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## **POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL**

### **ADMISSIONS INTO POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES IN THE 2015/2016 ACADEMIC SESSION**

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for admission into various Postgraduate degree programmes of the University.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE: Only available Courses for the session are advertised and as such Candidates are advised to select courses available in the advertisement.**

**Any action contrary to this instruction is at the candidate's risk, please.**

#### **A. POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES OFFERED**

##### **1. Ph.D. Degree Programmes**

These are available to holders of M.A; M.Ed.; M.Eng.; M.Sc.; LL.M; M.Comm.H.; and M.P.H degrees, with a minimum of 60% or cumulative Grade Point Average score in their Master degree programmes. **A Ph.D. degree programme runs for a minimum period of 36 calendar months and a maximum period of 48 calendar months for full-time candidates OR a minimum period of 48 calendar months and a maximum period of 60 calendar months for part-time candidates. Relevant Courses will be taken for the Ph.D. studies where prescribed and a Thesis is required at the end of the Ph.D. programme.**

##### **2. M.Phil /Ph.D. Degree Programmes**

Candidates who score between 55.00 and 59.99 percent (----) Cumulative Grade Point Average can apply for admission into the Master of Philosophy (M.Phil/Ph.D.) degree programme. The M.Phil/Ph.D. degree programme is available only to full-time candidates. It runs for a minimum period of 12 calendar months and a maximum period of 24 calendar months and a dissertation is produced after the research work. Candidates in this category are eligible for conversion to Ph.D. candidature, following a progress assessment report to be made by a Panel of Examiners at the end of the first session of registration. To be eligible for conversion for the Ph.D. program, candidates are expected to score not less than 60% (aggregate) at the end of the first session.

##### **3. Master Degree Programmes**

M.A.; M.Ed.; M.Eng.; M.Sc.; M.Com.H., LL.M and M.P.H. degrees run for a minimum period of 24 calendar months and a maximum period of 36 calendar months for full-time candidates OR a minimum period of 36 calendar months and a maximum period of 48 calendar months for part-time candidates. All Master Degree Programmes are by course work. This is in addition to a research report at the end of which a dissertation is produced

#### **4. Postgraduate Diploma Degree Programmes**

Postgraduate Diploma degrees are available to candidates with a Third class (honours) degree or lower

Applicants are to note that, programmes automatically lapses at the expiration of the maximum duration for each programme. However, a candidate may apply for an extension of not more than 12 months, in the first instance, subject to a maximum of **two** such extensions.

#### **5. General information**

The Postgraduate session for the Master degree and Postgraduate Diploma is for 12 calendar months, commencing on 2<sup>nd</sup> October and ending on 30<sup>th</sup> September of the following year, while for the M.Phil. / Ph.D. and Ph.D. programme is 12 calendar months, session starts to count automatically on the date of first registration.

### **B. DETAILS OF AVAILABLE PROGRAMMES**

#### **1. FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE**

##### **i. DEPARTMENT OF AGRIC. ECONOMICS AND FARM MANAGEMENT**

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Agricultural Economics (with Specialization in Agricultural Economics)

##### **ii. DEPARTMENT OF AGRIC. EXTENSION AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Agricultural Extension.

##### **iii. DEPARTMENT OF AGRONOMY**

Postgraduate Diploma in General Agronomy

M.Sc.; M.Phil/Ph.D; Ph.D. Agronomy (with Specialization in General Agronomy; Crop Physiology; Horticulture; Plant Breeding, and Genetics Weed Science).

M.Sc.; Soil Science (with Specialization in General Soil Science, Soil Microbiology and Biochemistry, Soil Fertility and Chemistry, Pedology, Soil Physics, Soil Management, Soil and Water Conservation, Soil Survey and Land use planning.

M.Phil./Ph.D. and Ph.D. Soil Science (Pedology / Soil Survey and Land Use Planning, Soil Microbiology and Biochemistry, Soil Physics / Soil Management and conservation, Soil Fertility and Chemistry.)

##### **iv. DEPARTMENT OF CROP PROTECTION**

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Crop Protection (with Specialization in Entomology; Plant Pathology).

