



Call for applications

TDR Postgraduate Scholarship in Implementation Research Academic Year 2019/2020

Deadline for applications: 30 April 2019

DESCRIPTION

The University of Zambia, School of Public Health, invites interested candidates to apply for a TDR Postgraduate Scholarship which will be offered for the academic year commencing September 2019 for the following two-year full-time postgraduate programmes:

- 1. Master of Science, Epidemiology
- 2. Master of Public Health, Health Promotion and Education
- 3. Master of Public Health, Health Policy and Management

The scholarship is supported by TDR, the Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases, co-sponsored by UNICEF, UNDP, the World Bank, and WHO. The vision of TDR is that the health and wellbeing of people burdened by infectious diseases of poverty is improved through research and innovation.

The scholarship recipients will conduct their thesis projects on Implementation Research on infectious diseases of poverty, including <u>neglected tropical diseases</u> (NTDs), malaria and tuberculosis, in their home countries. Recipients will be enrolled as postgraduate students.

Implementation Research focuses on the systematic approach to understanding and addressing barriers to effective and quality implementation of health interventions, strategies and policies.

Further information on implementation research is available from: http://adphealth.org/irtoolkit/

ELIGIBILITY FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP

Applicants should:

 Be residents in and nationals of low- and middle-income countries (as <u>defined</u> by the World Bank) in the <u>WHO African Region</u>.

- Be 35 years old or younger.
- Be interested in developing a career in implementation research on infectious diseases of poverty.
- Hold a bachelor's degree in a relevant field from any recognised university.
- Be proficient in English.
- Provide evidence of ability to obtain study leave from employment (if applicable) before commencement of programme.

THE SCHOLARSHIP PACKAGE

This TDR Postgraduate Scholarship covers:

- Return economy airfare between home country of the candidate and Zambia
- Basic medical and accident insurance
- Support for research project thesis/dissertation expenses and supervision, including travel and sustenance during data collection
- Monthly stipend to cover living expenses, including accommodation equivalent to local living cost
- English course for non-English speaking candidates.

APPLYING FOR THE TDR POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

Application forms can be obtained from the University of Zambia website: https://www.unza.zm/schools/public-health/applications
Required documents are listed in the application form.

Completed and signed application forms, accompanied by a motivation letter in Word format, should be submitted to Dr Choolwe Nkwemu Jacobs, University of Zambia, School of Public Health: tdrunza@gmail.com. Please clearly state in your email subject line 'Application for TDR Postgraduate Scholarship'.

CALENDAR FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Applications for Master Programme is Open online

Deadline for application for the Master Programme

30 April 2019, 1700 CAT

Announcement of selection result

30th June 2019

Applicants will have 7 calendar days to confirm acceptance of the TDR Postgraduate Scholarship after notification of offer. After this date, it will be assumed that the student refuses the scholarship. The University of Zambia, School of Public Health reserves the right to refuse or end attribution of the scholarship if the provided information has been proven false.

^{*}Please note that women and candidates from non-English speaking countries in Africa are particularly encouraged to apply.

For further information or clarification, please contact:

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