

TAGDev 2.0

Transforming African Agricultural Universities to meaningfully contribute to Africa's Growth and Development



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Call for Scholarship Applications under the TAGDev 2.0 Programme for the 2026/2027 Academic Year at University Mohammed VI Polytechnic

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1.0 Background

The Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM) in partnership with Mastercard Foundation, Gulu University (Uganda), Egerton University (Kenya), Africa University (Zimbabwe), University of Free State (South Africa), Malawi University of Science and Technology (Malawi), University of Eldoret (Kenya), Uganda Martyrs University (Uganda), University of Port Harcourt (Nigeria), University of Cape Coast (Ghana), University of Bamenda (Cameroon), National University of Agriculture (Benin), and Université Mohammed VI Polytechnique (Morocco) are implementing a 10 year programme (2023-2033) called Transforming African Agricultural Universities to Meaningfully Contribute to Africa's Growth and Development (TAGDev 2.0). The programme seeks to strengthen universities and TVET institutions to better serve communities by skilling and empowering Africa's young people and their institutions to drive inclusive, equitable and climate resilient transformation of agriculture and agrifood systems. The TAGDev 2.0 programme will support young African students that are economically disadvantaged but academically competent to access university education. The scholarship is open to both female and male applicants. However, females, refugees, internally displaced persons, and persons with disabilities are highly encouraged to apply.

2.0 Eligible Programmes

This call for Scholarships for the 2026/2027 academic year is open to applicants interested in and eligible to study: Master in Technology and Innovation Management (TIM) option "Water and Energy Management", Master in Technology and Innovation Management (TIM) option "Agribusiness" at University Mohammed VI Polytechnic, Morocco.

2.1. Admission requirements to University Mohammed VI Polytechnic and the specific academic programmes

Postgraduate Programmes	Admission Requirements
Master TIM : Water and Energy Management	UM6P upholds high standards for admission to its programmes. Our requirements emphasize academic excellence and proficiency in English (minimum level B2) as it is the primary language of instruction for most of our programmes. Applicants are expected to demonstrate strong academic records, reflecting their ability to thrive in a rigorous academic environment.
MSc. Agribusiness Innovation	Required qualifications: Bachelor's degree or equivalent (3 or 4 years of higher education) in economics and management, environmental sciences, agriculture, management, engineering, data science, computer science, humanities and social sciences, mathematics, natural sciences, or law from a Moroccan or foreign university or institution. The applicants must undertake our tests (oral and written). Only those that pass such a test shall be admitted to the programme.

2.2 Appeal to potential applicants

Interested applicants are requested to visit the university website to familiarize with admission requirements for each degree Programme of their interest.

2.3 Contact Information

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3.0 Eligibility for Scholarships

3.1. Who is eligible to apply?

Scholarships are open to candidates in Morocco from economically disadvantaged backgrounds. Candidates from conflict and post-conflict areas of Africa residing in Morocco are also encouraged to apply. The applicant has to be in position to qualify for admission into postgraduate programmes at University Mohammed VI Polytechnic. All applicants should read and thoroughly understand the admission criteria for the relevant programmes at University Mohammed VI Polytechnic. Students already having a scholarship of any kind are not eligible to benefit from this scholarship opportunity. Anyone with a double scholarship if found will automatically be discontinued. Beneficiaries of TAGDev scholarships are not eligible to apply.

3.2. Selection criteria

- i. Be a national of Morocco or a refugee resident in Morocco to benefit from the national respective scholarship quota.
- ii. Be economically disadvantaged, and from marginalized communities in Morocco.
- iii. Be less than 35 years for masters studies at the time of application.
- iv. For refugees should have completed their studies at the previous level at most four years before.
- v. The applicant should meet admission criteria to be eligible programmes in University Mohammed VI Polytechnic.
- vi. Demonstrate interest in agriculture, agribusiness and entrepreneurship
- vii. Demonstrate leadership qualities
- viii. Have commitment to working in agriculture and agricultural value chains
- ix. Have a strong commitment to community transformation
- x. Female candidates are highly encouraged to apply.

