

PRESS RELEASE

MATURE ENTRY INTAKE FOR THE 2025/2026 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, Malawi College of Forestry, Nalikule 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 | Declare d 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> | | | | | |
|---|------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| I. School of Educa | I. School of Education | | | | | | | | | | | |
| a. Bachelor of Education (Language) | UNIMA- BEDLED | Mature | 15 | Full-time Face-To- Face | Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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- BEDSED | Mature | 15 | Full- time Face-To- Face | Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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). | | | | | |
| II. School of Huma | nities and | Social Sci | ences | | | | | | | | | |
| a. Bachelor of Arts Humanities | BAH | Mature | 60 | Full-time | Year 2 or 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 | Diploma in literature, languages, philosophy and classics or related fields such as education (languages), journalism, communication and cultural studies. 4 subjects including English | | | | | |



| | | | | | | NON-SADC: USD5,000 | passed with credit at MSCE or its equivalent. A minimum of 2 years 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. |
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| b. Bachelor of Arts (Theology) | BTH | Mature | 20 | Full-time | Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | Recognized Diploma in Theology with credit or Diploma in Education majoring in Theology. |
| c. Bachelor of Arts in Psychology | BA-PSY | Mature | 15 | Full-time | Year 2 or 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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 experience in a relevant field. Those with any other bachelor's degree and working in a psychology-related field will be considered. |
| d. Bachelor of Social Science in Social Work | BSOC- SW | Mature | 20 | 2-Week Block Release/ Week-end | Year 2 or 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 | 4 credits including English at MSCE or Equivalent and a diploma in Social Work or any relevant field such as Counselling, Community Development, Psychology, |





| | | | | | | NON-SADC: USD5,000 | Education, Early Childhood Development, plus a minimum of 2 years work experience in a relevant field. |
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| e. Bachelor of Arts in Library and Information Science | BALIS | Mature | 60 | Week-end | Year 2 or 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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) |
| III. School of Natu | ral and Ap | plied of Sci | iences | | | | I |
| a. Bachelor of Science in Chemistry (Honours) | | Mature | 20 | Full-time | Year 2, 3 or 5 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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 | 26 | Full-time | Year 1 or Year 2 or Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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 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. Entry into Year 2: Students with A- Level or IGSCE 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. 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 recognized institution of higher learning. |
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| c. Bachelor of Science in Geology | BSCGE | Mature | 20 | Full-time | Year 1or Year 2 or Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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. |



| | | | | | | 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. 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 learning. |
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| d. Bachelor of Science in Food and Nutrition | BSCFN | 20 | Full-time | Year 2 or Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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 College of Education, Malawi College of Forestry, 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 | 20 | Full-time | Year 2 or Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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. |
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| f. Bachelor of Science in Physics | BSCPHY | Mature | 30 | Full-time | Year 2 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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 Electronics or Electrical Engineering as a major. |
| h. Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences | BSCBIO | Mature | 30 | Full- time | Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 6 subjects passed with credit at MSCE (or its equivalent) including English, Biology, Mathematics, Physical Science (or General Science/Chemistry/Physics) and a biological sciences related Diploma from a recognized institution such as those offered at Domasi College of Education, Malawi College of Forestry, Nalikule College of Education, Natural |



| | | | | | | | Resources College, Malawi College of Health Sciences, et-cetera |
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| i. Bachelor of Science in | BSCASC | Mature | 20 | Full- time | Year 2 | MWK1,360,000.00 | 1. Holders of Bachelor's degree in Mathematics, Statistics, Economics or |
| Actuarial Science | | | | | | SADC: USD3,200 | any other quantitative bachelor's degree with an average pass of at |
| (Honours) | | | | | | NON-SADC: | least 65% in mathematics subjects. |
| | | | | | | USD5,000 | 2. Those who have successfully |
| | | | | | | | completed 2 or more subjects |
| | | | | | | | (including financial mathematics) of the UK, US, Australian or South |
| | | | | | | | African actuarial boards. |
| | | | | | | | 3. Holders of the Chartered Actuarial |
| | | | | | | | Analyst (CAA) qualification. |
| | | | | | | | 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). |
| j. Bachelor of | BSCMAT | Mature | 26 | Full-time | Year 2 | MWK1,360,000.00 | Students with a diploma from the |
| Science in Mathematics | | | | | | SADC: USD3,200 | University of Malawi or from any other recognized institution shall be considered |
| Mainematics | | | | | | SADC. 0000,200 | to start at 2 nd year as long as the content |
| | | | | | | NON-SADC: | of the diploma course included at least |
| | | | | | | USD5,000 | first year college mathematics. |
| k. Bachelor of | BSCSTA | Mature | 26 | Full-time | Year 2 | MWK1,360,000.00 | 1. Students with A-Level qualifications |
| Science in Statistics | | | | | | | shall be required to have an aggregate |
| Statistics | | | | | | SADC: USD3,200 | of 6 points in the two principal subjects. A-Level qualifications shall |
| | | | | | | NON-SADC: | be interpreted as: A=5; B=4; C=3; |
| | | | | | | USD5,000 | D=2; E=1. |

