

# BENUE STATE UNIVERSITY, MAKURDI-NIGERIA

(Postgraduate School)

# ADMISSION INTO POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES 2023/2024 ACADEMIC SESSION

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for admission into Postgraduate programmes leading to the award of Postgraduate Diplomas, Masters and Doctor of Philosophy Degrees of the Benue State University, Makurdi for the 2023/2024 academic session.

#### 1. FACULTY OF ARTS

a. <b>Department of</b>	Languages and	Linguistics
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M.A. Linguistics	Full time
M.A. French	Full time
PhD. Linguistics	Full time
PhD. French	Full time

#### b. Department of English

M.A. Literature in English	Full time
PhD. Literature in English	Full/Part time

#### c. Department of History

M.A. History with specialization in any of the following areas:	Full time
M.A. History (Nigerian History -Central Nigeria)	Full time
M.A. History (African History)	Full time
M.A. History (Economic History)	Full time
M.A. History (Historiography)	Full time
M.A. History (Diplomatic History)	Full time
PhD History - with specialization in any of the following areas:	Full time
PhD History (Nigerian History, with particular emphasis on Central Nigeria) PhD History (African History) PhD History (Economic History) PhD History (Historiography) PhD History (Diplomatic History) PhD History (Cultural History)	Full time Full time Full time Full time Full time Full time
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# d. Department of Theatre Arts

# e. Department of Religion and Cultural Studies

M.A. Religious Studies with specialization in any of the following areas:	Full time	
M.A. Religious Studies (Old Testament)	Full time	
M.A. Religious Studies (New Testament)	Full time	
M.A. Religious Studies (African Religion)	Full time	
M.A. Religious Studies (Christian Ethics)	Full time	
M.A. Religious Studies (Sociology of Religion)	Full time	
M.A. Religious Studies (Comparative Religions)	Full time	
PhD Religious Studies with specialization in any of the following areas:		
PhD Religious Studies (Old Testament)	Full time	
PhD Religious Studies (New Testament)	Full time	
PhD Religious Studies (African Religion)	Full time	
PhD Religious Studies (Christian Ethics)	Full time	
PhD Religious Studies (Sociology of Religion)	Full time	
PhD Religious Studies (Comparative Religions)	Full time	
Note: For Ph.D in New Testament Studies, candidates must have proficiency in		
New Testament Greek.		

# f. Department of Philosophy

M.A. Philosophy - with specialization in any of the following ares: Full time

M.A. Philosophy (African Philosophy)	Full time
M.A. Philosophy (Epistemology)	Full time
M.A. Philosophy (Ethics)	Full time
M.A. Philosophy (Social and Political Philosophy)	Full time
M.A. Philosophy (Metaphysics)	Full time

#### 2. FACULTY OF EDUCATION

#### a. Department of Arts and Social Sciences Education

M.Ed Curriculum and Instruction	Full time
M.Ed Language Education	Full time
M.Ed Social Studies Education	Full time
PhD Curriculum and Instruction	Full time
PhD Language Education	Full time
PhD Social Studies Education	Full time

#### b. Department of Science and Mathematics Education

M.Sc. (Ed) Mathematics	Full time
M.Sc. (Ed) Biology	Full time
M.Sc. (Ed) Chemistry	Full time
M.Sc. (Ed) Physics	Full time
M.Ed Measurement and Evaluation	Full time
M.Ed Mathematics Education	Full time
M.Ed Science Education	Full time
PhD Measurement and Evaluation	Full time
PhD Mathematics Education	Full time
PhD Science Education	Full time

#### C. Department of Educational Foundations

M.Ed Educational Management	Full time
M.Ed Educational Psychology	Full time

M.Ed Guidance and Counselling Full time/parttime

Postgraduate Diploma in Education (PGDE)

Full time

PhD Educational Management

Full time

PhD Marriage and Family Counselling Fulltime/parttime

PhD Personal-Social Counselling Full time
PhD School Counselling Full time

#### d. Department of Library and Information Science

Master in Library and Information Science (MLIS)

