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POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSIONS INTO POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES IN THE 2022/2023 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 23rd 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 3.50 – 3.99 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. **M.Phil. Degree Programmes**

Candidates who scored between 50.00 and 54.99 percent or 3.00 – 3.49 CGPA score on a 5-point scale, can apply for admission into the Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) degree programme. The M.Phil. degree programme is available only to full-time candidates. It runs for a minimum period of 18 calendar months and a maximum period of 24 calendar months on a full-time basis and a **Dissertation** is produced after the research work.

4. **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.

5. **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, 2023.
- 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, 26th June 2023 and Friday, 30th June, 2023, 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 or any other university 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 (iii) 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. All applicants are 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, 7th July, 2023.

- 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, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Nursing, Nutrition & Dietetics, Veterinary Medicine, Medical Laboratory Science, Health Information Management, Public Health or Microbiology;
 - 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

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

ii. Department of Agricultural Extension and Rural Development

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Agricultural Extension

iii. Department of Agricultural Economics and Farm Management

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Agricultural Economics

iv. Department of Crop Protection

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Crop Protection

v. Department of Animal Production

PGD Animal Production;

Master in Animal Production (MAP);

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Animal Production

vi. Department of Home Economics and Food Science

M.Sc.; 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.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Peace and Development Studies

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

v. Department of The Performing Arts

M.A.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Performing Arts

vi. Department of Religions

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

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

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

vii. Department of French

M.A.; Ph.D. French Language

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

viii. Institute of Translation Art

M.A. Translation Art

ix. Department of The Performing Arts

M.A.; M.Phil/Ph.D.; Ph.D. Performing Arts

3. FACULTY OF BASIC MEDICAL SCIENCES

i. Department of Anatomy

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

- ii. **Department of Physiology**
M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Physiology
- 4. FACULTY OF BASIC CLINICAL SCIENCES**
- i. **Department of Chemical Pathology and Immunology**
M.Sc.; Ph.D.; MD Chemical Pathology
 - 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 Mass Communication**
M.Sc.; Ph.D. Mass Communication
- 7. FACULTY OF EDUCATION**
- i. **Department of Arts Education**
M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. English Language Education
M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Arabic Education
M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Comparative Education
M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Religious Studies Education
M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Curriculum Development (Arts Education)
M.Ed. Mother Tongue Education
M.Ed. Philosophy of Education
M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; 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**
PGD Educational Technology (PGDET)
M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D.; Educational Technology
 - iv. **Department of Health Promotion and Environmental Health Education**
M.Sc. (Ed); M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Health Education
Master of Public Health Education

v. Department of Science Education

M.Ed. Science Education (Biology)
M.Ed. Ph.D. Mathematics Education

vi. Department of Social Sciences Education

M.Ed.; Ph.D. Sociology of Education
M.Ed.; 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
M.Ed.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Childhood Education

viii. Department of Human Kinetics Education

M.Sc. (Ed.); M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Exercise and Sport Science
M.Sc. (Ed.); M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Administration and Management of Human Kinetics and Sport
M.Sc. (Ed.); Ph.D. Curriculum and Teacher Education
M.Sc. (Ed.); Ph.D. Adapted Physical Education
M.Sc. (Ed.); M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Recreation and Tourism Education

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.

ii. Department of Chemical Engineering

M.Eng.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Chemical Engineering

iii. Department of Materials and Metallurgical Engineering

M.Eng. Materials and Metallurgical Engineering

iv. Department of Mechanical Engineering

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

9. FACULTY OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

i. Department of Architecture

M.Sc. Architecture

ii. Department of Estate Management

PGD; M.Sc.; Ph.D. Estate Management

iii. Department of Surveying and Geoinformatics

PGD; M.Sc.; Ph.D. Surveying and Geoinformatics

iv. Department of Quantity Surveying

PGD; M.Sc.; Ph.D. Quantity Surveying

v. Department of Urban and Regional Planning

PGD; M.Sc.; Ph.D. Urban and Regional Planning

10. FACULTY OF LAW

i. Department of Common Law

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

iii. 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

PGD; M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Biochemistry

ii. Department of Microbiology

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

iii. Department of Plant Biology

PGD; M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Plant Biology

iv. Department of Zoology

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

12. FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES

i. Department of Accounting

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Accounting

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.; Ph.D. Pharmaceutical and Medicinal Chemistry

14. FACULTY OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES

i. Department of Chemistry

PGD; M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Chemistry

ii. Department of Industrial Chemistry

M.Sc.; M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Industrial Chemistry

iii. Department of Mathematics

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

iv. Department of Physics

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Physics

iv. Department of Statistics

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

v. Department of Geophysics

M.Sc. Geophysics

vi. Department of Geology and Mineral Sciences

PGD Geology;
M.Sc. Applied Geology;
M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Geology

15. FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

i. Department of Economics

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Economics

ii. Department of Geography and Environmental Management

M.Sc. Geography and Environmental Management;
M.Phil./Ph.D.; Ph.D. Geography

iii. Department of Sociology

M.Sc.; Ph.D. 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

iv. Department of Veterinary Microbiology

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Veterinary Microbiology

v. Department Veterinary Parasitology & Entomology

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Veterinary Parasitology

vi. Department of Veterinary Pathology

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Veterinary 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

x. Department of Veterinary Surgery and Radiology

M.Sc.; Ph.D. Large Animal Surgery
M.Sc.; Ph.D. Small Animal Surgery
M.Sc.; Ph.D. Veterinary Anaesthesiology

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, 15th July 2023, 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, 23rd June, 2023**. Note that the latest date for receipt of supporting documents is **Friday, 7th July 2023**. Successful applicants would be notified through their University of Ilorin application portal.

**M.A. Alfania
Registrar**