



**POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL  
RIVERS STATE UNIVERSITY  
NKPOLU-OROWORUKWO, PORT HARCOURT**

**ADMISSION INTO POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES FOR 2020/2021 ACADEMIC  
SESSION**

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for admission into postgraduate programmes in the Rivers State University, Nkpolu-Oroworukwo, Port Harcourt for the 2020/2021 academic session in the following Faculties/ Institutes:

**A. FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE**

**1. Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics**

**a) Postgraduate Diploma (PGD)**

i) Agricultural and Applied Economics

**b. Master of Science (MSc.)**

- i) Agricultural Economics with specialization in:
  - a. Production Economics and Farm Management
  - b. Agricultural Finance
  - c. Agricultural Marketing
- ii) International Economics and Finance
- iii) Environmental Economics and Policy

**C. Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)**

- i) Agricultural Economics with specialization in Production Economics and Farm Management, Agricultural Finance, Agricultural Marketing.
- ii) International Economics and Finance
- iii) Environmental Economics and Policy

**2. DEPARTMENT of Agricultural Extension and Rural Development**

**a) Postgraduate Diploma (PGD)**

i) Agricultural Extension and Rural Development

**a) Master of Science (MSc), Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in**

Agricultural Extension and Rural Development with options in:

- i) Agricultural Extension Administration
- ii) Agricultural Extension Communication
- iii) Rural Sociology,

iv) Community and Rural Development

**3. Department of Animal Science**

- a. **PGD** in Animal Science
- b. **MSc, PhD** in Animal Science with specialization in:
  - i. Animal Nutrition and Biochemistry
  - ii. Animal Production and Management
  - iii. Animal Physiology and Reproduction
  - iv. Animal Breeding and Genetics

**4. Department of Crop/Soil Science**

- a) PGD in Crop Science
- b) PGD in Soil Science

**MSc, PhD** in Crop Science with  
Specialization in:

- a) Phytopathology (Plant Pathology)
- b) Crop Physiology
- c) Crop Production
- d) Plant breeding and genetics
- e) Environmental crop Science
- f) Farming Systems
- g) Entomology

**MSc, PhD** in Soil Science with Specialization in:

- a) Soil Chemistry and Mineralogy
- b) Soil Microbiology and Biochemistry
- c) Soil physics and Conservation
- d) Environmental Soil Science
- e) Soil survey and Land use planning
- f) Pedology
- g) Soil fertility and Fertilizer Technology

**5. Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Environment**

- a. **PGD** in Fisheries and Aquatic Environment
- b. **MSc, PhD** in Fisheries and Aquatic Environment with specialization in:
  - i. Aquaculture
  - ii. Fisheries Biology
  - iii. Fisheries Policy and Management
  - iv. Fish Processing and Utilization

**6. Department of Food Science and Technology**

- a. **PGD** in Food Science and Technology
- b. **MSc, PhD** in Food Science and Technology with Specialization in:
  - i) Food Microbiology and Biotechnology
  - ii) Food Chemistry/Biochemistry
  - iii) Food Quality Control and Assurance
  - iv) Food Processing and Storage Technology

**7. Department of Forestry and Environment**

- a. **PGD** in forestry and Environment
- b. **MSc, PhD** in Forestry and Environment, with the following areas of specialization:
  - i. Forestry Ecology
  - ii. Silviculture
  - iii. Forest Pathology and Forest soil microbiology
  - iv. Forest Biometrics and Mensuration
  - v. Wildlife Management and Eco-tourism
  - vi. Wood Science
  - vii. Forest Medicinal Plant

**G. FACULTY OF EDUCATION**

**1. Department of Adult Education and Community Development**

**MEd, PhD** in Adult Education and Community Studies

**2. Department of Business Education**

- a) **MEd** in Business Education
- b) **MSc** in Business Education with the following areas of specialization:
  - i) Accountancy
  - ii) Entrepreneurship
  - iii) Office Management and Technology
- c) **PhD** Business Education

**2. Department of Educational Foundations**

**MEd, PhD** with the following areas of specialization:

- i) Philosophy of Education
- ii) History and Policy of Education
- iii) Sociology of Education
- iv) Curriculum and Instruction

- v) Educational Technology
- vi) Educational Psychology
- vii) Educational Measurement and Evaluation
- viii) Guidance and Counseling

3. **Department of Science Education**

**MSc, PhD** in Science Education, with specialization in:

- i) Biology
- ii) Chemistry
- iii) Mathematics
- iv) Physics

4. **Department of Vocational and Technology Education**

a) **MSc**, in Agricultural Education, with specialization in:

- i) Administration
- ii) Community Development
- iii) Agricultural Resources and Environment

b. **PhD** in Agricultural Education

c. **MSc, PhD** in Technical Education, with specialization in:

- i) Building Technology
- ii) Electrical/Electronics Technology
- iii) Mechanical Technology

5. **Department of Educational Management**  
**MEd, PhD in Educational Management**

6. **INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION**

i) **PGDTE/PGDE (Full-time and Sandwich)**

- a) Post Graduate Diploma in Education (PGDE)
- b) Post Graduate Diploma in Technical Education (PGDTE)

ii) **The following Master's Degree(MEd/MSc) and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree programmes are available in Sandwich programmes only in the institute of Education;**