Full time

#### e. Department of Vocational and Technical Education

M.Sc (Ed) Technology Education (Construction) Full time

M.Sc (Ed) Technology Education (Electrical/Electronics)	Full time
M.Sc (Ed) Technology Education (Mechanical)	Full time
PhD Industrial Technology Education	Full Time

### f. Department of Human Kinetics and Physical and Health Education

M.Sc (Ed) Physical and Health Education	Full time
M.Sc (Ed) Exercise and Sport Science	Full time
M.Sc (Ed) Sports Management	Full time
PhD Public Health Education	Full time

#### 3. FACULTY OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

# a. Department of Geography

M.Sc Environmental Management	Full time
M.Sc Geography with specialization in the following areas:	Full time
M.Sc Geography (Climatology) M.Sc Geography (Environmental Resources Management) M.Sc Geography (Geomorphology) M.Sc Geography (Housing Studies) M.Sc Geography (Population Studies) M.Sc Geography (Hydrology and Water Resources) M.Sc Geography (Rural Geography) M.Sc Geography (Soil Science)	Full time
M.Sc Geography (Urban Geography)	
M.Sc Development Studies	Full time
PhD Geography	Full time

#### b. Department of Urban and Regional Planning

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Master of Urban and Regional Planning (MURP)	Full time
M.Sc Environmental Planning and Management	Full time
M.Sc Housing	Full time
M.Sc Regional Planning	Full time
M.Sc Social Services Planning	Full time
M.Sc Transportation Planning	Full time
M.Sc Urban Design	Full time
M.Sc Urban management	Full time
Postgraduate Diploma in Planning Studies (PDPS)	Full time
PhD Urban & Regional Planning	Full time

### 4. FACULTY OF LAW

Master of Laws (LL.M)	Full time
PhD in Laws	Full time

#### 5. FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES

#### a. Department of Accounting

M.Sc Accounting and Finance

Master in Public Sector Accounting

PhD Accounting and Finance

Full time

Full time

#### b. Department of Business Management

Master of Business Administration (MBA) with specialization in the following areas: Full time MBA (Management) Full time MBA (Banking and Finance) Full time MBA (Marketing) Full time MBA (Accounting and Finance) Full time Postgraduate Diploma in Management (PGDM) Full time M. Sc. Management Full time M. Sc./PhD (Management/Marketing) Full time Full time PhD Management Full time PhD Marketing

#### 6. FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

#### a. **Department of Economics**

M.Sc Economics with specialization in the following areas: M.Sc Economics (Development Economics) M.Sc Economics (Monetary Economics) M.Sc Economics (Public Finance)	Full time Full time Full time Full time
PhD Economics with specialization in the following areas:  PhD Economics (Economic Theory) PhD Economics (Applied Economics) PhD Economics (Industrial Economics) PhD Economics (International Economics) PhD Economics (Monetary Economics) PhD Economics (Public Sector Economics) PhD Economics (Development Economics) PhD Economics (Labour Economics) PhD Economics (Environmental Economics) PhD Economics (Health Economics) PhD Economics (Operations Research) PhD Economics (Energy Economics) PhD Economics (Economic Planning) PhD Economics (Mathematical Economics)	Full time

