



**Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme**  
**Climate Research and Education to**  
**Advancing Green Development in Africa**  
**(CREATE-GreenAfrica)**

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**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE MSC SCHOLARSHIPS UNDER CLIMATE  
RESEARCH AND EDUCATION TO ADVANCING GREEN DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA  
(CREATE-GREENAFRICA) PROJECT CO-FUNDED BY THE EUROPEAN UNION**

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*Deadline for submission of application: 25<sup>st</sup> May 2025*

**Background of the Project**

The European Union (EU), under its Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scheme, has provided funding to support training of graduate students in African universities under the “**Climate Research and Education to Advancing Green Development in Africa (CREATE-GreenAfrica)**” project. The project, is a mobility programme comprising six African Partner Institutions and one EU Technical Partner. The CREATE-GreenAfrica consortium includes University of Dar es Salaam (UDSM, Tanzania) who is the coordinating institution, Mekelle University (MU, Ethiopia), Zimbabwe Open University (ZOU, Zimbabwe), University of Free State (UFS, South Africa), University of Ghana (UG, Ghana), Port Harcourt (UNIPORT, Nigeria) and European Technical Partner University of Southern Denmark (SDU, Denmark). This project aims at increasing climate-oriented skills and qualifications across the African continent through mobility and experience sharing. CREATE-GreenAfrica will significantly contribute to advancing the knowledge and skills of students, trainees and staff of the consortium and other non-consortium members on climate change adaptation and mitigation by ensuring the participation of women and girls, and the disadvantaged groups in the African continent in general and the consortium in particular.

A total of 35 Masters and 12 PhDs will be trained from 2024 to 2027 in the thematic areas of i) Environmental Sustainability (impact assessment, adaptation and mitigations of climate variability and change), ii) Climate/weather related processes at local and global level for proper forecast, prediction and early warning, iii) Resilience of food production systems to climate change and variability impacts, iv) Gender-climate-food system nexus, policies and institutions related to climate and development, v) Climate change and water resources, vi) Collective action, and natural resource management and Ecosystem based adaptation to climate change. The project will provide scholarships for full degree programs as well as short-term credit-seeking mobility for students. The project will support researchers who will be expected to undertake research that contributes to the overarching CREATE-GreenAfrica research objectives, which cover broad areas of climate change and adaptation.

This call for application targets **16 full time MSc students** from Africa to be hosted across the partner African Higher Education Institutions (HEIs). The successful candidates will be expected to undertake research contributing to the project objectives. The students will undertake high-level research that will produce journal, conference papers and innovations where possible. The duration of the scholarship is 24 months.



The mobility project aims at:

- a. Producing high-level professionals through academic mobility across Africa that deal with climate change adaptation and mitigation, and other livelihood and environment related issues;
- b. Conducting problem-solving action research activities in climate change adaptation and mitigation and other related environmental issues;
- c. Building the capacity of students/trainees through attachment with climate-smart organizations engaged in private and public businesses using traineeship programs
- d. Strengthening the partner institutions' working relationship and capacity to advancing climate action in the continent through developing and dissemination of knowledge innovation schemes

## Eligibility

The scholarships are open to all qualified African candidates residing in Africa at the time of application to be trained in the host institutions for respective programs in Tanzania, Zimbabwe, Ethiopia, Ghana, Nigeria and South Africa.

**Note:** Applicants are only allowed to apply to study in an institution outside of their home country. **Female and disadvantaged/vulnerable** candidates are encouraged to apply. All applications will be handled confidentially.

## Criteria for selection of students for scholarship

The following seven steps will be used in the selection process of students to benefit from the CREATE-GreenAfrica project:

1. The coordinating institution will receive applications and forward them to the target host university, which will subsequently shortlist the candidates.
2. The coordinator will receive the compilation of shortlisted candidates from the host institution.
3. The CREATE-GreenAfrica selection committee will review the shortlisted candidates and carry out the selection of candidates to receive scholarships (based on eligibility, authenticity of academic documents and qualification for admission by the target host university).
4. Communication of results by the coordinator to the applicants, scholarship awardees and host institutions.
5. Review, if there is any, appeal regarding the selection process.
6. Signing of the contracts between the CREATE-GreenAfrica and the scholarship beneficiaries and subsequent sending of the signed contracts to the host universities.
7. The hosting university will facilitate the travel and settling in/out of the awardees to/from the respective university.

The awarded candidates will be required to bear air ticket cost to the hosting institution and will be reimbursed the air ticket cost and any direct cost they incur during admission process after arrival to the hosting institution as part of the scholarship funds.

**Table 1: Academic Programs, Host Universities, Countries and Number of Scholarships for MSc scholarships for Academic Year 2025/2026**

<b>MSc. SCHOLARSHIP POSITIONS</b>					
<b>1</b>	<b>MSc. Programs</b>	<b>Requirements for the award</b>	<b>University</b>	<b>County</b>	<b>No</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Natural Resources Assessment and Management (NARAM)</li> <li>Climate Change and Sustainable Development</li> </ul>	B.Sc./ BA equivalent or related to the programs selected.	University of Dar es Salaam	Tanzania	3
2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate and Society</li> <li>Meteorology and Climate Risk Management</li> <li>Gender and Environment</li> <li>Green Development and Carbon Management</li> </ul>	B.Sc. or BA in meteorology, geography, agriculture, environmental study and related fields	Mekelle University	Ethiopia	3
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate change and adaptation</li> <li>Water resources management</li> </ul>	These candidates should have studied agronomy/crop science/soil science/horticulture/geography	Zimbabwe Open University	Zimbabwe	1
4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate Change and Sustainable Development</li> <li>Development Studies</li> <li>Migration Studies</li> <li>Sustainability Science</li> </ul>	Candidates should have a relevant undergraduate or equivalent related to the programs selected.	University of Ghana	Ghana	3
5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Resource and Environmental Economics</li> <li>Climate change and food security (Transdisciplinary)</li> <li>Sustainable Energy and Resource Efficiency Technologies (Transdisciplinary)</li> <li>Agro-resource and biodiversity (Transdisciplinary)</li> </ul>	B.Sc./ BA equivalent or related to the programs selected.	University of Port Harcourt	Nigeria	3
6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agronomy</li> <li>Agronomy Interdisciplinary</li> <li>Soil Science</li> <li>Soil Science interdisciplinary</li> <li>Agrometeorology</li> </ul>	Four years B.Sc. in agronomy/crop science/soil science	University of the Free State (UFS)	South Africa	3

**What does the scholarship cater for?**

The scholarship includes a subsistence allowance of 890 € per month for M.Sc. candidates. This will cover research cost, travel, travel insurance, subsistence and accommodation.

**Insurance:** During the study, insurance coverage (accident, travel, health) will be provided for the duration of the Scholarship within the limits of the grant provisions.

**Tuition fees and research contribution:** The Intra-Africa Academic Mobility Scholarship Scheme, **CREATE-GreenAfrica** will cover costs such as tuition fee, Application fee, Student Union, Registration, Caution Money, Student ID and Quality assurance fee in line with the MOU signed by the partner institutions and with EU.

**How to apply**

All interested applicants should download the application form, fill it and together with certificates and transcripts of results submit through email. The application for scholarship should be sent to [create-greenafrica@udsm.ac.tz](mailto:create-greenafrica@udsm.ac.tz). Admission criteria and application forms for the respective host institutions are available on the program website ([create-greenafrica.udsm.ac.tz](http://create-greenafrica.udsm.ac.tz)) and hosting institutions website. Awarded scholarship candidates will be notified as soon as the selection committee selected the candidates so that they can proceed to apply for admission to their respective selected universities.

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