SOKOINE UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE



APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION INTO HIGHER DEGREES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2025/2026

Applications are hereby invited for admission into Higher Degrees at Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA) for the academic year 2025/2026. Candidates for Postgraduate Diploma, Master and PhD Degree programmes by Coursework and Dissertation are admitted and registered once every year for an academic year that starts in October of each year. Successful candidates will be notified immediately after consideration and approval are made by the Senate and they will be expected to embark on studies in October, 2025. Candidates for Master's and PhD by Research and Thesis may apply and be admitted at anytime of the year. Candidates meeting the prescribed minimum qualifications are invited to apply for admission.

The following are the Postgraduate Diploma, Master's and PhD degree programmes tenable at SUA:

A. POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA PROGRAMMES

Hosted by the School of Education (SoE)

- 1. Postgraduate Diploma in Education One year for science teachers (Evening)
- 2. Postgraduate Diploma in Agricultural Extension Management

B. 1. MASTER DEGREE PROGRAMMES BY COURSEWORK AND DISSERTATION

Hosted by the College of Economics and Business Studies (CoEBS)

- 1. Master of Business Administration (Agribusiness): *This is a 24-month full-time programme conducted by course work and an internship leading to an examinable Research paper.*
- 2. Master of Business Administration-MBA (Evening Programme): This is a 24-month parttime programme. Teaching times are 5.00 pm to 9.00 pm during weekdays and 8.30 am to 12.30 pm on Saturdays.
- 3. MSc. Agricultural and Applied Economics

Hosted by the School of Education (SoE)

- 1. Master of Education in Curriculum and Instructions (Evening)
- 2. Master of Applied Psychology and Counseling (Evening)
- 3. Master of Educational Management and Administration (Evening)

Hosted by the College of Natural and Applied Sciences (CoNAS)

- 1. MSc. Environmental Science Management and Technology
- 2. MSc. Hydrogeology and Water Resource Management
- 3. MSc. with Education (Biology/Chemistry/Mathematics)
- 4. Master of Chemistry
- 5. Master in Information and Knowledge Management

Hosted by the College of Agriculture (CoA)

- 1. Master of Crop Protection
- 2. MSc. Agricultural Extension
- 3. MSc. Soil Science and Land Management
- 4. MSc. Tropical Animal Production
- 5. MSc. Human Nutrition
- 6. MSc. Aquaculture
- 7. MSc. Horticulture
- 8. MSc. Seed Technology and Business
- 9. MSc. Agronomy
- 10. MSc. Plant Breeding
- 11. MSc. Agricultural Statistics: The programme is offered jointly between SUA and the Eastern Africa Statistical Training Centre (EASTC). Registered students are hosted by the EASTC in Dar es Salaam. All applications should be sent through https://eastc.ac.tz/cms-v1/content/how-apply-0

Hosted by the School of Engineering and Technology (SoET)

- 1. MSc. Irrigation Engineering and Management
- 2. MSc. Land Use Planning and Management
- 3. MSc. Post-harvest Technology and Management
- 4. MSc. Food Science and Technology
- 5. MSc. Food Quality and Safety Assurance

Hosted by the College of Forestry, Wildlife and Tourism (CFWT)

- 1. MSc. Forestry
- 2. MSc. Wildlife Management and Conservation
- 3. MSc. Ecosystems Science and Management
- 4. MSc. Forest Resources Assessment and Management
- 5. MSc. Environmental and Natural Resources Economics
- 6. MSc. Forest Engineering

- 7. MSc. Forest Products Value Chains and Business Development
- 8. Master in Tourism and Recreation Management
- 9. MSc. Forest Product and Technology

Hosted by the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences (CVMBS)

- 1. MSc.in Comparative Animal Physiology
- 2. Master of Veterinary Medicine
- 3. MSc. Biochemistry
- 4. MSc. Applied Toxicology
- 5. MSc. Applied Microbiology
- 6. MSc. Molecular Biology and Biotechnology
- 7. MSc. Parasitology
- 8. MSc. Public Health
- 9. MSc. Health of Aquatic Animal Resources
- 10. MSc. One Health Molecular Biology
- 11. MSc. Public Health Pest Management
- 12. MSc. Animal Reproduction and Biotechnology
- 13. Master of Preventive Veterinary Medicine (MPVM): This is a 12-month programme by coursework and a limited research assignment leading to the production of an examinable research paper.

Hosted by the College of Social Sciences and Humanities (CSSH)

- 1. Master of Arts (MA.) in Rural Development and Transformation
- 2. Master of Arts (MA.) in Project Management and Evaluation
- 3. Master of Arts (MA.) Development Planning and Policy Analysis

B.2. MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME BY RESEARCH AND THESIS

Master's degree programme by Research and Thesis are offered in all Academic units (School, Colleges and Sokoine National Agricultural Library). Applications for Masters by Research and Thesis are received throughout the year and studies can commence at any time of the year once admission is granted. Master's degree by Research and Thesis is offered for two years (24 months) and three years (36 months) on a full-time and part-time basis respectively leading to a thesis.

