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POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSIONS INTO POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES IN THE 2021/2022 ACADEMIC SESSION

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

- (i) Only courses available for the session are advertised and as such candidates are advised to select courses available in this advertisement.
- (ii) Candidates are advised to *PRINT* out the advertisement and *STUDY* thoroughly before *COMMENCING* the application procedure.
- (iii) Applicants are to note that the University will not be liable or responsible for any mistake made arising from wrong application
- (iv) The Postgraduate academic session for Postgraduate programmes is 12 calendar months, commencing on 2nd October and ending on 30th September of the following year. The 12 calendar months starts to count automatically from the date of first registration.
- (v) Applicants are to note that programmes automatically lapses at the expiration of the prescribed maximum duration for each programme. A candidate may, however, apply for an extension of not more than 6 months, in the first instance, subject to a maximum of two such extensions.

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; and M.P.H degrees, with a minimum score of 60% or a minimum of 4 points on a 5 points Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) scale in their Master degree programmes. **A Ph.D. degree programme runs for a minimum period of 36 calendar months and a maximum period of 60 calendar months for full-time candidates OR a minimum period of 48 calendar months and a maximum period of 72 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 scored between 55.00 and 59.99 percent or 3.5 – 3.9 CGPA score on a 5-point scale, 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. programme, 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 to 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.; LL.M and M.P.H. degrees run for a minimum period of 18 calendar months and a maximum period of 24 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 Third Class (honours) degree.

B. ELIGIBILITY FOR ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

General Requirements:

- i. All entry certificate requirement shall be available at the point of purchasing the application form. ***The National Youth Service Corp Discharge Certificate*** OR ***Exemption Certificate*** should be dated and presented on or before September 30th, 2021.
- ii. Applicants are expected to submit their application forms online together with the scanned copies of their credentials.
- iii. After the submission of the application forms online as stated in (ii) above, all supporting documents in (i) above and the hard copy of the application form, should be forwarded to the Secretary, Postgraduate School, University of Ilorin, Ilorin, Nigeria between **Monday, 14th February 2022 and Friday, 25th February, 2022, while the submission of Transcripts of Academic Records should be addressed and forwarded to the Head of Department where the admission is being sought.** The Postgraduate School will not be held liable for any misdirected transcript.
- iv. All applicants must have 5 O/L Credit passes in the relevant subjects, which must include English Language and Mathematics. In line with Senate directives, applicants who had their O/L results before the year 2015, may have a pass in English or Mathematics depending on the programme applied for.
- v. 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 had 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 had their first degrees

may be admitted, provided they satisfy the University of Ilorin Senate's requirements in a qualifying examination to be conducted. The least class of first Degree for all academic programme applicants is **Second Class Honours Degree (Lower Division)**. **The Bachelor degrees should be obtained from the University of Ilorin and other universities recognised by the Senate of the University of Ilorin.** ALL applicants shall apply early for their official Bachelor degree transcript to be sent to the **Head of Department** where the admission is being sought, before the expiration of the stated deadline in B (ii) above. Again the Postgraduate School will not be held liable or responsible for any misdirected transcript.

- vi.** Applicants for the Ph.D. degree programme shall have obtained a relevant Master degree of the University of Ilorin or from other recognized Universities, with an average weighted score of at least 60% or a 4.0 points CGPA on a 5-point scale. Short-listed applicants would be required to satisfy the Postgraduate School in the qualifying interviews and assessments by the relevant Department. **Applicants are therefore expected 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 degree was obtained, all candidates must apply early for the official copy of their **academic transcripts to be sent to the Head of Department where the admission is being sought** for the purpose of this admission and before the expiration of the stated deadline. Applicants must note that the Postgraduate School will not be responsible for any misdirected transcript.
- vii.** All Higher Degree applicants that attended foreign Universities, where English language is not the medium of instruction, should submit to the Head of Department where the admission is being sought, evidence of their English Language proficiency, e.g. TOEFL or IELTS scores obtained within the validity period of such certifications.
- viii.** Applicants for the Postgraduate Diploma and Master Degree Programmes will be subjected to a qualifying examination, irrespective of the class of degree obtained. However, applicants from the University of Ilorin with a First Class or a Second Class, Upper Division (Honours), provided such applicant is not applying to a department that is different from the one in which he/she graduated from at the undergraduate level, will be exempted from the qualifying examination.
- ix.** International applicants (who are domiciled outside Nigeria and non-Nigerians applying from outside the country) shall be exempted from the qualifying examination irrespective of the class of degree. International applicants applying from outside the country for the Doctor of Philosophy programmes shall however be requested to submit a proposal of not more than 5 pages, giving details of their intended areas of research interests. This should be sent electronically to pgschool@unilorin.edu.ng not later than Friday, 18th Feb, 2022.

