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### Govt universities hike admission points Publish Date: May 25, 2012

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Makerere and other public universities have hiked entry points for almost all courses for Government-sponsored students for the forthcoming academic year.

The provisional cut-off points obtained from the Public Universities Joint Admission Board yesterday show that about 2,603 students are to be admitted under the Government sponsorship in Makerere, Kyambogo, Busitema, Gulu and Mbarara universities. These will be admitted under the merit admissions category.

The official Government admissions list is expected to be released soon.

About 1,500 more students will be admitted under the districts' quota system and the affirmative action category in the coming month.

The cut-off points were raised for admissions to most of the science courses like architecture, telecommunication engineering, civil engineering, computer science, mechanical engineering, nursing and statistics.

For instance, a student needs to have scored 51.3 points to be admitted for pharmacy, which is a hike from 48.3 last year.

Cut-offs are generated by scoring all applicants, and later ranking them in the order of their performance; per course.

Basing on the required number of students per course, the person with the lowest points in performance determines the cut-off mark.

However, some courses had their entry points slightly lowered.

Last year, the performance at A'level slightly declined, meaning that a number of courses in humanities (commonly known as arts), have had their entry points slightly reduced by the admissions board this year.

At Kyambogo University, the most competitive courses were civil engineering and building engineering, human nutrition and dietetics, telecommunication engineering, and economics and statistics.

At Mbarara University of Science and Technology, medicine and surgery and nursing were the most competitive courses, while at Gulu University ICT, development studies, and business administration and medicine and surgery were still the most competitive.

The top 10 courses with the highest number of candidates admitted on Government sponsorship were medicine and surgery, commerce (MUBS), arts with education (literature), arts in development economics, business administration (MUBS), science education (biological), science education (physical), agriculture, science with education and electrical engineering.

Almost all public universities introduced new courses. A few of the old courses which had been scrapped off Government sponsorship have also been reintroduced.

Among the new courses under Government sponsorship is information systems, software engineering, natural resource economics, water resource engineering, meteorology, biomedical sciences, and biotechnology.

After ending the admission of students under Government sponsorship, the five public universities' will start admitting students under the private sponsorship programme.

**Makerere University** plans to admit about 33,200 students under private sponsorship.

Makerere is expected to call for private students' applications in a few days' time.

The other public universities will also be expected to call for applications for private admission in the coming week.

Private universities kicked off admissions months ago, and some may continue admitting till late June.



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i fell bad as universities hike school requirements every academic year. good for us who are done with campus. MUK CIT can stress. brothers and sisters joining on private, watch out cause these guys can make you fail. A one is supposed to pay 60% before sitting for round one test which is about 1.4m shillings. what a unfair faculty. jeff.

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Now that Private students applications have started in various institutions of higher learning, those wishing to join Makerere University should part with 50,000UGX to be able to to obtain application foam. Good luck to those joining. Kissa Richard, Makerere University

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