

MASTERCARD FOUNDATION SCHOLARS PROGRAM AT MAKERERE UNIVERSITY

SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2025/2026

Makerere University is pleased to announce 190 Undergraduate and 11 Master's Scholarships for Ugandan Nationals, Refugees, Students with Disabilities, Internally displaced young people, and International students joining Makerere University (main campus) in the Academic Year 2025/2026 under the Private Sponsorship Scheme.

Eligibility: To be eligible to apply for the Mastercard Foundation Scholars Program at Makerere University's main campus, an applicant must belong to one of the following categories: Ugandan nationals, refugees, students with disabilities, internally displaced young people, or international students and fulfil the following conditions.

A) Applicants for Undergraduate Degree Programmes

1. The applicant must have applied for admission to Makerere University's main campus under the private sponsorship scheme for the academic year 2025/2026.
2. The Applicant must have either;
 - a) Completed their advanced secondary level education (or its equivalent) in an African country or
 - b) Hold second class/credit diploma from any recognized institution or
 - c) Must have passed the mature age entry examinations of Makerere University for the Years 2023 and 2024.
3. The Applicant should be experiencing financial hardships.
4. The Applicant should not be a holder of any other scholarship, including the Government of Uganda Scholarship.
5. The Applicant should not have completed any undergraduate degree Programme.
6. The Applicant should have demonstrated leadership potential and/or community service.
7. The Applicant should be 28 or younger at the application deadline.
8. Applicants under the categories of Refugees, Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs), and Students with Disabilities should be 32 years of age or younger at the time of the application deadline
9. A refugee applicant must hold a Refugee Identity Card or Family Attestation.
10. Applicants in the Refugee Host Communities category must have completed their secondary school education within those communities.
11. The applicant should have applied for any degree programmes prioritized under the Mastercard Foundation Scholars Program at Makerere University's main campus (please refer to the application form for a list of prioritized programmes).

B) Applicants for Master's Degree Programmes

1. The applicant must have applied for admission to Makerere University's main campus for 2025/2026.
2. The Applicant must have completed their undergraduate education in an African country.
3. The Applicant should be experiencing financial hardships.
4. The Applicant should not be a holder of any other scholarship.
5. The Applicant should not be pursuing or have completed any Master's degree studies.
6. The applicant should have demonstrated leadership potential and/ or community service.
7. The Applicant should not be over 35 at the application deadline.
8. Applicants in the Refugee and Students with Disabilities categories should be under 40 at the application deadline.
9. A refugee applicant **MUST** hold a Refugee Identity card or Family Attestation.
10. The applicant should have applied for any degree programs prioritized under the Mastercard Foundation Scholars Program (please refer to the application form for a list of prioritized programs).

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Prospective applicants for the Mastercard Foundation Scholars Program at Makerere University's main campus can access and complete the application form at no cost through the **Online Application Portal** (<https://apply.mastercardfoundation.mak.ac.ug/>)

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION

The application submission deadline is **Friday, 6th June 2025, at 11:59 PM EAT.**

For inquiries or clarifications, please call our office mobile line at +256 700-716-128 or email info@mastercardfdn.mak.ac.ug