

# POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN HIGHER EDUCATION TEACHING PROGRAMME - JANUARY 2026 COHORT

The School of Education (SoE) at the University of Malawi, through the Higher Education and Professional Development Department, is pleased to announce the call for applications for the inaugural enrolment into the newly established Postgraduate Certificate in Higher Education Teaching (PGCHET) Programme, to commence in **January 2026**.

## **BACKGROUND**

The SoE is an excellent, immensely experienced innovative leader in education studies and research in Malawi. As a locally and globally responsive leader in education studies, the SoE under its recently established Higher Education and Professional Development Department, has introduced a new program targeted at capacitating those teaching in universities and colleges with knowledge, skills, and competencies for effective and transformative teaching at the tertiary education level.

More often, those teaching at the tertiary education level, indisputably have expertise in their areas of expertise. However, they usually lack the equally necessary complimentary knowledge, competences, and skills regarding teaching and learning foundations, teaching methodologies, principles of assessment, research supervision, and knowledge for the execution of associated academic roles. This deficiency ultimately undermines optimum teaching and learning.

The Postgraduate Certificate in Higher Education Teaching (PGCHET) program aims to equip those teaching at the tertiary education level with knowledge and skills for effective teaching, assessment, supervision, and effective execution of academic roles.

# PGCHET PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

The PGCHET Programme is a one-year programme. It is a non-residential full-time programme that will be offered through an Open-Distance and Electronic-Learning (ODeL) model.

### **TUITION AND APPLICATION FEE**

The tuition fee for the entire Programme is **MWK1,400,000.00**. Applicants should pay a non-refundable application fee of **MWK 20,000.00**.

# **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

Applicants must possess at least a Bachelor's **degree** in any field from an accredited institution of higher learning.

### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

Applications must be submitted **online only** through a **University of Malawi Application portal** which the applicant must create upon clicking the following link: <a href="https://admission.unima.ac.mw/">https://admission.unima.ac.mw/</a>

Applicants are required to submit the following documents through their application portals:

- 1. An application letter expressing your interest
- 2. Curriculum Vitae
- **3. Certified copies of academic transcripts** (certified by an oaths commissioner or any certifying agent)
- **4. Certified copies of certificates** (certified by an oath or certifying body)

The application deadline is 27th October, 2025

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