- a) Adult Education and Community Development
- b) Agricultural Education
- c) Business Education
- d) Curriculum and Instruction
- e) Educational Management
- f) Educational Technology
- g) Guidance and Counseling
- h) History and Policy Education
- i) Measurement and Evaluation
- j) Philosophy of Education
- k) Science Education
- l) Sociology of Education
- m) Technical Education

**NOTE: SANDWICH PROGRAMMES** : *The first year Of the 2020/2021 Sandwich programmes for the Institute's **PGDE/PGDTE, MEd/MSc, PhD** programmes will run during the **SANDWICH YEAR** which includes long vacation(July/August), Christmas and Easter vacations.*

**Hostel accommodation is available at an affordable cost for Sandwich Students**

## **B. FACULTY OF ENGINEERING**

### **1. Department of Agricultural and Environmental Engineering**

#### **a. PGD Programme**

Agricultural and Environmental Engineering (No Option)

#### **b. M.Tech and PhD Programmes** (with the following Options)

- i) Environmental Engineering
- ii. Farm Power and Machinery Engineering
- iii. Soil and Water Engineering
- iv. Farm Structures and Environmental Control Engineering
- v. Agricultural Products Processing Storage Engineering

2. **Department of Chemical/Petrochemical Engineering**

- i. **PGD, M.Tech, PhD** in Chemical Engineering

3. **Department of Civil Engineering**

- a) **PGD Programme** in Civil Engineering
- b) **M.Tech, Programme** in:
  - i) Geotechnical Engineering
  - ii) Water Resources Engineering

4. **Department of Electrical Engineering**

- a) **PGD Programme** in:
  - i) Power Engineering Option
  - ii) Electronics Engineering Option
- b) **MTech Programme** in:
  - i) Power Engineering Option
  - ii) Electronics Engineering Option
  - iii) Communications Engineering Option
- c) **PhD Programme** in:
  - i) Power Engineering Option

5. **Department of Marine Engineering**

- a) **PGD Programme** in Marine Engineering
- b) **M. Tech, PhD programmes** in:
  - i) Marine Engineering (Power Plants) Option
  - ii) Naval Architecture and Ship Building Option
  - iii) Offshore and Subsea Engineering Option

6. **Department of Mechanical Engineering**

- a) **PGD Programme** in Mechanical Engineering
- b) **M. Tech, PhD programmes** in:
  - i) Thermo-Fluids Option
- c) **Master of Engineering Management (MEM) Programme**
- d) **PhD in Thermo-Fluids Option**

7. **Department of Petroleum Engineering**

- i) **PGD, M. Tech, PhD in** Petroleum Engineering

**C. FACULTY OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES**

1. Department of Architecture
  - i) **MSc, PhD** in Architecture
2. Department of Estate Management
  - i) **PGD**, Estate Management
  - ii) **MSc**, Real Estate
  - iii) **PhD**, Estate Management
3. **Department of Urban and Regional Planning**
  - i) **PGD, MSc, MURP, PhD** in Urban and Regional Planning
  - ii) **PGD, MSc** in Transport Planning
4. **Department of Surveying and Geomatics**
  - i) **PGD, MSc, PhD** in Surveying and Geomatics

#### **D FACULTY OF LAW**

**PGD** in the following areas:

- a) Petroleum and Environmental Law
- b) Land Law and Land Administration
- c) Labour Law and Industrial Relations
- d) Customary Law and Practice
- e) **Master of Laws (LLM)**
- f) **MA in Law and Diplomacy**
- g) **PhD in Law**, with the following options:
  - i) International Law and Human Rights
  - ii) Constitutional Law and Jurisprudence
  - iii) Petroleum, Energy, Environmental and Natural Resources Law
  - iv) Property and Compensation Law
  - v) International Trade Law and International Economic Law, including Globalisation
  - vi) Comparative Criminal Law and Penology
  - vii) Labour and Industrial Relations law
  - viii) Business, Commercial and Intellectual Property Law
  - ix) Customary, Family and Medical Law

#### **E. FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES**

- a) **PGD** in the following:
  - i) Accountancy
  - ii) Banking and Finance
  - iii) Management
  - iv) Marketing
  - v) Office and Information Management
  - vi) Supply Chain and Logistics Planning

vii) Transport Management

1) **Department of Accountancy**

**MSc, PhD, MSc/PhD** in the following areas:

- i) Accountancy
- ii) Taxation
- iii) Public Sector Accounting

2) **Department of Banking and Finance**

**MSc, PhD, MSc/PhD** in the following areas:

- i) Banking and Finance
- ii) Quantitative Finance
- iii) Corporate Finance
- iv) Financial Markets

3) **Department of Management**

**M Sc, PhD, MSc/PhD** in the following areas:

- i) Human Resources Management
- ii) Industrial Relations
- iii) Business Policy
- iv) Organizational Behaviour

4) **Department of Marketing**

**MSc, PhD, MSc/PhD** in the following:

- i) Marketing
- ii) Supply Chain and Logistics

5) **Department of Office and Information Management**

**MSc, PhD, MSc/PhD** in Office and Information Management

**F. FACULTY OF SCIENCE**

1. **Department of Microbiology**

a) **PGD** in the following areas:

- i) Microbiology
- ii) Public Health

b) **MSc, PhD** in the following areas:

- i) Food Microbiology
- ii) Industrial Microbiology
- iii) Environmental Microbiology



