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UNITED NATIONS/JAPAN LONG-TERM FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME ON NANO-SATELLITE TECHNOLOGIES

The United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) and the Government of Japan in collaboration with the Kyushu Institute of Technology (KIT) is offering scholarships for post-graduate studies in Nano-Satellite Technologies (PNST). The Programme will start in October 2017.

2. Eligibility Requirements

A. For Master's Degree (2 years)

- (i) SC/GCE 'O' level with credits in at least five subjects including English Language at one and the same sitting.
- (ii) HSC/GCE 'A' level with three subjects at Principal level obtained at one and same sitting; and
- (iii) A four-year first degree of at least Upper Second Class Honours in an engineering-related subject.

B. For PhD (3 years)

- (i) SC/GCE 'O' level with credits in at least five subjects including English Language at one and the same sitting.
- (ii) HSC/GCE 'A' level with three subjects at Principal level obtained at one and same sitting; and
- (iii) A four-year first degree in an engineering-related subject.
- (iv) A Masters degree in an engineering-related subject.

C. An alternative qualification acceptable and equivalent to the above.

3. Age Limit

Candidates should not have reached 35 years of age by the closing date for the submission of applications.

4. Conditions of Scholarships

- 4.1 The scholarship covers matriculation, tuition fees, entrance examinations, a living allowance at approved rate and an economy class ticket at the start and on completion of the course.
- 4.2 Beneficiaries of scholarships will be required to sign an undertaking at the Ministry of Education and Human Resources, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research (Scholarships Section), thereby committing themselves to return to Mauritius immediately after completion of their studies and work for at least two years in the public or private sector.
- 4.3 Only the best qualified candidates will be nominated. Candidates who would not have been informed of their nomination within six weeks as from the closing date for application should consider that they have not been nominated.
- 4.4 Nominated candidates will be expected to identify a research topic and carry out research work under the supervision of a KIT Faculty.
- 4.5 For more information candidates may wish to consult the following website:

<http://www.unoosa.org/oosa/en/SAP/bsti/fellowship.html>

<http://cent.ele.kyutech.ac.jp/seic/about.html>

5. Mode of Application

- 5.1 Applications must be made on the prescribed form available at the Scholarships Section, Ministry of Education and Human Resources, 1st Floor, MITD House, Phoenix, or downloaded from the Ministry's website:

<http://ministry-education.govmu.org>

- 5.2 Candidates should ensure that **originals along with certified copies** of certificates, transcripts of final university results/marksheets and all other relevant documents relating to their qualifications are submitted to the Scholarships Section **by the closing date. Non-submission of these documents on time will result in their elimination from the selection exercise.** Certification of documents may be done at the Scholarships Section of the Ministry or at the Career Guidance Service in Rose Hill.

- 5.3 The completed Application Form along with all supporting documents should be submitted to the Scholarships Section of the Ministry by ***Friday 13 January 2017 at 14.00 hours at latest.*** Where original documents are not in English, certified true copies of official English translations should be provided at the time of application.
- 5.4 Responsible parties of applicants not in Mauritius may apply on behalf of their wards.
- 5.5 Applicants already in employment, whether public or private, must fill in the application form in duplicate. One copy thereof along with the relevant supporting documents should be submitted to the Scholarships Section, and one copy to the applicant's employer who has to confirm, in writing, whether the applicant would be released for the course, and if so, on what terms and conditions. ***Such information should be made available by the closing date.***
- 5.6 A Communiqué will be placed on the website in due course to inform applicants that the selection exercise has been completed.

6 January 2017

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