

CATHOLIC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME FOR UGANDA

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APPLICATION FORM

- Please be advised that the eligibility requirements for the Scholarship Programme changed in 2019;
 please refer to the Catholic Scholarship Programme Eligibility Requirements, which are attached as
 Annex A.
- Each applicant must write a Personal Statement, please follow the template attached as Annex B.
- Each applicant must have two (2) Letters of Recommendation, including one from your superior. Please follow the template attached as Annex C.
- Finally, this application should be submitted together with the list of documents on page 4.

PERSONAL DETAILS

| Surname: | First and Middle names: |
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| Other names | |
| Date of birth: | Place of birth: |
| Nationality: | Identity card no/ Passport no: |
| Religious □ Lay □ | Mobile phone numbers: |
| E-mail: | Gender: |
| Permanent address: | |
| | tion or organization that is nominating the student for a |
| | Pontifical Institute |
| Superior/Next of Kin Contact Details: | |
| Name: | |
| E-mail: | Mobile phone numbers: |
| Permanent address: | |

PREVIOUS APPLICATION

If you have previously applied for the Catholic Scholarship Programme, Kindly provide additional information below.

| Date of Previous | Sending Institution | Course of Study | Outcome of application |
|------------------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| Application | | | |
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| STUDY PROGRAMME YOU ARE APPLYING FOR | | | |
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| Name and address of the Institution of Higher learning: | | | |
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| Course of Study:Level | | | |
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| Length of study/ training:untilmonths/years fromuntiluntil | | | |
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| Date of Admission | | | |

BUDGET (THE SCHOLARSHIP COVERS TUITION AND ADMINISTRATIVE FEES)

| | | Costs | Comments |
|----------|---------------------|-------|----------|
| Year 1 | Tuition fee | | |
| | Administration fees | | |
| Year 2 | Tuition fee | | |
| | Administration fees | | |
| Year 3 | Tuition fee | | |
| | Administration fees | | |
| Year 4 | Tuition fee | | |
| | Administration fees | | |
| Grand to | otal | | |

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

| | Full name of institution and location | Duration of study (incl. dates) | Diplomas and certificates obtained (incl. grades attained) |
|------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Secondary/ | | | |
| technical | | | |
| Higher | | | |
| education | | | |
| Other | | | |
| studies | | | |

WORK HISTORY (Feel free to attach a separate paper with these details)

| Full name of employer | Position | Dates in employment | Key functions while in employment |
|-----------------------|----------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
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LEADERSHIP, VOLUNTEERISM AND COMMUNITY SERVICE (Feel free to attach a separate paper with these details)

| Organization | Name of the | Dates of | Key activities and/or role in leadership, volunteerism, |
|---------------|-------------------------|----------|---|
| led or served | Leadership/ | service | community service |
| | Volunteerism/ | | |
| | Community | | |
| | Service Position | | |
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AWARDS and RECOGNITION

| Name of award | Dates of service | Grounds for the award or recognition |
|---------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|
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| Have you applied for financial assistance from any other institution/or | rganization to support your course of |
|---|--|
| study? | |
| YES NO | |
| If yes, please state the institution/organization and nature of assistant | ce applied for and the outcome. |
| NOMINATING INSTITUTION'S RESPONSIBILITY | |
| I,(Name of Head of Nominating In | stitution), have checked and agree |
| that the information provided in this application form is correct and h | nereby commit myself to assign |
| (Name of the Applicant) to work in the | he leadership role described in the |
| Religious Superior/Nominating Institution's letter of Recommendation | on. I also agree to follow up with |
| his/her progress in studies and commitment to the requirements of the | ne Catholic Scholarship Programme. |
| Signature and stamp of Head of Nominating Institution | Date and place |
| ATTESTATION BY THE APPLICANT | |
| I(Applicant) hereby att | test to the truth that all the information |
| contained in this application is correct and true to the best of my known | wledge. |
| Signature of Applicant | Date and place |

