School of Natural and Applied Sciences

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Master Degree Research Fellowships: Call Applications

BASIN (Behavioural Adaptation for water Security and INclusion) is a project funded by the International Development Centre (IDRC) under the Climate Adaptation and Resilience (CLARE) programme. The project, led by the London School of Economics (LSE) with the University of Malawi as a partner, aims to draw insights from behavioural approaches to improve decision-making for more effective and equitable climate change adaptation in policy and practice.

Recognising that behavioural barriers and opportunities exist at multiple scales, the project will examine adaptation behaviours and practices from the individual level to the more systemic, organisational and political levels. We are doing this through case studies where our NGO partners are addressing cases of critical climate–water challenges in Burkina Faso, Malawi and Tanzania, providing the basis for upscaling insights in the Sahel, Ethiopia and Zambia.

Our research is designed to address key behavioural challenges identified by NGOs, including:
- Retention of volunteer community 'water champions'
- The use and uptake of climate information at community levels
- Political inaction on climate and water security.

We invite applications from highly motivated, output oriented and registered Master degree students looking to contribute to our work in these three areas. The students should expect to work with other students from the project partner institutions. Interested candidates should send their applications including detailed curriculum vitae, copies of certificates plus names and addresses of three traceable referees not later than 23 July 2023 to:- vacancies@unima.ac.mw or to:-

    Registrar,
    University of Malawi,
    P.O. Box 280, ZOMBA.

Informal inquiries can be made to deanscience@unima.ac.mw

Only shortlisted candidates will be acknowledged and invited for oral interviews. *Female applicants and those with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply.*