b.	Department of Political Science		
	Master of Public Administration (MPA)	Full	time
	M.Sc Public Administration	Full	time
	M.Sc International Relations and Strategic Studies	Full	time
	M.A. International Relations and Strategic Studies	Full	time
	M.Sc. Peace studies and Conflict Resolution	Full	time
	M.Sc Political Science	Full	time
	PhD. Political Science	Full	time
c.	Department of Psychology		
	M.Sc. Clinical Psychology	Full	time
	M.Sc. Industrial/Organizational Psychology	Full	time
	Master of Health Management (MHM)	Full	time
	PhD Psychology with specialization in the following areas:		
	PhD Psychology (Clinical Psychology)	Full	time
	PhD Psychology (Industrial/Organizational Psychology)	Full	time
	PhD Psychology (Health Psychology)	Full	time
d.	Department of Mass Communication		
	Postgraduate Diploma in Mass Communication (PGDMC)	Full	time
	M.Sc. Mass Communication With specialization in the following areas:		
	M.Sc. Mass Communication (Print Media -Newspaper & Magazine)	Full	time
	M.Sc. Mass Communication (Electronic Media (Radio, Television and Film)	Full	time
	M.Sc. Mass Communication (Public Relations and Advertising)	Full	time
	PhD Mass Communication -with specialization in the following areas:		
	PhD Mass Communication (Print Media Sequence)	Full	time
	PhD Mass Communication (Electronic Media Sequence)	Full	time
	PhD Mass Communication (Public Relations and Advertising Sequence)	Full	time
e.	Department of Sociology		
	M.Sc. Sociology - with specialization in the following areas:		
	M.Sc. Sociology (Criminology)	_	time
	M.Sc. Sociology (Demography)	_	time
	M.Sc. Sociology (Development Sociology)		time time
	M.Sc. Sociology (Industrial Sociology and Labour Relations)	_	time
	M.Sc. Sociology (Medical Sociology)		time
	M.Sc. Sociology (Rural Sociology)		time
	M.Sc. in Gender Studies	Full	time
	PhD. Sociology	Full	time

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FACULTY OF SCIENCE     a. Department of Biology     M.Sc. Pure and Applied Parasitology     M.Sc. Pure and Applied Entomology     M.Sc. Hydrobiology and Fisheries     M.Sc. Plant Pathology     M.Sc. Cytogenetic and Plant Breeding	Full time Full time Full time Full time Full time
M.Sc. Systematic and Taxonomy PhD Pure and Applied Parasitology PhD Pure and Applied Entomology PhD Hydrobiology and Fisheries PhD Plant Pathology	Full time Full time Full time Full time Full time
PhD Cytogenetic and Plant Breeding PhD Systematic and Taxonomy	Full time Full time
b. Department of Chemistry M.Sc. Inorganic Chemistry M.Sc. Analytical Chemistry M.Sc. Organic Chemistry M.Sc. Physical Chemistry M.Sc. Environmental Toxicology M.Sc. Pollution and Control M.Sc. Industrial Chemistry M.Sc. Polymer Chemistry PhD Environmental Toxicology PhD Pollution and Control PhD Industrial Chemistry PhD Polymer Chemistry PhD Polymer Chemistry PhD. Analytical/Environmental Chemistry PhD. Inorganic Chemistry PhD. Organic Chemistry PhD. Organic Chemistry	Full time
c. Department of Physics M.Sc. Radiation Physics M.Sc. Medical Physics M.Sc. Electronics and Communications Physics M.Sc. Theoretical Physics M.Sc. Atmospheric and Environmental Physics	Full time Full time Full time Full time Full time

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PhD (Radiation Physics)

PhD Physics (Medical Physics)

PhD Physics (Theoretical Physics)

	PhD Physics (Atmospheric & Environmental Physics)	Full time
d.	Department of Mathematics and Computer Science M.Sc. Mathematics M.Sc. Computer Science Postgraduate Diploma in Computer Science (PGDCS)	Full time Full time Full time
8.	FACULTY OF BASIC MEDICAL SCIENCES (College of Health S	ciences)
a.	Department of Physiology M.Sc. Human Physiology PhD Human Physiology	Full time Full time
b.	Department of Anatomy M.Sc. Human Anatomy PhD Human Anatomy	Full time Full time
9.	FACULTY OF CLINICAL SCIENCES (College of Health Sciences	s)
a.	Department of Epidemiology and Community Health Masters of Public Health (MPH)	Full time
b.	Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology Masters of Reproductive Health (MRH)	Full time
10.	CENTER FOR GENDER STUDIES  Masters in Gender Studies (MGS)	
a. b. c.	Gender and Health Gender, Economic Empowerment and Entrepreneurship Gender, Education and Professions	Full time Full time Full time
d. e. f.	Gender, Human Rights, Governance and Democracy Gender, Environment and Climate Change Gender, Management and Human Resource Development	Full time Full time Full time
g. h. i.	Gender, Agriculture and Community Development Gender, Security, Conflict and Peace Building Gender, Media Language and Arts Postgraduate Diploma in Gender Studies (PGDGS)	Full time Full time Full time Full time
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#### **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

i. Applicants must in the first instance, meet the relevant **O'Level requirement** for an award of a First Degree of the Benue State University:

- (a) A Credit in English and Mathematics is required for **all** courses;
- (b) Psychology requires at least a Pass in Biology or Health Sciences;
- (c) A Credit pass in O'level Literature is required for programmes in the Department of English, Languages & Linguistics, Theatre Arts and Law, while a Pass in Literature is required for Language Education programme;
- (d) 'O' Level Credit pass in Economics is required for all Management Science courses and Economics;
- (e) IJMB 'O; Level Credit Pass in Mathematics and English are acceptable in lieu of Credit pass at SSCE or GCE 'O' Level English;
- (f) NCE English major is acceptable in lieu of 'O' Level Literature;
- (g) NCE Use of English is acceptable in lieu of 'O' Level Credit pass in SSCE or GCE 'O' Level English.
- (h) In all cases, 'A' Level Passes supersedes 'O' Level Passes.

#### ii. Master Degree Programmes (M.Sc, M.A. and M.Ed)

Candidates must possess in addition to (i) above, a first relevant degree with a minimum of Second Class Lower Division (CGPA of 2.50) from Benue State University or any University recognized by the Senate of Benue State University.

- For M.Sc Physiology and Anatomy, candidates must possess B.Sc. First Class or Second Class in Physiology of the University or from any other University recognized by the Senate of Benue State University.
- Medical graduates of this University or any other University recognized by the Senate of Benue State University, who are fully registered with Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria as Doctors.
- For M.Sc Mathematics and Computer Science, candidates must possess 0 B.Sc. Mathematics or Computer Science respectively of the University or from any other University recognized by the Senate of Benue State University with a minimum CGPA of 2.50 Candidates with Bachelor's degree in related fields such as Mathematics Education, Statistics, Statistics/Computer Science or PGD in Mathematics/Statistics. Mathematics or related field at a minimum pass level of 2.50/5.00 may be considered for M.Sc Mathematics while candidates with Bachelor's degree in related fields like Mathematics, Physics, Electrical/Electronics Engineering, B.Sc (Ed) Computer and Information Management or PGD in Computer Science with a minimum of CGPA of 2.50 may be considered for M. Sc Computer Science. Such candidates may be required to make up for any deficiencies by attending appropriate module(s) from the school's undergraduate programme.

 For M.Sc Physics, candidates must possess B.Sc. First Class or Second Class in Physics of the University or from any other University recognized by the Senate of Benue State University.

#### iii. M. Sc. Management and Master in Public Sector Accounting

- Minimum of Second Class Lower Division (CGPA of 2.50) with Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration/Management, Accounting, Banking & Finance, Marketing, Management, Economics from recognized universities.
- o Candidates must have attained a satisfactory level of performance in the University's Admission Test & Interview.
- Candidates with PGDM from recognized universities and who have passed with a minimum of Upper Credit (CGPA of 3.50) may also be considered for admission provided the University's matriculation requirements are satisfied. In addition, candidates must possess as in (i) above.

#### iv. Doctor of Philosophy Programmes (PhD)

Candidates in addition to (i & ii) above, must have a good Masters Degree with a CGPA of not less than 3.50 or 'B' grade from Benue State University or any University recognized by the Senate of Benue State University.