CHECKLIST

- 1. Application form duly completed with a recently taken passport size photograph attached or glued in provided space.
- 2. Copy of your birth certificate or national identity card or passport clearly showing your surname and first name(s).
- 3. Curriculum vitae or resume including a description of responsibilities/functions you have had to date.
- 4. Certified copies of certificates, diplomas, transcripts and academic degree certificates of courses attended where applicable.
- 5. Two letters of recommendation in the format suggested in the application information. One of the Letters of Recommendation should be attested to by the nominating Catholic Institution together with the Catholic diocese (For Lay Persons)
- 6. Personal statement of applicant in the format suggested in the application information.
- 7. Any evidence of leadership positions held including any awards, recognitions, etc.
- 8. A copy of a letter of admission/proof of an application in process.
- 9. A copy of the fee structure from the desired institution of study.
- 10. A copy of the letter of appointment showing evidence of a full-time employment with a nominating Catholic Institution for at least three consecutive years (For Lay Persons)

ANNEX A

Eligibility Requirements - 2020

- Catholic Religious sisters, brothers and priests who can demonstrate leadership traits and potential may be nominated by their Congregational or Diocesan superior.
- Lay persons may be nominated by a Catholic institution (e.g., Diocesan and Caritas offices) if they meet the following requirements: (1) evidence of a full-time employment with the nominating institution for at least three consecutive years and (2) holds a leadership position in the nominated organization.
- Only students who are starting a course of study are eligible; a student in an on-going course of study is not allowed to apply for a scholarship.
- The total number of scholarships awarded annually depends on the availability of funds.
- There will be no age restriction; however, the scholar should show that he or she will be able to provide service and leadership for a period of time in a manner comparable to the investment made.
- An applicant who is not accepted on his or her first application is not barred from submitting an application in a subsequent year. However, if an applicant is not successful after three submissions, he or she will no longer be eligible.
- A scholar is not eligible to receive a tuition scholarship if he or she is a recipient of another tuition scholarship for the same course of study.
- Scholarships are given to scholars who live in Uganda.
- Qualifying institutions of higher education are listed below:
 University of Kisubi, Makerere University, Kyambogo University, Nkumba University, Makerere Business School, Mbarara University of Science and Technology, Gulu University, Uganda Martyrs University, Uganda Christian University and Queen of Apostles Institute Jinja
- Specific Course of Study:
 - 1. Bachelor's Degree
 - 2. **Master's Degree and Post-graduate Diploma.** Note that eligibility for a Master's degree or Post-graduate diploma is possible only following a minimum of two years of work and/or service from the date of graduation.
 - 3. **Diploma**. Note that this course of study is limited to women religious with a preference for local congregations. A congregation may submit a maximum of two applications for diplomas annually.
 - 4. **Certificate**. Note that this course of study is limited to women religious with a preference for local congregations. A congregation may submit a maximum of two applications for certificates annually.

Fields of study will be limited to those that supports:

1. Education

Scholarships will be available to students enrolling in the Faculty of Education of qualifying institutions. Available courses may include Post Graduate Degree in Education, Master of Higher Education Management and Development, Master of Education Management and Planning, Education Science, Bachelor of Science in Education, Bachelor of Arts in Education, Bachelor of Education, Diploma in Secondary Education, Diploma in Education Diploma in Teacher Education, Diploma in Psychology and Counselling.

2. Building just societies

Scholarships will be available to students enrolling in the Faculty of Law, Departments or Faculty of Philosophy, Religious Studies, Gender and Development, Community Development. Available courses may include Masters in Law, Bachelors in Law, Masters in Social Work, Bachelor of Arts in Social Work, Master in Philosophy, Bachelors in Peace Studies and International Relations, Master in Peace Studies, Bachelor of Nursing.

3. Effective congregational/Church management and leadership

Scholarships will be available to students studying finance, administration, management and economics and enrolling in the Faculty of Business of qualifying institutions. Available courses may include Masters in Business Management, Masters in Human Resources Management, Masters in Finance and Corporate Management, Bachelors Business Administration, Diploma Business Administration, Diploma in accountancy.

