



# LIRA UNIVERSITY

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## Background:

Lira University is one of the Public Universities located in the Northern part of Uganda. Lira University was established as a Public University by Statutory Instrument No. 35, on July 8th, 2015 to expand equitable higher education in the country on a niche of Health Sciences training. The government established Lira University to respond to the critical development needs of the Northern region on the principle of equity and to promote and boost higher education access in the Northern part of the country that suffered education access disruptions due to prolonged rebel activity.

## Growth journey of the University since inception to date

Lira University in Northern Uganda, a key institution of higher learning in the Lango Sub region, has experienced several transformations since it was opened. Great strides have been registered with introduction of new faculties and Directorates, hence forth new buildings have been accomplished, with several experienced staff including professors and PhD holders.

## Vice Chancellor's Remarks

### Current activities

Lira University has been expanding facilities that has resulted in development of new lecture rooms, laboratories (teaching and research). A new ultra-modern block has just been completed and is furnished and being equipped to run courses in Medical sciences and Education. The faculty of Medicine, housed in the new block is now poised to launch the MBChB programme in the 2023/24 academic year.

As a support to the faculty of Medicine, besides the existing Teaching Hospital, we are currently undertaking constructions of Medical Doctors' accommodation, Dietary demonstration and sterilisation/laundry blocks.

### Open Distance and E-Learning Programme

Lira University was able to embrace the Open Distance E-Learning (ODEL) following the lockdown due to Covid-19. In spite of the fact that the university is barely six years old, we were able to develop a strong ICT Department that was able to guide the operations of our on-line learning programmes. We are grateful to the Ministry of Education and Sports efforts in supporting the strengthening of our ICT infrastructures which greatly enhanced the effective running of on-line teaching. I am happy to report that our semester programmes were never fundamentally disrupted as learning continued from home. The University established ODeL Coordination Office that was able to train all staff and students in the use of the on-line teaching and learning procedures.

### Teaching Hospital

We continue to appreciate the Government of Uganda for funding the construction and equipping the Teaching Hospital in Lira university campus. The hospital is already supporting teaching of Nurse/midwives, Public Health and Community Psychology and Psychotherapy classes. Services in major clinical areas is offered in the various clinics in the hospital. It is also helping in training intern doctors and nurses. Currently there are 16 interns (6 nurses and 10 doctors at the hospital).

A hostel for the interns is under construction and should be handed over to the university in three



**Prof Jasper Ogwal Okeng**  
Vice Chancellor

months' time.

### Human resource/development

We have continued to attract highly qualified teaching staff in all the faculties. This has enabled Lira University to expand to six faculties (Medicine, Nursing & Midwifery, Public Health, Management Sciences, Computing and Information Sciences and Education) and three directorates (ICT, Research & Graduate Training and Quality Assurance).

Twenty-six (26) staff (16 male and 10 female) are on PhD training locally and abroad. Three staff (all female) have returned after obtaining their PhD degrees in Clinical Psychology, Public Health and Gender and Women Studies, respectively. Two medical doctors have returned after obtaining fellowships in Paediatric oncology and Gynaecologic oncology, respectively. Lira University has also embarked on post graduate training.

### Research, Publications and Innovations

The University has continued to develop research capacity amongst the staff and students. Lira University Research and Ethics Committee (LUREC) has been accredited by the National Council for Science and Technology and is already operational. Courses on research grant writing is run regularly and a number of research grants are being won by staff

and students.

Of special mention are two undergraduate students that won grants from the Innovations Fund under the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovations. Mr Ikwara Emmanuel Asher (BSc Public Health) won a 1 Billion Shillings grant to develop a biopesticide against cassava pests and Mr Kakooza Steven (Computer Science) is has developed the Kawu Debit card being used by parents to transfer and monitor funds to their children in School. The card has won many national and regional awards already. He is currently working on the credit card version.

### Acquisition of Land for Faculty of Agriculture and Aquatic Engineering

The people of Amolatar District (Alemere Bung and Agwingiri) generously donated 344 acres of Land to Lira University for the establishment of the Faculty of Agriculture and Aquatic Engineering.

### Partners

SEED Global Health, Vice Chancellors Forum, Consortium of Uganda University Libraries, Research in Education Network, Erasmus/AHEAD-European Union, Public Universities in Uganda, Makerere University Business School, Bournemouth University, Pool Charity Hospital, University of Odisee Belgium, Rotterdam University, Northern Illinois University and University of Michigan. Ministry of ICT, Ministry



H.E Vice President Jessica Alupo consulting the University Chancellor, Justice Benjamin Odoki during the 4th Graduation ceremony.



of Science Technology and Innovation, Ministry of Public Service etc.

