceable referees (at least one academic).
- vi. Recent curriculum vitae.

## APPLICATION METHOD

Email your application along with accompanying documents to:

[applications-postgraduate@mubas.ac.mw](mailto:applications-postgraduate@mubas.ac.mw)

## IMPORTANT!!

➤ *Application fees **MUST** be remitted to the following bank account;*

**Account name:** Polytechnic Revenue  
**Bank:** National Bank, Chichiri Branch  
**Account number:** 737461  
**Swift Code:** NBMAMWMW

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The closing date for receiving applications is FRIDAY 17<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2023