The National University of Lesotho

POSTGRADUATE STUDIES HANDBOOK

2016-2017

70 YEARS OF CREATING CHAMPIONS
Vision

A vibrant African University, nurturing thought leaders.

Mission

To advance human development and to respond to national and regional needs through knowledge creation, dissemination and community engagement, employing technologically innovative strategies.

Our values

Client-centeredness
Professionalism
Ethical conduct
Innovativeness
Diligence
Social empathy
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HISTORY OF NUL

Pius XII Catholic University College

The origins of the National University of Lesotho go back to April 8, 1945, when a Catholic University College was founded at Roma by the Roman Catholic Hierarchy of Southern Africa. The establishment of this College was a realization of a decision taken in 1938 by the Synod of Catholic Bishops in South Africa to provide African Catholic students with post-matriculation and religious guidance. The Catholic University College was founded in an isolated valley 34 kilometres from Maseru in a temporary primary school building at Roma Mission.

In 1946 the College moved from the temporary building to the present site. This was made possible by the allocation of some 52 acres (210,000 m²) of land to the College by the Paramount Chief.

In 1950, the Catholic University College was ceded to the Congregation of Oblates of Mary Immaculate. Pius XII College prepared its students for the external degrees of the University of South Africa (UNISA). By September 27, 1954, having satisfied itself that Pius XII College was an academically viable Institution, UNISA agreed to enter into a formal agreement - thereby granting an "Associate College" status to the College. This development was of major significance to the Roma intellectual community as it entailed a certain degree of "decentralization" in certain specific areas on the part of UNISA, e.g. Pius Xil College assumed greater responsibility for tuition and examinations. Indeed, between 1954-60, both the academic and physical growth of the College accelerated. Fathers Beaule, Quirion, and Guilbeault (then Rector), participated actively in the early development of the college.

In the early 60s the College experienced difficulties academically and financially. UNISA unilaterally decided to redefine its relationship with the College and, finally, the main benefactor of the College directed its resources elsewhere. The denominational character of the College had made it difficult for international organizations, agencies, and foundations to fund such an institution of higher learning. Despite these problems, advice received from Sir John Lockwood and Sir James Cook, both Vice Chancellors’ of British universities at the time, discouraged the College authorities from seeking an affiliation with either the University of London, or for that matter, any other overseas University. As early as 1952, attempts by the college to secure a special relationship with the University of London, through the Inter-University Council for Higher Education Overseas (Commonly referred to as the I-VC) had been unsuccessful. In view of the prevailing difficulties, seen as a danger to the development of university education in Basutoland in 1962, the General of the Oblate Congregation requested Fathers Banim, O. M.I. and A. W. Hall, O.M.I. to visit Roma and assist the College in finding a practical solution to its problems.
The South African Government had declared its intention not to admit African students from outside South Africa into the University of Fort Hare, and the Natal Medical School (Wentworth) after December 31, 1953. Although this ban was relaxed for Basutoland students until 1958, the writing was on the wall.

The College, which by 1959 had 171 students, 141 of whom were students from outside Basutoland - mainly from South Africa, Northern and Southern Rhodesia, and Nyasaland - was already deeply involved in contributing to the training of future civil servants and teachers for the Bechuanaland Protectorate and Swaziland. Clearly, the High Commission Territories (H.C.T) were indebted to Pius XII College for its role in producing a cadre of educated women and men to tackle developmental problems after independence. On the other hand, the College, which was going through a period of financial difficulties felt that it would be most appreciative if its efforts in providing the prerequisite manpower needs for the H.C.T. could be recognized both in cash and in kind. At the same time, it was apparent that the H.C.T. also wanted to play a more significant role in the decision-making bodies of the College. In a curious way - the Catholic Church, the Basutoland Government, the University authorities and even the other H.C.T. territories sensed the need for a decisive step to be taken in order the re-define the role and the governance of the College.

Negotiations began with the view to establishing an inter-territorial, non-denominational University, principally to serve the H.C.T. Indeed, it has been said that by that time the three High Commission Territories were beginning to see the College as destined to become a "University of the High Commission Territories". Progress was made to enable a deed of cession to be signed on June 13, 1963, the indemnity being met jointly by the Ford Foundation and H.M.'s Government in the UK. The indemnity was signed between Sir Hugh Stephenson, then newly appointed High Commissioner acting on behalf of the projected new University, and at the time of signing the indemnity the facilities of the College, most of which were attributed to the period when Fr. Romeo Guilbeaut was Rector, had expanded rapidly. Besides the original "temporary" houses and classrooms, residences which could accommodate 100 male and 70 Students, some 20 staff houses/flats, a modern science block, a kitchen and refectory block, administrative buildings, workshops, garage and a power plant were in existence. Also under construction was a new library building whose funding had been secured form the World Council of Churches, and the World University Service. Student numbers had grown from the original five, to 180.