#### **2. FACULTY OF ARTS**

##### **i. DEPARTMENT OF ARABIC.**

M.A.; M.Phil. /Ph.D.; Ph.D. Arabic Language (Specialization in Morphology, Syntax, Lexicography, Semantics and Translation)

M.A.; M.Phil. /Ph.D.; Ph.D. Arabic Literature (with Specialization in Arabic Criticism, Rhetoric Studies, Poetry, Prose)

##### **ii. DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH**

M.A. English (with Specialization in English Language)

M.A. Literature–in–English (with Specialization in Literature–in–English)

M.Phil/Ph.D. English (with Specialisation in English Language or Literature–in–English)

Ph.D. English Language (with Specialization in Syntax; Semantics; Sociolinguistics; Stylistics; Phonology; Discourse Analysis)

Ph.D. Literature– in–English (Dramatic Theory, Literary Criticism; Poetry; Drama; Prose; Oral Literature).

iii. **DEPARTMENT OF FRENCH**

M.A.; Ph.D. French Language; Literature-in-French.

v. **DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS AND NIGERIAN LANGUAGES**

M.A; M.Phil./ Ph.D. Linguistics; Applied Linguistics; Yoruba Language; Yoruba Literature.

M.A Linguistics (Syntax, Morphology and Theoretical Linguistic.)

M.A.; M.Phil. /Ph.D.; Applied Linguistics (Socio-Linguistics, Discourse Analysis, Psycholinguistics and Pedalogical)

M.A.; Yoruba Language (Language Studies)

M.A.; Yoruba Literature (Literacy)

vi. **DEPARTMENT OF THE PERFORMING ARTS**

M.A.; Performing Arts (with Specialization in Drama; Music; Dance).

M.Phil./Ph.D. Performing Arts (with Specialization in Drama; Music; Dance)

Ph.D. Performing Arts (with Specialization in Drama; Music; Dance).

vii. **THE DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIONS**

M.A.; Christian Studies; (i) Christian Studies (with Specialization in Biblical Studies. Church History and Africa Church Theology.

M.A.; Islamic Studies; (ii) Islamic (Specialization in Islamic Law, Islamic History, Qur'an Studies, Islamization of Knowledge and Hadith Studies)

M.A.; Comparative Studies;(iii) (with Specialization in Comparative Religion studies, women studies, Yoruba Culture African Religion, Asia Religions, Yoruba Religion and Philosophy)

viii. **CENTRE FOR PEACE AND STRATEGIC STUDIES**

M.A.; M.Phil/Ph.D.; Ph.D. Peace and Development Studies. (with specialization in Governance and Peace, Security Studies, Peace and Environment)

3. **FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES**

(i) **DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE**

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Finance

4. **FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**

(i) **DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS**

M.Sc. Economics (with Specialization in Monetary Economics; Tourism Economics; Development Economics; Public Finance; Transport Economics and International Finance, Labour Economics

Ph.D. Economics (with Specialization in International Finance; Tourism Economics; Health Economics, Labour Economics, Transport Economics, Economic Development

(ii) **DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY AND ENVIRONMENTAL MAGAGEMENT**  
PGDGIS; MGIS; M.Sc.; M.Phil.; Ph.D. in Geography

(ii) **DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE**  
M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Political Science (with specialization in Comparative Politics, International Relation , Civil Military Relation, Political Theory)

(iv) **DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY**  
M.Sc.; (with Specialization in Industrial Sociology; Criminology; Medical Sociology).

## 5. **FACULTY OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION SCIENCES**

### (i) **DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SCIENCE**

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D. Ph.D.; Computer Science

### (ii) **DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE**

Master of Library and Information Science (MILS) and Ph.D. Library and Information Science

### (iii) **DEPARTMENT OF MASS COMMUNICATION**

#### **Master of Science in Mass Communication (M.Sc. Mass Communication)**

M.Sc. Mass Communication (with specialization, Public Relations,/ Advertising and Broadcasting and Print)

## 6. **FACULTY OF EDUCATION**

### i. **DEPARTMENT OF COUNSELLOR EDUCATION**

M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Educational Guidance and Counselling.(For full time only)

### ii. **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY**

Postgraduate Diploma in Educational Technology (PGDET)  
M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D.; Educational Technology

### iii. **DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN KINETICS**

M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Human Kinetics Education (with Specialization in Administration and Management of Physical Education and Sports; Exercise Physiology).

### iv. **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROMOTION AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION**

M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Health Education(Primary Health Care, Reproductive Health, Drug Education, Wellness Education, Nutritional Education and Community Health Education)

v. **DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE EDUCATION**

M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Science Education; ( with Specialization in Curriculum Studies; Physics, Chemistry, Biology)

M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D;. Ph.D. Mathematics Education

vi. **DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCES EDUCATION**

M.Ed.; Ph.D. Educational Psychology; Educational Research Measurement and Evaluation; Sociology of Education; Comparative Education; Mother in – tongue Education; Social Study Educational Curriculum Development

**7. FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY**

i. **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL AND BIOSYSTEMS ENGINEERING**

M.Eng.; Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering (with Specialization in Soil and Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage Engineering; Farm Power and Machinery Engineering; Agro-Product Processing Food Engineering, Aqua Cultural Engineering; Renewable Energy Engineering)

Ph.D. Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering (with specialization in Farm Power and Machinery Engineering, Soil and Water conservation, Irrigation and Drainage Engineering, Agro-Product Processing and Food Engineering.

ii. **DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING**

M.Eng.; M.Phil./Ph.D;. Ph.D. Civil Engineering (with Specialization in Structural and Materials Engineering; Transportation Engineering and Highway Materials; Water Resources and Environmental Engineering).