We have MoUs with National Meteorological Authority and Law Development Centre to set up the third Radar station and regional LDC on this campus, respectively. These are already up and running. They are the first step towards setting up the School of Meteorology and School of Law respectively at Lira University.

### Immediate challenges

- Inadequate equipment for routine and specialised investigations.
- Low staffing levels due to underfunding.
- Insufficient office accommodation space due to lack of administration block. Work on the administration block has stalled due to insufficient funding.

### Appreciation

We wish to express our appreciation to the Government of Uganda for the continued support to Lira University. In particular, we pay special tribute to His Excellency the President for his personal interest in the continued development of the university. We thank him immensely.

We are similarly grateful to the first lady for supporting the strengthening our ODeL infrastructure by providing a number of computers to Lira University. The National Council for Higher Education (NCHE) has continued to support and guide the University in the development and running of the academic programmes, among others.

The University Council and Senate members have been very devoted in rendering service to Lira University. Thank you,

**PROF JASPER OGWAL OKENG**  
VICE CHANCELLOR

## OFFICE OF THE ACADEMIC REGISTRAR

# CALL FOR APPLICATIONS-2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

The Academic Registrar - Lira University invites **ONLINE** applications for the August intake in the following Programmes offered at the University for the 2023/2024 Academic Year. The deadline for submission of Applications is **Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023**.

Lira University is a Public University established on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015 under Statutory Instruments No. 35 of 2015, and under section 22 (1) of the Universities and Other Tertiary Institutions Act of 2001 as amended.

### 1. UNDERGRADUATE DIPLOMA SCHEME PROGRAMMES OFFERED AT LIRA UNIVERSITY UNDER GOVERNMENT SPONSORSHIP.

#### 1.1 Diploma Holders Applying for Admission Under Government Sponsorship.

Code	Programme	Minimum Requirements	Duration
LSM	Bachelor of Science in Midwifery (Weekdays)	Diploma in Nursing or Midwifery obtained from a recognised Institution, equivalent to a Second-Class Upper Diploma and a Certificate of Registration from a Professional Body.	4 years
PHL	Bachelor of Science in Public Health (Weekdays)	Second Class/Credit Diploma in Health-related discipline or Second-Class Diploma in Education majoring in Biology and Chemistry from a recognised Institution and a Certificate of Registration from a Professional Body.	3 years
LCP	Bachelor of Science in Community Psychology and Psychotherapy (Weekdays)	Minimum of Second Class/Credit Diploma in any discipline obtained from a recognised Institution.	3 years
LCS	Bachelor of Science in Computer Science (Weekdays)	Second Class/Credit Diploma in Computer Science, Engineering, Education Majoring in Mathematics and Physics or Technical Education obtained from a recognized Institution.	3 years
EPY	Bachelor of Science with Education (Physical Sciences)	Minimum of a Second Class/Credit Diploma in Science Education - Physical from a recognized Institution.	3 years
EBI	Bachelor of Science with Education (Biological Sciences)	Minimum of Second Class/Credit Diploma in Science Education - Biological from a recognized Institution.	3 years
EEC	Bachelor of Science with Education (Economics)	Minimum of a Second Class/Credit Diploma in Education (Economics/Geography or Economics/Mathematics subject combinations) from a recognized Institution.	3 years
EAG	Bachelor of Science with Education (Agriculture Double Main)	Minimum of Second Class/Credit Diploma in Agriculture-related disciplines (e.g., Diploma in Agriculture, Diploma in Agriculture Education or Diploma in Education (Biology/Chemistry).	3 Years

### 2. UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES OFFERED AT LIRA UNIVERSITY UNDER PRIVATE SPONSORSHIP SCHEME.

#### 2.1 Those Holding Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education Applying for Admission Under Private Sponsorship Scheme.

Code	Week-day	Week-end	Programme	Minimum Requirements	Duration (Years)	Tuition Fees per Semester	
						(UGX for East African Nationals)	(UGX for International Students)
LSM			Bachelor of Science in Midwifery (Weekdays)	Principal passes in Biology and Chemistry obtained at the same sitting and at least credit in English and Mathematics at 'O' Level.	4	1,545,600	3,091,200
PHL			Bachelor of Science in Public Health	A Principal pass in Biology and in any one of the following subjects; Chemistry, Agriculture, Geography, Mathematics, Food and Nutrition or Physics obtained at the same sitting and Uganda Certificate of Education (UCE) or its equivalent with at least passes in English and Mathematics.	3	1,545,600	3,091,200
LCP			Bachelor of Science in Community Psychology and Psychotherapy (Weekdays)	Principal passes in any two of the 'A' Level Subjects obtained at the same sitting or its equivalence.	3	966,000	1,932,000



