

# MUBAS POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES CALL FOR APPLICATIONS SEPTEMBER 2025 INTAKE

The Malawi University of Business and Applied Sciences (MUBAS) is pleased to invite eligible candidates to apply for admission into its Postgraduate Programmes. For enquiries contact the Postgraduate Studies Office: +265 999 640 129 or Email: head-postgraduate@mubas.ac.mw; admin-postgraduate@mubas.ac.mw

## **APPLICATION METHOD**

Email your application along with accompanying documents to: <a href="mailto:applications-postgraduate@mubas.ac.mw">applications-postgraduate@mubas.ac.mw</a>

- NOTE THAT PG CANDIDATES CAN APPLY FOR ADMISSION ANY TIME DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR.
- THE CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIVING APPLICATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2025 INTAKE IS 30 MAY, 2025.

## **IMPORTANT!!**

Application fees **MUST** be remitted to the following bank account:

**Account name:** Polytechnic Revenue

**Bank:** National Bank, Chichiri Branch

Account number: 737461

Swift Code: NBMAMWMW

# **APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR PHD APPLICANTS**

A complete PhD application package **MUST INCLUDE**:

- i. Proof of payment of the application fee (A non-refundable application fee of MK30,000 for Malawian applicants and U\$\$60.00 for international applicants)
- ii. Completed PG programmes application form.
- iii. Certified copy of academic transcript/ academic record.
- iv. Certified copies of relevant certificates.



- v. A sample of the applicant's written academic work (journal papers, books, conference papers, conference reports, etc).
- vi. Abstract of master's degree research study.
- vii. A concept note relating to the proposed research of not more than five (5) pages (topic, introduction, problem statement, research objective, preliminary literature review, methodology, and references).
- viii.Reference letters from two (2) traceable referees (one academic and one professional).
- ix. Recent curriculum vitae.

# **APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR MPhil APPLICANTS**

A complete MPhil application package MUST INCLUDE:

- i. Proof of payment of the application fee (A non-refundable application fee of **MK30,000** for Malawian applicants and **US\$60.00** for international applicants)
- ii. Completed PG programmes application form.
- iii. Certified copy of academic transcript/ academic record.
- iv. Certified copies of relevant certificates.
- v. A concept note relating to the proposed research of not more than five (5) pages (topic, introduction, problem statement, research objective, preliminary literature review, methodology, and references).
- vi. Reference letters from two (2) traceable referees (at least one academic).
- vii. Recent curriculum vitae.

# APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR MASTER'S DEGREE OR POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE APPLICANTS

A complete Master's programme or Postgraduate Certificate application package **MUST INCLUDE:** 

- i. Proof of payment of the application fee (A non-refundable application fee of **MK20,000.00** for Malawian applicants and **US\$60.00** for international applicants)
- ii. Completed PG programmes application form.
- iii. Certified copy of academic transcript/ academic record.
- iv. Certified copies of relevant certificates.
- v. Reference letters from two (2) traceable referees (at least one academic).
- vi. Recent curriculum vitae.

# A. SCHOOL OF BUILT ENVIRONMENT

# Master of Science in Land Governance New

Applicants must have any of the following degrees: Bachelor of Science in Land Surveying, Bachelor of Science in Physical Planning, Bachelor of Science in Land Economy, Bachelor of Laws, Bachelor of Arts in Development Studies, Bachelor of Science in Geography, Bachelor of Science in Land Management or any relevant built environment degree from an accredited institution of higher learning.

Candidates with a first degree and a pass in a field other than those specified in above must possess at least two years of experience in land governance

The programme is **non-residential** and the duration is 2 years full time.

### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$2,750.00 per year** for domicile and SADC students and **US\$3,250.00 per year** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination.

# **B. SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC SCIENCES**

# 1. Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) - Research based

- a. PhD in Entrepreneurship
- b. PhD in Strategic Management
- c. PhD in Financial Management

**Applicants must have** a relevant Master's or MPhil degree from an accredited university. The duration of the PhD programme is 3 years full time.

# **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$ 3,333.00 per year** for the whole PhD programme to cater for tuition, supervision and thesis examination.

# 2. Master of Business Administration (MBA)

# **Target Audience**

The programme is designed to suit middle or senior level managers from commercial, industrial, non – profit making or public sector organisations, especially those who would like to prepare themselves for a more challenging senior position.