C.1. PhD DEGREE PROGRAMMES BY COURSEWORK AND DISSERTATION

- 1. PhD in Soil and Water Management
- 2. PhD in Agricultural and Rural Innovation (PhD ARI)
- 3. PhD in Agro-ecology
- 4. PhD Agribusiness

C.2. PHD PROGRAMMES BY RESEARCH AND THESIS

PhD degree programme by Research and Thesis are offered in all Academic units (Schools and Colleges). Applications for PhD by Research and Thesis are received throughout the year and studies can commence at any time of the year once admission is granted.

GENERAL MINIMUM ADMISSION QUALIFICATIONS

Post-Graduate Diploma:

Applicants must have a bachelor's degree from a recognized institution of higher learning, deemed to be equivalent to at least a pass degree of SUA. Such qualification shall be in a subject or subjects relevant to the intended Postgraduate Diploma.

Master's Degree by Coursework and Dissertation

- 1. A candidate shall either hold a bachelor's degree with a GPA of at least 2.7 of SUA or a qualification from an approved institution of higher learning with a GPA of 2.7.
- 2. Candidates who hold unclassified degrees (e.g. BVM) should have an average of a B grade in the subject of the intended Master's degree.
- 3. Candidates with a Pass degree will be considered for admission if their undergraduate performance in the proposed subject of study was a B grade average or above.
- 4. Candidates with a Pass degree will also be considered for admission if they have satisfied the relevant College/School Postgraduate Studies Committees that they have exhibited academic potential through extensive fieldwork/research experience of at least three years and/or additional professional development courses of the duration of at least three months.
- 5. Except for the MPVM; MBA, and Master of Arts (M.A) in Project Management and Evaluation degree programmes which are one year (12 months) and one and half years (18 months), respectively, all other Master degree programmes are tenable for two years for full-time students and three years for part-time students. In the case of full-time students, the first year is dedicated for coursework, while the second year is for research and dissertation writing.

Master's Degree by Research and Thesis

A candidate for admission into Master by Research and Thesis shall hold:

- 1. A bachelor's degree with a GPA of at least 3.5 OR
- 2. A bachelor's degree with a minimum GPA of at least 2.7 and research experience of at least three years. An applicant will be considered to have acquired research experience when he/she has published at least one paper in SUA recognized journals or one paper in conference proceedings or has attended training on grant proposal writing or research methodology or data analysis.

PhD Degree Programmes (by Coursework and Dissertation & Research and Thesis)

A candidate for admission to the PhD degree programme of SUA shall hold a Master's degree from SUA or a relevant Master's degree of equivalent standing from another approved University.

- 1. For the PhD by Coursework and Dissertation, the applicant shall have a master's degree from recognized higher learning institution with a GPA of at least 3.0.
- 2. For the PhD by Research and Thesis, the applicant shall have:
 - a. Master's degree of SUA or other higher learning institutions with a GPA of at least 3.5 on a 5 points scale or average grade of B+ for unclassified master's degrees; OR
 - b. Master's degree by Research and Thesis; OR
 - c. Master of Philosophy in relevant discipline.
- 3. The equivalent qualification must be directly relevant to, and compatible with the academic discipline the candidate wishes to pursue for his/her Doctoral study. Candidates with qualifications in disciplines that are considered irrelevant to and incompatible with the academic discipline of intended doctoral studies shall be required to take and pass relevant remedial courses.
- 4. Candidates with only a bachelor's degree but with First Class or Upper Second honours or holders of a distinction in the relevant subject in the case of an unclassified degree may also be considered for PhD registration after initially registering for the Master's degree and doing at least one full year's postgraduate coursework. The candidate must have been authorized by relevant College/School/ Directorate Academic Committees to upgrade their registration to PhD candidacy.

MODE OF APPLICATION AND PAYMENT

Candidates can apply for admission into SUA degree programmes through:

(a) **Online application** through:

https://suasisuqf.sua.ac.tz/gradapplication/index.php/admission/admissionapplications

(b) Make sure that your passport-size photograph and all relevant academic documents are attached before final submission is made. Kindly note that, to complete and submit your application, you will be required to pay Tanzanian Shillings **TZS 50,000.00** or **US\$ 20.00** for international students as an application fee.

(c) Mode of Payments

For Tanzanians payments should be made through;

Kindly use the Government payment system by using the CONTROL NUMBER provided and pay through the banks, bank agents, internet banking, mobile banking and Tanzania mobile phone money service operators/providers (M-Pesa, Tigo Pesa, Airtel Money, Halopesa, TTCL and Ezy Pesa) of your choice.

For Foreigners payments should be made through;

Kindly deposit or transfer by using any bank of your choice to our account below;

Account Holder: SUA Internal Revenue USD collection

Account Number: 026105002248
Bank Name: NBC Bank Ltd
Branch: Morogoro
Swift code: NLCBTZTX

N.B: Be reminded to fill in a **CONTROL NUMBER** in the banker's TISS /SWIFT application form

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS

The deadline for applications for the programmes with coursework is **31 October 2025**. Candidates for Master's and PhD by Research and Thesis may apply and be admitted at any time throughout the year.

In all programmes, female applicants are highly encouraged to apply.

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