- For PhD. History, candidates with Master of Philosophy degree may be admitted for the programme, or candidates who do not hold an M.A. in History will be required to take a number of 800 level courses for one academic session.
- For PhD programmes in Faculty of Education and in the Department of Business Management in the Faculty of Management Sciences, candidates shall also be required to take a written and oral examination.
- Furthermore, Candidates for PhD programmes in the Department of Curriculum and Teaching and Department of Business Management are required to consult the Head of Department as to the availability of supervisors in the areas they wish to specialize before applying.
- o For PhD. Law, applications should be accompanied by a research proposal.
- o For PhD. Physiology and Anatomy, candidates must be fully registered with Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria as Doctors.
- o For PhD Industrial Technology Education candidates must satisfy UME requirements of five O-level passes at Credit level which must include English, Mathematics and any three of Chemistry, Physics, Technical Drawing, Biology, Principles of Accounting, Economics, Agricultural Science or any other subject deemed relevant to the programme from any of the following examination bodies: FCTC, NABTEB, WAEC or NECO. In all cases candidates must be expected to undergo a screening process.

 For PhD. Physics candidates must have a minimum of an M.Sc. Degree in Physics or its equivalent with a minimum of 3.50 grade point on a 5-point scale from Benue State University or any other University recognized by the Senate of the Benue State University.

#### v. Master of Health Management (MHM)

- Any Degree in Medicine (MBBS and BDS). Degree in Pharmacy, and Honours Degree in Nursing and other medical professional degrees.
- Advanced Diploma in Health Management of Benue State University with a minimum of CREDIT pass average and any other relevant postgraduate diploma/qualifications.

In addition, candidates must possess as in (i) above.

#### vi. Master of Public Health (MPH)

- Medical degree (MBBS or BDS) or equivalents from Benue State University or other Universities approved by the Senate of the Benue State University with not less than 2.50 CGPA.
- Graduates of Nursing, Pharmacy and other relevant health and biological sciences are eligible for admission
- Experience in Public Health practice at Federal, State or Local Government levels in Public or Private organizations will be an added advantage

In addition, candidates must possess as in (i) above and be subjected to admission test for selection into the programme.

#### vii. Master of Reproductive Health (MRH)

- o Graduates of the Benue State University or other recognized University possessing degrees in Medicine (MBBS, BM, BCH, MD) who are fully registered with the Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria.
- o Graduates of Benue State University or any other University recognized by the Senate of the Benue State University holding a B.Sc (First Class or Second Class honours degree) in Nursing, Physiology and Anatomy with not less than 2.50 CGPA on a 5.0 point scale or its equivalent.

In addition, candidates must possess as in (i) above.

#### viii. Master of Business Administration (MBA)

- Minimum of Second Class Lower Division with Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration/Management, Accounting, Banking & Finance, Marketing, Management, Economics from recognized universities.
- Candidates must have attained a satisfactory level of performance in the University's Admission Test & Interview.

 Candidates with PGDM from recognized universities and who have passed with a minimum of Upper Credit (GPA 3.50) may also be considered for admission provided the University's matriculation requirements are satisfied. In addition, candidates must possess as in (i) above.

#### ix. M.Sc./PhD (Management/Marketing)

 Candidates who have a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 4:0 and above in the M.Sc.Management/Marketing programme of the University in their first year would be scaled up for the PhD programme in the respective area of specialization.

#### Vii. Master in Gender Studies (MGS)

- Candidates who hold a degree in any field with a second- class honours division and above from any University recognized by the Senate of the Benue State University with a CGPA of at least 2.50.
- Candidates who hold qualification with relevant experience deemed to be equivalent to (a) above by the Senate of Benue State University.
- o Also, candidates must process basic entry qualifications into the undergraduate programme as in (i) above with a CGPA of 2.50 and above.

#### **GENERAL REGULATIONS**

All programmes begin with Course Work and end at Project for Postgraduate Diplomas or Dissertation and Thesis for Master and PhD degrees respectively. The duration of Degree/Diploma programmes are as follows:

- (i) **Postgraduate Diploma** programmes shall be of one year minimum and two years maximum duration.
- (ii) Postgraduate Diploma in Planning Studies, the Department provides a 12 months programme leading to the award of Postgraduate Diploma in Planning Studies. Intending applicants are expected to:
  - Have the University Entry (WASC or NECO at not more than 2 sittings) requirement of at least 5 credits, which must include English and Mathematics and any three subjects from the following: Geography, Chemistry, Biology or Agricultural Science, Economics, Technical Drawing, OR
  - Have a General Certificate of Education (GCE O-Level) passes in 5 subjects at Credit level and at least a credit in Mathematics and any 2 subjects from the following: Geography, Chemistry, Biology or Agricultural Science, Economics, Technical Drawing, NABTED, AND