University of Basutoland, Bechuanaland Protectorate and Swaziland

On January 1, 1964, Plus XII University College was replaced by the independent, non-denominational University of Basutoland, Bechuanaland Protectorate, and Swaziland with its own Charter granted by Queen Elizabeth 2. By virtue of the same Charter, the Oblate Fathers kept a close relation-ship with the U.B.B.S. through serving on the Council and teaching, as well as in the physical presence of Pius XII College House, a residence for the Oblate community.
University of Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland

To be in line with the names chosen after independence in 1966, U.B.B.S. became the University of Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland.

A historical date in life of U.B.L.S. is April 7, 1967, when the first autonomous degrees and diplomas were conferred. The University continued to grow steadily - physically and academically, being supported by the three governments' subventions and by international in time, branches of the University were established in Botswana and Swaziland.

U.B.L.S, through much admired as an institution, soon found problems in the areas of growth and administration. Cooperation between the three campuses was not always consistent and equal, as interests and concerns about development and future plans differed between the three campuses. By 1974, ten years after its establishment, the U.B.L.S. was offering five degree courses, eleven diploma and certificate courses and four postgraduate degree courses.

National University of Lesotho

The decision to establish the National University of Lesotho on the Lesotho (Roma) campus site of the former U.B.L.S. was taken on October 20, 1975, by the National Assembly through Act No. 13 of 1975. NUL is the proud heir of Pius XII University College and U.B.L.S. It occupies the same site, grounds, and buildings as its predecessors, as well as additional ones. Over the years new faculties and departments have been established,
USEFUL INFORMATION

Policy on Students with Disabilities
The University is committed to responding to the needs of students with disabilities. It is required that disability is declared during the application process.

The Academic Year
NUL runs one academic year for both undergraduate and graduate studies. There are two semesters in one academic year. This applies to both full and part-time programmes. Examinations are written in December, May and supplementary examination in July.

Payment of Fees and Registration
Payment of fees at NUL is governed by the university financial regulations and policies. ADM 4.01 stipulates that “fees are payable in full, on or before the beginning of the [given] academic year’s registration. Financial clearance is a pre-condition for academic registration. Thus, no student will be allowed to register for studies, admitted to residence or be allowed to attend classes until the University shall have received proof of required payment of fees.

Fees for any one academic term (of the two semesters) must be paid in full or in instalments approved by the University Management before the beginning of the term.

Payment of fees shall be made directly to the NUL Standard Lesotho Bank account No 01400-3377-5301 and proof of payment must be presented to the relevant section of Finance and Administration for financial clearance and the relevant faculty for academic registration.

Accommodation in Halls of Residence during vacations
During short vacations, students who live a long way from home, may apply to remain in the Halls of Residence. Students will not normally be allowed to remain during long vacations. Students who are writing supplementary or aegrotat examinations may be allowed into residence 1 week before the examinations. Any such stay in residence will be charged at M100.00 per day.

Surcharge for damage or loss of University property
Students who damage or loose University property or equipment including Library books or periodicals will be charged with the cost of repair or replacement.

Study Permit and Visa Requirements
Assistance with application for and inquiries regarding procedures for study permit and visa requirements can be sought from the International Students Office of the Dean of Students Affairs.
Students' Loan Bursaries
The University does not run any bursary scheme for students. The majority of local students are sponsored by the Government of Lesotho through a loan bursary scheme administered by the National Manpower Development Secretariat (NMDS).

Since 2010 NMDS shifted away from sponsoring every admissible student in favour of a quota based system. The University follows faculty-specific criteria to allocate the given quota. Students without a bursary are admitted on a self-sponsoring basis and they become personally responsible for payment of all mandatory fees.

Regardless of whether a student is sponsored or self-sponsoring, the responsibility to pay all mandatory fees lies with such a student.

FACULTIES/INSTITUTES WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY OF LESOTHO

Currently, there are seven faculties and one Institute:

Faculty of Agriculture
Faculty of Education
Faculty of Health Science
Faculty of Humanities
Faculty of Law
Faculty of Science and Technology and
Faculty of Social Sciences
Institute of Extra-Mural Studies
FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN:

- Agricultural and Resource Economics
- Agricultural Extension
- Animal Science
- Crop Science
- Soil Science

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURAL AND RESOURCE ECONOMICS
(M.Sc. Agric & Resource Economics) - 2 Years (FULL-TIME)

Requirements: Holders of a B.Sc. Agriculture degree or Honours degree in any agricultural discipline deemed equivalent to the agricultural degree offered by NUL. Minimum of Second Class, Second Division degree. Candidates with pass degree can be considered for admission if there is proof of academic potential through extensive field work, research experience and additional training (e.g. Postgraduate Diploma).