3.3. What the scholarship covers

This is a full board comprehensive scholarship that covers: tuition fees, research costs, workshop and conference costs, living expenses including stipend and hostel, laptop, internship attachment, community engagement and field attachment, and entrepreneurship training. Consequently, considering the level of investment, successful applicants will be required to become high achievers, highly engaging and focused students/ graduates and change makers contributing to outreach services in the communities, capable of creating enterprises that create jobs for themselves and others and have personal satisfaction and dynamism.

3.4. Nature of the scholarship

This is a comprehensive scholarship with direct and indirect costs that will be covered by the TAGDev 2.0 programme through the implementing university where the student will be studying. Indirect costs such as participation in the international conference will be directly covered by the RUFORUM Secretariat. The following further apply:

- i. Direct costs for student training will be transferred to the university as a grant payable to the university. The students will receive their respective services and entitlements from the university as the implementer and where necessary from RUFORUM.
- ii. All scholarships will be on a rolling basis implying that, the scholarship will be renewed on annual basis subject to satisfactory academic performance at grade B level of University Mohammed VI Polytechnic.

- iii. Retaking more than four courses will lead to the withdrawal of the scholarship awarded to the candidate.
- iv. Applicants who may be discovered to have falsified information in order to gain advantage of the scholarship shall be disqualified on confirmation of the falsification and/or forgery.
- v. Any misconduct (breaching university rules especially examination malpractice, violence towards others) on the part of the successful applicant shall lead to automatic disqualification and loss of the scholarship.
- vi. Successful applicants will be expected to become champions and transformative leaders, entrepreneurs and change makers at various levels and shall remain communicating with RUFORUM and the Universities as part of the Programme Alumni.

4.0. Application process and procedure

4.1. Application for university admission at University Mohammed VI Polytechnic.

The application process will be in two stages. The first stage is application for admission to the Programme of choice at Université Mohammed VI Polytechnique submitted to University Mohammed VI Polytechnic. The second stage is application for the TAGDev scholarship submitted to RUFORUM. Both stages have to be done concurrently.

All applications for admission must be submitted to the university via the link below:

<https://www.um6p.ma/fr/apply>

To apply to University Mohammed VI Polytechnic, applicants are required to:

- i. Create a Student Account: Visit the UM6P application portal: <https://www.um6p.ma/fr/apply>
Click on the "Create an account" button.
Provide the necessary personal information to set up your account.
- ii. Complete Your Application: Log in to your newly created account.
Fill out the application form with accurate and up-to-date information.
This includes your personal details, academic records, and any supporting documents.
Ensure that you have scanned copies of your transcripts, diplomas, and any other required documents ready to upload.
- iii. Submit Your Application: Review your application carefully to ensure all information is correct.
Submit your application before the deadline.
- iv. Follow Up: Keep an eye on your email for any updates or requests for additional information from the admissions committee."

4.2. Application for Scholarship

The procedure for submitting the TAGDev 2.0 scholarship application through the RUFORUM Information Management System (RIMS) is as follows:

- i. Access the RIMS Web Portal through; <https://rims2.ruforum.org/>
- ii. Create your account by clicking on Register Here
- iii. An email will be sent to your valid email address to activate your account. Please check in the Spam or Junk for message incase activation mail is not reflected in your inbox.
- iv. Login using your email and password you used for creating.
- v. After successful login, the Applicant Dashboard will appear with different options.
- vi. Go to Calls – > Scholarship Calls
- vii. Select the Call ID: RU/2026UM6P/TAGDev 2.0
- viii. Click Apply to start filling the Application Form.
- ix. Remember to save while filling the form by “Clicking Save Draft”
- x. Download, print and submit it with your application form for admission to the University.
- xi. Submit the document in hard copy or simply attach it on the university online portal.

For any assistance, kindly contact the administrator at mcf@ruforum.org

Submission Deadline: 1st May 2026

Key Virtual Information Session Days shall be communicated in due course.