4. Health

Scholarships will be available to students studying Bachelor of Nursing, Medical Laboratory Technician courses, Physiotherapy and Occupational therapy courses. Please note that lower qualifications in Nursing are not supported by the scholarship programme in line with professional standards in the health sector that advocate for a high quality of care afforded by qualifications at the Degree level.

Primary award/Selection Criteria:

- Academic achievement
- Experience and/or potential for leadership
- Participation in service related activities in the community, congregation, etc.
- Work history
- Achievements (academic, professional, congregational)
- Awards/recognition

Application dates:

Applications for the Catholic Scholarship Programme open on 1st March each year. The deadline for receiving applications is 15th May of each year.

Terms and Conditions:

- 1. The scholarship award is partial and will include only tuition fees and administrative costs and fees for the entire duration of the course of study.
- 2. The scholar will also receive a contribution to be used at his or her discretion to cover additional expenses such as books, research, and travel. The contribution is:

a. Certificate UGX. 694,619.00
 b. Diploma UGX. 868,274.00
 c. Bachelors UGX. 1,041,930.00
 d. Master's UGX. 1,215,580.00

3. All expenses related to boarding, medical, and other expenses should be covered by the scholar. Applicants should demonstrate the ability to pay the balance of their study costs without the need to interrupt their studies.

- 4. Participation in designated Leadership Courses are mandatory and will be undertaken during long breaks, holidays or other designated times. The courses will include: Servant Leadership; Child Protection, Catholic Social Teaching and Professional Management Skills.
- 5. Each applicant must be attested to by at least two persons in leadership positions, inclusive or his/her superior. The scholar and sponsor must also demonstrate a willingness for the scholar to engage in a leadership role following his or her studies.
- 6. Lay applicants must be nominated by their employer.
- 7. Successful candidates are notified by e-mail of their selection or declination by 15th August of each year. If you don't receive any notification by this date, please consider your application as unsuccessful

Contact Information

For more information on the Catholic Scholarship Programme, please contact the Scholarship office at the addresses provided below:

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ANNEX B

Template for Personal Statement – Please limit to two (2) typed pages.

The purpose of the Personal Statement is to give the Scholarship Committee members an opportunity to learn more about you, your leadership skills and traits as well as your educational and professional goals and how the scholarship will help you achieve them.

Please keep in mind that the expectation is not that you write a detailed essay. Just think about the questions below and answer in a concise manner.

- 1. How have you been leader, a volunteer or engaged in community service?
- 2. Please describe your most important contributions as a leader.
- 3. Please describe your educational and professional goals and aspirations.
- 4. Please describe how this scholarship will help you attain your goals.
- 5. Why did you choose this academic institution and course of study?
- 6. Please describe any key achievements (academic, professional, congregational, etc.).

- 7. What are your greatest strength and weaknesses?
- 8. Is there anything else you want to add?

ANNEX C

Template for Sponsor's Letter of Recommendation. Please limit to one (1) typed page.

If you have been asked to write a letter of recommendation for an applicant who is applying for an academic and leadership scholarship from the Catholic Scholarship Programme, please include the following information:

1. How you know the applicant and your experience with the applicant

How you met the scholar, how you worked together and basic qualifications. Be sure to cite details that enable the scholarship selection committee gain a clear, holistic understanding of what type of person the applicant really is; for e.g., the applicant's character, proclivities, and general attitude when working with others.

2. The applicant's leadership traits and potential for leadership

Provide clear, detailed information regarding his or her past leadership roles, providing detail on the range of leadership skills including qualifications and successes.

3. The applicant's course of study

Please include your detailed information regarding the applicant's potential to succeed in the course of study chosen and the learning institution they plan to attend.

4. Show where and how the applicant can improve

Give examples.

5. If you are the applicant's superior

Please indicate how the applicant's course of study and enhanced leadership skills fit into the congregation's or diocese's human resources plan and/or future assignment. What makes this candidate most suited for the proposed role and how was she/her selected (what process/criterion were used)?

Dos and Don'ts

- Do gather information from the applicant
- Do allow sufficient time to prepare this letter of recommendation
- Don't make your letter longer than one page
- Don't use generic letters for recommendations