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION
(M.Sc. Agric Ext) - 2 YEARS (FULL-TIME)

Requirements: Holders of a B.Sc. Agriculture degree or Honours degree in any agricultural discipline deemed equivalent to the agricultural degree offered by NUL. Minimum of Second Class, Second Division degree. Candidates with pass degree can be considered for admission if there is proof of academic potential through extensive field work, research experience and additional training (e.g. Postgraduate Diploma).

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN CROP SCIENCE (M.Sc. Crop Sc.) - 2 YEARS (FULL-TIME)

Requirements: Holders of B.Sc. Agriculture or Biological Sciences degree or equivalent from a recognized university/institution. Minimum of Second Class, Second Division degree. Candidates with pass degree may be considered for admission if they have earned a mean of not less than the equivalent of a Second Class, First Division (B) in courses relevant to the intended research area, or have productively worked for a minimum of three (3) uninterrupted years in a relevant area of Crop Production/Crop Science.
MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ANIMAL SCIENCE (M.Sc. Animal Sc.)
2 YEARS (FULL-TIME)

Requirements: Holders of B.Sc. Agriculture degree or equivalent from a recognized university/institution. Minimum of Second Class, Second Division degree. Candidates with a pass degree may be considered for admission if they have earned a mean of not less than the equivalent of Second Class, First Division (B) in the courses relevant to the intended research area, or have productively worked for a minimum of three (3) uninterrupted years in a relevant area of Animal Science and related subjects.

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN SOIL SCIENCE (M.Sc. Soil Science) - 2 YEARS (FULL-TIME)

Requirements: Holders of a B.Sc. Degree in Agriculture, Soil Science and related disciplines from a recognized university/institution. Minimum of Second Class, Second Division degree. Fields of specialization: Soil Conservation and Land Management; Soil Survey; Land Evaluation and Land Use; Soil Fertility Management; Soil Chemistry; and Soil Physics.
FACULTY OF EDUCATION

POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION (PGDE) - 1 YEAR (FULL-TIME), 2 YEARS (PART-TIME)

Requirements: The normal entrance requirements for (PGDE) programme shall be a relevant degree of a recognized university, provided that the degree programme has included a substantial component of studies recognized by the Faculty of Education as teaching subjects. Applicants are expected to have majored in two teaching subjects at undergraduate level, with the exception of applicant who majored in Agriculture.

Career Opportunities: Offered to holders of non-education certificates and it is intended for practicing and prospective teachers of Secondary and High Schools.

MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION (MA.ED) AND MASTER OF EDUCATION (M.ED) - 2 YEARS (FULL-TIME) AND 3 YEARS (PART-TIME)

Requirements: The normal entrance shall be second division as minimum pass in B.Ed., B.A.Ed. or B.A. + PGDE or other equivalent and relevant qualifications from other universities which may be acceptable subject to the approval of Departments of Language and Social Education and Educational Foundations.

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION (MSC.ED) - 2 YEARS (FULL-TIME) 3 YEARS (PART-TIME)

Requirements: The minimum entry requirements shall be one of the following
a) A second class, second division pass in BSc. Ed or BSc Ed Agric
b) A BSc. or BSc. Agric. + A pass with credit in PGCE or PGDE
c) A BSc. Agric plus a pass with credit in Dip. Agric. Ed.
d) Any other equivalent qualification approved by the university
e) Mode 1 applicants will be required to submit a preliminary research proposal/ out-line to the Department for approval prior to admission.

Career Opportunities: Researchers, teachers, curriculum developers, education administrators and supervisors.

Programme structure

A student my study through:

1. MODE I: DISSERTATION ONLY: A student following Mode I of the study shall normally:
(a) Take the research methods course within one academic year;
(b) Complete and present a preliminary research project in Mathematics Science Education prior to data collection;
(c) Present a research proposal to the department through the supervisor for approval prior to data collection;
(d) Complete required course work in the first year;
(e) Undertake research and write a dissertation of 25,000 to 30,000 words within one academic year after completion of coursework

2. **MODE II: COURSEWORK AND DISSERTATION:**

A student following Mode II of the study shall normally:

(a) Take a minimum of 30 credit hours of course work within one academic year;
(b) Complete and present a research proposal through the supervisor to the department prior to data collection;
(c) Complete coursework within one academic year.
(d) Undertake research and write a dissertation of 12,000 to 16,000 words within one academic year after completion of coursework.

**Key Learning Areas**

1. Agriculture Education
2. Environmental Education
3. Science Education
4. Mathematics Education
5. Curriculum Development
6. Research Methods in Education

For more details please contact the Faculty of Education (Department of Science Education).

