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POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSIONS INTO POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES IN THE 2024/2025 RAIN SEMESTER ACADEMIC SESSION (Ph.D. ONLY)

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for admission into various Ph.D. degree programmes only at the University of Ilorin.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

- (i) **Only Ph.D. programmes are available for the rain semester session and only courses available are advertised. 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 a wrong application.**
- (iv) **The Postgraduate academic session for Postgraduate programmes is 12 calendar months, commencing on 2nd October and ending on 8th August of the following year. The 12 calendar months start to count automatically from the date of first registration. The rain semester session shall however commence on 2nd April.**
- (v) **Applicants are to note that programmes automatically lapse 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

Ph.D. Degree Programmes

These are available to holders of M.A.; M.Ed.; M.Eng.; M.Sc.; LL.M; and MPH 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.**

B. ELIGIBILITY FOR ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

General Requirements:

- i. All entry certificate requirements 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 March 30th, 2025.
- ii. Applicants are expected to submit their application forms online, together with 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, 13th January 2025 and Friday, 17th January 2025, 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 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 interview date 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.
- vi. 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.
- vii. 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 no later than Friday 7th February 2025.

- viii. 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. DETAILS OF AVAILABLE PROGRAMMES

1. **FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE**
 - i. **Department of Agronomy**
Ph.D. Agronomy
Ph.D. Soil Science
 - ii. **Department of Agricultural Economics and Farm Management**
Ph.D. Agricultural Economics
 - iii. **Department of Agricultural Extension and Rural Development**
Ph.D. Agricultural Extension
 - iv. **Department of Animal Production**
Ph.D. Animal Production
 - v. **Department of Aquaculture and Fisheries**
Ph.D. Aquaculture and Fisheries
 - vi. **Department of Crop Protection**
Ph.D. Crop Protection
 - vii. **Department of Home Economics and Food Science**
Ph.D. Food Science

2. FACULTY OF ARTS

- i. **Centre for Cultural Studies and Creative Arts**
Ph.D. Cultural Studies
Ph.D. Creative Arts
Ph.D. Museum and Archival Studies
- ii. **Centre for Peace and Strategic Studies**
Ph.D. Peace and Development Studies
- iii. **Department of Arabic**
Ph.D. Arabic Language
Ph.D. Literature-in-Arabic

iv. Department of English

- Ph.D. English Language
- Ph.D. Literature-in-English

v. Department of French

- Ph.D. French Language
- Ph.D. Literature-in-French

vi. Department of Religions

- Ph.D. Christian Studies.
- Ph.D. Comparative Religious Studies
- Ph.D. Islamic Studies

vii. Department of The Performing Arts

- Ph.D. Performing Arts

3. FACULTY OF BASIC MEDICAL SCIENCES

- i. **Department of Anatomy**
Ph.D. Anatomy
- ii. **Department of Physiology**
Ph.D. Physiology

4. FACULTY OF BASIC CLINICAL SCIENCES

- i. **Department of Pharmacology and Therapeutics**
Ph.D. Pharmacology and Therapeutics

5. FACULTY OF CLINICAL SCIENCES

- i. **Department of Epidemiology & Community Health**
Ph.D. Epidemiology & Community Health
- i. **Department of Paediatrics & Child Health**
Ph.D. Tropical Paediatrics

6. FACULTY OF COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION SCIENCES

- i. **Department of Information Technology**
Ph.D. Information and Communication Science

