ANNOUNCEMENT FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN PALLIATIVE CARE DEGREE AND DIPLOMA IN PALLIATIVE CARE FOR 2014/2015 ACADEMIC YEAR

The Academic Registrar, Makerere University in partnership with the Institute of Hospice and Palliative Care in Africa (Hospice Africa Uganda) invites applications for the Bachelor of Science in Palliative Care and Diploma in Palliative Care, tenable at Hospice Africa Uganda for the academic year 2014/2015 commencing in August 2014.

The mission of the programme is to produce palliative care experts from a range of health disciplines who can take on clinical, service development, educational, managerial and research and development roles to build on palliative care across the region in both the private and public sectors.

Admission Requirements:

(A) Bachelor of Science in Palliative Care (BPC)

This is a 3-Year programme undertaken by distance learning with (4) weeks compulsory residential training at the beginning of each year at Hospice Africa Uganda, Kampala. It has two entry levels;

(i) Entry at Year I:
Diploma holders including; Clinical Officers, Clinical Ophthalmic Officers, Clinical Dental officers, Psychiatry Clinical Officers, Pharmacy Technicians, Physiotherapists, Occupational therapists, Social workers, registered nurses, midwives, comprehensive nurses and any other relevant and related health science diplomas. Degree holders include; medicine, dentistry and pharmacy.

(ii) Entry at Year II:
- Applicants with Diploma in Palliative Care from Makerere University/Hospice Africa Uganda, OR
- Diploma in Palliative Care from a recognized Institution of higher learning.

(B) Diploma in Palliative Care (DPC)

This is a 1-Year programme undertaken by distance learning with (4) weeks compulsory residential training at the beginning of the year at Hospice Africa Uganda, Kampala.

- Diploma holders including; Clinical Officers, Clinical Ophthalmic Officers, Clinical Dental officers, Psychiatry Clinical Officers, Pharmacy Technicians, Physiotherapists, Occupational therapists, Social workers, registered nurses, midwives, comprehensive nurses and any other relevant and related health science diplomas.
Essential Selection Criteria:

All applicants must fulfill the following Criteria:

- Must possess the required academic qualification. **Certified copies of certificates, diploma and degrees** (Not photocopies of certified copies) from the awarding Institutions must be attached to the application forms.
- Have the required professional qualification
- Must possess a Uganda Certificate of Education (“O”) level or its equivalent with at least 5 passes obtained at the same sitting.
- Must possess the Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education (“A”) level or its equivalent with at least 1 principal pass and 2 subsidiary passes obtained at the same sitting.
- Applicants who have recognized Diplomas and (“O”) level qualification but do NOT have the (“A”) level equivalent shall be admissible to the Diploma Programme.
- Must have recommendations from two referees. One must be the current supervisor
- Have a minimum of two years post qualification clinical experience
- Will be committed to palliative care service for 2 years post graduation

Course fees:
Full fees for the course will be $5,400 per year.
Fees for National Council for Higher Education - Shs.20,000/= per year

Application and Enquiries
Application forms and more information can be obtained from Hospice Africa Uganda or can be downloaded from http://www.hospiceafrica.or.ug. The completed form together with **certified copies of Diploma and Certificates** from the awarding Institutions must be submitted by **28th February 2014**.

**Application fee is Ug.Sh 50,000** for Ugandans and **US $75** for International applicants. Fees should be paid to the University through Hospice Africa Uganda and sent together with completed forms to:

The Academic Registrar,  
Institute of Hospice and Palliative Care in Africa,  
Hospice Africa Uganda,  
P.O. Box 7757, Kampala, Uganda.  
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Copy to: ar@hospiceafrica.or.ug

The closing date for returning completed application forms is Friday 28th February, 2014.

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ACADEMIC REGISTRAR