



NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

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REGISTRATION AND ACCREDITATION OF ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

The National Council for Higher Education Act No. 15 of 2011, mandates the National Council for Higher Education (herein “the Council”) to regulate higher education in Malawi. In line with its mandate, the Council wishes to notify the general public and all relevant stakeholders that at its 40th ordinary meeting held on 28th June 2023, the following decisions were made regarding approval to offer affiliated programmes; to deliver programmes through Open Distance and e-learning; to register and accredit academic programmes:

S/N	Name of Higher Education Institution	Decision of the Council
1.	African Bible College (ABC)	a) The Council authorised ABC to offer the following programmes through ODeL mode: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Bachelor of Arts in Christian Education2. Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communication3. Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration & Management and4. Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies

		b) The Council did not register Master of Business Administration
2.	University of Blantyre Synod (UBS)	The Council authorised UBS to offer the two affiliated programmes from UNILIA, namely Bachelor of Education Humanities and University Certificate of Education.
3.	University of Livingstonia (UNILIA) – registration of academic programmes	<p>a) The Council registered Bachelor of Education in Agriculture at Laws campus and the following seven (7) programmes at Kaning’ina campus:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bachelor of Arts in Human Resources Management and Industrial Relations 2. Diploma in Accountancy 3. Diploma in Business Management 4. Diploma in Sustainable Agriculture (Dip SAG) 5. Diploma in Rural and Agrarian Development (Dip RAD) 6. Diploma in Agribusiness and Entrepreneurship (Dip AGE) 7. Diploma in Human Resource Management and Industrial Relations <p>b) The Council did not register the following 14 programmes:</p> <p>A. Laws campus</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Diploma in Education in Information and Communication Technology 2. Diploma in Computer Engineering (Dip CEN) 3. Diploma in Information Communication Technology (Dip ICT) 4. Bachelor of Science in Information Technology (BIT) <p>B. Ekwendeni campus</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Diploma in Human Rights 6. Diploma in Development Studies 7. Diploma in Theology and Development Studies

		<p>C. Kaning'ina campus</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Diploma in Banking and Finance 9. Bachelor of Science in Hospitality Management 10. Bachelor of Banking and Finance 11. Diploma in Journalism 12. Diploma in Marketing and Corporate Communication 13. Bachelor of Marketing and Corporate Communication 14. Bachelor of Procurement and Logistics Management
4.	UNILIA – Accreditation of programmes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) The Council accredited Bachelor of Science in Public Health at Laws campus. b) The Council accredited with conditions 22 programmes as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Laws campus <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bachelor of Science in Environmental Management 2. Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering 3. Bachelor of Science in Food Security and Nutrition 4. Bachelor of Education in Sciences 5. Bachelor of Education in Humanities 6. Bachelor of Education in Information Communication Technology 7. University Certificate of Education B. Ekwendeni campus <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8. Bachelor of Social Science in Development Studies 9. Bachelor of Social Science in Human Rights 10. Diploma in Theology; Generic and ODeL 11. Bachelor of Theology; Generic and ODeL 12. Bachelor of Arts in Theology and Development 13. Master of Arts in Theology and Gender Studies 14. Master of Arts in Theology and Development Studies

		<p>15. Master of Arts in Theology and Religious Studies</p> <p>C. Kaning'ina campus</p> <p>16. Bachelor of Business Management Studies</p> <p>17. Bachelor of Accountancy</p> <p>18. Bachelor of Arts in Journalism and Development Communication</p> <p>19. Master of Science in Global Sanitation</p> <p>20. Bachelor of Science in Sustainable Agriculture</p> <p>21. Bachelor of Science in Rural and Agrarian Development</p> <p>22. Bachelor of Science in Agribusiness and Entrepreneurship</p>
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Furthermore, the Council:

1. Wishes to advise parents and prospective students to check with the Council a list of registered and accredited higher education institutions and academic programmes before making any commitment with a particular higher education institution or enrolling in a particular programme.
2. Asks all higher education institutions to comply with the minimum standards in all areas including infrastructure, resources, admission requirements for higher education, recruitment of faculty members, quality enhancement and maintenance and promotion of integrity of the assessment and awarding of academic qualifications; and
3. Calls on the general public to report any malpractices occurring in any of the higher education institutions in the country.

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