



ENROLMENT OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ON POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH PROGRAMMES (ACADEMIC YEAR 2017/2018)

INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

1. GENERAL

- 1.1 Before filling the Application Forms, applicants are advised to read carefully the “MPhil/PhD Regulations 2017/2018” and the regulations on “MSc/MA by Research” available on the University of Mauritius website at the following addresses respectively:

<http://www.uom.ac.mu/index.php/ps-regulations/mphil-phd>

<http://www.uom.ac.mu/images/Files/Research/ResearchStudents/MSc-MAbyResearch.pdf>

For the MSc/MA by Research programme, you should consult the respective Programme Structures available on the University of Mauritius website.

- 1.2 Applicants should submit Application Forms in duplicate together with two photocopies of their birth, educational and professional certificates. Married women should also submit a copy of their marriage certificate. Original certificates should NOT be submitted at the time of application but should be produced at Registration in case the applicant is selected. Please note that the photocopies of certificates submitted will not be returned.
- 1.3 The attention of applicants is specifically invited to the note under Section 8 of the Application Form. Failure to submit the **research proposal** mentioned therein, in duplicate, will lead to the application not being considered. **Research themes and research interests of staff** (from the Faculties, Centres and Affiliated Institutions) are available on the University of Mauritius website at the following address:
<http://www.uom.ac.mu/research/docs/themes.pdf>
- Applicants may contact academics/research staff before finalising the research proposal.
- 1.4 Each Referee, at Section 17 of the Application Form, should complete a reference form (RDRF) and enclose same in a sealed envelope. The sealed envelopes should be submitted along with the Application Forms.

2. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

(a) **Admission to MPhil, MPhil/PhD & MSc/MA (by Research)**

At least a Second Class Honours degree in the relevant field or equivalent.

(b) **Admission to PhD**

There are two categories of candidates for admission:

(i) Students who are already registered for an MPhil programme at the University of Mauritius may request an upgrade.

(ii) Students may already have an MPhil research degree or equivalent in the relevant field.

3. DURATION (Years)

| | MPhil | | MPhil/PhD | | | PhD | | MSc/MA (by Research) | |
|-----------|---------|---------|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------------------------|---------|
| | Minimum | Maximum | Submission of MPhil Transfer Report | Minimum | Maximum | Minimum | Maximum | Minimum | Maximum |
| Full-Time | 2 | 3 | *1 - 2½ | 3 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1½ |
| Part-Time | 3 | 4 | *1½ - 3½ | 3½ | 7 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 3 |

* In exceptional cases where a student has exceeded the maximum time-frame in submitting the MPhil Transfer Report, he/she will be granted 2 years (**full-time**) and 3 years (**part-time**) respectively as from the date of approval of the upgrade.

4. PAYMENT OF APPLICATION FEE

The Application Fee of **50 US Dollars**, exclusive of bank charges, must be paid directly on the following Account Number of the University of Mauritius:

State Bank of Mauritius Ltd, SBM Tower,
1 Queen Elizabeth Avenue, Port Louis,
Republic of Mauritius
Savings Account Number: 61025100001311
SWIFT Code: STCBMUMU
IBAN: MU36STCB1170025100001311000MUR

PS: Your Full Name has to be mentioned with accompanying payment.

5. SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION

The duly completed Application Form (*and other related Forms as per checklist below*), Proof of payment of non-refundable **Application Fee of 50 US Dollars** together with Application Number, Full Name of candidate, copies of birth, educational and professional certificates should be sent to the following address:

The Admissions & Student Records Office
Lim Fat Engineering Tower
University of Mauritius
Réduit
80837
Republic of Mauritius

CHECKLIST FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION

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|---|---|
| 1 | Complete set of duly filled and signed Application Form with supporting Documents |
| 2 | Research Proposal |
| 3 | RDRF Reference Forms in Sealed Envelopes |
| 4 | Supervisor Agreement Form |
| 5 | Proof of payment of Application Fee of 50 US Dollars |

Incomplete application will not be considered.