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| | | | | | | | 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 nd 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. |
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| I. Bachelor of Science in Information Systems | BSCINF | Mature | 20 | Full-time | Year 2 or Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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. 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. |
| m.Bachelor of Early | BECD | Mature | 20 | Full-time | Year 2 or Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 | Entry in Year 2: Learners with 'MSCE with six credits' or Equivalent and a relevant certificate or diploma in ECD |



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| Childhood Development | | | | | | NON-SADC: USD5,000 | will be considered to start in year two if they satisfy the required credits as stipulated in the UNIMA Qualifications Framework. 2. Entry in Year 3: Learners with UNIMA diploma in ECD or similar qualification will be considered for entry in the third year. |
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| n. Diploma in Statistics IV. SCHOOL OF L | DIPSTA | Mature | 50 D GOVER | 2-week block release | Year 2 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | Holders of any relevant post-secondary school certificate with at least 2 years work experience and holders of MSCE or O-Level certificate of IGSCE or GCE or its equivalent at least 4 credits including Mathematics and English. |
| c. Bachelor of Arts (Human Resource Management) | HRM | Mature | 50 | Friday & Saturday | Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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 post qualification work experience in management. Applicants with Bachelor's degrees from accredited institutions will have an added advantage. |
| d. Bachelor of Social Science in Law Enforcement | BSOC LML | Mature | 20 | Fulltime | Year 1 or 2 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 | Candidates with the following qualifications shall be admitted into year two of study on mature entry basis: A two-year Diploma with credit from the |



| Management and Leadership | | | | | | NON-SADC: USD5,000 | University of Malawi's recognised institutions and having accumulated a minimum of 240 credit hours. The diploma should be in any of the following disciplines: Law, Security Studies, and any Law Enforcement related Studies. Candidates should also have an MSCE with at least four credits, including English, Biology, Physical Science/Physics & Chemistry and Mathematics. Candidates may be required to start from first year where necessary. Additionally, candidates should have a minimum of two years progressive work experience in a Government of Malawi recognised law enforcement agency. |
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| V. SCHOOL OF AF a. Bachelor of Arts (Communicatio n & Cultural Studies) | BACCS | Mature | 40 | Full-time | Year 2 or 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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 two years post-qualification work experience in a media/communication related field. Applicants with a Diploma in Education are eligible to apply but will commence studies at Second Year. |



| b. Bachelor of Arts (Media for Development) | BAMFD | Mature | 40 | Full-time | Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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 related field |
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| c. Bachelor of Arts (Drama) | BADRA | Mature | 30 | Full-time | Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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. |



| | | | | | | | 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 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 OR |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|----|-----------|--------|-----------------------------------|---|
| | | | | | | | 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 Second Year . |
| e. Diploma in Music (Generic) | DipMUS | Mature | 20 | Full-time | Year 1 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 | Minimum 4 credits at MSCE or its equivalent (O level, IGCSE, GCSE, or GCE) |





| | | | | | | NON-SADC: USD5,000 | OR 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; |
|----------------------------|---------|--------|----|-----------------------|--------|--|--|
| | | | | | | | OR 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. |
| f. Certificate in Music | CertMUS | Mature | 20 | Full-time/ Blended | Year 1 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | Vast body of work of experience in the music industry, after undergoing auditions in either instrument(s), ear training, music production, music composition, sight reading, or music directing. AND Ability to read and write in English. Successful applicants will be awarded Certificate in Music Fundamentals with no option to proceed to Diploma in Music (Generic). |



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| g. Bachelor of Arts (Fine Arts) | BAFA | Mature | 20 | Full-time | Year 2 or Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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, entreprenuership, business) from a reputable institution of higher learning, plus four years of work or industry experience in the arts field PLUS a portfolio of original works to commence studies at Second Year. |
|--|-------|--------|----|-----------|---------------------|--|---|
| h. Bachelor of Arts (Fashion and Design) | BAFAD | Mature | 20 | Full-time | Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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 |
| i. Bachelor of Arts (Film Production) | BAFP | Mature | 20 | Full-time | Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 NON-SADC: USD5,000 | 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 |
| j. Bachelor of Arts (Creative Arts) | BAMUS | Mature | 20 | Full-time | Year 3 | MWK1,360,000.00 SADC: USD3,200 | 4 subjects passed with credit including English at MSCE or its equivalent and minimum of Diploma related to Arts, |

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| | | | | | Drama, | Film, | Music, | Fashion, | |
|--|--|--|-----------|----------|--|-------------|---------|----------|--|
| | | | NON-SADC: | | Humanities. Minimum four years of work | | | | |
| | | | | USD5,000 | experience | | | to Arts, | |
| | | | | | Drama, Fili | m, iviusic, | Fashion | | |

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 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 <u>www.unima.ac.mw</u>. Duly completed application forms together with proof of payment of a non-refundable application fee of **K25**, 000.00 for Malawian candidates and U\$35 for international applicants should be sent to the same address. Applicants should attach a deposit slip as proof of payment of an appropriate application fee.

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)

Email: <u>www.unima.ac.mw</u>

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, 30TH MAY 2025

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