



# CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

## MATURE ENTRY INTAKE FOR THE 2026/2027 ACADEMIC YEAR

The University of Malawi is inviting applications from suitably qualified persons for admission into its mature entry programmes for the 2025/2026 academic year.

### 1. Minimum Entry Requirements for all applicants

Interested applicants should meet the following **minimum** requirements:

- a) **A Malawi School Certificate of Education or any equivalent O-Level qualification with at least 4 subjects passed with credit (6 subjects for some programmes) including ENGLISH LANGUAGE and other subjects specified in the table under point (d) below.**

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- b) A University of Malawi Diploma **or**, a relevant Diploma from affiliated institutions of the University of Malawi such as those offered at Domasi College of Education, Natural Resources College, Malawi College for Health Sciences, Theological College, St. John of God College **or** an equivalent Diploma from a recognized Institution of higher learning.
- c) A minimum of 2 years post Diploma relevant work experience in a field related to the programme applied for.
- d) **Applicants MUST also meet the additional entry requirements for each programme as outlined in the table below:**

Programme	Abbrev	Type of Entry	Declared Space	Mode of Delivery	Minimum Year of Entry	Tuition Fee per Annum	Additional Entry Requirements to those contained under <u>Section 1 (a – c) above</u>
<b>I. School of Education</b>							
a. Bachelor of Education (Language)	UNIMA-BEDLED	Mature	15	Full-time Face-To-Face	Year 3	FOR: 1.MALAWIANS MWK 850,000.00 2.SADC USD 1,200 3.NON-SADC USD2,000	Diploma in Education from a recognized institution. 4 subjects passed at MSCE or its equivalent with credit including English and other language subjects (Chichewa, French).
b. Bachelor of Education (Social Studies)	UNIMA-BESED	Mature	15	Full-time Face-To-Face	Year 3	FOR: 1.MALAWIANS MWK 850,000.00 2.SADC USD 1,200 3.NON-SADC USD2,000	Diploma in Education from a recognized institution. 4 subjects passed at MSCE or its equivalent with credit including English and social science subjects (History, Bible Knowledge, Geography).

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II. School of Humanities and Social Sciences							
c. Bachelor of Arts Humanities	UNIMA-BAH	Mature	60	Full-time	Year 2 or 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	Diploma in literature, languages, philosophy and classics or related fields such as education (languages), journalism, communication and cultural studies. 4 subjects including English passed with credit at MSCE or its equivalent. A minimum of 2 years post-qualification work experience in a relevant field.  Those intending to major in philosophy must have either certificate in philosophy (for entry at year 2) or Diploma in Philosophy (for entry at year 3) plus 6 credits including English at MSCE or its equivalent.
d. Bachelor of Arts (Theology)	UNIMA-BTH	Mature	20	Full-time	Year 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	Recognized Diploma in Theology with credit or Diploma in Education majoring in Theology.
e. Bachelor of Arts in Psychology	BA-PSY	Mature	15	Full-time	Year 2 or 3	Malawi-K850,000.00 SADC USD 1.200 NON-SADC USD 2,000	6 credits including English and Mathematics at MSCE or Equivalent and a diploma in a relevant field such as Social Work, Counselling, Community Development, Human Resource management, Education, Early Childhood Development, and Marketing plus a minimum of 2 years work

