

# MAKERERE



# UNIVERSITY

## **CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR EIGHT (8) MASTERS SCHOLARSHIPS TENABLE AT MAKERERE UNIVERSITY**

### **UNDER THE NORHED II PROJECT**

### **‘CAPACITY BUILDING FOR RESEARCH–BASED TEACHER EDUCATION (CABUTE)’**

**Date: December 13, 2021**

Makerere University in collaboration with University of Bergen, Norway; Kyambogo University, Uganda; National Institute of Teacher Education (UNITE); and Western Norway University of Applied Sciences is implementing a Six (6) years NORHED II supported Project titled ‘**Capacity Building for Research–Based Teacher Education (CABUTE)**’.

CABUTE is aimed at enabling Uganda’s successful implementation of the National Teacher Policy through capacity building in English Education, General/Foundation of Education, Mathematics Education and Music Education. The specific objectives of CABUTE are:

- To strengthen the quality and relevance of postgraduate teacher education and research program and methods in selected subjects
- To strengthen postgraduate teacher educator education and research systems in the selected subjects.
- To increase competence and capacity of higher education faculty and teacher educators.
- To improve institutional small-scale infrastructure and equipment for education and research.
- To improve gender equality and inclusion of marginalized groups in teacher education and research in selected subjects.
- To increase availability of opportunities for lifelong learning among teacher educators, and
- To increase engagement with the Ugandan ministry of education and sports and other relevant stakeholders for dissemination of knowledge, among others.

Therefore, we now wish to use part of the CABUTE grant to provide a total of **Eight (8)** Masters scholarships to promising scholars conducting their studies and research at Makerere University in one or a combination of the following subject areas:

- 1) Music Education
- 2) English Language Education.
- 3) Mathematics Education.

4) General Education/Foundations of Education.

The training of the **Eight (8)** Master students will take place at Makerere University, with possible short supervision visits to the University of Bergen and other universities in this Partnership depending on the supervision needs for a particular Master student.

We invite interested candidates to apply for these Masters scholarships. The Masters training is expected to commence in January 2022 and will be supported for a period of not more than **Two (2)** years on full-time basis. The training is preferably by coursework and dissertation on the existing Masters programmes at the School of Education and School of Distance and Lifelong Learning, College of Education and External Studies.

***Eligibility***

The applicant must

- 1) Be holding at least a Bachelor's degree in Education, Teacher Education, Open, Distance and eLearning, Higher Education, Education Information Systems, Adult and Community Education (or equivalent);
- 2) Be a Ugandan citizen, aged not more than **45 years** at the time of the closing date of receiving the applications.
- 3) Be able to stay in Norway for a period of at most **Three (3)** months a year for supervision when need arises;
- 4) Not holding any other scholarship for Master studies
- 5) Demonstrate the ability to think creatively and work independently and also be able to work in a team of researchers from Uganda and Norway.
- 6) Take on a Master research project in any of the **Four** (or blend of the) subject areas named above.
- 7) Be a tutor/lecturer in a Teacher Training College in Uganda

***Interested applicants should submit the following sets of documents:***

- 1) An application letter for scholarship for Master studentship;
- 2) A current CV (maximum five pages), which includes a detailed description of previous education at university level (all courses and grades) and a description of current research interests in line with the stated project areas of focus;
- 3) Citizenship Proof – Copy of national identity card or passport;
- 4) Three recent passport size photos;
- 5) A certified copy of the applicant's Bachelor's degree/diploma;
- 6) Copy of admission letter at Makerere University in any of the four areas of interest
- 7) A research Concept Note of maximum 5 pages (guidelines given below);
- 8) At least two recommendation letters from academic referees. The referee letters should be sent together with the application
- 9) Copy of appointment letter from Education Service Commission, Ministry of Education and Sports

***The Concept Note must include:***

- 1) A description of the applicant's research interest in any of the above subject areas;

- 2) A description of the applicant's background in this area/these areas;
- 3) A discussion on the applicant's motivation for conducting Master studies;
- 4) A discussion on what outputs the applicant expects to realize through the Master studies.

#### ***Application procedure***

- 1) All application documents must be zipped up into one file folder named **Application for CABUTE Masters Scholarship**
- 2) Electronic submission of application for scholarship with supporting documents should be sent to the Coordinator of CABUTE at Makerere University, **Dr. Paul Birevu Muyinda** on email [paul.birevu@mak.ac.ug](mailto:paul.birevu@mak.ac.ug) with a copy to the Overall Coordinator of NORHED II Programme at Makerere University on e-mail [mbuyinza@mak.ac.ug](mailto:mbuyinza@mak.ac.ug) and PI CABUTE Project, University of Bergen on [steinar.satre@uib.no](mailto:steinar.satre@uib.no)
- 3) No hardcopies of application documents will be required given the prevailing covid-19 situation.
- 4) Application submission **deadline is Friday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 5pm** and interviews will be conducted **at an appropriate date to be communicated**. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for interviews. **ANY APPLICATION SENT AFTER THE DEADLINE SHALL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

#### ***Selection Process***

These are competitive Master scholarships. The applications shall be vetted by a selection panel consisting of professors from Makerere University, Kyambogo University, Uganda National Institute of Teacher Education (UNITE), Western Norway University of Applied Sciences and University of Bergen, Norway. Candidates will also be invited for interviews.

#### ***Admission for Masters at Makerere University***

The admission for Masters in Education, Higher Education, ODeL, Adult and Community Education or related field at Makerere University is independent of the scholarship award and hence candidates must follow the existing admission processes/regulations to the mandated units/programmes at Makerere University. Successful candidates for the scholarship who are not yet admitted at Makerere University will be required to follow Makerere University Master application procedure and secure admission before commencement of the Master training in January 2022.

For more details on the different research areas, contact

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**NB: WOMEN ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO APPLY**