- x. Applicants applying for any of the full-time programmes of the University are expected to present a letter of release from their employers at the point of registration.

C. Programme Specifics

- i. Applicants for the **Postgraduate Diploma in Computer Science** shall satisfy one of the following:
 - a. a minimum of first degree in any of the following disciplines from a recognised University: Sciences, Engineering, Social Sciences or the Humanities.
 - 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 (b) above 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.
- ii. Applicants for **Postgraduate Diploma in Statistics** shall satisfy one of the following:
 - a. A minimum of an honour's degree from a recognized University in any of Science and Social Science disciplines;
 - b. HND in Statistics from a recognized Polytechnic with a minimum of Lower Credit.
- iii. **M.A. Peace and Security Studies** is OPEN ONLY to participants of the Executive Intelligence Management Course (EIMC) of the Institute of Security Studies, Abuja. The **M.A. Peace and Strategic Studies** is OPEN ONLY to participants in the Executive Management Course (EMC) of the Nigerian Army School of Education (NASE), Ilorin or any other equivalent programme approved by NASE.
- iv. **M.Sc. Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM)** is OPEN ONLY to participants of the Natural Water Institute, Kaduna.
- v. Applicants for **Master of Public Health (MPH)** shall satisfy the following:
 - a. Have their first degree in one of the following fields; Medicine, Pharmacy, Nursing, Physiotherapy, Optometry, Nutrition & Dietetics, Veterinary Medicine, Medical Laboratory Science or any other relevant **Clinical Science degree**;
 - b. Have at least 2 years working experience in health facility, ministry of health, UN agencies or health related government and non-governmental agencies.

D. DETAILS OF AVAILABLE PROGRAMMES

1. FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE

i. Department of Agronomy

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

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Soil Science (with specialization in General Soil Science, Pedology/Soil Survey & Land use, Soil Physics, Soil & Water Management, Soil Microbiology & Biochemistry and Soil Fertility).

ii. Department of Agricultural Extension and Rural Development

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Agricultural Extension and Rural Development

iii. Department of Agricultural Economics and Farm Management

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Agricultural Economics

iv. Department of Crop Protection

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

v. Department of Animal Production

Postgraduate Diploma in Animal Production

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Animal Production (with specialization in Animal Nutrition, Animal Breeding and Genetics, Animal Physiology, Monogastric Nutrition, Ruminant Nutrition, Animal Products and Processing and Toxicology)

vi. Department of Home Economics and Food Science

Postgraduate Diploma in Food Science

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

M.Sc. Home Economics

2. FACULTY OF ARTS

i. Department of Arabic

M.A.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Arabic Language.

M.A.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Literature- in - Arabic

ii. Centre for Peace and Strategic Studies

M.A.; Ph.D. Peace and Development Studies. (with specialization in Conflict Management and Peace Building, Security and Strategic Studies, Peace and Environmental Studies and Peace and Development Journalism)

M.A. Peace and Security Studies (Available for EIMC)

M.A. Peace and Strategic Studies (Available for EMC)

iii. Department of Linguistics and Nigerian Languages

M.A.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Linguistics

M.A.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Applied Linguistics

M.A.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Yoruba Language

M.A.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Yoruba Literature

iv. Department of History and International Studies

M.A.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. History and International Studies.

v. Department of The Performing Arts

M.A.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Performing Arts (with specialization in Drama, Music and Dance)

vi. Department of Religions

M.A.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Christian Studies.

M.A.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Comparative Religious Studies

M.A.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Islamic Studies

vii. Department of English

M.A.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. English Language

M.A.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Literature-in-English

viii. Department of French

M.A.; Ph.D. French Language

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

ix. Institute of Translation Art

M.A. Translation Art

3. FACULTY OF BASIC MEDICAL SCIENCES

i. Department of Anatomy

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Anatomy (with specialisation in Cell & Developmental Biology, Endocrinology, Neuroanatomy, Physical Anthropology and Reproductive Biology)

ii. Department of Physiology

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Physiology (with specialization in Cardiovascular Physiology, Endocrinology and Metabolism, Membrane Physiology and Neurophysiology)

4. FACULTY OF BASIC CLINICAL SCIENCES

i. Department of Chemical Pathology and Immunology

M.Sc.; Ph.D.; MD Chemical Pathology

ii. Department of Medical Microbiology & Parasitology

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Medical Microbiology and Parasitology (with specialization in Bacteriology, Virology, Mycology and Parasitology)

iii. Department of Pharmacology and Therapeutics

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Pharmacology and Therapeutics