- iv) Public Health Microbiology
- v) Clinical/Pathogenic Microbiology

### **3 Department of Animal and Environmental Biology**

**PGD** in the following areas:

- i) Animal and Environmental Biology  
**MSc, PhD** in the following areas of Specialization:
  - i. Applied Entomology
  - ii Hydrobiology/Ecotoxicology
  - iii Ecology/Environmental Biology
  - iv) Marine Biology and Marine Pollution Studies

### **4 Department of Plant Science and Biotechnology**

**PGD** in Plant Science and Biotechnology

**M Sc, Ph D** in Plant Science and Biotechnology

with specialization in:

- i) Plant Physiology and Biotechnology
- ii) Plant Breeding
- iii) Plant Ecology
- iv) Cytogenetics
- v) Taxonomy and Systematic
- vi) Plant Pathology

### **5 Department of Chemistry**

**a) PGD in Chemistry**

**b) MSc, PhD** in Chemistry with the following options:

- vi) Analytical Chemistry
- vii) Environmental Chemistry
- viii) Inorganic Chemistry
- iv) Organic and Natural Products Chemistry
- v) Physical Chemistry

### **6. Department of Computer Science**

**a) PGD** in Computer Science:

**b) MSc, PhD** in Computer Science

### **7. Department of Medical Laboratory Science**

**PGD, MSc, PhD,** in Medical Laboratory Science with the following options:

- i) Medical Microbiology
- ii) Chemical Pathology
- iii) Hematology and Blood Transfusion Science

### **8. Department of Mathematics**

- a) **PGD** in Applied Statistics
- b) **MSc, PhD** in the following areas:
  - i) Applied Mathematics
  - ii) Applied Statistics

9. **Department of Physics**

**PGD, MSc, PhD** in Physics with the following options:

- i) Theoretical Physics (Plasma Physics, Fluid Dynamics)
- ii) Applied Geophysics

## **H FACULTY OF HUMANITIES**

**1 Department of English Language and Literature in English**

- (a) **PGD, MA, PhD** in English Language
- (b) **PGD, MA, PhD** in Literature in English

**2 Department of French**

- (a) **PGD, MA, PhD** in French

**3 Department of History and International Diplomacy**

- (a) **PGD, MA, PhD** in History and International Diplomacy

**4 Department of Philosophy**

- (a) **PGD, MA, PhD** in Philosophy

**5 Department of Religious and Cultural Studies**

- (a) **PGD, MA, PhD** in Religious and Cultural Studies

**6 Department of Theatre Arts**

- a) **PGD, MA, PhD** in Theatre Arts

## **I FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**

**1. Department of Mass Communication**

**PGD, MSc, PhD** in Development and Communication Studies

**2. Department of Political Science**

- (a) **PGD, MSc** in Local Government Administration

(b) **PGD, MSc** in Public Administration

(c) **PGD, MSc** in Peace, Conflict and Security Studies

### **3. Department of Psychology**

**PGD, MSc** in Social Work and Gender Studies

### **4 Department of Economics**

PGD, MSc, PhD in Economics

### **J INSTITUTE OF GEOSCIENCES AND SPACE TECHNOLOGY**

(a) **PGD** in Environmental Management and Control

(b) **MEMC** (Professional Masters) in Environmental Management and Control

(c) **MSc** in Environmental Management and Control

(d) **PhD** in Environmental Management and Control

### **1. MINIMUM ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Applicants with the qualifications in the underlisted categories shall be eligible for admission into the postgraduate programmes; ***however, candidates must also fulfill the matriculation requirements of Rivers State University, Nkpolu-Oroworukwo, Port Harcourt*** as stated below:-

- i) All candidates must possess the minimum of five ordinary level credit passes which must include English Language and Mathematics.

### **A. POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMAS**

- i) Holders of at least a Third Class Degree in the subject area applied for or a Second Class (Lower Division) degree in a related discipline, obtained from the Rivers State University or any other recognized institution of equivalent status.
- ii) Holders of Higher National Diploma (HND) with at least lower credit classification or its equivalent in a related discipline, obtained from a recognized institution. Holders of HND (Lower Credit) with a minimum of five (5) years post-qualification relevant experience may be considered in Engineering.
- iii) For Faculty of Engineering, candidates must be holders of at least a Third Class degree in Engineering from a recognized institution.
- iv) Candidates for PGD in the Department of Electrical Engineering must be holders of a B.Sc. or B.Tech. Degree with third class in Electrical or Computer Engineering; Physics with Electronics or Computer Science.
- v) Candidates for PGD programme in Agricultural and Environmental Engineering must be holders of at least a third class Degree of B.Sc., B.Eng., or B.Tech or a holder of a

minimum of Upper Credit in the Higher National Diploma (HND) in Agricultural Engineering or Agricultural and Environmental Engineering or in related Engineering Discipline, such as Civil, Mechanical, and Chemical/Petrochemical Engineering from a recognized institution.