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							experience in a relevant field. Those with any other bachelor's degree and working in a psychology-related field will be considered.
f. Bachelor of Social Science in Social Work	BSOC-SW	Mature	20	2-Week Block Release/Week-end	Year 2 or 3	Malawi-K850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD 2,000	4 credits including English at MSCE or Equivalent and a diploma in Social Work or any relevant field such as Counselling, Community Development, Psychology, Education, Early Childhood Development, plus a minimum of 2 years work experience in a relevant field.
g. Bachelor of Arts in Library and Information Science	BALIS	Mature	60	Weekend	Year 2 or 3	Malawi-K850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD 2,000	4 credits including English at MSCE plus Malawi Library Association Certificate (for entry at year 2) Diploma in library science/studies or equivalent from a recognised institution (for entry at year 3)
<b>III. School of Natural and Applied of Sciences</b>							
a. Bachelor of Science in Chemistry (Honours)		Mature	10	Full-time	Year 2, 3 Or 5	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	6 subjects passed with credit at MSCE (or its equivalent) including English, Mathematics, Physical Science, Physics, General Science and Chemistry and a minimum Diploma from a recognized institution (with a minimum of a credit) and having Chemistry as a major.
b. Bachelor of Science in Geography	BSCG	Mature		Full-time	Year 1 or Year 2 or Year 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC	1. Entry into Year 1: Learners with MSCE, "O" level equivalent, IGCSE, GCE with six credits including Geography, Mathematics, English and a credit in any other three

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			25			USD2,000	<p>subjects such as Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Computer Studies, Agriculture and Social Studies. IGCSE and GCE shall be interpreted as follows: A=1 or 2; B=3 or 4; C= 5 or 6; D=7; E, F, G=8.</p> <p>2. Entry into Year 2: Students with A-Level or IGSCSE qualifications with at least C grade in Geography, Mathematics and English plus any other three subjects such as Physics, Chemistry, Computer Studies, Agriculture and Social Studies. However, depending on the strength of the A-Level they will be required to audit first year course. A-Level qualifications shall be interpreted as: A=5; B=4; C=3; D=2; E=1.</p> <p>3. Entry into year 3: Based on 6 subjects passed with at least a credit at MSCE including Geography and Mathematics and a recognized diploma in Physical Planning, Education majoring in Geography, Environmental Studies, Land Administration, Transportation, Geographical Information Systems (GIS), Ecotourism, Climate Change, Water Resources, or any other cognate disciplines of Geography and relevant work experience or any related qualifications from a</p>
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							recognized institution of higher learning.
c. Bachelor of Science in Geology	BSCGE	Mature	10	Full-time	Year 1or Year 2 or Year 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Entry into Year 1: Learners with MSCE, "O" level equivalent, IGCSE, GCE with six credits including Geography, Mathematics, English, Biology, Physics or Chemistry or General Science. IGCSE and GCE shall be interpreted as follows: A=1 or 2; B=3 or 4; C= 5 or 6; D=7; E, F, G=8.</li> <li>2. Entry into Year 2: A-Level with at least C grade in Physics, Biology, Geography, Chemistry and Mathematics. The learners will be required to audit first year Geology courses. A-Level qualifications shall be interpreted as: A=5; B=4; C=3; D=2; E=1.</li> <li>3. Entry into year 3: Based on 6 subjects passed with at least a credit at MSCE including Geography and Mathematics and a recognized diploma in Environmental Geology, Hydrogeology, Mining, Mineral Exploration, Remote Sensing, Geographical Information Systems (GIS), Seismology, Climate Change, Geophysics, Geochemistry, or any other cognate disciplines of Geology and relevant work experience or any related qualifications from a recognized institution of higher</li> </ol>

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							learning.
d. Bachelor of Science in Food and Nutrition	BSCFN		15	Full-time	Year 2 or Year 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	6 subjects passed with credit at MSCE (or its equivalent) including English, Biology, Mathematics, Physical Science (or General Science/Chemistry & Physics) and a Food and Nutrition sciences related Diploma from a recognized institution such as those offered at Domasi and Nalikule College of Education, Natural Resources College, Malawi College of Health Sciences, et-cetera
e. Bachelor of Science in Family and Consumer Science	BSCFCS	Mature	15	Full-time	Year2 or Year 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	4 subjects passed with credit at MSCE including 3 Science subjects and English and a recognized Diploma in Home Economics or related programmes such as Community Health, Nutrition, Family Studies, Early Childhood Development and Education.
f. Bachelor of Science in Physics	BSCPHY	Mature	30	Full-time	Year 2	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	6 subjects passed with credit at MSCE (or its equivalent) including English, Mathematics, Physical Science, Physics, General Science and Chemistry and a Diploma from a recognized institution (with a minimum of a credit) and having Physics as a major.
g. Bachelor of Science in Electronics	BSCELE	Mature	30	Full-time	Year 2	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	6 subjects passed with credit at MSCE (or its equivalent) including English, Mathematics, Physical Science, Physics, General Science and Chemistry and a Diploma from a recognized institution (with a minimum of a credit) having