5. FACULTY OF CLINICAL SCIENCES

i. Department of Epidemiology and Community Health

Master of Public Health (MPH)

ii. Department of Nursing Sciences

M.Sc. Nursing Sciences

iii. Department of Paediatrics and Child Health

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Tropical Paediatrics

6. FACULTY OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION SCIENCES

i. Department of Computer Science

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

ii. Department of Information and Communication Science

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Information and Communication Science

ii. Department of Library and Information Science

MLIS.; Ph.D.; Library and Information Science

iii. Department of Mass Communication

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Mass Communication

iv. Department of Telecommunication Science

M.Sc. Telecommunication Science

7. FACULTY OF EDUCATION

i. Department of Arts Education

M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. English Language Education

M.Ed.; Ph.D. Arabic Education

M.Ed. Comparative Education

M.Ed.; Ph.D. Religious Studies Education

M.Ed. Curriculum Development (Arts Education)

M.Ed. French Education

M.Ed. Mother Tongue Education

M.Ed. Philosophy of Education

Ph.D. History Education

Ph.D. History and Policy of Education

ii. Department of Counsellor Education

M.Ed.; Ph.D. Educational Guidance and Counselling

iii. Department of Educational Technology

Postgraduate Diploma in Educational Technology (PGDET)

M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D.; Educational Technology

iv. Department of Health Promotion and Environmental Health Education

M.Sc.; M.Ed.; M.Phil.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Health Education (with specialization in Drug Education Primary Health Care, Community Health Education, Nutrition Education, Safety Education, Reproductive and Family Health)

Master of Public Health Education

v. Department of Science Education

Ph.D. Chemistry Education

Ph.D. Mathematics Education

M.Ed. Physics Education

M.Ed.; Ph.D. Curriculum Development

vi. Department of Social Sciences Education

M.Ed.; Ph.D. Sociology of Education

M.Ed.; Ph.D. Educational Measurement and Research Evaluation

M.Ed.; Ph.D. Educational Psychology

Ph.D. Curriculum Development in Social Sciences Education

M.Ed., Ph.D. Social Studies Education

vii. Department of Adult and Primary Education

M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Adult Education Studies

M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Childhood Education Studies

viii. Department of Human Kinetics Education

M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Administration and Management of Human Kinetics and Sport

M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Exercise and Sport Science

ix. Department of Educational Management

M.Ed.; Ph.D. Educational Management

8. FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

i. Department of Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering

M.Eng.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering (with specialization in Soil and Water Conservation, Irrigation and Drainage Engineering; Farm Power & Machinery Engineering, Aquacultural Engineering and Renewable Energy Engineering).

ii. Department of Chemical Engineering

M.Eng.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Chemical Engineering (with specialization in Polymer Engineering, Biochemical Engineering, Environmental Engineering and Process Engineering).

iii. Department of Civil Engineering

M.Sc. Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM)

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

iv. Department of Materials and Metallurgical Engineering

M.Eng. Materials and Metallurgical Engineering

v. Department of Mechanical Engineering

M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Mechanical Engineering

9. FACULTY OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

Department of Architecture

M.Sc. Architecture

10. FACULTY OF LAW

i. Department of Common Law

LL.M; M.Phil.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Common Law.

- ii. Department of Islamic Law**
LL.M; M.Phil.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Islamic Law.

11. FACULTY OF LIFE SCIENCES

- i. Department of Biochemistry**
M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Biochemistry

- ii. Department of Microbiology**
M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Microbiology (with specialization in Industrial Microbiology, Environmental Microbiology, Medical and Veterinary Microbiology).

- iii. Department of Plant Biology**
PGD Plant Biology
M.Sc. Plant Pathology
M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Plant Biology (with Specialisation in Plant Anatomy and Wood Technology, Plant Taxonomy, Lower Plant, Environmental Botany, Applied Genetics and Plant Breeding, Cytogenetics and Biosystematics, Plant Physiology and Biochemistry)

- iv. Department of Zoology**
M.Sc. Zoology (with specialization in Cell Biology & Genetics, Ecology and Environmental Biology, Entomology, Fisheries & Hydrobiology and Parasitology)
M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Zoology (with specialization in Cell Biology and Genetics, Entomology, Fisheries and Hydrobiology and Parasitology)

12. FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES

- i. Department of Accounting**
Ph.D. Accounting (with specialization Strategic Management Accounting, Environmental Accounting, Taxation, Financial Reporting and Governance, Auditing and Investigation and Behavioural Accounting)

- ii. Department of Business Administration**
M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Business Administration

- iii. Department of Finance**
M.Sc.; Ph.D. Finance

- iv. Department of Marketing**
M.Sc.; Ph.D. Marketing

13. FACULTY OF PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES

- M.Sc. Clinical Pharmacy and Pharmacy Practice
- M.Sc. Pharmaceutical and Medicinal Chemistry
- M.Sc. Pharmacology and Toxicology
- M.Sc. Pharmaceutics and Pharmaceutical Technology

