THE EAST AND SOUTH AFRICAN-GERMAN CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH METHODOLOGIES AND MANAGEMENT (CERM-ESA)

Announces

Up to 2 PhD Scholarships in Sociology of Education

funded by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) starting from the 1st of September, 2019

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CERM-ESA objectives and research topics

CERM-ESA is a joint project between the Schools of Education of Moi University (Kenya), University of Oldenburg (Germany), Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University (South Africa), Uganda Management Institute (Uganda) and University of Dar es Salaam (Tanzania). The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) – with the support of the Federal Foreign Office – funds this programme. CERM-ESA aims to promote and advance educational research, management and teacher education in specific African contexts through its academic, research and staff development programmes. In particular, CERM-ESA focuses on four umbrella research topics:

1) Educational research methodologies and higher education management in specific African contexts;
2) Community schools, leadership and management for social development;
3) Science education and education for sustainable development;
4) Languages, intercultural communication, indigenous knowledge and arts.

The CERM-ESA academic programme incorporates scholarships for post-graduate students, which will be granted to successful applicants from East and South Africa on PhD level starting in September 2019. The scholarships include a monthly allowance, study fees and travel and research allowances.

Who can apply?

The CERM-ESA PhD-scholarship programme is open for candidates from Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania (not from Rwanda or Burundi). All candidates will be enrolled at Moi University but will take part in the CERM-ESA academic programme (CERM-ESA Research Schools, research exchange visits).
Requirements

The candidates will be selected based on the following criteria: good previous academic results, motivation and qualification in the required subject area, quality of their proposals and their match with one of the umbrella research areas, language competency and social and political engagement. The last university degree awarded should not date back longer than six years.

Application

The application procedure includes two steps.

Firstly, **please submit your electronic application in English to CERM-ESA Centre, Moi University: cermesa@mu.ac.ke on or before the 14th of February 2019.**

The selection committee for the shortlisting of candidates consists of university professors of CERM-ESA partner universities and the programme coordinators.

Secondly, the shortlisted candidates will be asked to submit their applications to the DAAD via the DAAD online portal in March 2019. The DAAD will select the best candidates from these applications in mid May 2019.

Application Documents

- Letter of motivation containing a description of the applicant's academic, professional and personal reasons for applying for a PhD scholarship in the CERM-ESA programme (1 page)
- Research proposal (5 pages): topic, background, literature review, statement of the problem, research questions, research design and methodology, theoretical framework, significance
- Curriculum Vitae
- Copies of certified university degrees earned and transcripts
- Two letters of recommendation (academic / professional reference)
- Cover letter from your employer where applicable

**Application Deadline is the 14th of February, 2019**

For more information, please check: [cermesa.uol.de/scholarships/](cermesa.uol.de/scholarships/) or contact the CERM-ESA programme coordinator:

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