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PH.D.) - 3 YEARS (FULL-TIME) AND 5 YEARS (PART-TIME)**

**Requirements:** The normal entrance qualifications for PhD in Education shall be M.Ed. /M.A.Ed. or equivalent qualifications as approved by Senate.

**Career Opportunities:** The Doctor of Philosophy provides opportunities and guidance which will enable each student to undertake research studies which show
originality, relevance and significance (fulfilling a felt need and/or confirming to or challenging existing theory in the discipline concerned).
FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

The faculty will not offer any post-graduate programmes in 2016/2017.
FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

1. DEPARTMENT OF AFRICAN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURE

The M.A. in African Language and Literature is divided into two separate programmes of study:

I) M.A. IN AFRICAN LANGUAGES AND LINGUISTICS
II) M.A. IN AFRICAN LITERATURE

The M.A. degree shall be a two year programme by course work/supervision reading and theses (MODE II).

Requirements:

a) Candidates must satisfy the General Regulations to the M.A. degree of the Faculty of Humanities.

b) The normal requirements shall be a good first degree at the level of First Class or Second Class, First Division (II,i) of this University with an average of at least 65% in the Core and the required courses for either Language or Literature.

c) Students with equivalent qualifications from other universities may be admitted into the programme subject to the approval of the Faculty of Humanities.

d) Candidates admitted in anyone year will depend on the availability of supervision.

2. DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

M.A. IN DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

Full Time - 2 Years (Coursework and Dissertation)

Requirements:

a) A minimum of Second Class First Division in relevant Social Sciences or Humanities subjects or a combination of both.

b) A minimum of Second Class, Second Division 2(ii) BA with 65% mean score in Development Studies courses at BA Level or

c) Equivalent qualifications from other institutions as might be approved by NUL Senate, on the advice of the Department.

Career Opportunities: Employment in the Private, Public, and Government Institutions, local and International Non-governmental Organizations, and Donor agencies as Educator, Development Project/Programmes Manager or Community Developer, consultants, Researchers, Socio-Economic Planners, Human and Resource Manager, Development Policy Expert/Analysts, Social justice Advocator, Environmental Programmes Manager.
3. DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

MASTERS OF ARTS IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS:

Requirements:

a) Candidates should have at least a 2(ii) BA (Honours) in English Language and Linguistics of the National University of Lesotho or an equivalent qualification from other universities recognized by the NUL Senate.

b) Intending candidates will be required to submit to the Head of Department an outline, about 500 - 750 words in length, of their research project, indicating research methods to be followed and how the research will make a distinct contribution to knowledge of the subject.

c) All recommendations for admission shall be subject to the approval of the Board of the Faculty of Postgraduate Studies.

Duration:

a) The MA in English Language and Linguistics is mainly by research. The duration is minimally TWO calendar years or twenty-four months of full time study.

b) Candidates may also apply as part-time students for the Masters programme and in such cases, the normal duration shall be FOUR years or forty-eight months after a successful completion of the Honours degree programme.

MASTERS OF ARTS IN LITERATURE IN ENGLISH:

Requirements:

a) Candidates should have at least a 2(ii) BA (Honours) in Literature in English of the National University of Lesotho or an equivalent qualification from other universities recognized by the NUL Senate.

b) Intending candidates will be required to submit to the Head of Department an outline, about 500 - 750 words in length, of their research project, indicating research methods to be followed and how the research will make a distinct contribution to knowledge of the subject.

c) All recommendations for admission shall be subject to the approval of the Board of the Faculty of Postgraduate Studies.

Duration:

a) The MA in Literature in English is mainly by research. The duration is minimally TWO calendar years or twenty-four months of full time study.

b) Candidates may also apply as part-time students for the Masters programme and in such cases, the normal duration shall be FOUR (4) years or forty-eight (48) months after a successful completion of the Honours degree programme.
PHD IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS

Requirements:

a) The normal requirement for admission shall be a Masters Degree in English Language/Linguistics (ELL) of this university or an equivalent qualification from other universities.

b) Two references should be submitted at least one of which should be from the applicant’s supervisor or Head of Department at Masters level. These references will be given special consideration in the case where a Masters qualification is not classified.

c) Applicants with a Masters degree in ELL without coursework but with a suitable thesis will be determined by the Department on the recommendation of a specialist in the area of ELL in which the thesis was undertaken.

d) Applicants may be required to attend a selection interview, conducted by the head of Department and at least two other members of the Department to determine their suitability for the programme.

e) Each applicant will be required to present before the department a provisional written proposal in his/her area of interest as part of the application for admission. This proposal should be no more than 6 pages long and should comprise: title; context of research; goals of research; research methodology, references.

f) All recommendations for admission shall be at the discretion of the Department.

