

COMMUNIQUE

SCHOLARSHIPS FROM “AGENCE MAROCAINE DE COOPERATION INTERNATIONALE (A.M.C.I.)” 2020-2021 – KINGDOM OF MOROCCO

Applications are invited from suitably qualified Mauritian candidates for the award of **ten (10)** scholarships offered by the Moroccan Government at undergraduate and postgraduate levels for academic year 2020/2021.

2. Course of Study

The lists of courses and Public institutions (at which the scholarships will be tenable) are available for consultation on the following official websites:

- Agence Marocaine de Coopération Internationale: www.amci.ma
- Office de Formation Professionnelle et de la Promotion du Travail: www.ofppt.ma
- Ministère de l'Education Nationale, de la Formation Professionnelle, de l'Enseignement Supérieur et de la Recherche Scientifique, - www.enssup.gov.ma

However, candidates are also advised to consult the List of Indicative Priority Fields of Study (2017-2019) available on the Notice Board, at the Ministry of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology, Ground Floor, MITD House, Pont Fer, Phoenix and on the following website:

<http://www.ministry-education.govmu.org>

3. Eligibility Requirements

3.1 Qualifications

(A) Undergraduate Studies

- (i) SC/GCE 'O' Level with credit in at least five subjects at one and the same sitting;
- (ii) HSC/GCE 'A' Level (of year 2019 Examinations) in 3 subjects at Principal Level with a minimum of Grade B at one and the same sitting

or

French Baccalaureate 2019 or 2018 with at least a mention "Très Bien" or "Bien" or "Assez Bien".

(B) **Master's Degree**

- (i) SC/GCE 'O' Level with credit in at least five subjects at one and the same sitting;
- (ii) HSC/GCE 'A' Level in three subjects at Principal level obtained at one and the same sitting or French Baccaureate; and
- (iii) A minimum standard of Upper Second Class Honours Bachelor's Degree or a "*Licence (BAC +3)*" with a minimum of mention "*Bien*" in the relevant field.

(C) **PhD**

- (i) SC/GCE 'O' Level with credit in at least five subjects at one and the same sitting;
- (ii) HSC/GCE 'A' Level with three subjects at Principal level obtained at one and the same sitting or French Baccaureate;
- (iii) A Bachelor's Degree or a "*Licence (BAC +3)*"; and
- (iv) A Master's Degree or equivalent in the relevant field.

Note 1: Candidates applying for a Master's degree or PhD should indicate their fields of study and the **institutions** where they intend to follow their studies. A list of such institutions and Moroccan Universities may be consulted on www.enssup.gov.ma.

Note 2: Nominated candidates applying for Master's or PhD will have to respectively produce a soft copy of their dissertation at undergraduate level or, in the case of PhD will have to submit a research proposal.

Note 3: Candidates must indicate their choice of preferred Institutions in their write-up.

Note 4: The offer is not tenable for Undergraduate studies in the field of Medicine. Applicants for specialisation in Medicine are advised to consult the website of the Medical Council (<https://www.medicalcouncilmu.org>) of Mauritius for further information on recognition of courses.

4. Age Limit

Candidates should be aged between 19-23 years for undergraduate studies and not more than 35 years of age for Master's degree and 40 years of age for PhD.

5. General Conditions

5.1 The Language of instruction for most courses will be French. Courses in Islamic Studies and Literature in Arabic Language will be delivered in Arabic.

5.2 The scholarship provides for support through a monthly allowance of up to US \$ 75. All other fees and charges will have to be borne by the candidate.

5.3 Airfare is not provided under the Scheme.

5.4 Foreign students in Morocco are covered by an Insurance Policy during their studies with details on www.ma2e.com.

5.5 Accommodation in university hostels is not guaranteed.

5.6 In case of nomination by the Ministry, candidates will be requested to produce a medical certificate from public hospitals to state that they are medically fit, vaccinated and not suffering from any contagious disease such as tuberculosis etc. Candidates may have to undergo additional medical tests once in Morocco. Candidates are recommended to initiate action for the obtention of this medical certificate at the earliest, so that same can be promptly produced in case of nomination.

5.7 Candidates will also have to submit a character certificate in case of nomination by the Ministry. Candidates are therefore accordingly strongly recommended to also initiate action for the obtention of same at the earliest.

5.8 Nominated candidates are expected to proceed to Morocco as from mid September 2020. However any change relating to the 2020/2021 academic year calendar or any new measures or arrangements that would be taken by training establishments, in relation to the situation linked to the COVID-19 pandemic, will be notified to the selected candidates in due course by the Moroccan Authorities.

5.9 Applicants are reminded that being nominated by the Ministry does not automatically guarantee selection for an award. The final decision to award the scholarship rests with the Donor Agency.

- 5.10 Once nominated, candidates will not be allowed to change their fields of study or the Institutions that will be allocated to them by the "Agence Marocaine de Cooperation Internationale (A.M.C.I.)".
- 5.11 Beneficiaries of scholarships will be required to sign an undertaking, thereby committing themselves to return to Mauritius immediately after completion of their studies and work for at least two years in the public or private sector.
- 5.12 Only the best qualified candidates will be nominated. Candidates who have not been informed of their nomination within six weeks as from the closing date for application should consider that they have not been selected.

6. Mode of Application

- 6.1 Applications must be made on the prescribed form available at the Scholarships Section, Ministry of Education, Tertiary Education, Science and Technology, 1st Floor, MITD House, Pont Fer, Phoenix, or downloaded from the Ministry's website:

<http://www.ministry-education.govmu.org>

An additional information sheet on the Scholarship offer can also be downloaded from this website.

However, applicants should submit certified copies of all supporting documents not later than the closing date specified below.

- 6.2 The completed Application Form along with all supporting documents should be submitted to the Scholarships Section of the Ministry ***on Tuesday 11 August 2020 at 12.00 hours latest.***
- 6.3 All candidates should ensure that certified copies of certificates, transcripts of final university results/mark sheets and all other relevant documents relating to their qualifications are submitted to the Scholarships Section, along with their applications. **Non-submission of same will result in elimination from the selection exercise.** Certification of documents can be done at the Scholarships Section of the Ministry or at the Careers Guidance Service in Rose Hill.
- 6.4 Responsible parties of applicants not in Mauritius may apply on behalf of their wards.

7. Applicants already in employment, whether public or private, must fill in the application form in duplicate. One copy thereof along with the relevant supporting documents should be submitted to the Scholarships Section, and one copy to the applicant's employer to enable the latter to decide on the release of applicant for the course, and if so, on what terms and conditions. **Such information should be made available together with the applications.**

8. A Communiqué will be placed on the Website in due course to inform applicants that the selection exercise has been completed.

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