



CoSTClim - NORPART CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR MASTERS STUDENT MOBILITY TO NORWAY 2020

Collaborative Action for Strengthening Training Capacities in Climate Risk and Natural Resource management (CoSTClim)

1. Introduction

Makerere University in collaboration with Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU), Uganda Martyrs University (UMU) and Regional Universities Forum (for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM) are implementing a five year CoSTClim project (Collaborative Action for Strengthening Training Capacities in Climate Risk and Natural Resource management). The main goal of the project is to improve the quality of training, education and research at the partner institutions with a dedicated focus on climate risk, disaster risk management and natural resource management. CoSTClim builds on a range of other capacity development projects funded by the Norwegian Government at the partner institutions, but is more focused on education.

One of the components of CoSTClim is student mobility from Uganda to Norway and from Norway to Uganda. Therefore, we are inviting applicants from Makerere University for Masters student mobility scholarships to Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) for the year 2020. The scholarship will cover a maximum 5 months stay at NTNU in Trondheim, Norway. The successful candidates can enroll in some selected course units at NTNU as well as leveraging the stay to write their master's thesis. The width and breadth of available course units from which the candidates can select are found: <https://www.ntnu.edu/geography>. Limited research supervision will also be given by NTNU staff but the primary supervision responsibility lies with the allocated supervisors at Makerere University.

2. Eligibility and requirements for the mobility applicants

- a) The applicant should be a **fully registered student** in a relevant Masters programme at Makerere University, which aligns to the CostClim focus area.
- b) The research focus of the applicant should align strongly to climate risk, disaster risk management, natural resource management or agriculture.
- c) The applicant should demonstrate continuous progress on the masters programme - within the stated duration of the programme (2-3years).

3. Application procedure

Interested and eligible Masters students should send the following;

- a) A one page application letter
- b) A motivation statement and plan for the time at NTNU (1-2 pages)
- c) A letter from the Head of Department attesting to your registration, study status, progress on your programme and plans for completing your Masters studies.
- d) Copies of your undergraduate transcript and partial transcript or HOD endorsed results for your current studies.

Applications with all the required documents should be submitted by email to **all the three contacts below** in one message. The project application deadline is **Friday 31st January 2020**. The project will communicate to successful applicants by **15 February 2020**.

1. Dr. Yazidhi Bamutaze: yazidhibamutaze@gmail.com
2. Dr. Runyararo Jolyn Rukarwa - r.rukarwa@ruforum.org
3. Dr. Charlotte Nakakaawa Jjunju - charlotte.jjunju@ntnu.no

Short listed applicants will be invited to complete educational procedures at NTNU under the exchange arrangement. The deadline for NTNU application is: **1st April 2020** (Only those applicants who have received approval and financial support letters will be eligible to submit their applications to NTNU). An admission letter as an Exchange Student will be issued once formalities have been successfully completed at NTNU.

Beginning of the mobility and scope of the scholarship

Successful applicants are expected to begin their tenure at NTNU in **July 2020**, spending a maximum of 5 months. The scholarships will cover:

- a. One return air ticket (economy air fare) from Entebbe to Trondheim, Norway
- b. Monthly stipend at Norwegian *Lånekassen* (<https://www.lanekassen.no/nb-NO/Languages/Financial-support-for-foreign-students/Grants-and-loans/>) standard rates covering a maximum of 5 months. The stipend will cater for accommodation and living expenses
- c. Visa/residence permit processing costs
- d. Insurance