LCD	LCW	Bachelor of Commerce	A Principal pass in Mathematics and/ or Economics and in one of the following; Physics, Geography or Entrepreneurship obtained at the same sitting or a Mature Age Certificate from a recognized Centre accredited by NCHE or its equivalence.	3	1,288,000	2,576,000
LBG	LBW	Bachelor of Business Administration	A Principal pass in Economics and /or Entrepreneurship and in one of the following; Mathematics, Physics or Geography obtained at the same sitting or a Mature Age Certificate from a recognized Centre accredited by NCHE or its equivalence.	3	1,046,500	2,093,000
LPD	LPW	Bachelor of Public Administration	Principal passes in any two Subjects obtained at the same sitting in their Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education (U.A.C.E.) obtained at the same sitting or a relevant Mature Age Certificate from a recognized Centre accredited by NCHE or its equivalence	3	885,500	1,771,000
LAD		Bachelor of Science in Accounting and Finance (Weekdays)	Two Principal passes in Economics or Entrepreneurship and either Mathematics, Physics, Geography, or others at the same sitting of the Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education Examinations (U.A.C.E) or a Mature Age Certificate from a recognized Centre accredited by NCHE or its equivalence.	3	1,046,500	2,093,000
ECD	ECW	Bachelor of Science in Economics	Two Principal passes in Economics and either Mathematics, Physics, Geography, Computer or Entrepreneurship at the same sitting of the Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education Examinations (U.A.C.E) or a relevant Mature Age Certificate from a recognized Centre accredited by NCHE or its equivalence.	3	1,250,000	2,500,000
HRD	HRW	Bachelor of Human Resource Management	Principal passes in any two Subjects obtained at the same sitting in their Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education (U.A.C.E.) obtained at the same sitting or a relevant Mature Age Certificate from a recognized Centre accredited by NCHE or its equivalence.	3	885,500	1,771,000
LCS	LWC	Bachelor of Science in Computer Science.	A Principal pass in Mathematics and in any one of the following subjects; Physics, Chemistry, Geography, Economics, Entrepreneurship, Technical Drawing, Food and Nutrition or Agriculture obtained at the same sitting or its equivalent.	3	1,449,000	2,898,000
CEW	CEW	Bachelor of Computer Education.	At least 2 Principal Passes at the same sitting at Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education (UACE) in any two subjects.	3 years	885,500	1,771,000
LLI	LLW	Bachelor of Library and Information Science.	At least two Principal passes in any two subjects at the Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education (UACE) or its equivalent. At least five passes obtained at the same sitting at Uganda Certificate of Education (UCE) or its equivalent.	3	750,000	1,500,000
LIT	LIW	Bachelor of Information and Communication Technology.	At least 2 Principal passes at the same sitting at Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education (UACE) in any two subjects. At least five passes obtained at the same sitting at Uganda Certificate of Education (UCE) or its equivalent.	3	950,000	1,900,000
LCA		Bachelor of Science in Computer Animations.	Two Principal passes in Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education (UACE) with at least a subsidiary pass in 'A' Level Sub-Math or ICT.	3	950,000	1,900,000
EPY	-	Bachelor of Science with Education (Physical Sciences)	Two Principal Passes in Mathematics, Physics or Chemistry at 'A' level obtained at the same sitting or a relevant Mature Age Certificate from a recognized Centre accredited by NCHE or its equivalence.	3	885,500	1,771,000
EBI	-	Bachelor of Science with Education (Biological Sciences)	Two Principal Passes in Biology, Chemistry or Geography at 'A' level obtained at the same sitting or a relevant Mature Age Certificate from a recognized Centre accredited by NCHE or its equivalence.	3	885,500	1,771,000
EAG	-	Bachelor of Science with Education (Agriculture Double Main)	Two Principal Passes in Biology, Geography, Agriculture or Chemistry in their Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education (U.A.C.E.) obtained at the same sitting or a relevant Mature Age Certificate from a recognized Centre accredited by NCHE or its equivalence.	3	885,500	1,771,000
EEC	-	Bachelor of Science with Education (Economics)	Two Principal Passes in Economics and Mathematics or Geography at 'A' level obtained at the same sitting.	3	885,500	1,771,000

