

College of Medicine and Health Sciences
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# Report on pre-selection and shortlisting for Ethics in Research and Clinical Practice (ETHIMED) Masters Scholarship

Background

ETHIMED project is a collaboration aiming to facilitate mobility amongst partners for purposes of research ethics/integrity and clinical ethics capacity building. The Norwegian Directorate finances the project for Higher Education and Skills, through the Norwegian Partnership Programme for Global Academic Cooperation (NORPART).

The partnership is composed of the University of Oslo (Norway) – Project Lead, University of Rwanda, College of Medicine and Health Sciences (Rwanda) and the University of Dar es Salaam –Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies (Tanzania). The programme will award **ONE** scholarship to a graduate student from Rwanda to undertake a Master's programme in **International Community Health** at the University of Oslo, Norway. The call for application deadline was 30 October 2022. The tentative start date for the course is August 2023 and the program will run for two years with a six month period for conducting fieldwork in Rwanda.

The following were specific eligibility criterias:

- Applicant must be a national of Rwanda
- Preferably UR Faculty with a Bachelor's degree or staff of health institutions in Rwanda who has an interest in Research Ethics/Integrity and Clinical Ethics.
- Specialization within health science or social science with an interest in Research Ethics/Integrity or Clinical Ethics.
- GPA of 3.6 or above/Second Upper Class Division or above during her/his undergraduate studies
- Be prepared to apply for admission by 15 th November 2022 and start Master programme in August 2023 after the acceptance of the scholarship.
- Have proven to be English proficient :minimum total score of 90 with at least 19 in reading, 20 in listening, 20 in speaking and 24 in writing for TOEFL or Minimum overall band score of 6.5 with at least 6.5 in each component (listening, reading, speaking and writing) for IELTS.
- Demonstrate a motivation to Research Ethics/Integrity or Clinical Ethics.
- Have relevant experience in Research Ethics/Integrity or Clinical Ethics.

# Members of the shortlisting committee

- 1. Dr. Marie Francoise Mukanyangezi, PhD
- 2. Dr. Jean Baptiste Nyandwi, PhD
- 3. Mr. Pacifique Ndayishimiye, MPharm

#### Meeting agenda

- 1. To review the applications submitted before the deadline
- 2. To conduct a pre-selection and shortlisting of applicants who will be invited for interview

### Specify agenda points and date(s) of meeting(s)

The meeting took place on 4th October 2022 via zoom to conduct a pre-selection and shortlisting exercise of the applicants who applied for the Ethics in Research and Clinical Practice (ETHIMED) Master's Scholarship.

## Summary on received applications

We received a total of 11 applications whereby 7 applicants were female and the remaining were male. Nine applicants had a 4 year degree of undergraduate while the remaining two had a 5 and 6 year degree. Nine applicants had a GPA of 3.6 or upper while the remaining two didn't have transcripts that allowed easy calculation of their GPA.

- Total number of applicants: 11 applications
- Rwandans: 11 applicants
- Number of applicants who have an interest in Research Ethics/Integrity and Clinical Ethics: 6 applicants
- Number of applicants with specialization in health science or social science: 11 applicants
- GPA of 3.6 or above/Second Upper Class Division or above during her/his undergraduate studies: 11 applicants
- Applicants with proven English proficiency: 5 applicants
- Applicants who demonstrate a motivation to Research Ethics/Integrity or Clinical Ethics: 6 applicants
- Applicants with relevant work experience in area related to ethics: 8 applicants

In summary, Four candidates were recommended to be contacted for interview. Those are:

- 1. Frederick NIYOMAHORO
- Jean de Dieu NIYOYITA
- 3. Claudine ABIBESHYA
- 4. Florentine MUREKATETE



Table detailing the assessment of applicants

Observations (provide	reasons behind the	t decision)				D.	q	p			p.	Presented proof of English proficiency from unrecognised test no concept note, only one recommendation letter and Motivation letter content not
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Project	titles					Ethics in Research	and	Practice	(ETHIMED)			

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					relevant and only one
					recommendation letter.
6	Samuel	M	King Faisal Hospital	Not	No Proof of English
	NZAYISENGA			recommended	proficiency and
					presented concept note
					not relevant to ethics.
10	Pascal UWAMUNGU	M	NA	Not	No proof of English
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The attached table gives more details on the selection criterria.

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