- vi) Candidates for PGD in the Department of Marine Engineering must be holders of a Second Class degree in Mechanical or Agricultural Engineering; Third Class degree in Marine Engineering and Upper Credit in Higher National Certificate in Marine or Mechanical Engineering.
- vii) Candidates for PGD in Surveying and Geomatics must be holders of either:
  - (a) Third Class B. Sc/B.Tech degree in Surveying;
  - (b) B. Sc/B.Tech in disciplines cognate to Surveying and Geomatics, such as Mathematics, Physics, Computer Science, Geography (with Mathematics Courses), etc., obtained from Rivers State University or any other recognized University;
  - (c) Higher National Diploma (HND, Upper Credit minimum) from a recognized institution may also be considered. Holders of HND (Lower Credit) with a minimum of five (5) years post-qualification relevant experience may be considered. However, such candidates must enroll for and pass prescribed remedial courses in Surveying and Geomatics.
- viii) For the Postgraduate Diploma in Education (PGDE) the following categories of candidates are eligible.
  - (i) Candidates with minimum of third class at the first degree in any discipline from an approved University are eligible for admission.
  - (ii) HND with credit/Merit passes in relevant teaching subjects awarded by any recognized institution are eligible for admission.
- ix) Applicants for the Postgraduate Diploma in Technical Education (PGDTE) must have the following:-
  - (i) Third Class degree in any Technical discipline awarded by a recognized University.
  - (ii) Higher National Diploma (HND) or its equivalent in any Technical subject awarded by any recognized institution.
- x) Applicants for the PGD in Social Studies must possess:-
  - (a) A good Bachelor's degree or HND Upper Credit in cognate discipline (such as Anthropology, Political Science, Sociology, Law, Language, Literature, Religion, History, etc.) other than Social Science will be required to have a CGPA of 3.0 on a 5-point scale

- (xi) For Department of English Language and Literature in English, Candidates will be required to meet the following conditions:
- i. Possess a relevant Bachelor's degree of the Rivers State University or any other recognized university with at least a Third Class.
  - ii. Candidates whose Bachelor's degree is from a department other than English Language and Literature in English will be required to have a CGPA of 3.00 on a 5-point scale.
  - iii. HND holders with a minimum of Lower Credit from recognized institutions may also be considered.
- (b) Applicants for admission into PGD in the Department of French will be required to meet the following conditions:
- i. Possess a relevant Bachelor's degree of the Rivers State University or any other recognized university with at least a Third Class.
  - ii. Candidates whose Bachelor's degree is in a department other than French will be required to have a CGPA of 3.00 on a 5-point scale.
  - iii. HND holders with a minimum of Lower Credit from recognized institutions may also be considered.
- (c) Applicants for admission into PGD in the Department of History and International Diplomacy will be required to meet the following conditions:
- i. Possess a relevant Bachelor's degree of the Rivers State University or any other recognized university with at least a Third Class.
  - ii. Candidates whose Bachelor's degree is from a department other than History and International Diplomacy will be required to have a CGPA of 3.00 on a 5-point scale.
  - iii. HND holders with a minimum of Lower Credit from recognized institutions may also be considered.
- (d) Applicants for admission into PGD in Philosophy will be required to meet the following conditions:
- i. Possess a relevant Bachelor's degree of the Rivers State University or any other recognized university with at least a Third Class.
  - ii. Candidates whose Bachelor's degree is from Anthropology, Political Science, Economics, Sociology, Law, Language, Literature, Religion, History, etc. other than Philosophy will be required to have a CGPA of 3.00 on a 5-point scale.
  - iii. HND holders with a minimum of Lower Credit from recognized institutions may also be considered.
- (e) Applicants for admission into PGD in Religious and Cultural Studies will be required to meet the following conditions:
- i. Possess a relevant Bachelor's degree of the Rivers State University or any other recognized university with at least a Third Class.
  - ii. Candidates whose Bachelor's degree is from any department other than Religious and Cultural Studies will be required to have a CGPA of 3.00 on a 5-point scale.

- iii. HND holders with a minimum of Lower Credit from recognized institutions may also be considered.
- (f) Applicants for admission into PGD in Theatre Arts will be required to meet the following conditions:
- i. Possess a relevant Bachelor's degree of the Rivers State University or any other recognized university with at least a Third Class.
  - ii. Candidates whose Bachelor's degree is from any department other than Theatre Arts will be required to have a CGPA of 3.00 on a 5-point scale.
  - iii. HND holders with a minimum of Lower Credit from recognized institutions may also be considered.
- Xii Applicants for the PGD in Local Government Administration must possess:
- (a) A relevant Bachelor's degree in Anthropology, Political Science, Economics, Sociology of the Rivers State University or any other recognized University with at least a Third Class.
  - (a) Candidates whose Bachelor's degree is from disciplines such as Law, English Language, Literature, Education, Religion, History etc, will be required to have a CGPA of 3.00 on a 5 point scale.
  - (b) HND holders with a minimum of lower credit from recognized institutions may also be considered.
- Xiii Applicants for the PGD in Public Administration will require the following:
- (a) Relevant Bachelor's degree not lower than Third Class Division from recognized universities.
  - (b) Bachelor's degrees with at least Second Class Lower Division in areas not related to Administration may be considered.
  - (c) HND holders with Upper Credit from recognized Institution may also be considered.
- Xiv Applicants for PGD in Peace, Conflict and Security Studies will require the following:
- (a) Relevant Bachelor's degrees not lower than Third Class Division from recognized Universities.
  - (b) Bachelor's degrees with at least Second Class Lower Division in areas not related to Peace Studies may be considered.
  - (c) HND at Lower Credit level may also be considered.
  - (d) Relevant professional qualifications may also be considered.
- Xv Applicants for PGD in Economics will require the following:

A Third Class degree in the related area or a Second Class Lower Division degree in a related discipline obtained from the Rivers State University or any other recognized Institution of equivalent status:

- a) Candidates with Bachelor's degree in Mathematics, Statistics, Demographic studies and other related quantitative courses.
- xvi) Applicants for the PGD in Transport Planning and PGD in Supply Chain and Logistics Planning must possess the following:

B.Sc./B.Tech. Third Class minimum from Rivers State University or any other recognized University in relevant disciplines such as Urban and Regional Planning, Transport Management, Marine Engineering, Business Administration, Environmental Sciences, etc.