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- ii. **Department of Library and Information Science**
Ph.D. Library and Information Science
- 7. FACULTY OF EDUCATION**
 - i. Department of Arts Education**
Ph.D. English Language Education
Ph.D. Arabic Education
Ph.D. History and Policy Education
Ph.D. History Education
Ph.D. Philosophy of Education
Ph.D. Religious Studies Education
Ph.D. Comparative Education
Ph.D. Curriculum Development
Ph.D. Mother Tongue Education
 - ii. **Department of Adult and Primary Education**
Ph.D. Adult Education
Ph.D. Childhood Education
 - iii. **Department of Educational Technology**
Ph.D. Educational Technology
 - iv. **Department of Counsellor Education**
Ph.D. Guidance and Counselling
 - v. Department of Health Promotion and Environmental Health Education**
Ph.D. Health Education
 - vi. **Department of Human Kinetics Education**
Ph.D. Exercise and Sport Science
Ph.D. Administration and Management of Human Kinetics and Sport
Ph.D. Curriculum and Teacher Education
Ph.D. Adapted Physical Education
Ph.D. Recreation and Tourism Education
 - vii. **Department of Social Sciences Education**
Ph.D. Curriculum Development in Social Sciences Education
Ph.D. Educational Psychology
Ph.D. Social Studies Education
Ph.D. Sociology of Education
 - viii. **Department of Science Education**
Ph.D. Science Education (Biology, Physics)
- 8. FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY**
 - i. **Department of Agricultural and Biosystem Engineering**
Ph.D. Agricultural and Biosystem Engineering
 - ii. **Department of Chemical Engineering**
Ph.D. Chemical Engineering
 - iii. **Department of Civil Engineering**
Ph.D. Civil Engineering
 - iv. **Department of Mechanical Engineering**
Ph.D. Mechanical Engineering
- 9. FACULTY OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES**
 - i. **Department of Estate Management**
Ph.D. Estate Management
 - ii. **Department of Surveying and Geoinformatics**
Ph.D. Surveying and Geoinformatics
 - iii. **Department of Quantity Surveying**
Ph.D. Quantity Surveying
 - iv. **Department of Urban and Regional Planning**
Ph.D. Urban and Regional Planning
- 10. FACULTY OF LAW**
 - i. **Department of Common Law**
Ph.D. Common Law
 - ii. **Department of Islamic Law**
Ph.D. Islamic Law
- 11. FACULTY OF LIFE SCIENCES**
 - i. **Department of Zoology**
Ph.D. Zoology
- 12. FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES**
 - i. **Department of Business Administration**
Ph.D. Business Administration
 - ii. **Department of Finance**
Ph.D. Finance
 - iii. **Department of Marketing**
Ph.D. Marketing
 - iv. **Department of Public Administration**
Ph.D. Public Administration
- 13. FACULTY OF PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES**
 - i. **Department of Pharmaceutical and Medicinal Chemistry**

- Ph.D. Pharmaceutical and Medicinal Chemistry
- ii. **Department of Pharmaceutics and Industrial Pharmacy**
Ph.D. Pharmaceutics and Industrial Pharmacy
- 14. FACULTY OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES**
 - i. **Department of Chemistry**
Ph.D. Chemistry
 - ii. **Department of Industrial Chemistry**
Ph.D. Industrial Chemistry
 - iii. **Department of Mathematics**
Ph.D. Mathematics
 - iv. **Department of Statistics**
Ph.D. Statistics
 - vi. **Department of Geology and Mineral Sciences**
Ph.D. Geology
 - vii. **Department of Physics**
Ph.D. Physics
- 15. FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**
 - i. **Department of Economics**
Ph.D. Economics
 - ii. **Department of Geography and Environmental Management**
Ph.D. Geography
 - iii. **Department of Political Science**
Ph.D. Political Science
 - iv. **Department of Sociology**
Ph.D. Sociology
- 16. FACULTY OF VETERINARY MEDICINE**
 - i. **Department of Veterinary Anatomy**
Ph.D.; Veterinary Anatomy
 - ii. **Department of Veterinary Medicine**
Ph.D.; Veterinary Medicine
 - iii. **Department of Veterinary Microbiology**
Ph.D. Veterinary Microbiology
 - iv. **Department of Veterinary Parasitology & Entomology**
Ph.D. Veterinary Parasitology
 - v. **Department of Veterinary Pathology**
Ph.D. Veterinary Pathology
 - vi. **Department of Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology**
Ph.D.; Veterinary Pharmacology
Ph.D.; Veterinary Toxicology
 - vii. **Department of Veterinary Physiology and Biochemistry**
Ph.D. Veterinary Physiology
Ph.D. Veterinary Biochemistry
 - viii. **Department of Veterinary Public Health and Preventive Medicine**
Ph.D. Veterinary Public Health and Preventive Medicine
- 17. INSTITUTE FOR LEGISLATIVE STUDIES**
Ph.D. Legislative Studies
Ph.D. Legislative Drafting
Ph.D. Constitutional Law and Development
Ph.D. Election and Political Party Management
Ph.D. Parliamentary Administration

E. APPLICATION FEES

The non-refundable application fee for all programmes is **N25,000.00** (Twenty-five Thousand Naira) only for applicants within Nigeria OR **\$200.00** only for international applicants.

PLEASE NOTE:

While this advertisement serves as an invitation for the Qualifying Interview/Examination at a date to be communicated by the respective Departments, 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 and phones frequently.

F. METHOD OF APPLICATION

Application forms are to be completed online and will close on **Friday, 31st January 2025**. Note that the latest date for receipt of supporting documents is **Friday, 17th January 2025**. Successful applicants will be notified through their University of Ilorin application portal.

**M.A. Alfania
Registrar**