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							Electronics or Electrical Engineering as a major.
h. Bachelor of Science in Actuarial Science (Honours)	BSCASC	Mature	10	Full- time	Year 2	Malawi - 1,350,000.00 SADC USD 3,200 NON-SADC USD5,000	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Holders of Bachelor's degree in Mathematics, Statistics, Economics or any other quantitative bachelor's degree with an average pass of at least 65% in mathematics subjects.</li> <li>2. Those who have successfully completed 2 or more subjects (including financial mathematics) of the UK, US, Australian or South African actuarial boards.</li> <li>3. Holders of the Chartered Actuarial Analyst (CAA) qualification.</li> <li>4. Professionals holding the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) qualification or who have completed at least the first level of the CFA program (with an average pass of at least 65% in mathematics subjects).</li> </ol>
i. Bachelor of Science in Mathematics	BSCMAT	Mature	25	Full-time	Year 2	Malawi - 1,350,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	Students with a diploma from the University of Malawi or from any other recognized institution shall be considered to start at 2 <sup>nd</sup> year as long as the content of the diploma course included at least first year college mathematics.
j. Bachelor of Science in Statistics	BSCSTA	Mature	25	Full-time	Year 2	Malawi - 1,350,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Students with A-Level qualifications shall be required to have an aggregate of 6 points in the two principal subjects. A-Level qualifications shall be interpreted as:</li> </ol>

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						USD2,000	A=5; B=4; C=3; D=2; E=1. 2. Learners with a diploma in Statistics from the University of Malawi or from any other recognized institution shall be considered to start at 2 <sup>nd</sup> year or later years of the programme on case by case basis considering the number of credits the candidates have accumulated as per the Malawi Qualifications Framework (MAQF) and UNIMA Qualifications Framework.
k. Bachelor of Science in Information Systems	BSCINF	Mature	18	Full-time	Year 2 or Year 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	1. Entry into Year 2: Holders of University Certificate in Computer Science from the University of Malawi. Holders of Diploma in Computing or any related field from a recognized institution of higher learning with a pass of distinction or credit and an MSCE with at least four credits including Mathematics, Physics/Physical Science and English. 2. Entry into Year 3: Holders of an Advanced Diploma in Computing or any related field from a recognized institution of higher learning with a pass of distinction or credit and an MSCE with at least four credits including Mathematics, Physics/Physical Science and English.

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i. Bachelor of Early Childhood Development	BECD	Mature	20	Full-time	Year 2 or Year 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Entry in Year 2: Learners with 'MSCE with six credits' or Equivalent and a relevant certificate or diploma in ECD will be considered to start in year two if they satisfy the required credits as stipulated in the UNIMA Qualifications Framework.</li> <li>2. Entry in Year 3: Learners with UNIMA diploma in ECD or similar qualification will be considered for entry in the third year.</li> </ol>
m. Diploma in Statistics	DIPSTA	Mature	50	2-week block release	Year 2	MWK 1,350,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD 2,000	<p> Holders of any relevant post-secondary school certificate with at least 2 years work experience and holders of MSCE or O-Level certificate of IGSCCE or GCE or its equivalent at least 4 credits including Mathematics and English.</p>
<b>IV. SCHOOL OF LAW, ECONOMICS AND GOVERNANCE</b>							
h. Bachelor of Arts (Human Resource Management)	HRM	Mature	50	Weekend	Year 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	<p> Applicants should have at least 4 credits including English at MSCE or its equivalent and any Diploma from an accredited institution. Those with qualifications from international examining boards should have an Advanced Diploma. Applicants should also have at least 2 years <b>post</b> qualification work experience in management. Applicants with Bachelor's degrees from accredited institutions will have an added advantage.</p>