  1. HND or its equivalent with at least an Upper Credit.
  2. Holders of recognized professional qualifications in Logistics/Transport, such as Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT); Institute of Transport Engineers; Institute of Transport Administration and others, with at least 5 years working experience in a transport or related organization.
- xvii) Applicants for the PGD in Environmental Management and Control must possess the following:
  - (a) Third Class degree in Natural or Applied Sciences, Medical Science, Agriculture, Engineering, Environmental Sciences and Geography.
  - (b) HND Upper Credit minimum or its equivalent in Natural or Applied Sciences, Agriculture, Engineering, Environmental Sciences and Geography from recognized higher institutions may also be considered.
- xviii) Applicants for the PGD in Applied Statistics must possess the following:-
  - (a) Third Class Bachelor's degree in Statistics or related discipline from a recognized university.
  - (b) Holders of Higher National Diploma in Statistics or related discipline with a minimum of Upper Credit from a recognized institution may be considered for admission.
  - (c) In addition, a candidate must satisfy the minimum entry requirement for admission into a Bachelor's degree in the Department of Mathematics of Rivers State University i.e. a minimum of five O'Level credit passes in Mathematics, English Language, Physics. The other subjects shall include Chemistry, Biology and other relevant subjects (Economics, Statistics, Further Mathematics).

## **B. MASTERS DEGREE PROGRAMMES**

- i) A candidate seeking admission into the Full-time/Part-time Master's degree programme must possess a Bachelor's degree with at least Second Class Lower Division in the relevant discipline.
- ii) For a Master's degree in the Institute of Education, candidates shall possess a minimum of Second Class Lower Division in the relevant field of study or PGDE/PGDTE obtained from Rivers State University or any other recognized Institution of equivalent status.
- iii) A candidate who holds PGD, PGDE, PGDTE in the relevant discipline or an equivalent Diploma (in Maritime Transport, Marine Engineering or Nautical Studies, Master Mariner, Marine Engineers Class 1) with CGPA of 3.50 or above (on a five-point grade system) may apply for the Master's Programmes.
- i) Candidates for M Sc in Surveying and Geomatics must be holders of either:
  - (a) BSc/BTech in Surveying and Geomatics degree with at least second Class Lower Division or equivalent from the Rivers State University or any other approved University;
  - (b) BSc degree Second Class Lower minimum in subjects cognate to Surveying such as Mathematics, Engineering, Physics or Geography (with Mathematics) and, in addition, a Postgraduate Diploma (PGD) in Surveying and Geomatics at a pass level equivalent to the CGPA of 3.0 and above on a 5-point scale obtained from the Rivers State University;
  - (c) Higher National Diploma (HND) Upper Credit minimum from a recognized institution may also be considered. Holders of the HND with Lower Credit with a minimum of five (5) years post-qualification relevant experience may be considered. However, such candidates must enroll for and pass prescribed remedial courses in Surveying and Geomatics.
- ii) Candidates for the M.Ed/MSc. degree programmes offered in the Faculty of Education/Institute of Education should possess

EITHER

A good Bachelor's degree (not lower than Second Class Lower Division) in a relevant teaching subject

OR

Higher National Diploma or its equivalent with at least lower credit classification in addition to PGDE or PGDTE with a CGPA of 3.50 obtained from this University or any other recognized institution.



- iv Candidates for the Masters Programme (M.A) in English Language and Literature in English are required to possess any of the following qualifications:
  - A Bachelor's Degree in English Language or English Literature or B.A. Education/ English or Linguistics/Communication with a minimum of a Second Class (Lower Division) from any recognized university.
  - i. A PGD at Upper Credit Level in Communication, Linguistics or English Language from the Faculty or any other recognized university.
- v Candidates for the Masters Programme (M.A) in French are required to satisfy the following admission requirements:
  - i. A good Bachelor's Degree in French and from any recognized university, with at least a Second Class Lower Division.
  - ii. A PGD at Upper Credit Level in French from the Faculty or a recognized university.
- (vi) Candidates for the Masters Programme (M.A) in History and International Diplomacy are required to satisfy the following:
  - i. Bachelor's Degree with a minimum of Second Class Lower Division in History and International Diplomacy, History and International Studies, History and Diplomatic Studies, History and International Relations or History and Strategic Studies from approved and recognized universities.
  - ii. PGD in History, Social Studies or Local Government Administration (minimum CGPA of 3.0) from a recognized institution.
- (vii) Candidates for the Masters Programme (M.A) in Philosophy are required to satisfy the following:-
  - i. A good Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy from any recognized university, with at least a Second Class Lower Division.
  - ii. A PGD at Upper Credit Level in Philosophy from the Faculty or a recognized university.
- (viii) Candidates for the Masters Programme (M.A) in Religious and Cultural Studies are required to satisfy the following:-
  - i. A Bachelor's Degree (B.A) in Religious and Cultural Studies with a minimum of a Second Class (Lower Division) from any recognized university.
  - ii. A Third Class Division with a PGD in Religious and Cultural Studies with at least a Credit Level Pass.
- (ix) Candidates for the Masters Degree Programme (M.A) in Theatre Arts are required to satisfy the following:

- a Bachelor's Degree (B.A) in Theatre Arts, Music, Linguistics and Communication Studies/Mass Communication, English Language and Literature in English or Fine Arts and Design with a minimum of a Second Class (Lower Division) from any recognized university.
  - i. A Third Class Division with a PGD in Drama and Theatre-related area.
- X Candidates for the programme in Social Work and Gender Studies must Possess:
  - (a) A Bachelor's degree in Political Science, History, Public Administration, Sociology, Anthropology or any other relevant discipline of the Rivers State University or that of any other recognized University with at least a Second Class Lower Division with 3.00 CGPA on a 5-point scale.
  - (b) A PGD at Credit Level Pass (i.e. 3.5) in relevant area (such as Social Studies Political Science, Economics, History, Public Administration, Sociology, Anthropology or any other relevant discipline) from the Institute or a recognized University.
- Xi Candidates for the Masters Programme in Local Government Administration must possess:-
  - (a) A Relevant Bachelor's degree in Political Science, History, Public Administration, Sociology or Anthropology of the Rivers State University or that of any other recognized university with at least a Second Class (Lower Division) with 3.00 CGPA on 5-point scale.
  - (b) A PGD at Credit level pass (i.e. 3.5) in relevant area (such area as Social Studies, Political Science, Economics, History, Public Administration, Sociology or Anthropology) from the Institute or a recognized university.
- Xii Candidates for the MA and M Sc in Public Administration are required to satisfy the following:-
  - (a) A degree in relevant area from a recognized University with minimum of Second Class Lower Division may be admitted provided the University Matriculation requirements are satisfied.
  - (b) A Postgraduate Diploma at Upper Credit level in relevant area from a recognized university.
- Xiii Candidate seeking admission into the Master's programme in Economics must possess the following:
  - i) a minimum of Second Class Lower degree in Economics from a recognized institution whose Economics programme is accredited by NUC.

- (ii) Candidates with PGD in Economics from a recognized institution with a CGPA of at least 3.5 on a 5-point scale.
- (xiv) Candidates for the MSc Transport Planning and M.Sc Supply Chain and Logistics Planning must have a PGD in Transport and Logistics Studies (with a minimum CGPA of 3.0 on a 5-point grade system) or B.Sc./B.Tech. degrees (Second Class Lower minimum) in Urban and Regional Planning, Civil Engineering, Marine Engineering, Management Sciences, Environmental Sciences and disciplines related to these.
- (xv) Candidates for the Professional Masters in Environmental Management and Control require the following:-
  - (a) Bachelor's degree (not below Second Class Lower) in Environmental Management, Environmental Science, Natural or Applied Science based subject, Agriculture, Geology, Medical Science or Technology/Engineering and Geography.
  - (b) PGD in Environmental Management and Control with a minimum of Merit/Pass (i.e. 3.0 – 3.49 on a 5.0 scale).
- xvi) Candidates seeking admission into MSc Environmental Management should possess:-
  - (a) A minimum of Second Class Lower Division Bachelor's Honours degree or equivalent in Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Geology, Geophysics, Geodesy, Meteorology, Mathematics, Hydrology, Engineering, Architecture, Town and Country Planning, Geography, Agriculture, Land Surveying, Computer Science or equivalent acceptable to the Senate of the university for admission into a Master's programme.
  - (b) Second Class Lower Division Bachelor's Honours degree in Environmental Management or Environmental Sciences related courses.
  - (c) PGD at credit level pass (i.e. 3.5 of 5.0 scale) or 60% on weighted percentage average.
- e) Candidates for the Msc, PhD, MSc/PhD Degree in the Programme in Faculty of Management Sciences should possess any of the following:
- c) Candidates for the PhD Degree in the Programme in Faculty of Management Sciences should possess any of the following:

**NOTE FOR ENGINEERING**

- xvii) The criteria for admission into the Master's degree in Engineering are as follows:

- i. The candidate must have B.Tech, B.Sc, or B.Eng degree in Engineering disciplines with at least a Second Class Lower Division grade.
- ii. A candidate with an upper credit Postgraduate Diploma (PGD) (minimum CGPA of 3.50 on a 5-point scale) in Engineering disciplines from a recognized University shall be considered.
- iii. The candidate shall in addition satisfy the University matriculation Examination (UTME) which includes five O'Level Credit passes including English language, Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry as requirements for admission into the degree programme in Engineering disciplines and provide NYSC Discharge/Exemption/Exclusion Certificate.
- iv. Application for the Programmes are highly competitive and depending on availability of vacancies, there shall be a cut-off CGPA to be determined by the Departmental Postgraduate Board.
- v. The M.Tech programme is available to first degree graduates in Agricultural Engineering or Agricultural and Environmental Engineering or other related Engineering fields such as Civil and Chemical/Petrochemical Engineering for (Agricultural and Environmental Engineering Option), Mechanical Engineering for (Farm Power and Machinery Engineering Option) from a recognized institution, with at least a Second Class Lower Division.
  - (a) For admission into the M. Tech programme in Chem/Pet Engineering, a candidate must have:
    - (a) B. Tech, B. Sc, or B.Eng. degree in Chemical, Chemical/Petrochemical or Polymer Engineering with at least a Second Class Lower Division grade;
    - (b) PGD (minimum CGPA of 3.50 on a 5-point scale) in Chemical, Chemical/Petrochemical Engineering from a recognized university or HND with Upper Credit from a recognized Institution.
  - (a) Candidates for M. Tech in Department of Electrical Engineering, either a First Degree in Electrical, Electronics or Computer Engineering with at least a Second Class Lower Division grade; or
  - (b) PGD (minimum CGPA of 3.50 on a 5-point scale) in Electrical, Electronics or Computer Engineering from a recognised university may be considered.
- (a) For admission into the Master of Technology (M.Tech) programme in Marine Engineering, Naval Architecture, Offshore Engineering and Subsea Engineering, the candidate must have B.Tech, B.Sc, or B.Eng degree in Marine Engineering or Naval Architecture with at least a Second Class Lower Division grade.