## 2.2 Diploma Holders Applying for Admission Under Private Sponsorship Scheme.

Code	Programme	Minimum Requirements	Duration (years)	Tuition Fees per Semester		
				(UGX for East African Nationals)	(UGX for International Students)	
LSM	Bachelor of Science in Midwifery	Diploma in Nursing or Midwifery obtained from a recognised Institution, equivalent to a Second-Class Upper Diploma and a Certificate of Registration from a Professional Body.	4	1,545,600	3,091,200	
PHL	Bachelor of Science in Public Health	Minimum of Second Class/Credit Diploma in health-related discipline or Second-Class Diploma in Education majoring in Biology and Chemistry from a recognised Institution.	3	1,545,600	3,091,200	
LCP	Bachelor of Science in Community Psychology and Psychotherapy	Second Class/Credit Diploma in any discipline obtained from a recognised Institution.	3	966,000	1,932,000	
LBG	LBW	Bachelor of Business Administration	Second Class/Credit Diploma in Statistics, Accounting, and Secretarial Studies, Co-operative and Business-related Course or Education with Business Studies obtained from a recognised Institution.	3	1,046,500	2,093,000
LPA	LPW	Bachelor of Public Administration	Second Class/Credit Diploma in any discipline obtained from a recognised Institution.	3	885,500	1,771,000
LAD		Bachelor of Science in Accounting and Finance	Second Class/Credit Diploma in a Business-related course awarded from a recognised Institution of Higher Learning.	3	1,046,500	2,093,000
ECD	ECW	Bachelor of Science in Economics	At least a Second-Class Diploma in the relevant fields such as Diploma in Economics, Statistics, Computer Science and Education (Mathematics) awarded from a recognised Institution of Higher Learning.	3	1,250,000	2,500,000
HRD	HRW	Bachelor of Human Resource Management	Second Class/Credit Diploma in any discipline awarded from a recognised institution of higher learning.	3	885,500	1,771,000
LCS	LWC	Bachelor of Science in Computer Science	Second Class/Credit Diploma in Computer Science, Engineering, Education Majoring in Mathematics and Physics or Technical Education obtained from a recognised Institution. Second Class/Credit Diploma in ICT.	3	1,449,000	2,898,000
LLI	LLW	Bachelor of Science in Library and Information Science	Second Class/Credit Diploma in any discipline obtained from a recognised Institution.	3	750,000	1,500,000
LIT	LIW	Bachelor of Information and Communication Technology.	Second Class/Credit Diploma in any discipline obtained from a recognised Institution.	3	950,000	1,900,000

LCA		Bachelor of Science in Computer Animations	Second Class/Credit Diploma obtained from a recognised Institution. The diploma programme must have involved Computer Animation or Computer Graphics as a major subject.	3	950,000	1,900,000
CEW	CEW	Bachelor of Computer Education	Minimum of Second Class/Credit Diploma in Education/Teacher Education/Technical Teacher Education, IT, Computing or Engineering disciplines from institutions recognized/accredited by NCHE	3	885,500	1,771,000
EPY		Bachelor of Science with Education (Physical Sciences)	The candidate must possess a UACE certificate or equivalent and must have obtained a Diploma in a science related discipline of at least a second class standing from a recognized institution.	3	885,500	1,771,000
EBI		Bachelor of Science with Education (Biological Sciences)	Minimum of Second Class/Credit Diploma in Education-Biological or other Biological Science related discipline from a recognized institution.	3	885,500	1,771,000
EAG		Bachelor of Science with Education (Agriculture Double Main)	Minimum of Second class/credit Diploma in Agriculture-related disciplines (e.g., Diploma in Agriculture, Diploma in Agriculture Education or Diploma in Education (Biology/Chemistry)) from a recognized institution.	3	885,500	1,771,000
EEC		Bachelor of Science with Education (Economics)	The candidate must possess a UACE Certificate or Equivalent and must have obtained a Diploma in Education (Economics/ Geography, Economics/Mathematics) of at least a second class standing from a recognized institution.	3	885,500	1,771,000
EEP		Bachelor of Education External- Primary	At least a Second-Class Diploma in Primary Education, or Teacher Education from a recognised Institution.	3	580,000	1,160,000
EES		Bachelor of Education External-Secondary	At least a Second-Class Diploma in Secondary Education from a recognised Institution.	3	580,000	1,160,000

## 3. POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES OFFERED AT LIRA UNIVERSITY UNDER PRIVATE SPONSORSHIP SCHEME. 3.1 Bachelors' Degree Holders Applying for Admission Under Private Sponsorship Scheme.