14. FACULTY OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES

- i. Department of Chemistry**
Postgraduate Diploma (PGD) in Chemistry.
M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Chemistry (with specialization in Physical/Inorganic, Organic, Analytical/Environmental/ Chemistry).

ii. Department of Industrial Chemistry

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Industrial Chemistry (with Specialization in Analytical/Environmental Chemistry, Material Chemistry, Food and Nutraceutical Chemistry, Medicinal/Phytochemistry/Natural Product Chemistry, Inorganic Chemistry and Physical Chemistry)

iii. Department of Physics

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Physics (with specialization in Radio Propagation and Space/Communication Physics, Ionospheric Physics, Solid State and Materials Science; Theoretical and Mathematical Physics, Solar Energy and Solar Radiation Physics, Meteorology and Atmospheric Physics)

iv. Department of Statistics

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Statistics (with specialization in Experimental Design, Statistical Quality Control, Biostatistics, Sample Survey and Demography, Multivariate Analysis, Econometrics and Mathematical Statistics)

v. Department of Geology and Mineral Sciences

Postgraduate Diploma in Geology (with specialization in Petroleum and Sedimentology, Engineering Geology and Hydrogeology, Solid Minerals Exploration and Mining, Applied Geophysics)

M.Sc. Applied Geology (with specialisation in Solid Mineral Exploration and Mining, Petroleum and Sedimentology, Engineering Geology and Hydrogeology and Applied Geophysics)

M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Geology (with specialization in Petroleum and Sedimentology, Engineering Geology and Hydrogeology, Solid Minerals Exploration and Mining and Applied Geophysics)

15. FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

i. Department of Economics

M.Sc.; Economics (with specialization in Monetary Economics; Development Economics; Public Finance; Health Economics; and International Finance).

Ph.D. Economics (with specialization in International Finance; Transport Economics; Development Economics; Monetary Economics; Transport Economics; and Health Economics).

ii. Department of Political Science

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Political Science.

iii. Department of Geography and Environmental Management

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Geography and Geographic Information (with specialization in Agro-climatology, Biogeography, Climatology, Development Planning, Disaster Management/Environmental Hazards, Environmental Management, Geomorphology, Population Geography, Fluvial Geomorphology, Groundwater Hydrology, Land Resources Evaluation, Land Resources Management, Recreation and Tourism, Regional Development and Planning, Rural Development, Medical Geography, Soil Geography and Water Resources.)

iv. Department of Sociology

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Sociology (with specialization in Industrial; Gender; Family, Criminology and Medical Sociology).

16. FACULTY OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

i. Department of Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology

M.Sc.; Ph.D.; Veterinary Pharmacology
M.Sc.; Ph.D.; Veterinary Toxicology

ii. Department of Veterinary Anatomy

M.Sc.; Ph.D.; Veterinary Anatomy

iii. Department of Veterinary Medicine

M.Sc.; Ph.D.; Veterinary Medicine (with specialization in Large Animal Medicine, Small Animal Medicine, Aquatic and Fish Medicine and Avian Medicine).

iv. Department of Veterinary Microbiology

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Veterinary Microbiology (with options in Veterinary Bacteriology, Veterinary Immunology, Veterinary Mycology and Veterinary Virology)

v. Department Veterinary Parasitology & Entomology

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Veterinary Parasitology

vi. Department of Veterinary Pathology

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Veterinary Pathology (with options in Diagnostic Pathology, Clinical Pathology and Avian Pathology).

vii. Department of Veterinary Physiology and Biochemistry

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Veterinary Physiology
M.Sc.; Ph.D. Veterinary Biochemistry

viii. Department of Veterinary Public Health and Preventive Medicine

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Veterinary Public Health and Preventive Medicine

ix. Department of Theriogenology and Production

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Animal Health in Production
M.Sc.; Ph.D. Theriogenology

E. APPLICATION FEES

The non-refundable application fee for all programmes is **₦25,000.00** (Twenty-five Thousand Naira) only for applicants within Nigeria OR **\$200.00** only for international applicants.

PLEASE NOTE:

That while this advertisement serves as the invitation for the Qualifying Examination which is to be held on Saturday, 5th of March, 2022, all applicants are strongly advised to provide their functional GSM number and e-mail addresses for further information and necessary

communication. The University shall not be held responsible for any disappointment occasioned by wrong information on the part of applicants. You are hereby required to be checking your e-mails frequently.

F. METHOD OF APPLICATION

Application forms are to be completed on-line and **will close on Friday, 11th February, 2022.** Note that the latest date for receipt of supporting documents is **Friday, 25th February 2022.** Successful applicants would be notified through their University of Ilorin application portal.

**Dr. Folaranmi M. Olowoleni
Registrar**