

ASIM / EU MOBILITY SCHOLARSHIP

Application guide to prospective students

Abstract

The guide will help you complete the application for the ASIM / EU mobility scholarship, tenable at University of Johannesburg, Ardhi University, Covenant University and Malawi University of Business and applied sciences.



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COMPLETING THE ONLINE APPLICATION: DEGREE SEEKING

1.0 Minimum Requirements for Application:

1.1 Grades

1.1.1 Master's degree programs:

Second Class Upper (3.5 CGPA or its equivalent or at least 65% average in all modules) in the relevant fields of study from any recognized University in Africa.

1.1.2 PhD degree programs:

Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from any recognized University in Africa. Candidates must have a minimum CGPA of 4.0 on a 5.0 scale, or 65% average or its equivalent in M.Sc./M.Eng/M.Tech and the minimum stipulated for the Master's degree above.

1.2 Target groups

Candidates are selected between target group one and target group two as follows:

- **Target group one:** Category of former students of the four ASIM participating institutions namely: University of Johannesburg, Ardhi University, Covenant University and Malawi University of Business and Applied Sciences – the former students can go to any of the four institutions.
- **Target group two:** Category of former students of any other institution in Africa.

NB: Students cannot enrol in their former participating institutions. E.g., former University of Johannesburg students cannot apply for scholarships to study further at the University of Johannesburg. However, they qualify to apply as target group one students at Ardhi, Covenant and Malawi University of Business and Applied Sciences.

2.0 Citizenship

Only Africans who are citizens of the participating countries as well as any other African country, qualify to apply for the ASIM scholarship. The applicants should be resident on the continent at the time of application.

3.0 Selection process

The following selection process will be followed:

- a) Complete the online application;
- b) Select preferred university and programme (Programmes are available in degree and credit seeking mobilities);
- c) Submit/upload requested documentation;
- d) Receipt of application and documentation;
- e) Institutions accept or reject application for admission;
- f) ASIM shortlist accepted and qualifying candidates;
- g) Shortlisted candidates are informed and invited for an aptitude assessment (written and oral) ;

Successful candidates are informed of the outcome and award of scholarship

4.0 Duration of Programs:

Duration of an academic program depends on the participating institution. The durations range from 18 to 24 months for a master's degree program. The doctoral degrees take a maximum of 36 months.

Applicants are also to note that there is opportunity to embark on both degree and credit seeking programmes with full sponsorship in any of the Partner Institutions. See table 1.0 below.

5.0 Completing your online application

With a few short steps and by providing basic information, you can begin the journey to your new future. As an ASIM Scholarship applicant, you are advised to read through the Expression of Interest and Disclaimer before you agree to the terms of the EOI.

5.1 Personal details

In the ASIM Scholarship admissions application, you will be asked to provide:

- Basic information such as names, address, nationality, contact details and date of birth.
- Education history information, such as highest qualification, research record and published articles.
- English proficiency – Evidence of English language as medium of instruction at HEI

5.2 Documentation

The following documents will be required upon application:

- Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Proof of nationality
- Highest qualification
- Academic record
- Evidence of English language as medium of instruction at Higher Education Institution (HEI)
- Research proposal and personal statement

A sample paper or article that you have been the main author on, preferably in the study area that you have selected. If you do not have an already written paper, please submit a new one even if it is not yet published.

At least two letters of recommendation sent by the referees directly to the PG administrator at asim@uj.ac.za

5.3 Selecting your academic program

On the applications page of the ASIM website, you will need to make selection on the following:

- Preferred university;
- Type of mobility;
- Academic program;

6.0 Contacts for Mobility:

6.1 Communication

The primary email that should be used for all communication and enquiries on the ASIM scholarships, is asim@uj.ac.za.

For more details and applications, prospective applicants should visit: <https://asim.co.za>

6.2 Contact persons

6.2.1 Tanzania:

Dr. Neema Kavishe, Ardhi University.

6.2.2 Nigeria:

Prof. David Olukanni, Covenant University.

6.2.3 Malawi:

Dr. Theresa Mkandawire, University of Malawi –The Polytechnic.

6.2.4 South Africa:

Prof Innocent Musonda, University of Johannesburg.

7.0 Support information

7.1 Key elements of the research proposal:

Please note that the proposal for the PhD should have at least 5000 words. The Master's degrees proposal should have at least 2000 words. The following key elements should be included in the proposal.

- i. Title of research
- ii. Summary (250 words)
- iii. Keywords
- iv. Research aims and objectives.
- v. Research problem, questions, or hypotheses (based on a robust literature review)
- vi. Literature review (This is a detailed systematic review that should exhibit critical and analytical thinking, show trends, key themes, thought leaders and gap in the field. The studies must be recent. The applicant will demonstrate knowledge of the field and how well they have identified the gap that they intend contributing knowledge to. As mentioned in 6.5, literature review will be the basis for aims, objectives, questions and hypotheses)
- vii. Proposed research methods (Justification is needed for the chosen methods in data collection and analysis)
- viii. Project schedule
- ix. Project cost and other resources that will be needed for the study.
- x. References – Use the Harvard style.

7.2 Academic programs and institutions

7.2.1 Masters Programs

	University	Programmes	Length
1.	Ardhi University, Tanzania http://www.aru.ac.tz/index.php/features/2/2013-01-31-07-13-54/2016-04-27-08-40-30	Construction Economics and Management	18 months
		Architecture	18 months
		Project Management	18 months
2.	Covenant University, Nigeria cve.covenantuniversity.edu.ng bld.covenantuniversity.edu.ng arc.covenantuniversity.edu.ng esm.covenantuniversity.edu.ng	Architecture	18 months
		Building Technology	18 months
		Civil Engineering	18 months
		Real Estate Management	18 months
3.		Civil Engineering	18 months

	University of Johannesburg, South Africa https://cutt.ly/yclVbvg	Construction Management	18 months
		Sustainable Urban Planning and Development (MSUPD)	18 months
		Urban and Regional Planning (by Research)	18 months
4.	University of Malawi – The Polytechnic, Malawi. http://www.poly.ac.mw/news/postgraduate-programmes-faculty-of-engineering-2021-intake-05-02-202	Infrastructure Development	18 months

7.2.2 PhD Programs

	University	Programmes	Length
1.	Ardhi University, Tanzania	Architecture and Urban Design	36 months

	http://www.aru.ac.tz/index.php/features/2/2013-01-31-07-13-54/2016-04-27-08-40-30	Construction Economics and Management	36 months
2.	Covenant University, Nigeria cve.covenantuniversity.edu.ng bld.covenantuniversity.edu.ng arc.covenantuniversity.edu.ng esm.covenantuniversity.edu.ng	Architecture	36 months
		Building Technology	36 months
		Civil Engineering	36 months
		Real Estate Management	36 months
3.	University of Johannesburg, South Africa https://cutt.ly/yclVbvg	Civil Engineering	36 months
		Construction Management	36 months

