

# In-Country/In-Region Scholarship Programme Nigeria

## Call for Scholarship Applications 2021 at University of Ibadan

## [Master programmes in Fisheries Management and Energy Studies]

Funded by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)

Application Closing Date in the DAAD Portal (for pre-selected candidates only):

17th February 2022





## Programme Objectives

The programme aims at fostering strong, internationally oriented higher education systems in Sub Sahara Africa with the capacity to contribute to sustainable development. To this end, scholarships are granted for development-related Master or doctoral studies for individuals who plan to pursue a career in teaching and / or research at a higher education institution in Sub Sahara Africa.

By training future academic and professional leaders, the programme contributes to the following **long-term impacts:** 

- Qualified professionals' involvement in the solution of development-related problems in Sub Sahara Africa
- Graduates strengthening education and research in Sub Sahara Africa
- Structural strengthening and regional networking of partner institutions and partner universities

To achieve these long-term impacts, the following outcomes have been formulated as programme objectives:

**Programme objective 1**: Graduates have qualified to take over responsible positions in their, or for their, region of origin

Programme objective 2: The participation of women and underprivileged

groups is reinforced

Programme objective 3: Organizational, financial and personal capacities of

partner institutions are strengthened

As part of the "In-Country/In-Region Scholarship Programme", DAAD offers scholarships for Master studies. The programme is funded by the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and aims at university staff in the first line, without neglecting the public sector demand of academically trained personnel.

The target group for scholarships are graduates from Sub Sahara Africa with a first academic degree if applying for a Master's programme, who want to pursue Master's courses, either

• in their home country

(**In-Country scholarships** are aimed at students who study in their home country or in the country for which they have a residence permit.)

- or -

in another Sub Sahara African country

(**In-Region scholarships** are aimed at students who want to participate in a study programme in a country of their home region (here: Sub Sahara Africa /outside their home country).

It has been agreed upon that DAAD cooperates with University of Ibadan by offering up to 5 In-Country scholarships and 10 In-Region scholarships for Master studies at the University of Ibadan for the intake 2022.

The awarding of scholarships will be subject to the provision of funds.



### Application requirements

#### Applicants

- have successfully completed generally a three-year university degree (Master candidates) with above average results (at least: Second Class/Upper Division or equivalent, if applicable)
- clearly show motivation and strong commitment
- have thorough knowledge of the language of instruction
- have generally completed their last university degree not more than 6 years ago at the time of application
- must be nationals or permanent resident of a Sub Saharan country
- should generally be a) staff member of a public university, b) candidate considered for teaching or research staff recruitment, c) from the public sector and/or d) Alumni of the DAFI-programme

Female applicants, refugees with recognized refugee status and candidates from other less privileged regions or groups are especially encouraged to participate in the programme.

Scholarships are initially granted for one year and can be extended to a maximum of the regular period of study upon receipt of an application for extension. Scholars must demonstrate satisfactory progress before an extension is granted.

Please note: University of Ibadan might have additional requirements for admission to the university.

Eligible fields

The In-Country/In-Region Scholarship Programme supports studies in subject areas with strong relevance to national development.

The scholarships at University of Ibadan are available in the following fields:

- MSc. Fisheries Management
- MSc. Energy Studies

Place of tenure

University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria

Duration and

The duration of the Master programme is generally one and a half (1,5) years and is usually starting in June.

Please note that the maximum duration of the scholarship is based on the time that is left until the scholarship holder has reached the regular period of studies in that programme; i.e., if you apply for a DAAD scholarship starting in your second year of studies of a three-year programme, the maximum duration of the scholarship will be two years.

Application and Selection Procedure

The application process contains two steps. Please be aware of the DAAD application deadline as well as University of Ibadan's deadline.

#### First step:

Applicants must apply for their studies at University of Ibadan using the contacts and the method that is prescribed by the institution. **University of Ibadan has set its own deadlines.** 

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Additionally, once you submit your application to University of Ibadan, please send a short notification to DAAD that you have applied with the subject "Your Surname\_First name\_ Ibadan" to the email address of the DAAD contact person given below.

Please note: In some countries in Sub Sahara Africa, a document from the Qualifications Authority must be submitted for admission to the universities (e.g. from SAQA in South Africa). Please note that the application for these documents may take long and that it is the applicant's responsibility to get informed at an early stage in order to receive the documents from the respective authorities in time.

University of Ibadan will screen, pre-select (according to DAAD selection criteria) and short-list the applicants. A detailed report consisting of the shortlisting procedure, the entire list of applicants, the ranked shortlist and the shortlisting panel members will also be availed to DAAD. The ranked shortlist will contain preferably triple (at least double) the number of scholarships that have been attributed to the institution.