Duration:

a) The normal duration of full-time study of the Doctoral degree shall be THREE calendar years.

b) Candidates with deficiencies in core ELL courses (as determined by the Department) may be required by the Department to take their Doctoral degree over a longer period to allow them to make up for the deficiency. The duration of the programme in such cases will depend on the nature and extent of the deficiency, but in any case must not be more than SIX calendar years.

c) Candidates may also register to study for the Doctoral degree on a part-time basis. In such cases the normal duration shall be SIX years after a successful completion of the Masters degree programme with an extension of not more than FOUR additional years.

d) Part-time students with deficiencies in core ELL courses (as determined by the Department) may be required by the Department to take their Doctoral degree over an extended period. The duration of the programme in such cases will depend on the nature and extent of the deficiency in ELL but must not be more than TEN calendar years.
PHD. IN LITERATURE IN ENGLISH

Requirements:

a) The normal requirement for admission shall be a Masters Degree in Literature in English (LE) of this university or an equivalent qualification from other universities.

b) Two references should be submitted at least one of which should be from the applicant’s supervisor or Head of Department at Masters level. These references will be given special consideration in the case where a Masters qualification is not classified.

c) Applicants with a Masters degree in LE without coursework but with a suitable thesis will be determined by the Department on the recommendation of a specialist in the area of LE in which the thesis was undertaken.

d) Applicants may be required to attend a selection interview, conducted by the head of Department and at least two other members of the Department to determine their suitability for the programme.

e) Each applicant will be required to present before the department a provisional written proposal in his/her area of interest as part of the application for admission. This proposal should be no more than 6 pages long and should comprise: title; context of research; goals of research; research methodology, references.

f) All recommendations for admission shall be at the discretion of the Department.

Duration

a) The normal duration of full-time study of the Doctoral degree shall be THREE calendar years.

b) Candidates with deficiencies in core LE courses (as determined by the Department) may be required by the Department to take their Doctoral degree over a longer period to allow them to make up for the deficiency. The duration of the programme in such cases will depend on the nature and extent of the deficiency, but in any case must not be more than SIX calendar years.

c) Candidates may also register to study for the Doctoral degree on a part-time basis. In such cases the normal duration shall be SIX years after a successful completion of the Masters degree programme with an extension of not more than FOUR additional years.

d) Part-time students with deficiencies in core LE courses (as determined by the Department) may be required by the Department to take their Doctoral degree over an extended period. The duration of the programme in such cases will depend on the nature and extent of the deficiency in LE but must not be more than TEN calendar years.
4. DEPARTMENT OF HISTORICAL STUDIES
M.A. IN HISTORICAL STUDIES

5. DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY
B.A. HONOURS (PHILOSOPHY) PROGRAMME - REGULATIONS

Requirements:

a) The normal requirement for admission shall be at least a second class, second division of this University in Philosophy with at least an OWM of 65% in philosophy courses. Candidates from other universities with equivalent qualifications may also be considered.

b) Candidates who meet the above requirement but have deficiencies in core philosophy courses will be required to register for and pass lower level philosophy courses to make up for such deficiencies. The pass mark for each course is 50%.

c) All recommendations for admissions shall be at the discretion of the Department.

Duration:

a) The normal duration of full-time study for the Honours Degree shall be ONE calendar year after a successful completion of the undergraduate degree programme.

b) Candidates with deficiencies in core philosophy courses may be required to take their honours degree over an eighteen-month or two-year period and the additional time shall be utilized towards remedying the deficiency. The duration for the honours programme shall, however, not be more than two years.

M.A. PHILOSOPHY PROGRAMME (MODES I AND II) - REGULATIONS

Requirements:

a) The regulations governing eligibility for Master Degree by Mode I are as in the General Regulations for the Masters’ Degree in all Faculties (PG. 11.00).

b) The normal requirement for admission shall be an appropriate of attainment in a Bachelor (Honours) in Philosophy of this University or an equivalent qualification from other universities. A mark of 65% and above in all courses at honours level shall, for the purpose of admissions, be regarded as an appropriate level of attainment.

c) Candidates with a high degree of attainment in a Bachelors (Honours) course of a cognate discipline relevant to the candidate’s proposed area of specialisation may
also be considered. In such an instance, candidate may be required to register for and pass lower level courses to make up for deficiencies in philosophy courses.

**Duration:**

*a*) The normal duration of full-time study for the Masters Degree shall be TWO calendar years after a successful completion of the honours degree programme.

*b*) Candidates with deficiencies in core philosophy courses may be required by the Department to take their Masters degree over a period of three or four years depending on the nature of the deficiency.