- (b) For admission into the Master of Technology (M.Tech) programme in Mechanical Engineering, the candidate must have B.Tech, B.Sc, or B.Eng degree in Mechanical Engineering with at least a Second Class Lower Division grade

**C. DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY PROGRAMMES**

A candidate for a PhD programme shall:

- a) Possess a Master's degree with a CGPA of 3.50 or above, on a five-point grade system, in a relevant discipline, obtained from the Rivers State University or any other recognized institution of higher learning of equivalent status.
- b) For a PhD degree in the Faculty of Education, candidates shall possess a Master's degree in Education (with a CGPA OF 3.50 above, on a 5-point scale) in the relevant field of study obtained from Rivers State University or any other recognized institution of equivalent status.
- c) A candidate for Ph.D in English Language and Literature in English must possess the following:-
  - i. A good Bachelor's Degree (minimum CGPA of Second Class Lower) in English Language, English Education, Literary Studies or Linguistics/Mass Communication from a recognized university.
  - ii. Candidate must possess a good Master's Degree in English Language, Literary Studies or Mass Communication from a recognized university, with a CGPA not below 3.50 on a five-point scale.
- (d) A candidate for PhD in French must possess the following:
  - i. A good Bachelor's Degree (minimum CGPA of Second Class Lower) in French and English Language from a recognized university and a Master's Degree in French from a recognized university, with a CGPA not below 3.50 on a five-point scale.
- (e) Candidates for the PhD programme in History and International Diplomacy must Possess:
  - i. A Bachelor's Degree (minimum of Second Class Lower Division) in History and International Diplomacy, History and International Studies, History and Diplomatic Studies, History and International Relations or History and Strategic Studies from approved and recognized Universities, and a Master's Degree in History and International Diplomacy, History and International Studies, History and Diplomatic Studies, History and International Relations or History and Strategic Studies from a recognized university, with a CGPA not below 3.50 on a five-point scale.
- (f) Candidates for Ph D programme in Philosophy must possess the following

- i. Candidates must possess a good Bachelor's degree in Philosophy, not lower than a Second Class Lower Division, from a recognized university;
  - ii. Candidates must also possess a good Master's degree in Philosophy from a recognized university, with a CGPA not below 3.50 on a five-point scale.
  - iii. A candidate for PhD in Philosophy whose CGPA is less than 3.50 will be required to register for the MPhil/PhD programme. Such candidates must present two seminars and a research proposal for grading and must score a minimum CGPA of 3.50 before proceeding to the PhD programme otherwise the MPhil Degree would be awarded upon the submission of a dissertation and its examination, following the procedure for a PhD thesis.
- (g) Candidates for PhD programme in Religious and Cultural Studies must possess the following:-
- i. MA Degree in Religious and Cultural Studies, Islamic Studies, Theology or other related disciplines such as Philosophy, History, Sociology and Anthropology, on a CGPA of 3.50 points on a 5-point scale, from the Rivers State University or any other institution recognized by the Senate of Rivers State University, in addition to a Bachelor of Arts degree with Second Class Lower in any of the aforementioned areas
  - ii. Candidates with the MA degree in related disciplines such as Philosophy, History, Sociology and Anthropology will be required to take all MA taught courses in Religious and Cultural Studies and score at least a C grade to advance to the PhD
  - iii. Candidates (from other universities) whose admission qualifications show deficiencies in the transcripts will be required to take some remedial courses from the courses available in the MA programme of the Department and score at least a C grade to advance to the PhD.
- (h) A candidate for PhD in Theatre Arts must possess a good Master's Degree (minimum CGPA of 3.50 on a 5-point scale) in Theatre Arts from a recognized university in addition to a Bachelor's degree with a minimum of Second Class Lower Division.
- (i) A candidate for PhD in Estate Management with Master's degree in other cognate disciplines like Environmental Management will be required to take and pass remedial courses as may be prescribed by the Department before proceeding with their research.
- (j) A candidate for a PhD in Environmental Management and Control shall possess the following:-

- (i) MSc degree with a CGPA of at least 3.5 on a five-point scale or 60% weighted average in addition to a Bachelor's degree in the relevant area with a minimum of Second Lower Division.
- (ii) Demonstrate adequate intellectual capacity, maturity and effective decision making and problem solving potentials possibly through a selection process.
- (iii) All candidates whose MSc degrees are not in Environmental Management will be required to audit (undergo) prescribed core courses of a Master programme.
- (k) Holders of Master of Business Administration (MBA) degrees can only be considered for admission into the relevant Master of Science (MSc) programmes related to their first degrees.
- (l) For PhD in Engineering Management, candidate should hold MEM
- (m) A Candidate for Ph D in Public Administration must have a Master's degree with a CGPA of 3.5 on a 5-point scale or at least an average of B grade (60%) which includes course work and research dissertation from a recognized University.
- (n) A Candidate for Ph D in Peace, Conflict and Security Studies must possess a good Master's degree in Peace Studies in addition to a Bachelor's degree with a minimum of Second Class lower Division.
- (O) A Candidate for Ph D in Economics must possess the following:-
  - i Possess the university minimum requirement for a B Sc degree in Economics
  - ii Have obtained a Bachelor's degree from an approved University whose Economics programme is accredited by NUC, with a minimum of at least Second Class Lower degree in the discipline.
  - iii Hold a Master degree in Economics with a CGPA of at least 3.5 on a 5.0 point scale.

