CALL FOR APPLICATIONS TO STUDY PHD BY RESEARCH IN ENERGY FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/2022
SEPTEMBER INTAKE

The University of Rwanda through its African Centre of Excellence in Energy for Sustainable Development (ACE-ESD) hosted by the College of Science and Technology (CST) is offering PHD by research Programs in Energy for Sustainable Development with the following Awards:

- PhD by Research in Energy Economics
- PhD by Research in Electrical Power Systems
- PhD by Research in Renewable Energy

I. Entry requirements

1. PhD in Energy Economics:
   - A Master of Science (or equivalent) degree in field related to Economics, Renewable Energy, Energy Economics, Economics, and regulations
   - Ability to think and work independently and in a team environment.

2. PhD in Electrical Power Systems:
   - A Master of Science (or equivalent) degree in field related to Electrical Engineering, electrical and electronics engineering, and Electronic Physics.
   - Ability to think and work independently and in a team environment.

3. PhD in Renewable Energy:
   - A Master of Science (or equivalent) degree in field related to Renewable Energy, Mechanical Engineering, Physics, Chemistry and Material Sciences,
   - Ability to think and work independently and in a team environment.

II. Key dates for this call

Closing of online application process: July 31, 2021
III. Required documents for application

a. A cover letter indicating for which program of study the application is being made and description of the motivation to join the program
b. A detailed curriculum vitae (CV) outlining academic experience, any research experience and accomplishments, industry experience, specific skills, and outside interests of the applicant
c. Notarized Master’s and Bachelor’s degrees and transcripts
d. Recommendation letters from at least two academic referees who are knowledgeable about the applicant, that attest to the preparation of the applicant and the likelihood for success in a Ph.D. program.
e. Support letter from employer (if any).
f. Copies of valid identification card and/or passport.
g. Sponsorship letter from an organization (if any).
h. Applicants from countries where English is not the medium of instruction must provide an English proficiency certificate from a relevant body or institution in their respective countries.
i. Summary Research Proposal (Concept Note) relevant to the PhD degree sought. The concept note should state the research problem, the purpose and objectives of the research, the methodology, the expected outcome and its expected impact in the area of study.
j. Master’s Thesis abstract

IV. Selection criteria

Completeness and accuracy of required documents (see previous selection)

V. Funding

1. Full Scholarship opportunities (living expenses, tuition fees, and return air ticket) are available on a competitive basis (highest marks) for 4 eligible female candidates from Eastern and Southern Africa Region
2. Other Selected applicants will be self-Sponsored.

VI. Application process

1. Go to UR Website (www.ur.ac.rw)
2. Go to Admission, Applicant Portal and click to (New Application)
3. Fill the Biographical Form and click (Save) at the end you will get “Your Student ID Reference Number”. Please keep this ID Number as it will be your ID identification for all transactions at UR
4. Create a PIN of 5 numeric digits, do not start with a 0 (This PIN will serve as your password to access your student account.) leave the page and open the link below.

5. Candidates are requested to submit all required documents by using the Link: [pgfile.ur.ac.rw/pgfile/findme.php](http://pgfile.ur.ac.rw/pgfile/findme.php)

NB: - All documents must be in PDF
- If all required documents are not submitted, you cannot go to the next step.
- When your submission succeeds, a message will sent to your e-mail box

VII. Further Information

For any additional information, clarifications or inquiry, please do not hesitate to contact

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For more information, please visit ACE-ESD website: [http://aceesd.ur.ac.rw/](http://aceesd.ur.ac.rw/)

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