

MRC/UVRI and LSHTM Uganda Research Unit



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Unit Scholarship Opportunities

The Unit is an internationally recognized centre of excellence with dominant research themes in the areas of HIV and emerging infections, vaccines and immunity, and chronic diseases and cancer. Through a multidisciplinary approach, intersecting basic science, epidemiological research, social-behavioural research and the conduct of new intervention evaluation studies, the Unit contributes knowledge on changing epidemics and diseases, the evaluation of innovative health care options, treatment and prevention and the development of health policy and practice in Africa and worldwide. Following the signing of strategic transfer agreements between the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine (LSHTM) and the Medical Research Council (MRC UK), the Unit formally joined LSHTM on 1st February 2018. The exciting new partnership will boost research capacity into current and emerging health issues in Africa and throughout the world. The Unit is based at the UVRI Entebbe campus with established outposts in Kalungu, Masaka, Wakiso and Kampala districts. The Unit is now seeking enthusiastic and experienced individuals (staff) to further their career aspirations through training.

Applications are invited from MRC/UVRI and LSHTM Uganda Research Unit staff currently undertaking (or will commence in 2022) formal training and would like to compete for limited funds available within the Unit's training budget. Scholarships may cover academic (PhD and master's courses) and professional courses. The staff should be undertaking (or intend to undertake) training that is relevant to their work within the Unit and important for their career aspirations. Individuals who are not Unit staff may apply for PhD funding if this is supported by a programme head for work based on, and co-funded by, their current research portfolio.

Applicants may be registered in any accredited university. Proposals involving studies undertaken at Makerere or taking advantage of LSHTM's staff PhD and MSc opportunities are encouraged. Details of the LSHTM staff fee structure are [available](#), to inform your budget. Applications from staff part-way through their studies are also welcome. Applicants should consult with their programme heads or project principal investigators to consider to what extent costs can be covered by the "host" project and this should be explained in the application. In view of the limited funds available, proposals with co-funding available are encouraged.

Funding can be considered to cover costs including full/partial payment of tuition fees and completion of thesis/research work, among others but not stipend or salary. The funds requested should be used by the end of January 2023.

How to apply

- For PhD applications, please complete the link below.
https://redcap.link/Sponsorship_Request_Form_PhD_Courses
- For postgraduate and undergraduate applications, complete the link below.
https://redcap.link/scholarship_Postgraduate_Undergraduate_Courses
- A confidential letter of support from your programme or section head (to be submitted separately to training@mrcuganda.org by the programme or section head) addressed to the Chairperson, MRC/UVRI and LSHTM Training Committee.

The closing date for receiving applications is 15th July 2022