DAAD reserves the right of final selection.

#### Second step:

University of Ibadan will provide the shortlisted candidates with the link to the DAAD-Portal. Only the pre-selected candidates are asked to log into the DAAD portal, register themselves and submit an DAAD application. **DAAD Deadline:** 17th February 2022.

### Application

Mandatory documents to be submitted (in either English or German) for the DAAD scholarship application:

- DAAD application form duly filled in (available in the DAAD-Portal)
- Curriculum vitae (please use the European specimen form at <a href="http://europass.cedefop. Europa.eu">http://europass.cedefop. Europa.eu</a>), including a list of publications (if applicable).
- Recommendation letter by university teachers/lecturers (this can be subsequently submitted before the scholarship begins if it is not available at the time of application due to the COVID 19 pandemic (Exception is valid only for the year 2021))
- Letter of admission for the host university (this can be subsequently submitted before the scholarship begins if it is not available at the time of application)
- Certified copies of university degree certificates including transcripts (if available, including a grading scale for the final university grade)
- · Letter of motivation
- Copy of the passport (if applicable) or National Identification Card
- If applicable, information on the UNHCR registration as refugee
- Only for research-based Master programmes:
  - a timetable (if applicable: mentioning the planned research stay in Germany, see "Additional benefits")
- Only for course-based Master programmes:



 a semester schedule (if applicable, please add the information how and when a planned research stay in Germany would fit into the semester schedule; see "Additional benefits")

#### Optional:

 Additional documents that might be relevant for your application (e.g. proof of internships, proof of employment).

Your application is only valid if you submit all the required documents to the DAAD portal on time. Incomplete applications cannot be considered. You are responsible for ensuring that your applications are complete.

Please note that the scholarship only becomes effective as soon as the Admission Letter from the university is issued. This must be submitted to the DAAD Portal as soon as possible and is part of a complete application.

Submission of application Applications have to be submitted via the DAAD portal

Applications submitted through other channels or to other authorities will not be considered.

The DAAD portal closes at 24.00 hrs. Central European Time (CET or CEST) on the last application day.

Scholarship funding

The scholarship covers:

Item	Payment	Amount
Tuition Fees*	annually	the regularly charged amount
Study and		
research	annually	460 EUR (Master)
allowance		
Printing allowance	once towards the	400 EUR (Master)
	end of scholarship	
Monthly		
Scholarship	monthly	300 EUR (In-Country)
(Accommodation,		450 EUR (In-Region)
Food etc.)		
Travel allowance	twice (beginning/	The flat rate travel allowance will
(In-Region only)	end of scholarship)	be specified in the letter of award
		If applicable
Health Insurance	annually	Further information regarding the
(In-Region only)		health insurance will be specifies
		in the letter of award

<sup>\*</sup>Please note that in some cases not all fees and costs that are mentioned on the official fee structure of the host institution can be covered by DAAD in full, e.g. if the agreement with the funding organization prevents us from funding certain items in the fee structure or if items that are included in the fees are supposed to be covered through the individual scholarship benefits. DAAD will transfer the fees directly to the host institution



## Payment of scholarship funds

The DAAD will endeavour to transfer / pay out the first monthly payment to you as quickly as possible after your arrival/ after the beginning of your scholarship. Processing the first transfer of funds may take some time, especially if you are able to set up your bank account only after your arrival in your destination country. To be able to cover the costs which arise until you receive your first scholarship payment, we recommend that you bring a financial reserve with you.

Please note that the travel allowance for In-Region scholarship holders will only be transferred along with the first scholarship rate, i.e. after the arrival in the host country.

The scholarship will be paid directly to the scholarship holder's banking account. Further details will be announced after admission to the scholarship programme on the Letter of Award.

#### Additional benefits

DAAD In-Country/In-Region scholarship holders are also

a) encouraged to apply for a research stay in Germany for 3 up to 6 months. Please note: The short-term research stay in Germany should preferably be announced in the application for the regular scholarship and can only be awarded if the necessary financial means are available.

The short-term research scholarship includes:

- · a monthly scholarship payment for living costs
- health/accident/personal liability insurance
- a flat-rate travel allowance

b) invited to apply for different Summer Schools in Germany (four weeks)

All further details regarding additional benefits and the additional application processes will be provided after admission to the scholarship programme.

Contact and advice

#### Enquiries related to the DAAD Scholarship

DAAD Contact Person: Pauline Richter

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Website: https://www.daad.de/incountry-inregion

**Enquiries related to the general admission and the study programme** University of Ibadan Contact Person: Professor A. B. Ekanola, MNAL

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Webside: <a href="mailto:https://www.ui.edu.ng/">https://www.ui.edu.ng/</a>