Venues: Blantyre and Lilongwe

# **Entry Requirements**

An accredited university degree in any field or a relevant professional qualification such as ACCA, CIMA, CA(M), CFA, CIPS etc., plus a **minimum work experience of one (1) year** after obtaining the relevant qualification. Those with a strong pass shall have an added advantage.

The programme is offered on a **non-residential** basis and the duration is 2 years full time.

Applicants who exited the programme with a **Postgraduate Diploma**, on grounds other than

academic withdrawal, shall be eligible to join the second year to complete the dissertation, provided it is within three years after exiting.

#### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$3,825.00 per year** to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination.

Mode of delivery: Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays; from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

# 3. Postgraduate Certificate in Taxation (PG CERT) New

# **Target Audience**

The programme is designed for any Bachelor's degree holder from an accredited institution of higher learning who would like to develop a career in Taxation.

The programme is offered on a non-residential basis and the duration is one-year full time.

#### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay **K2,550,000 for the entire programme** duration to cater for tuition and examinations.

Mode of delivery: Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays; from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

# C. SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA STUDIES

# 1. Master of Arts in Development Communication (MADC) New

Applicants must have a Bachelor of Arts degree in Development Studies, International Development, Sociology, Community Development, Journalism, Media Studies, Mass Communication or any communication related discipline from an accredited university or institution of higher learning.

Applicants with a first degree and a pass in a field other than those specified above must possess at least two years' experience in a development or communication related field. The programme is offered on a **non-residential** basis and the duration is 2 years full time.

# **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$2,750.00 per year** for domicile and SADC students and **US\$3,500.00 per year** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination.

# 2. Master of Arts in Health And Behaviour Change Communication (MHBCC)

**Applicants must have** a Bachelor's degree in any of the following: Environmental Health, Communication, Health Promotion, Health Education, Journalism, Media Studies, Humanities or any other related field. **Those with a strong pass (average grade of at least 55%) shall have an added advantage.** 

The programme is offered on a non-residential basis and the duration is 2 years full time.

#### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$2,750.00 per year** for domicile and SADC students and **US\$3,500.00 per year** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination.

**Venues:** Blantyre and Lilongwe\* (\*dependent on student numbers)



# 3. Master of Arts in Media Studies (MMS)

Applicants must have a Bachelor of Arts degree in Journalism, Media Studies, Mass Communication, Business Communication or any communication related discipline from an accredited higher education institution. Those with a strong pass (average grade of at least 55%) shall have an added advantage.

Candidates with a first degree and **at least a strong pass** in a field other than those specified above must possess at least two years relevant experience in a media, journalism or communication related field.

The programme is offered on a non-residential basis and the duration is 2 years full time.

#### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **U\$\$2,750.00 per year** for domicile and SADC students. and **U\$\$3,250.00 per year** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination.

Venues: Blantyre and Lilongwe\* (\*dependent on student numbers)

# 4. Master of Arts in Public Relations (MPR) New

**Applicants must have** a Bachelor's degree in any of the following: Public Relations, Communication, Journalism, Media Studies, Humanities, or any other related field. **Those with a strong pass (average grade of at least 55%) shall have an added advantage.** 

The programme is offered on a non-residential basis and the duration is 2 years full time.

#### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **U\$\$2,750.00 per year** for domicile and SADC students and **U\$\$3,500.00 per year** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination.

Venues: Blantyre and Lilongwe\* (\*dependent on student numbers)



# D. SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

# 1. Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Engineering - Research based

- a. PhD in Civil Engineering
- b. PhD in Engineering (Industrial Management)
- c. PhD in Engineering (Infrastructure Development and Management)
- d. PhD in Engineering (Power and Machines)
- e. PhD in Engineering (Telecommunications)

**Applicants for PhD programmes MUST have** a relevant Masters or MPhil. degree from an accredited university or institution. The PhD programme is for 3 years full time.

#### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$3,333.00 per year** to cater for tuition, supervision and thesis examination.

# 2. Master of Philosophy (MPhil) in Engineering - Research based

- a. MPhil in Civil Engineering
- b. MPhil in Engineering (Industrial Management)
- c. MPhil in Engineering (Infrastructure Development and Management)
- d. MPhil in Engineering (Power and Machines)
- e. MPhil in Engineering (Telecommunications)

**Applicants for MPhil. programmes MUST have** any of the following engineering-related qualifications:

- a. A Bachelor's degree from an accredited university with a minimum of a credit in a relevant field
- b. A Bachelor's degree from an accredited university with a strong pass and two years' work experience in a relevant field.
- c. An Honours degree from an accredited university with a minimum of second class in a relevant field.
- d. An Honours degree from an accredited university with a third class and one year work experience in a relevant field.

