



**THE UNIVERSITY OF ZAMBIA
DIRECTORATE OF RESEARCH AND GRADUATE STUDIES**

**SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MASTER OF SCIENCE & DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY IN
AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS**

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock (MAL) with support from the European Union, has provided a competitive grant to the Department of Agricultural Economics and Extension at the University of Zambia. The grant will be used to support the research of 4 (four) students in a Master's degree program in Agricultural Economics tenable at the University of Zambia or any reputable university including those outside Zambia for the 2013/2014 academic year. Scholarship support is also available for 1 (one) PhD student at University of Zambia or any reputable university including those outside Zambia. The grant will support student research in areas relating to Climate Smart Agriculture (CSA) such as the socio-economic analysis of trade-offs and synergies between food security, adaptation to climate change, and mitigation of Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions. Applications by continuing Masters and PhD students are now invited for scholarship support.

Eligibility

1. The applicants for the scholarship awards is limited to **Zambian Nationals** enrolled in a MSc or PhD program in a reputable university.
2. Potential candidates that satisfy the above criteria working with National Agriculture Research Institutions, Universities, Ministry of Agriculture and other related ministries and institutions are encouraged to apply.
3. Female candidates are highly encouraged to apply and will be given priority for scholarship awards as long as they meet other academic criteria.

Requirements for Scholarships for Masters Students

1. Candidates must be enrolled in an Agricultural Economics or Agricultural Sciences (with specialization on Agricultural Economics) MS program at the University of Zambia or any reputable university including those outside Zambia
2. Candidates must have completed their first year of studies (i.e. course work) in their MS Program in these disciplines;
3. Candidates with qualifications in related disciplines such as Economics or Environmental/Natural Resource Economics or Management also qualify and are encouraged to apply



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Requirements for Scholarships for Doctoral Students

Similar eligibility and admission requirements apply to individuals interested in scholarships for PhD students except that applicants should possess a Masters degree in relevant disciplines and be enrolled in a PhD programs in any university (including those outside Zambia) completing their first year of study (course-work for PhD students). PhD students are expected to submit a more detailed research proposal. Further queries about the PhD scholarship by e-mail should be sent to miseael.kokwe@fao.org with a copy to thkalinda@unza.zm; thomsonkalinda@gmail.com; aslihan.aslan@fao.org and mortonmwanza@yahoo.com.

Scholarship coverage

The scholarship will cover tuition, stipend, travel allowance and research costs.

Mode of Application

Individuals interested in these scholarships can obtain detailed guidelines for applicants at the following links: <http://www.unza.zm> and <http://www.fao.org/climatechange/epic/projects/countries/zambia/en/>.

Closing date for applications is 31st August, 2013

The application should include, copies of academic transcripts and certificates; a brief Curriculum Vitae of NOT more than 2 pages and the names; e-mail addresses and telephone numbers of 3 referees; a one page letter of motivation outlining why you should be considered for this scholarship and a nomination letter from the current employer.

A brief concept note highlighting a research area of interest should also be included. Applicants are encouraged to consider research areas in CSA from a wide range of issues such as: (1) Conservation agriculture, agroforestry and soil & water conservation (SWC); (2) Diversification of crop production into other activities (e.g. livestock, dairy, fisheries); (3) The role of agriculture as a driver of deforestation (given the importance of Zambia as a UN-REDD country); (4) Investments and financing to support CSA for smallholder agriculture; (5) Biomass and GHG studies

The Concept Note should be *limited to five single-spaced typed pages* excluding references and any relevant annexes. The concept note should include (a) a clear project title, (b) statement of the problem (research gap), (c) objectives, (d) hypotheses and (d) proposed procedures (data needs/sources, analytical procedures).

Send your application documents to:
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