



DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PhD) DEGREE OPPORTUNITY

Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology (JOOUST) in collaboration with Vrije Universiteit Brussel (VUB), KU Leuven, Ghent University, University of Antwerp and Hasselt University is conducting research and capacity building through a project titled “*Strengthening Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology Capacity in Natural Resource Management, Food Security and Health*” in the Lake Victoria Basin. The 10-year project is financed by the Belgian Government through the Flemish Interuniversity Council (VLIR-UOS). As part of capacity building, the University invites suitably qualified applicants for postgraduate scholarships to pursue Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree in thematic areas of natural resource management, sustainable agri-food systems, health, ICT and climate change. Successful candidates shall be part of agents of change applying relevant co-created knowledge, skills and attitude for sustainable and equitable development. Details of the study areas can be obtained from the project website available at <http://vliriuc.jooust.ac.ke>

Eligibility criteria:

Candidates for the PhD programme should be:

- i) currently serving as members of staff at JOOUST either on permanent and pensionable or contract basis in their respective faculties/schools;
- ii) holders of Masters degree with a background in the relevant thematic areas as outlined above;
- iii) must meet the admission requirements for PhD programmes at JOOUST; and
- iv) must be ready to comply with the provisions of staff training and development policy.

The Scholarship package will cover tuition, research, academic-related travel, conferences and networking activity support as well as community and policy engagement activities.

Application process

The following documents must be submitted through the email address provided below:

- i) Cover letter (not more than 500 words) detailing the motivation for applying for the degree in the given program and how the program fits with your overall career goals;
- ii) Certified copies of academic certificates and transcripts;
- iii) Support letter from the head of the department indicating commitment of the department to support the candidate to completion;
- iv) Copy of the relevant documents identifying the candidate as bona fide employees of JOOUST and the national ID card;
- v) Electronic clear coloured passport size photograph (2cmx2cm, jpg, png, tiff); and
- vi) An updated curriculum vitae.

Application deadline

The application letter addressed to the **Local Coordinator, JOOUST VLIR-IUC Project** and supporting documents must be submitted to vlir-iuc@jooust.ac.ke by **9th September, 2022**.

For more information contact:

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