*c*) Candidate may also register as a part-time student for the Masters Degree and in such cases, the normal duration shall be FOUR calendar years after a successful completion of the honours degree programme.

*d*) Part-time students with deficiencies in core philosophy courses may be required by the Department to take their Masters degree over a period of six years or more, depending on the nature of the deficiency.

*e*) No full time programme leading to the degree of Master shall be more than four years and no part-time programme for the Masters degree shall extend beyond six years.

**PH.D. IN PHILOSOPHY**

**Requirements:**

*a*) The normal requirement for admission shall be a Masters Degree in Philosophy of this University or an equivalent qualification from other universities with a minimum score of B in at least six courses in Philosophy obtained in the pursuit of the said degree.

*b*) Two references should be submitted, at least one of which should be from the applicant’s supervisor or head of department at Masters level. These references will be given special consideration in the case where the Masters qualification is not classified.

*c*) Candidates with a Masters degree in philosophy but without coursework but with a suitable thesis may also be considered. In such cases, what counts as a suitable thesis will be determined by the Department on the recommendation of a specialist in the area of Philosophy that the thesis was undertaken.

*d*) Candidates may be required to go through selection examination to determine their suitability for the programme.

*e*) Candidates will be required to present before the Department, a proposal in his/her area of interest as part of the application for admission.

*f*) All recommendations for admissions shall be at the discretion of the Department.
**Duration:**

The normal duration of full-time study for the Doctorate Degree shall be THREE calendar years after a successful completion of the Masters degree programme.

a) Candidates with deficiencies in core philosophy courses may be required by the Department to take their Doctorate degree over an extended period to allow them make up for the deficiency. The duration of the programme in such cases will depend on the nature of the deficiency of the candidate but must not be more than six calendar years.

b) Candidates may also register to study for the Doctorate Degree on a part-time basis. In such cases, the normal duration shall be SIX years after a successful completion of the Masters degree programme with an extension of not more than four additional years.

Part-time students with deficiencies in core philosophy courses may be required by the Department to take their Doctorate degree over an extended period. The duration of the programme in such cases will depend on the nature of the deficiency of the candidate but must not be more than ten calendar years.

6. DEPARTMENT OF THEOLOGY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

M.A. THEOLOGY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES (MODE I AND II)

**Requirements:**

**Mode I**

a) The regulations governing eligibility for Masters Degree by Mode I are as in the General Regulations for the Masters’ Degrees in the Faculty of Humanities.

**Mode II**

a) The normal requirement for admission shall be an appropriate attainment of Bachelors Degree (Honours) of this University or an equivalent qualification from NUL or other universities. An OWM of 65% with all the courses passed shall be regarded as an appropriate level of attainment.

b) Candidates with a high degree of attainment in a Bachelors (Honours) Degree of a cognate discipline relevant to the candidate’s proposed area of specialization may also be considered. In such an instance, a candidate may be required to register for and pass lower level courses to make up for deficiencies in Theology and Religious Studies courses.

c) All recommendations for admissions shall be at the discretion of the department

**Duration:**

The normal duration of full-time study for the Masters Degree shall be TWO calendar years.
a) Candidates with deficiencies in core Theology and Religious Studies courses may be required by the department to take their Masters degree over a period of three or four years depending on the nature of the deficiency.
b) Candidate may also register as part-time student for the Masters Degree and in such cases, the normal duration shall be FOUR calendar years.
c) Part-time students with deficiencies in core Theology and Religious Studies courses may be required to take their Masters degree over a period of six years, depending on the nature of the deficiency.
d) No full time programme leading to the Masters degree shall be more than four years and no part-time programme for the Masters degree shall extend beyond six years.

**PhD THEOLOGY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

**Requirements:**

a) The normal requirement for admission shall be a Masters Degree of this University or an equivalent qualification from other universities.
b) Two references should be submitted, at least one of which should be from the applicant’s supervisor or head of department at Masters level. These references will be given special consideration in the case where Masters qualification is not classified.
c) Candidates with a Masters degree without course work but with a suitable thesis may also be considered. In such cases, what counts as a suitable thesis will be determined by the head of department on the recommendation of a specialist in the area in which the thesis was undertaken.
d) Candidates may be required to go through selection examination, conducted by the head of department and at least two other members of the department, to determine their suitability for the programme.
e) Candidates shall be required to present before the department, a written proposal in his/her area of interest as part of the application for admission.
f) All recommendations for admissions shall be at the discretion of the department.