Candidates with a Bachelor's degree will be required to accumulate 60 credits of taught modules relevant to the selected MPhil research area.

The programme duration is two and half years full time.

#### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US \$2,750.00 per year** to cater for tuition, supervision, and thesis examination.

# 3. Master of Science in Civil Engineering

Master of Science in Civil Engineering is a programme that equips students with advanced conceptual understanding, detailed factual knowledge, and specialist technical skills in Civil Engineering. The programme has common modules, and specialised elective modules leading to specialisation in any of the following five pathways:

- a. Water Engineering
- b. Structural Engineering
- c. Transportation Engineering
- d. Geotechnical Engineering

# e. Construction Management

Applicants must have a relevant Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering or any related discipline from an accredited institution of higher learning. Candidates with a pass must have a minimum of 2 years of work experience. For applicants with grade point average (GPA) grades, the requirement is a minimum GPA of **2.5.** 

The programme duration is 2 years full time offered on block release and non-residential basis.

#### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **U\$\$3,250.00** for domicile and SADC students and, **U\$\$3,750.00** for other international students to cater for tuition, supervision and dissertation examination.

# 4. Master of Science in Engineering (Infrastructure Development and Management)-MIDM

Applicants must at least have a Bachelor's degree in Applied Sciences, Engineering, Urban, District and Regional Planning, Architecture and Surveying or equivalent from any accredited higher education institution.

The programme duration is 2 years full time offered on block release and non-residential basis.

#### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$3,250.00 per year** to cater for tuition, supervision and dissertation examination.

# 5. Master of Science in Sustainable Energy (MSE)

This Masters Programme is part of the Transforming Energy Access - Learning Partnerships Project, implemented at MUBAS and other selected African Universities. The Programme has been developed with support from DFID through the University of Cape Town. The programme has 2 streams; Energy Access and Energy Management. The Energy Access stream is ideal for physical scientists, who, after the study would provide solutions to energy access challenges using physical sciences and engineering. On the other hand, the Energy Management stream is for those who are not necessarily physical scientists but are from fields such as commerce and social science.

- i. Applicants for the Energy Access stream must have a bachelor's degree in science, engineering, renewable energy, built environment, or technical education or equivalent obtained from any accredited higher education institution.
- **ii. Applicants for the Energy Management** stream must have a relevant bachelor's degree in science, engineering, built environment, renewable energy, technical education, commerce, or social science or equivalent obtained from any accredited higher education institution.

The programme duration is 2 years offered on block release and non-residential basis.

# **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$3,250.00 per year** to cater for tuition, supervision and dissertation examination.



# E. SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

# 1. Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Sciences (PhD) - Research based

- a. PhD in Applied Sciences (Applied Mathematics)
- b. PhD in Applied Sciences (Applied Statistics)
- c. PhD in Applied Sciences (Environmental Health)
- d. PhD in Applied Sciences (Environmental Protection and Management)
- e. PhD in Applied Sciences (Industrial Process Technology)
- f. PhD in Applied Sciences (Information Systems)
- g. PhD in Applied Sciences (Information Technology)
- h. PhD in Applied Sciences (Public Health Engineering)
- i. PhD in Applied Sciences (Renewable Energy)
- j. PhD in Applied Sciences (Water Resources Management)

**Applicants for PhD programmes MUST have** a relevant Master's or MPhil degree from an accredited higher education institution.

The PhD programme duration is 3 years full time.

#### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US US\$3,333.00 per year** for the whole PhD programme to cater for tuition, supervision and thesis examination.

# 2. Master of Philosophy in Applied Sciences (MPhil) - Research based

- a. MPhil in Applied Sciences (Applied Mathematics)
- b. MPhil in Applied Sciences (Applied Statistics)
- c. MPhil in Applied Sciences (Data Analytics)
- d. MPhil in Applied Sciences (Environmental Health)
- e. MPhil in Applied Sciences (Environmental Protection and Management)
- f. MPhil in Applied Sciences (Industrial Process Technology)
- g. MPhil in Applied Sciences (Information Systems)
- h. MPhil in Applied Sciences (Information Technology)
- i. MPhil in Applied Sciences (Public Health Engineering)
- j. MPhil in Applied Sciences (Renewable Energy)
- k. MPhil in Applied Sciences (Water Resources Management)

**Applicants for MPhil. programmes MUST have** any of, the following qualifications in a relevant field:

- a. A Bachelor's degree from an accredited university with a minimum of a credit in a relevant field.
- b. A Bachelor's degree from an accredited university with a strong pass and two years' work experience in a relevant field.
- c. An Honours degree from an accredited university with a minimum of second class in a relevant field.
- d. An Honours degree from an accredited university with a third class and one year work experience in a relevant field.