 A Bachelor's Degree in any of Geography, Economics, Sociology, Psychology, Estate Management, Building, Architecture or Civil Engineering or Urban and Regional Planning with at least a 3<sup>rd</sup> Class honours or an HND in Urban and Regional Planning, Architecture or Estate Management with at least Credit level pass.

#### (iii) Postgraduate Diploma in Computer Science

The Department provides that a candidate must pursue their studies for not less than 3 semesters and not more than 4 semesters from the date of registration.

- Candidates must possess basic entry qualification into the undergraduate programme (5 credits which must include English Language and Mathematics).
- A minimum of 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Degree in Computer Science or CGPA 2.00 for Computer Science Graduates or Lower Credit for HND graduates.
- Candidates who do not have Degrees or HND in Computer Science but who have minimum of 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Lower Degree in Engineering, Architecture, Mathematics, Statistics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Economics and Geography may be admitted into PGD in Computer Science or any other relevant discipline.

#### (iv) Postgraduate Diploma in Gender Studies

The Center provides that the programme is open to holders of:

- A Bachelors' degree not below Third Class Honours or HND not below Lower Credit in any related discipline from a recognized university.
- Any NUC approved equivalent to Professional qualifications recognized by the Senate of the Benue State University.
- A minimum of five (5) credit passes at GCE/SSCE/NECO/NABTEB ordinary level (obtained at not more than two (2) sittings including English Language.
- (v) Master Degree programmes shall normally be of one academic year minimum duration for full-time and two years for part-time candidates. The duration shall not normally exceed two years for full-time and three years for part-time candidates.
- (vi) Doctorate Degree programmes shall normally be of three years minimum duration for full-time and five years for part-time candidates. The duration shall not exceed five years for full-time and seven years for part-time candidates.

**NOTE:** Applicants must request their previous institutions to forward their Academic Transcripts to The Secretary, Postgraduate School, Benue State University,

Makurdi. (Transcripts to be accompanied with transcript request forms which should be printed on the portal).

#### **METHOD OF APPLICATION**

- i. Applications are available only on the online platform. Applicants are to visit the Benue State University website <u>www.bsum.edu.ng</u> (under **Applications** on Benue State University Portal section) click on Postgraduate and complete some pre-registration information and submit. Once submitted, an Application Number will be generated. Print a copy of the pre-registration form.
- ii. Applicants would then proceed to the designated Bank (Fidelity) with the printed copy of preregistration form and pay a non-refundable application fee of N20,000 using the generated Application Number.
- iii. After payment, applicants would be expected to re-visit the Benue State University Portal under *Application* and click on Postgraduate to complete the Application Form. Then upload academic credentials and other relevant documents and submit on-line. Please, print a hard copy of the completed form for reference purposes.

Applicants are to ensure that the on-line reference forms are completed by the three referees.

Please note that applications without relevant documents uploaded will not be considered.

Late purchase which commences 30 days after the date of the advert shall attract an additional fee of five thousand (N5,000.00) naira.

#### **Guidelines for filling application forms**

Applicants should provide all information sought in the form. Applications with incomplete information shall be treated as void. Proposed course of study including area of specialization if any should be clearly stated. Applicants should ensure that their official transcripts of academic record are forwarded to the Postgraduate School by their former universities. Applications without official transcripts of academic record shall not be processed. A candidate can apply for admission to only one Degree/Diploma programme at any given time.

The application costs twenty thousand naira (N20,000).

#### **Closing Date**

Closing date of application is 30 days from the date of the advertisement after which the application shall attract additional fee.

Signed:

Dr. Mrs. Mfaga Modom

Registrar

31<sup>st</sup> October, 2023