*Note: In addition to the conditions above, a candidate may be required to present himself/herself for a selection test and/or oral interview.*

## **SPECIAL MSC/PHD PROGRAMME IN MANAGEMENT SCIENCES**

- i. Candidate should possess an MBA degree with a CGPA of not less than 3.50 on a 5-point scale or 3.00 on a 4-point scale in relevant area of Management Sciences Discipline from any recognized institution.
- ii. Candidate with MSc Degree in relevant area of Management Sciences Discipline from any recognized university with a CGPA of not less than 3.00 on a 5-point scale from a recognized University.

## **2. DURATION OF PROGRAMMES**

- 2.1 The full-time Postgraduate Diploma programmes run for two semesters (minimum) and four semesters (maximum) with or without project writing.
- 2.2 The full-time Postgraduate Diploma programme in Engineering runs for a duration of four semesters (minimum) and six semesters (maximum) with project.
- 2.3 The full-time Postgraduate Diploma programme in Transport Planning and Logistics and Supply Chain Planning runs for three semesters (minimum) and five semesters (maximum).
- 2.4 The part-time Postgraduate Diploma programme in Surveying and Geomatics runs for four semesters (minimum) and six semesters (maximum).
- 2.5 The full-time Master's degree programme with dissertation is structured to last for a minimum of four semesters and a maximum of six semesters.
- 2.6 The full-time Master's degree programme with dissertation in Faculty of Engineering is structured to last for a minimum of four semesters and a maximum of six semesters.
- 2.7 The full-time Master's degree programme in Surveying and Geomatics runs for three semesters (minimum) and six semesters (maximum).
- 2.8 The part-time Master's degree programme in Surveying and Geomatics runs for four semesters (minimum) and eight semesters (maximum).
- 2.9 The full-time Master's degree programme in Transport Planning and Logistics and Supply Chain Planning will run for four semesters (minimum) and six semesters (maximum).
- 2.10 The full-time Professional Master's programme in Environmental Management and Control will run for three semesters (minimum) and six semesters (maximum).
- 2.11 The full-time Master's degree (M Sc) in Environmental Management and Control will run for four semesters (minimum) and six semesters (maximum).
- 2.12 The full-time Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) programmes with thesis runs for six semesters (minimum) and eight semesters (maximum).



- 2.13 The part-time Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) programme in Surveying and Geomatics runs for eight semesters (minimum) and ten semesters (maximum).
- 2.14 The full-time Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) programme in Environmental Management and Control will run for six semesters (minimum) and eight semesters (maximum).
- 2.15 Part-time study, specifically to be undertaken at weekends only, is available for the programmes in Shipping Management and Maritime Transport Technology for six semesters (minimum) and eight semesters (maximum).
- 2.16 Part-time study in Faculty of Engineering is available for PhD programmes only and runs for ten semesters (minimum) and twelve semesters (maximum).
- 2.17 Unless otherwise stated, part-time studies in any Faculty, where it is available, will take twice the duration allowed for the corresponding full-time programmes. Such part-time PhD programmes will last for ten semesters (minimum) and twelve semesters (maximum).
- 2.18 The Sandwich Postgraduate Diploma (**PGDE/PGDTE**) programmes in Education run for a minimum duration of **one Sandwich year** and a maximum of two Sandwich years.
- 2.19 All Sandwich Master's programmes (**MEd/MSc**) with dissertation in Education run for a minimum duration of **two Sandwich years** and a maximum of four Sandwich years.
- 2.20 All Sandwich Doctor of Philosophy (**PhD**) programmes with thesis in Education run for a minimum duration of **four Sandwich years** and a maximum of six Sandwich years.

***NOTE: A Sandwich Year includes long vacation, Christmas and Easter vacations.***

### 3. **MODE OF APPLICATION**

Applications for admission to any postgraduate programme shall be made on-line by logging onto [www.ust.edu.ng](http://www.ust.edu.ng) and making an e-payment of Thirty Thousand Naira (₦30,000.00) only, using interswitch verve - enabled cards. Application forms should be completed on-line, downloaded and hard copies submitted to the Secretary, Postgraduate School along with the following:

- i) Photocopies of Certificates.
- ii) Certified academic transcripts. (It is the responsibility of applicants to ensure that copies of their academic transcripts are forwarded under confidential cover directly to The Secretary, Postgraduate School, Rivers State University, Nkpolu-Oroworukwo, Port Harcourt).

- iii) Letter of reference from three referees, including one from a previous academic institution, stating that applicant is qualified to undertake advanced studies and research and that the Referee is confident that the applicant will benefit from the training.

For PhD applicants, brief research proposals on their intended areas of study should also accompany the application forms.

The deadline for submission of applications on-line and at the Postgraduate School is *31st October, 2020*.

(Sgd)

**SYDNEY C. ENYINDAH, Ph.D**  
Registrar