





## **IOMO KENYATTA UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY** OFFICE OF THE DEAN FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE

### Call for Applications

### **Regional MScProgram in Research Methods**

Applications are invited for the above postgraduate program for the 2013/2014 academic year commencing May 2013.

### **Introduction** MSc. Research Methodology

The MSc in Research Methods intends to train professionals who will support agricultural, natural resource management and socio-sciences research throughout the region. The course provides a strong foundation in research conceptualization, design, data collection, data management, statistical analysis and reporting. While it has been built on the traditions of statistics and biometrics, it extends these by placing them in the context of research for development. The programme is designed to produce research methods specialists who will be able to work across the social, economic and biophysical sciences to make solid contributions in enhancing the effectiveness of modern integrative research.

#### **Admission Requirements**

An applicant for Master of Science in Research Methods should either be;

- A holder of at least Second Class Honours (Upper Division) degree in (a). Agricultural, Biological, Social Sciences or Statistics/Mathematics from Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology (JKUAT) OR
- A holder of at least a Second Class Honours (Upper Division) degree, (b) or its equivalent in Agricultural, Biological, Social Sciences or Statistics/Mathematics from a University recognized by the University Senate OR
- (c) A holder of a Second Class Honours (Lower Division degree in the disciplines in (a) above and related field of study from JKUAT or any other Institution shall be considered provided that the candidate has at least two vears relevant work experience since graduation OR
- A holder of other qualifications recognized by JKUAT Senate as being (d) equivalent to (a), (b) and (c).

#### **Program Objectives**

1. To produce graduates with a solid foundation in research methods concentrating on professional and soft skills and equipped with current

- tools for today's research.
- To promote collaborative network amongst regional institutions to enable them share and exploit existing research potential within the region to inform relevant policy.

#### Program Structure

The program shall normally extend for a period of two years. The program shall consist of coursework, examinations and thesis. The first year of study shall be devoted to coursework, seminars and examinations. Second year will constitute Internship and thesis writing. JKUAT will host the programme. Experts to teach in the program will come from RUFORUM partner Universities. Likewise admission shall be open to all residents of East, Central and Southern regions of Africa.

#### Cost of the Program

The **main** cost elements are: Tuition, fee amounting to US\$ 6245 excluding research costs. Living expenses for the entire duration of the course are estimated at US\$ 6720. Detailed fee structure is available at <a href="https://www.jkuat.ac.ke">www.jkuat.ac.ke</a>

# Who can apply?

- 1. Candidates who meet the admission requirements started above from universities recognized by the JKUAT Senate.
- 2. Candidates of any other academic qualification(s) acceptable to JKUAT Senate
- 3. Female candidates encouraged to apply

Application deadline is 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013. Application forms are available at JKUAT on payment of a non-refundable fee of Kshs. 1500.00. The forms can be also be downloaded at <a href="https://www.jkuat.ac.ke">www.jkuat.ac.ke</a>

#### Important Dates

#### **Scholarships**

scholarships will offered Six (6)he through the INTRA-ACP/MwalimuNyerereprogramme"Intra-ACP academic mobility scheme" which is a European Commission programme that aims at strengthening cooperation between higher education institutions (HEIs) in Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific in view of increasing access to quality education that will encourage and enable students to undertake postgraduate studies, and to promote student retention in the region along with mobility of staff (academic and administrative) while increasing competitiveness and attractiveness of the institutions themselves. The six scholarships will be available for candidates enrolled in the following Partner universities: Haramaya; Ethiopia, Cape Coast; Ghana, Port Harcourt; Nigeria, Gezira, Sudan, Burundi, and Zambia.

# For more information

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