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i. Bachelor of Arts in Law Enforcement	BSOC LML	Mature	20	Fulltime	Year 1 or 2	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD 2,000	Applicants should have at least 4 credits including English at MSCE or its equivalent and a Diploma (with a minimum of a Credit score aggregate) from an accredited institution. The diploma should be in any of the following disciplines: Law, Security Studies, and any Law Enforcement related Studies. Applicants should also have at least a minimum of two years post qualification experience with government of Malawi recognised law enforcement agency.
<b>V. SCHOOL OF ARTS, COMMUNICATION AND DESIGN</b>							
a. Bachelor of Arts (Communication & Cultural Studies)	BACCS	Mature	40	Full-time	Year 2 or 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	4 subjects passed with credit including English at MSCE or its equivalent and minimum of Diploma related to Media, and Communication, Journalism and Education from accredited institutions. Minimum <b>two</b> years <b>post-qualification</b> work experience in a media/communication related field. Applicants with a Diploma in Education are eligible to apply but will commence studies at <b>Second Year</b> .
b. Bachelor of Arts (Media for Development)	BAMFD	Mature	40	Full-time	Year 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	4 subjects passed with credit including English at MSCE or its equivalent and minimum of Diploma related to Development Communication, Journalism, Humanities. Minimum four years of work experience in a development communication/Extension

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							related field
c. Bachelor of Arts (Drama)	BADRA	Mature	30	Full-time	Year 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	4 subjects passed with credit including English at MSCE or its equivalent and minimum of Diploma related to Arts, Humanities. Minimum four years of work experience in a dramatic, theatrical and performance related field
d. Bachelor of Music	BMUS	Mature	25	Full-time/ Blended	Year 2 or Year 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	<p>4 credits at MSCE or its equivalent including English PLUS a music Diploma qualification from any accredited institution and a minimum of 2 years' experience in professional music practice, after undergoing auditions and/or submitting a music portfolio of their track record.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>6 credits at MSCE (or its equivalent) including English, PLUS Grade 5 and above of ABSRM, Trinity College London, Royal College of Music, Guildhall School of Music, London College of Music, or UNISA Certificate.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>4 credits at MSCE (or its equivalent) PLUS Grade 5 and above of ABSRM, Trinity College London, Royal College of Music, Guildhall School of Music, London College of Music, or UNISA Certificate, and a minimum of 2 years' practical experience in music</p>

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						<p>performance, directing, conducting, background training at such institutions as the Police, the Military, etc., after undergoing auditions and/or submitting a music portfolio of their track record</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Minimum MSCE or its equivalent (O level, IGCSE, GCSE, or GCE) PLUS minimum Grade 3 music theory certificate obtained from either ABRSM, Trinity College London, Royal College of Music, Guildhall School of Music, London College of Music, or UNISA; and a minimum of 2 years' practical experience in music performance, directing, conducting, background training at such institutions as the Police, the Military, etc., after undergoing auditions and/or submitting a music portfolio of their track record to commence studies at <b>Second Year</b>.</p>
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e. Diploma in Music	DipMUS	Mature	20	Full-time	Year 1	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	<p>Minimum 4 credits at MSCE or its equivalent (O level, IGCSE, GCSE, or GCE)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Minimum MSCE or its equivalent (O level, IGCSE, GCSE, or GCE) PLUS minimum Grade 3 music theory certificate obtained from either ABRSM, Trinity College London, Royal College of Music, Guildhall School of Music, London College of Music, or UNISA;</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Minimum MSCE or its equivalent (O level, IGCSE, GCSE, or GCE) PLUS a minimum of two years' proven practical experience in the music industry, after undergoing auditions in either instrument, ear training, music production, music composition, sight reading, or music directing prior to admission.</p>
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f. Bachelor of Arts (Fine Arts)	BAFA	Mature	20	Full-time	Year 2 or Year 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	4 subjects passed with credit including English at MSCE or its equivalent and minimum of Diploma related to Fine Art (Sculpture, Ceramics, Painting and Drawing), Visual Arts, Curating, Museum Studies, or Graphic Design. OR 4 subjects passed with credit including English at MSCE or its equivalent and Minimum of Diploma in any other relevant field (such as marketing, entrepreneurship, business) from a reputable institution of higher learning, plus <b>four</b> years of work or industry experience in the arts field PLUS a portfolio of original works to commence studies at <b>Second Year</b> .
g. Bachelor of Arts (Fashion and Design)	BAFAD	Mature	20	Full-time	Year 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	4 subjects passed with credit including English at MSCE or its equivalent and minimum of Diploma related to Fashion, Arts, Design, Humanities. Minimum four years of work experience in a fashion and arts related field
h. Bachelor of Arts (Film Production)	BAFP	Mature	20	Full-time	Year 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	4 subjects passed with credit including English at MSCE or its equivalent and minimum of Diploma related to Film, Drama, Arts, Humanities. Minimum four years of work experience in a film production related field