Candidates with a Bachelor's degree will be required to accumulate 60 credits of taught modules relevant to the selected MPhil research area.

The programme duration is two and half years full time.

# **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of US **US \$2,750 per year** to cater for tuition, supervision, and thesis examination.



# 3. Master of Science in Data Analytics (MDA)

The Master of Science in Data Analytics aims to equip students with advanced expertise in data analytics for analysing problems and decisions that can be answered by data. The specialised areas include AI, machine learning, data science, data governance, data visualisation, cloud computing and big data, advanced techniques, programming toolkits, and industrial and societal application scenarios.

**Applicants must have** a relevant Bachelor's degree in Information Technology/Systems, Computer Science, Business and related fields from any accredited higher education institution. Applicants having other degrees should have work experience in data management and analysis.

The programme duration is 2 years offered on block release and non-residential basis.

## **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$3,250.00 per year** for domicile and SADC students and **US\$3,750.00 per year** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination.

# 4. Master of Science in Environmental Health (MEH)

**Applicants must have** a Bachelor's degree with an average grade of at least **50%**. The average grade is computed based on final year grades. For applicants with grade point average (GPA) grades, the requirement is a minimum GPA of **2.0**. The applicant must have specialised in Environmental Health, Public Health or any other related field from any accredited higher education institution.

The programme duration is 2 years offered on a non-residential basis.

Applicants who exited the programme with a **Postgraduate Diploma**, on grounds other than academic withdrawal, shall be eligible to join the second year to complete the dissertation, provided it is within three years after exiting.

# **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **US\$3,250.00 per year** for domicile and SADC students and **US\$3,750.00 per year** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination.

Research fees for students who want to conduct their research using University laboratory will depend on the type of research.

# 5. Master of Science in Environmental Protection and Management (MEPM)

**Applicants must have** a relevant Bachelor's degree in Pure, Natural or Applied Sciences from any accredited higher education institution.

The programme duration is 2 years offered on a non-residential basis.

Applicants who exited the programme with a **Postgraduate Diploma**, on grounds other than academic withdrawal, shall be eligible to join the second year to complete the dissertation, provided it is within three years after exiting.

#### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **U\$\$3,250.00 per year** for domicile and SADC students and **U\$\$3,750.00 per year** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination. Research fees for students who want to conduct their research using University laboratory will depend on the type of research.



# 6. Master of Science in Occupational Safety and Health (MOSH)

**Applicants must have** a Bachelor's degree in a discipline related to occupational safety and health such as Environmental Health, Environmental Engineering, Chemistry or any relevant subject area, with **an average grade of at least 50%.** 

The programme duration is 2 years offered on a non-residential basis.

#### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **U\$\$3,250.00 per year** for domicile and SADC students and **U\$\$3,750.00** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination.

Research fees for students who want to conduct their research using University laboratory will depend on the type of research.

# 7. Master of Science in Sanitation (MSAN)

**Applicants MUST** a relevant Bachelor's degree in any Pure, Natural or Applied Sciences or any other related field obtained from an accredited institution of higher learning. The programme duration is 2 years offered on a non-residential basis.

#### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **U\$\$3,250.00 per year** for domicile and SADC students and **U\$\$3,750.00** for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination.

Research fees for students who want to conduct their research using University laboratory will depend on the type of research.

# 8. Master of Science in Water Resources Management (MWRM)

**Applicants must have** a relevant Bachelor's degree in Pure, Natural or Applied Sciences from any accredited higher education institution.

The programme duration is 2 years offered on a non-residential basis.

Applicants who exited the programme with a **Postgraduate Diploma**, on grounds other than academic withdrawal, shall be eligible to join the second year to complete the dissertation, provided it is within three years after exiting.

#### **Fees Structure**

Successful applicants shall be required to pay the Malawi Kwacha equivalent of **U\$\$3,250.00** per year for domicile and SADC students and **U\$\$3,750.00** per year for other international students to cater for tuition, research project supervision and dissertation examination. Research fees for students who want to conduct their research using a University laboratory will depend on the type of research.

**END OF PROGRAMMES** 