Original certificates should **NOT** be submitted at the time of application but these should be produced at Registration if offered a seat. Please note that the photocopies of certificates submitted will not be returned.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION

MSc/MA by Research – Application open throughout the year except from May to July and Mid November to End of February.

MPhil, MPhil/PhD or PhD – Application open throughout the Academic Year.

6. FEES

The University reserves the right to review General Fees, Tuition Fees and other charges for any given academic year prior to the beginning of such academic year. By accepting a seat at the University, the student undertakes to pay all such fees as and when claimed.

6.1 MPhil/PhD (Fees per annum)

| | <i>Mauritian Rupees (per annum)</i> | |
|------------------------|---|-----------|
| | Full-Time | Part-Time |
| Tuition Fees | 40,000 | 30,000 |
| General Fees | 21,400 | 21,400 |
| Students' Welfare Fund | 400 | 400 |

Thesis Fee (payable upon submission of Thesis in the final year)

| SADC Member Countries | Other International Students |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>Mauritian Rupees</i> | |
| 17,500 | 17,600 |

6.2 MSc/MA (by Research) - A one-off Fee for the whole programme

| One-off Tuition Fee (Rs) | General Fees per annum (Rs) | SWF per annum (Rs) | Total one-off fee for whole duration (Rs) |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------|---|
| 75,000 <i>(non-lab based programmes)</i> | 21,400 | 400 | 96,800 <i>(non-lab based programmes)</i> |
| 95,000 <i>(lab based programmes)</i> | 21,400 | 400 | 116,800 <i>(lab based programmes)</i> |

- Upon receipt of Letter of Offer and acceptance of same, foreign candidates will have to provide evidence of payment of full fees from their bank (including full name, the amount credited to University of Mauritius account and the date) by emailing us a scanned copy of same on intstudpaylt@uom.ac.mu. Please note that only upon payment that candidates will be issued their student visa for entry in Mauritius. However, if the candidate does not obtain a visa from the Passport and Immigration Office (PIO), he/she will be refunded total fees paid excluding application fee.

- **International Students will be given the option to pay the Fees either in Mauritian Rupees or the equivalent in US Dollars or Euros or an acceptable foreign currency, at the exchange rate prevailing at the time of payment. Any bank charges will have to be borne by the students themselves.**
- A student who does not pay all fees and charges as required shall be suspended from the University and may only be re-admitted with the permission of the Vice-Chancellor and on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed.
- A student who is in debt to the University shall not be accepted as a candidate for an examination for a University of Mauritius award.

7. FINANCIAL SUPPORT

International students should be prepared to finance the entire period of proposed study from personal funds or funds from other sources, as the University offers no scholarship/financial aid.

8. ACCOMMODATION

The University is non-residential. International students are assisted in finding a suitable lodging in the vicinity of the campus. Students would need about 12000 to 15000 Mauritian Rupees monthly for accommodation and living expenses.

9. ADMISSION POLICY

Admission to programmes is highly competitive and the University reserves the right to limit enrolment of international applicants.

10. HEALTH

International students securing a seat at the University will be required to produce a medical certificate issued by any private Laboratory/Clinic/Hospital in Mauritius attesting that they are not suffering from any contagious or infectious disease and they may be asked to undergo a medical check-up, at the students' own cost, in Mauritius.

11. VISA & RESIDENCE PERMIT

The University will submit applications for entry visa and residence permits for international students who are offered admission on any programme at the University of Mauritius.

Documents to be submitted:

- “Application form to Enter Mauritius” to be filled in and signed by the applicant.
- Two recent passport size photographs of the applicant.
- Photocopy of five first pages of passport (including page bearing photograph and date of issue).
- Original Bank Statement bearing the signature of the Bank Officer and the seal of Bank.
- A medical certificate attesting that the applicant is not suffering from any contagious or infectious disease.

The University does not take the responsibility of prospective students' families.

12. FURTHER INFORMATION

Candidates are normally notified of the outcome of their applications within one month after the closing date of applications.