

Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst German Academic Exchange Service

## PhD Scholarship Opportunities in

## PhD Mechanical Engineering and PhD Information Technology

JKUAT and DAAD wish to announce PhD Scholarship Opportunities in PhD Mechanical Engineering and PhD Information Technology for 2019/2020 in the JKUAT Main Campus. Here below are the steps to follow in order to be considered for the scholarships.

## Step 1:

To be eligible for consideration by JKUAT for the DAAD scholarships, applicants must first be admissible to the respective JKUAT PhDs, which are offered in the Main Campus. Applicants interested in the DAAD scholarships must therefore *first apply for JKUAT admission* to the respective JKUAT PhD. The JKUAT admission requirements are as follows:

S/No.	PhD Programme	Admission requirements	
1.	PhD Mechanical	i).	A holder of a Master of Science degree in Mechanical
	Engineering		Engineering of Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture
			and Technology (JKUAT).
		ii).	A holder of a Master of Science degree in Mechanical
			Engineering or any other related field from any other
			institution, which is recognized by the university senate as
			being of equivalent academic status.

		iii).	In addition, a candidate must submit a research proposal
			approved by the School postgraduate board to be eligible
			for admission.
2.	PhD Information	i).	A holder of a Master's degree in Computing/Computer
	Technology		Science/Information Technology/Software
			Engineering/Computer Technology/Computer Engineering
			(Thesis option) or related field, from a recognised
			university AND a relevant Bachelor degree from a
			recognised university.

The JKUAT application form for PhD programmes can be found here: <a href="https://www.jkuat.ac.ke/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/Postgraduate-Application-Form.pdf">https://www.jkuat.ac.ke/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/Postgraduate-Application-Form.pdf</a>

An applicant admissible to the respective PhD is subsequently issued with a JKUAT letter of PhD admission from the Board of Postgraduate Studies (BPS).

Once applicants have obtained JKUAT letters of PhD admission from the Board of Postgraduate Studies (BPS), they can proceed with the following next step if they wish to be considered by JKUAT for the DAAD scholarships.

## Step 2:

To be eligible for consideration by JKUAT for the DAAD scholarships, an applicant must also meet all the following *additional* requirements:

- The Master's degree must have been successfully completed less than six years ago at the time of application.
- Bachelor's and / or Master's degree qualification with at least above average results.
- Proof of admission to the desired degree course or official letter assuring admission.
- Staff member of a public or private university (or candidate considered for teaching or research staff recruitment).
- Have thorough knowledge of English.
- Citizenship of a country in Sub-Saharan Africa.
- Clearly show motivation and strong commitment.

Applicants who wish to be considered by JKUAT for the DAAD scholarships should therefore *submit* the following documents to JKUAT:

- 1. JKUAT letter of PhD admission from the Board of Postgraduate Studies (BPS), which can be obtained as aforementioned.
- 2. PhD Research proposal or Concept note of 10-15 pages.
- 3. CV (indicating current employment and research publications) using the Europass template (http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu).
- 4. Certified and scanned copies of Master's, Bachelor's, O-level and other pre-university certificates.
- 5. Certified and scanned copies of Master's and Bachelor's transcripts.
- 6. Letter of motivation (maximum 2 pages).
- 7. Letter of recommendation from a potential supervisor.
- 8. Copy of the bio-page of a valid Passport or National Identity.

The documents, as enumerated from 1. to 8. above, should be submitted to JKUAT as *softcopies* before or on **Friday**, **15**<sup>th</sup> **February 2019** via the following respective email addresses:

- PhD Mechanical Engineering:- email: <u>jkuria@eng.jkuat.ac.ke</u>
- PhD Information Technology:- email: <a href="mailto:director@scit.jkuat.ac.ke">director@scit.jkuat.ac.ke</a>

Any enquiries can also be made through the same respective email addresses.

Applicants for the DAAD scholarships should note that only those shortlisted by JKUAT will be forwarded to DAAD. After that the shortlisted applicants will be instructed on how to submit a subsequent scholarship application to DAAD for the final selection. Successful applicants will be expected to start their PhD studies in September 2019.

DAAD pays tuition fees to the university and a monthly stipend to the scholarship holder, covering cost of living including accommodation. In addition, the scholarship holder receives an annual study and research allowance. Within the final year of studies, DAAD pays the scholarship holder a final allowance to assist in covering thesis production costs. DAAD will only provide funding as thus stated.