**Duration:**

a) The normal full-time duration for the Doctoral degree shall be three calendar years after a successful completion of the Masters degree programme.
b) Candidates with deficiencies in core Philosophy or Theology/Religious Studies courses may be required to take their Doctoral degree over an extended period to allow them to make up for the deficiency. The duration of the programme in
such cases shall depend on the nature of the deficiency of the candidate but must not be more than SIX calendar years.

c) Candidates may also register to study for the Doctoral degree on a part-time basis. In such cases, the normal duration shall be SIX years after a successful completion of the Masters degree programme with an extension of not more than FOUR additional years.

d) Part-time students with deficiencies in core Theology and Religious Studies courses may be required by the Programme to take their Doctoral degree over an extended period. The duration of the programme in such cases shall depend on the nature of the deficiency of the candidate but must not be more than TEN calendar years.
FACULTY OF LAW

Master’s DEGREE LL.M - 2 YEARS

Requirements: An LL.B degree in at least a Second Class, Second Division category with a minimum of 60% pass in the chosen field of specialization.

Career Opportunities: Legal practice, judicial office, Prosecutorship, Business or Trade Laws, Law Teaching, Independent Consultancy; Corporate Legal Advisors; Forensic Experts, etc.

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN LABOUR LAW (CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION) 13 weeks

Requirements: A recognized Bachelor’s degree in a relevant field. Extensive work experience may also be considered for admission.

Candidates who hold a Bachelor’s degree will be awarded a Post-Graduate Diploma in Labour Law (Conciliation and Arbitration) while those candidates without a Bachelor’s degree will be awarded a Diploma in Labour Law, (Conciliation and Arbitration).

Career Opportunities: Independent Conciliator or Arbitrator for (the Directorate of Dispute Prevention and Resolution (DDPR); in Human Resource Departments, Labour Relations Adviser, Labour Specialist; Consultant in Labour Law, Labour Relations and Alternative Dispute Resolution; Legal Adviser for an NGO.
FACULTY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONOURS) IN: - 1 YEAR

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Geography
- Mathematics
- Physics

Requirements: A recognized Bachelor of Science degree

Career Opportunities: Mathematics: specializes in different branches of Mathematics such as Applied Mathematics, Engineering Mathematics, Logic, Pure Mathematics, Graph Theory and Complexity, Analysis of Algorithms, Applied Mathematics in Finance and business such as Mathematics of Finance and Actuarial Sciences.

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN INFORMATION SYSTEM (PART-TIME) - 2 YEARS

Requirements: A recognized university degree.

Career Opportunities: A professional who applies information technology and systems to organizational and managerial needs, is aware of what information technology, systems and technology to help organizations compete more successfully in the market place or to streamline current operations.

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN CHEMISTRY (MSc. Chem.)

Duration of Programme
Normally 2 years including the intervening long vacation for full-time students. The maximum period allowed is 4 years from the initial registration.

Requirements:

- A BSc. Degree with Chemistry as a Major Subject at 2(II) Level with minimum average grade of C in the Chemistry courses in the final two years, or a BSc. Degree in Chemical Technology at 2(II) Level.
- Students with equivalent qualifications may be admitted subject to approval by the Departmental Board of Studies.
- Students with a BSc. Honours Degree in Chemistry may be exempted from specific courses in the first year of the programme.
Career Opportunities

Chemistry provides an excellent opportunities for careers in a variety of professions and occupations in academia, research laboratories, chemical industry, pharmaceutical industry, food industry, cosmetic industry, petroleum industry, government regulatory departments and in diverse fields such as environmental sciences, pharmaceuticals, medical laboratories, materials, and many other chemical allied fields.

Programme Objective

The programme will equip candidates to work independently as a chemist at a higher level of problem solving. The two-year MSc programme enables candidates to further their knowledge of chemistry with a range of core courses. Candidates can expand their knowledge base and interest further by selecting from a range of optional courses in all the classical disciplines of chemistry courses. The programme provides candidates with academic specialization in the divisions of inorganic chemistry, analytical chemistry, physical chemistry and organic chemistry.

About the Programme

Candidates will benefit from working on a research project with one of the diverse range of internationally recognized research academics in the department as well as working and studying under the direction and leadership of leading chemistry staff, prospective students will gain hands on experience of a variety of modern instrumentation.

MSc candidates will have access to variety of instruments such as: Gas Chromatography (GC), Gas Chromatography coupled with Mass Spectrometry (GC-MS), Mass Spectroscopy (MS), Atomic Absorption Spectroscopy (AAS), Induced Coupled Plasma Spectrometry (ICP), Electrochemical Analysers, Powder and Single Crystal X-ray Diffraction (XRD), Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy (NMR), Infrared Spectroscopy (IR), UV-visible Spectroscopy(UV-Vis), Raman Spectroscopy and High Pressure Liquid Chromatography (HPLC)

Research Project

Candidates will also be expected to work on laboratory-based research, which include searching for, reviewing and evaluate scientific literature relevant to the research topic. Also design and carry out experiments work, and present results/findings in the form of seminar presentations, posters and finally at the end of study, present a written thesis.
MASTER OF SCIENCE IN PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY - 2 YEARS

Requirements: BSc. Honours in Geography or its equivalent from a recognized institution by Senate of the National University of Lesotho

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT (HRM) (PART-TIME) - 2 YEARS

Requirements: Bachelor’s degree in any field of social sciences, or any bachelor’s degree with a minimum of two (2) years’ experience in the field or related field of Human Resources Management.

