

FAWE/MASTERCARD FOUNDATION UNIVERSITY BRIDGING PROGRAMME BURSARIES DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR FEMALE APPLICANTS, PERSONS WITH DISABILITY AND REFUGEES

The Forum for African Women Educationalists in Malawi (FAWEMA) is pleased to announce that the application deadline has been extended for female applicants, Persons with Disability and refugees to apply for University Bridging Programme bursaries at partner universities in Malawi under the FAWE/Mastercard Foundation Programme.

This extension is specifically aimed at giving more female candidates, Persons with Disability and refugees the opportunity to apply and increase their chances of entering university.

There are 750 bursaries (80% female and 20% male) which include 15% Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) and refugees available for youths willing to increase their chances of competitive entry into university to pursue 4-year Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) related courses at selected universities.

The fully funded programme targets young people who are eager to strengthen their academic readiness and improve their chances of admission into university to pursue 4-year degree programmes in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) at selected universities.

WHO CAN APPLY

- i. Young women from economically disadvantaged backgrounds, living with disabilities, refugees, HIV/AIDS-affected, orphaned (total or partial) are encouraged to apply.
- ii. Must be aged between 15 - 25 years.
- iii. Must possess Malawi School Certificate of Education with six credits including English. Certificate must have been acquired within the past five years.
- iv. Must show proof of vulnerability as explained in the application form.
- v. Must not be current beneficiary of any other bursary scheme or similar bursary elsewhere.
- vi. Must commit to successfully completing the fully funded bridging program before being sponsored for a 4-year degree program at one of the following universities:

- o Catholic University (CUNIMA)
- o Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (LUANAR)
- o Malawi University of Science and Technology (MUST)
- o Mzuzu University (MZUNI)
- o University of Livingstonia (UNILIA)
- o University of Malawi (UNIMA)

HOW TO APPLY

- Download Application form from the FAWEMA website: www.fawema.org.
- You can also obtain a hard copy application form from the secondary school cluster centre or District Education offices across the country or get more information from your nearest secondary school.
- Complete the application form fully
- Attach a copy of your MSCE
- Attach recommendation letters from the head of your previous school or district social welfare officer or traditional leader from your community
- Attach a copy of your National Identity card
- Those of refugee status should attach certified Refugee Certificate.
- Submit your application form and all attachments to the Secondary School Cluster Centre.
- Alternatively, send you application form and all required attachments to recruitment@fawema.org.

DEGREE PROGRAMMES AVAILABLE

A. University of Malawi

1. Bachelor of Science in Physics
2. Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
3. Bachelor of Science in Chemistry (Hons)
4. Bachelor of Science in Mathematics
5. Bachelor of Science in Geography
6. Bachelor of Science
7. Bachelor of Science in Actuarial Sciences (Hons)
8. Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences
9. Bachelor of Science in Computer Network Engineering
10. Bachelor of Science in Earth Sciences
11. Bachelor of Science in Electronics
12. Bachelor of Science in Family Sciences
13. Bachelor of Science in Food and Nutrition
14. Bachelor of Science in Geology
15. Bachelor of Science in Information Systems
16. Bachelor of Science in Statistics

B. Malawi University of Science and Technology (MUST)

1. Bachelor of Science in Medical Microbiology
2. Bachelor of Science in Medical Imaging (Diagnostic Radiography)
3. Bachelor of Science in Medical Imaging (Diagnostic Ultrasound)
4. Bachelor of Science in Immunology
5. Bachelor of Science in Sports Science
6. Bachelor of Science in Food Science and Technology

7. Bachelor of Science in Science Education
8. Bachelor of Science in Mathematical Sciences
9. Bachelor of Science in Earth Sciences (Geology)
10. Bachelor of Science in Meteorology and Climate Science
11. Bachelor of Science in Disaster Risk Management
12. Bachelor of Science in Geo-Information and Earth Observation Science
13. Bachelor of Science in Geo-Petroleum Resources (Oil and Gas)
14. Bachelor of Science in Water Quality and Management
15. Bachelor of Science in Computer Systems and Security
16. Bachelor of Science in Business Information Technology

C. Catholic University (CUNIMA)

1. Bachelor of Science in Applied Statistics
2. Bachelor of Science in Environmental Studies
3. Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Midwifery
4. Bachelor of Science Education – Mathematical Sciences

D. Mzuzu University (MZUNI)

1. Bachelor of Science in Chemistry
2. Bachelor of Physics and Electronics
3. Bachelor of Information and Communication Technology
4. Bachelor of Science in Data Science
5. Bachelor of Education Sciences
6. Bachelor of Science in Mathematics and Statistics
7. Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Science
8. Bachelor of Science in Fisheries and Aquatic Science
9. Bachelor of Science in Water Engineering and Management

E. Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (LUANAR)

1. Bachelor of Science in Food Technology
2. Bachelor of Environmental Management
3. Bachelor of Science in Applied Computer Science
4. Bachelor of Science in Applied Sciences
5. Bachelor of Science in Agriculture
6. Bachelor of Education Science
7. Bachelor of Agricultural Technology
8. Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science
9. Bachelor of Science in Animal Science
10. Bachelor of Science in Crop Sciences
11. Bachelor of Science in Biotechnology
12. Bachelor of Science in Horticultural Sciences and Landscape Design
13. Bachelor of Science in Biostatistics

F. University of Livingstonia (UNILIA)

1. Bachelor of Education Sciences
2. Bachelor of Education Agriculture
3. Bachelor of Science in Food Security and Nutrition
4. Bachelor of Public Health
5. Bachelor of Sustainable Agriculture
6. Bachelor of Education in Information Communication Technology

NOTE:

The application forms are **FREE OF CHARGE**. NO fees/facilitation or intermediaries are required at any stage of the selection process. Inaccurate information or misinterpretation of any part of the application, falsification or incomplete application and any attempt to influence the process will lead to automatic disqualification.

The bursary comes with comprehensive financial, academic, and social support to the program participants for the entire duration of their academic programs.

FAWEMA maintains a zero-tolerance policy to child abuse, sexual abuse, sexual exploitation and sexual harassment by its employees, consultants, volunteers, service providers/contractors, vendors, partners or anyone associated with delivery of FAWEMA programs and services.

For further clarification and guidance on the application process, kindly call FAWEMA on the following numbers: **+265 896 510 711/981 654 355** or send email to: recruitment@fawema.org.

Kindly note that calls will be received between 8am and 5pm only from Monday to Friday.

THE NEW CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIVING BURSARY APPLICATIONS INTO THE BRIDGING PROGRAMS IS NOW MONDAY, **25TH MAY 2026**.

FEMALE CANDIDATES WHO ALREADY EXPRESSED THEIR INTEREST SHOULD NOT APPLY AGAIN.