



REPUBLIC OF GHANA

POST COVID-19 SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AND PRODUCTIVITY ENHANCEMENT PROJECT (PSDPEP)

COUNTRY:	Ghana
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CONTRACT NAME:	Post Graduate Fellowship in Biotechnology (M.Phil /Ph.D.): Biotechnology Centre, University of Ghana Legon

The University of Ghana, through the African Development Bank's Post-COVID-19 Skills Development and Productivity Enhancement Project (PSDPEP), is inviting applications from highly motivated students to pursue postgraduate studies (M.Phil. or Ph.D.) in Biotechnology at the Biotechnology Centre.

The program prioritizes students from science and agriculture disciplines who are interested in pursuing research in biotechnology or related fields. Preference will be given to applicants demonstrating significant financial need, including female students, students with special needs, and those who can complete their studies within the designated timeframe.

ELIGIBILITY

Master of Philosophy

For MPhil students to benefit from the grant under the PSDPEP project, the candidate must meet the following requirements:

1. Must be a citizen of any country in West Africa and must be prepared to work in the country of origin after training.
2. Must have a good First degree (at least Second Class Upper)
3. Applicants must show evidence of official transcript or attestation of having completed course work in home university
4. Must not be older than 40 years by the end of the first year of the programme.
5. Women are particularly encouraged to apply.

Doctor of Philosophy

To qualify for a PhD studentship;

1. Must be a citizen of Ghana or from West African sub-region and must be prepared to work in the country of origin after training.
2. Must have obtained a Second Class Upper and above in the first degree.
3. Must have completed a Masters degree in the Sciences or Agriculture
4. Must not be older than 50 years by the end of the first year of the programme.
5. Must have innovative research proposal. This also includes the submission of a one-page innovative research mini-proposal.

Women are particularly encouraged to apply. Special consideration will be given to applicants with special needs and employees of tertiary institutions will be given preference

Application Process

DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED:

- Graduate and Undergraduate Certificates
- Graduate and Undergraduate Transcripts
- One-page motivation statement for the PhD study (**heading: motivational statement & your name**)
- M.Phil or PhD research proposal of not more than 3 pages (of 1.5-line spacing). This must include a project title, background, including statement of problem, objectives, scope and methodology of applicant's research and references (**Heading: project title & your name**)
- Applicant's curriculum vitae

APPLICATION PROCESS

1. The application form must be completed via Google Form below and all attachments uploaded onto the page.
<https://forms.gle/gdZczBfXSyLRjfXL9>
2. All applicants must ensure that they apply to the University of Ghana for admission when the application portal opens. Please check the University of Ghana website for more information at <https://sgs.ug.edu.gh/>
3. Applicants are to note that the award of this fellowship is separate from admission to the University of Ghana. Applicants are to ensure that they pay the relevant application fees and apply to the University of Ghana.
4. Applicants are to note that incomplete or improperly completed applications will be rejected.

The Biotechnology Centre will do the initial review of applications. The final selection of awardees will be done by African Development Bank.

DURATION AND STRUCTURE OF THE PHD PROGRAMME AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GHANA

The University of Ghana runs a four-year PhD programme with the following general features: Coursework (Year 1), Comprehensive examinations (Year 2), A period of experiential learning (Year 2), and thesis writing (Year 2-4). Visit the website of the University of Ghana's School of Graduate Studies below for more details about the structure of our PhD programme <https://sgs.ug.edu.gh/> or Biotechnology Centre <https://biotech.ug.edu.gh>

INSTRUCTION ON DOCUMENTS TO UPLOAD

Applicants should save their documents as follows:

Last name_document name_programme applied for.

For example, Asiedu_mphiltranscript_PhD

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For more information, please send us an email at biotech-centre@ug.edu.gh

Application Deadline: Thursday 15th May 2025, 23:59 GMT