Career Opportunity: Human resource managers/Directors, Human resources analysts, Human resources consultants, Training managers, Training and development consultants, Recruitment and selection agents, Industrial relations managers, Labour analysts, Compensation managers, Payroll specialists, Change and organisational development consultants and General managers in private and public institutions etc.

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN ECONOMICS - 1 YEAR (BRIDGING)

Requirements: BA Economics with a minimum of pass or better or any other relevant qualification that may be approved by the NUL Senate on the advice of the Department and Faculty.

Career Opportunities: Banking and Insurance, Finance and Investment Analyst, Research and Policy Analyst, Management and Administration, Marketing, Entrepreneurship, Journalism etc.

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ECONOMICS - 2 YEARS

Requirements: BA Economics with a minimum of Second Class Second Division or any other relevant qualification that may be approved by NUL Senate on the advice of the department and Faculty.

Career Opportunities: Banking and Insurance, Finance and Investment Analyst, Research & Policy Analysis, Management & Administration, Marketing, Entrepreneurship, Journalism (Applies to both Undergraduate & Postgraduate).
INSTITUTE OF EXTRA MURAL STUDIES

MISSION STATEMENT: INSTITUTE OF EXTRA MURAL STUDIES:

The purpose of the Institute of the Institute of Extra Mural Studies (IEMS) is to bring the University to the people and the people to the university by using facilities and resources of the University, for the education of the out-of-school population of Lesotho and for its Economic, social and cultural development. It endeavours to do this in consultation with the appropriate Government Ministries and departments, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO's), Parastatals, academic faculties and private sector institutions.

To this end, the Institute aims at encouraging, assisting and coordinating the efforts of the academic faculties and departments in all forms of University extension.

All programmes are offered on a part-time basis.

M.ED. IN ADULT EDUCATION - 3 YEARS

Requirements: B.Ed. in Adult Education or equivalent in the categories of First Class, II (i) and II (ii).

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON IEMS PROGRAMMES, PLEASE CONTACT:

The Senior Assistant Registrar (SAR) IEMS,
P/BAG A 47 MASERU, 100.
Lesotho.
Tel: +266 22322038
E-mail: info@nul.ls
website: www.nul.ls
THE LIBRARY (THOMAS MOFOLO)

The NUL Library plays a central role in ensuring the fulfilment of core academic initiatives, of the University. The Library strives to provide a dynamic information service to its clientele in order to give a practical meaning to the university’s purpose as a Centre of excellence in learning, teaching and research.

Whereas NUL Library and information services operate an open door policy whereby “walk-in” users may enter reading rooms, only eligible users may borrow items and get passwords to access e-resources from the Internet. Those entitled to the mentioned privileges comprise:

- Bona fide students of the university
- Any staff member of the University as defined in the appropriate University statutes
- Any extra-mural member approved by the Library Board Visiting research fellows and/or professors

Others may make the necessary arrangements with the Library authorities.

The NUL Library comprises the Thomas Mofolo Library as the main Library at Roma Campus; and the site Libraries at the Institute of Extra-Mural Studies (IEMS) in Maseru. IEMS has branches in Mahobong, Mohale’s Hoek and Thaba -Tseka, the Library offers a mobile library service to these IEMS emerging sites.

The Branch Library of IEMS and the mobile are primarily for IEMS students and teaching staff.

At the main Library in Roma Campus the opening hours are as follows:

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For more detailed information please refer to the Library Rules and Regulations booklet.

Contacts:
Roma - 22340601 ext. 3404, 7023
        22340468
IEMS Maseru: 22322038
Mohale’s Hoek: 22785423
Thaba-Tseka: 11900402

Submit your application to:

The Admissions Secretary
National University of Lesotho
P.O. Roma 180
Lesotho
Tel: +266 5221 0601
     +266 5221 3835/36/34/46/47
Email: admissions@nul.ls
Website: www.nul.ls
### Tuition Fees

Tuition fees are to be paid into NUL student fee account number 0140033775301 with the Standard Lesotho Bank with the student number as reference.

### FEES STRUCTURE FOR THE 2016/17 ACADEMIC YEAR

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