

# **UMaT SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR MASTERS APPLICANTS**

## **1.0 Selection Criteria for MSc Scholarship Applicants**

### **1.1 Eligibility Criteria for MSc Applicants**

To be eligible for the scholarship, the applicant must:

1. Be a Ghanaian according to the Constitution of Ghana;
2. Be a full time student of UMaT for at least one semester;
3. Be in good standing as evidenced by progress report;
4. Not be a beneficiary of any other full scholarship at the time of application.
5. Have a strong academic ability and have a pressing financial need. The applicant must, therefore, produce evidence with documentation, that he/she has a strong academic potential (minimum CWA of 75%) but is financially incapable to continue his/her education in the university;
6. Apply and submit a completed Application Form for the Scholarship award before the announced deadline for the submission of the application;
7. Comply with any other criteria that may be set by the university at the time of the award or disbursement;
8. Possess special skills and demonstrated community engagements would be an added advantage;
9. Be law abiding and be of good behaviour as stipulated in the Postgraduate Student Guide.

### **1.2 Accessing the Scholarship**

The scholarship is to be accessed online through an application portal. Applicants are to fill the forms and submit via online. Application opens till 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2018. Incomplete applications and applications submitted after deadline shall not be considered. Only short-listed applicants shall be contacted. Names of successful applicants shall be published through an online portal by end of mid-August, 2018.

### **1.3 Value of the Scholarship**

The value of scholarship shall be limited to GHC 10,000.00. The following packages are available:

- Academic Facility User Fee (AFUF) (Full or Partial);
- Research;
- Residential Facility User Fee (university approved rates);
- Stipend (university approved rates).

#### **1.4 Payment to Beneficiaries**

Academic Facility User Fee (AFUF) and Residential Facility User Fee (RFUF) shall be paid directly to the University but stipend shall be paid to beneficiary on monthly or semester basis.

#### **1.5 Continuity of Scholarship**

The scholarship shall be awarded for one academic year. Renewal and continuation of awards shall be contingent upon maintaining good academic progress. Students must maintain a minimum cumulative average of 75% to qualify for renewal of the award. Students must show proof of sponsor's financial position. Also, a copy of filed progress report must be submitted to the scholarship selection committee for evaluation. Students must, in addition, be of good conduct as stipulated in the UMaT Postgraduate Student Guide.

#### **1.6 Procedure for Renewal of Award**

Renewal of scholarship is not automatic. Applicants who want to continually enjoy the scholarship are therefore to apply for renewal at the end of academic year provided they are in good standing.

#### **1.7 Non-Discriminatory Policy**

Equal chance shall be given to all applicants irrespective of their gender. However, women and disadvantaged groups who meet the required academic standards would be given preference.

#### **1.8 Termination of Scholarship**

The scholarship of a beneficiary student may be terminated if the beneficiary:

1. Engages in examination malpractice and /or misconduct of any form as stipulated in the UMaT Postgraduate Student Guide;
2. Dies;
3. Is found to be enjoying full scholarship from other organisation;
4. Abandons the programme of study;
5. Defers the programme of study except for special reasons such as on medical grounds;
6. Fails to maintain CWA of 75%;
7. Changes his/her programme of study;
8. Fails to use it for its intended purposes;
9. Is found not to be in good standing in accordance with Postgraduate Student Guide;
10. Is found to have provided false information at the time of application or at any point in time. Such a student shall be made to refund all monies paid to him or her from the Fund and also face all other sanctions provided in the University Statute, Student Guide and other laws/regulations in respect of false declaration and deceit of public officers.