Code	Programme	Minimum Requirements	Duration	Tuition Fees per Semester	
				(UGX for East African Nationals)	(UGX for International Students)
MMS	Master of Midwifery Science (Weekday)	Applicants for MMS Programme must hold; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Bachelor of Midwifery Science (BMS) or an equivalent from a recognized institution.</li> <li>A Bachelor of Nursing Science (BNS) or an equivalent from a recognized institution.</li> <li>Applicants with BNS or an equivalent must have at least 10 credit units (CUs) in essential midwifery courses (antepartum, intrapartum, and postpartum).</li> <li>At least two years of post-degree internship clinical practice, 1 of which should be in maternal child health or maternity clinical practice areas for both BNS and BMS entry schemes. At least four years of post-diploma clinical experience plus the 1-year of the post-BNS or post-BMS degree internship clinical practice would also suffice for candidates who upgraded their education from Diploma to the BNS or BMS degrees through the diploma entry scheme.</li> <li>A valid practicing license from a recognized licensing body for all applicants including international students (such as Uganda Nurses and Midwives Council).</li> <li>Two references (one academic and one professional).</li> <li>International English Language Tests (IELTS) scores (required of all international student applicants).</li> <li>Equated professional and academic documents by the National Council for Higher Education (NCHCE) and Uganda Nurses and Midwives Council (UNMC) is required for all international student applicants.</li> </ol>	2 Years	2,500,000	5,000,000
MPH	Master of Public Health (Weekend)	Bachelors' degree in Public Health, Environmental Health Science, Medicine and Surgery, Dental Surgery, Nursing, Midwifery, Veterinary Medicine, Biological Sciences, Community Psychology, Arts in Social Sciences, Development studies and any other Health Related Programme.	2 Years	2,500,000	5,000,000
MBA	Master of Business Administration (Weekend)	A Second Class/Credit honours Bachelors' degree from a recognized Institution; recognized professional qualifications and any other relevant qualification.	2 Years	1,610,000	3,220,000
MPAM	Master of Arts in Public Administration and Management (Weekend)	Applicants will be expected to have obtained a Second Class honours Bachelors' degree or its equivalent in any discipline from a recognised Institution or a Post-graduate diploma in Public Administration or Human Resource Management from an Institution recognised by the National Council for Higher Education.	2 Years	1,610,000	3,220,000
PGDPAM	Post Graduate Diploma in Public Administration & Management	Applicants will be expected to have obtained a degree or its equivalence in any discipline from a recognised University or Other Degree Awarding Institution.	1 Year	1,495,000	2,990,000
PGDFM	Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Management.	A Bachelor's Degree in a relevant field from a recognized Institution by the NCHCE. At least a Second Class Diploma awarded from a recognized Institution of Higher Learning plus a full Professional Qualification from a Chartered Institute such as CPA, ACCA, CIMA, CIPS etc.	1 Year	1,200,000	2,400,000

### 1. HOW TO APPLY

Applications will be filled and submitted online using the AIMS System after generating the **Payment Reference Number (PRN)** from system to pay the application fee.

### 2. LIRA UNIVERSITY ONLINE APPLICATION PORTAL USER GUIDE

- Applicants will access the University's Admission URL at <http://admissions.lirauni.ac.ug>
- Sign up using your full name, e-mail and Mobile number. Make sure the name is the same with that appearing on your academic documents for your applications to be considered valid. If you had changed your name submit a photo copy of the affidavit supporting the change to the Admissions Office in Public Health Block.
- A password will be sent to your e-mail and mobile number you provided.
- The system will prompt you to change the password to the one you can easily remember.
- To fill our application form, click on the 'APPLY NOW' button displayed on the running scheme.
- Obtain payment advice slip/payment reference number by clicking on 'pay for' form button.
- Applicants who may find difficulties filling the online form can receive help strictly at the University's Admissions Office in Public Health Block.

### Note:

- Advanced Level applicants are required to pay a non-refundable application fee of 50,000/= but Bachelors' Degree and Diploma Holders are required to pay a non-refundable application fee of 60,000/= for East African applicants or 100,000/= and 120,000/= respectively for international applicants plus a bank charge as specified by the respective banks.
- Bachelors' Degree and Diploma Holders **must upload** certified copies of their Academic Transcripts/Certificates on the application portal in a **single pdf file**. However, applicants with challenges have to submit certified copies of their transcripts and certificates together with a passport size photograph to the Admissions Office in Public Health Block after payment of the application fees.
- The fees indicated in the advert are **ONLY** Tuition fees and excludes other fees such as Functional/Administrative, Research, Accommodation etc.
- The University reserves the right **NOT** to offer any programme unless the number of students admissible for the programme is 25 and above.
- For further inquiries you can call the following numbers **+256771608064/+256782053945**