



# PRESS RELEASE

## SCHOOL OF LAW, ECONOMICS AND GOVERNMENT PUBLIC LAW AND CLINICAL LEGAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

### LLM (DEMOCRATIC AND ECONOMIC GOVERNANCE)

#### SEPTEMBER 2025 INTAKE

University of Malawi is inviting applications into their LLM (Democratic and Economic Governance) programmes offered in the Department of Public Law and Clinical Legal Education under the School of Law, Economics and Government. This is Malawi's first 18-month programme designed to produce graduates who can model and implement legally sound, ethically grounded decision-making in the generation, allocation, and management of public resources. It seeks to cultivate a culture of accountability, efficiency, and equity in governance, with regional relevance for sub-Saharan Africa and beyond. By integrating law, ethics, and development economics, the programme empowers professionals to optimise resource use, minimise waste, and uphold democratic and economic justice.

#### Entry Requirements

Applicants must hold one of the following qualifications with a credit pass or at least two years' work experience:

- a) Bachelor's degree (LLB, BSoC, BA, BCom or equivalent) from the University of Malawi or any accredited University in Malawi; or
- b) An equivalent international qualification (LLB, BSoC, BA, BCom or similar) that has been certified as comparable to a University of Malawi degree.

**Fee and Programme Structure:** The fees per student is set at MK 9,630,500 or US\$5500 for International students. The programme consists of three semesters where four core modules and two electives will be taught in two semesters; and supervised research and thesis will be completed in the third semester. The core modules are: Theory and Practice of Democratic and Economic Governance; Effective and Equitable Public Institutions; Public Finance Management Law and Advanced Legal Research Methodology. Candidates will choose two electives from either the democratic or economic governance options which have four electives each.

**Application requirements:** An application should include the following:

- a) A letter of application or a filled PG1 form to be downloaded from our website [www.unima.ac.mw](http://www.unima.ac.mw) ;
- b) A detailed CV;
- c) Certified copies of academic transcripts and certificates;
- d) Two references (academic and professional) and
- e) a copy of a bank deposit slip for the application fee of MK20,000 for nationals and US\$50 for international applicants into Chanco Sundry Income, Account No: 282553, held at the National Bank of Malawi, Zomba Service Centre.

### Procedure for Submitting Applications

All applications should be sent electronically to [pgstudies@unima.ac.mw](mailto:pgstudies@unima.ac.mw) and [publiclaw@unima.ac.mw](mailto:publiclaw@unima.ac.mw)

Applications should be submitted not later than **18th July 2025**

**Preliminary Enquiries:** email [publiclaw@unima.ac.mw](mailto:publiclaw@unima.ac.mw)

### Conditions of Admission

- a) The tuition fees cover costs of registration, examinations, supervision and institutional overheads. Students are expected to meet the costs of research, accommodation, meals, medical cover, books, and learning materials.
- b) Students must arrange their own housing (no on-campus accommodation provided).
- c) The University has a strict no-fee, no-classes policy. Applicants must submit proof of funding (sponsor commitment letter or personal bank statement).