M.Sc. Integrated Water Resources Management (M.Sc. IWRM)

iii. **DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEERING**

M.Eng.; Electrical and Electronics Engineering (with specialization in Electronics and Telecommunications Engineering)

M.Phil. Electrical and Electronics Engineering (with specialization Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering; Computer and Control Engineering )

Ph.D. Electrical Engineering (with Specialization in Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering; Computer and Control Engineering; Computers and Control Engineering; Power systems and Machines)

**DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING**

M.Eng.; Mechanical Engineering (with Specialization in Design and Production Engineering, Thermofluid Engineering, Materials and Metallurgical Engineering)

**COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES**

**8. FACULTY OF BASIC MEDICAL SCIENCES**

i. **DEPARTMENT OF ANATOMY**

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Anatomy(with specialization in Neuroscience; Endrocrinology; Physical Anthropology; Developmental Anatomy)

ii **DEPARTMENT OF PHYSIOLOGY**

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Physiology (with Specialization in Cardiovascular Physiology; Endocrinology and Metabolism; Renal Physiology; NeuroPhysiology).

iv. **DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACOLOGY AND THERAPEUTICS**

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Pharmacology (with Specialization in Biochemical Pharmacology; Cardiovascular Pharmacology; Chemotherapy; CNS Pharmacology; Ethno; pharmacology; Immunopharmacology; Pharmacokinetics and Toxicology)

**9. FACULTY OF CLINICAL SCIENCES**

i. **DEPARTMENT OF EPIDEMIOLOGY AND COMMUNITY HEALTH**

Master of Community Health (M.Comm.H.); (with specialization in Tropical Public Health, Epidemiology and Community Health, Occupational and Environmental Health, Health Management and Health Education)

Master in Public Health (MPH) with specialization in Tropical Public Health, Epidemiology and Public Health, Occupational and Environmental Health, Health Management and Health Education)

**10. FACULTY OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES**

i. **DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS**

M.Sc., M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Mathematics (with Specialization in Optimization; Fluid Mechanics; Analytical Dynamics; Numerical Analysis; Algebra; Complex Analysis; Modelling; Functional Analysis Algebra).

ii. **DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY**

Postgraduate Diploma in Chemistry

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Chemistry (with Specialization in Physical Inorganic; Organic; Analytical; Environmental).

iii. **DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL CHEMISTRY**

M.Sc. Industrial Chemistry; M.Phil./Ph.D. and Ph.D. (with specialization in Analytical / Environmental Chemistry, Food and Nutrition Chemistry, Medicinal / Natural Product Chemistry)

iv. **DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS**

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Physics (with Specialization in Ionospheric and Communication Physics; and Materials Science; Theoretical Physics; Solar Radiation and Atmospheric Physics; Geophysics; Theoretical / Mathematics Physics).

iv. **DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS**

Postgraduate Diploma in Statistics (PGDS)

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Statistics

**11. FACULTY OF LIFE SCIENCES**

i. **DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY**

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Biochemistry (with Specialization in Enzymology; Nutritional Biochemistry; Toxicology; Parasite Biochemistry; Membrane

Biochemistry, Environmental Biochemistry; Clinical Biochemistry; Reproductive Biochemistry; Lipid Biochemistry; Invertebrate Biochemistry).

ii. **DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY**

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Microbiology (with Specialization in Microbial Physiology; Industrial Microbiology; Environmental Microbiology; Medical & Veterinary Microbiology).

iii **DEPARTMENT OF PLANT BIOLOGY**

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D; Ph.D. Plant Biology (with Specialization in Plant Physiology and Biochemistry; Biosystematics and Cytogenetics; Applied Genetics and Plant Breeding; Plant Anatomy and Wood Technology; Plant Taxonomy; Plant Diversity and Environmental Management; Biology of Lower Plant).

v. **DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY**

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Zoology (with Specialization in Entomology; Fisheries and Hydrobiology; Parasitology).