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i. Bachelor of Arts (Creative Arts)	BAMUS	Mature	20	Full-time	Year 3	MWK 850,000.00 SADC USD 1,200 NON-SADC USD2,000	4 subjects passed with credit including English at MSCE or its equivalent and minimum of Diploma related to Arts, Drama, Film, Music, Fashion, Humanities. Minimum four years of work experience in fields related to Arts, Drama, Film, Music, Fashion
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### 3. NOTE:

Candidates who were withdrawn from the University of Malawi or any other public university on academic grounds and those already registered with the University of Malawi or any other public university as residential, non-residential or mature entry students ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION.

### 4. TUITION FEES PER ANNUM

Please note that the fees indicated above are subject to change anytime.

### 5. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Application forms can be obtained on written request or in person from the address given below and it can also be downloaded from [www.unima.ac.mw](http://www.unima.ac.mw). Duly completed application forms together with proof of payment of a non-refundable application fee of **K25, 000.00 for Malawian candidates and USD35 for international applicants should be sent to the same address.**

**ALL APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO DEPOSIT THEIR APPLICATION FEE TO THE FOLLOWING BANK ACCOUNT:**

**BANK NAME: NATIONAL BANK OF MALAWI  
ACCOUNT NAME: CHANCO SUNDRY INCOME  
ACCOUNT NUMBER: 282553  
SWIFT CODE: NBMAMWMW  
SORT CODE/BRANCH CODE: 006**

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The address for obtaining and submitting application forms is:

The Registrar

University of Malawi

P.O. Box 280

ZOMBA

(Attention: Academic Office)

[www.unima.ac.mw](http://www.unima.ac.mw)

Phone: 01 524222

### 6. APPLICATION PACKAGE

A complete application package **MUST** include the following:

- a. **Copies of all relevant degrees/Diplomas/certificates/academic transcripts** which have been indicated on the application form. **These must be duly certified as true copies of the originals by a recognized Commissioner of Oaths.**
- b. Original proof of availability of funds for training i.e. official sponsorship letter or bank statements of the applicant.
- c. Copy of a bank deposit slip showing the name of the applicant and the amount of application fee paid.
- d. Curriculum vitae (CV) with names and contact details of three traceable referees.
- e. A clear specification of a programme applied for as well as the candidate's preferred mode of its delivery.
- f. **Official reference letter(s) from the current and/or previous employer(s) showing proof of at least 2 years relevant work experience.**

**ANY APPLICATION FORM THAT WILL NOT INCLUDE THE ABOVE-MENTIONED DOCUMENTS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED!**

### 7. CLOSING DATE

The closing date for receiving applications is **FRIDAY, 31<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2026**