**C. ELIGIBILITY FOR ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES**

1. Applicants for the Postgraduate Diploma in Computer Science shall satisfy one of the following:
  - (a) a minimum of first degree from a recognized University in the Sciences, Engineering, Social Sciences or the Humanities disciplines.
  - (b) HND in Computer Science or Engineering from recognized Polytechnics with a minimum of Lower Credit; and
  - (c) HND in any other discipline different from those in (ii) but preferably from Sciences or Social Sciences with a minimum of Lower Credit from a recognized Polytechnic or equivalent Institution, with at least one year cognate experience.
2. Applicants for Postgraduate Diploma in Statistics shall satisfy one of the following:
  - (i) A minimum of an honour's degree from a recognized University in any of Science and Social Science disciplines;
  - (ii) HND in Statistics from a recognized Polytechnic with a minimum of Lower Credit.
3. Applicants for the Master degree programmes who are graduates of the University of Ilorin and other recognized Universities, must have a minimum of Second Class Honours Degree (Lower Division) and must be applying for programmes in which they have their first degrees. However, applicants with Second Class Honours Degree (Lower Division) and those with higher classes of degrees seeking admissions into programmes outside those in which they have their first degrees may be admitted, provided they satisfy Senate in a qualifying examination to be conducted. The least class of Degree for all academic programme applicants is Second Class Honours Degree (Lower Division). Regardless of the institution where the Bachelor's degree is

obtained, ALL candidates shall apply early for their official Bachelor's degree transcript to be sent to the Secretary **Postgraduate School, University of Ilorin, Ilorin, Nigeria**, before the expiration of the stated deadline.

4. Applicants for the Ph.D. degree programme shall have obtained a relevant Master degree of this or other recognized University, with an average weighted score of at least 60%. Short-listed candidates would be required to satisfy the Postgraduate School in the qualifying interviews and assessments by the relevant Department. Applicants are therefore advised to interact with the department to which they have applied to ascertain the date of the interview for the Ph.D. degree programme. Regardless of the Institution where the Master's degree was obtained, ALL candidates must apply early for their official Master degree academic transcripts to be sent to the **Postgraduate School, University of Ilorin, Ilorin, Nigeria**, for the purpose of this admission and before the expiration of the stated deadline. All candidates must have 5 O/L credit passes, including English Language and Mathematics or pass in Mathematics, where applicable.
5. All Higher Degree candidates that attended foreign Universities, where English language is not the medium of instruction, should submit to the Postgraduate School, evidence of their English Language proficiency, e.g., TOEFL or IELTS scores.
6. Applicants for the Postgraduate Diplomas and Masters degree Programmes will be subjected to the written assessment (qualifying examination) irrespective of the class of degree obtained, except applicants from the University of Ilorin with a First Class and Second class, Upper Division (Honours)
7. International applicants (Applicants who are domiciled outside Nigeria, and non-Nigerian and applying outside the country) shall be exempted from the qualifying examination. However, International applicants applying from outside the country for the Doctor of Philosophy programmes shall be requested to submit a proposal of not more than 5 pages, giving details of what research they intend to carry out. This should be sent electronically to [pgschool@unilorin.edu.ng](mailto:pgschool@unilorin.edu.ng)

**D. APPLICATION FEES**

Application fee for all programmes is ~~N25,000.00~~ only for Applicants within Nigeria OR \$200.00 only for International Applicants.

**E. DATES AND VENUES OF QUALIFYING EXAMINATION**

A three-hour qualifying examination for all applicants stated in C6 above for those seeking admissions into Master and Postgraduate Degree programmes, **will hold on Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2015, at 8.30a.m prompt** in the following venues:

**FACULTY OF ARTS LECTURE HALLS AND  
FACULTIES OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES  
LECTURE THEATRES -**



For candidates seeking admissions into the Faculties of Management Science and Social Sciences.

**FACULTY OF EDUCATION LECTURE THEATRE** - For candidates seeking admissions into Faculties of Education and Agriculture.

**LECTURE THEATRE I, NEW SCIENCE LECTURE THEATRE & ENGINEERING LECTURE THEATRE**

For candidates seeking admissions into the Faculties of Arts, Basic Medical Sciences, Clinical Sciences, Engineering & Technology, Physical and Life Science.

**NOTE:** There will be no formal letters of invitation to candidates for the Qualifying Examination as this advertisement will serve as the invitation.

**F. METHOD OF APPLICATION**

Application Forms are to be completed on-line and **will close on Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015**. Note that the latest date for receipt of supporting documents is **Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> July 2015**. Successful applicants would be notified by e-mail.

**Mr. E. D. Obafemi**  
**Registrar**