



BENUE STATE UNIVERSITY, MAKURDI-NIGERIA
(Postgraduate School)

ADMISSION INTO POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES 2020/2021 ACADEMIC SESSION

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for admission to Postgraduate programmes leading to the award of Postgraduate Diplomas, Masters and Doctor of Philosophy degrees of the Benue State University for the 2020/2021 academic session.

1. FACULTY OF ARTS

a. Department of Languages and Linguistics

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:		
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 <i>with specialization in any of the following areas:</i>		
PhD History (Nigerian History with particular emphasis on Central Nigeria)		Full-time
PhD History (African History)	-	Full-time
PhD History (Economic History)	-	Full-time
PhD History (Historiography)	-	Full-time
PhD History (Diplomatic History)	-	Full-time
PhD History (Cultural History)	-	Full-time

d. Department of Theatre Arts

M.A. Theatre Arts <i>with specialization in any of the following areas:</i>		
M.A. Theatre Arts (Theatre for Development)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Theatre Management and Administration)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Dramatic Theory and Criticism)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Directing)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Media Arts Studies)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Film Studies)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Theatre Technology)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Theatre in Education)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Acting/Voice and Speech Arts)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Dance/Choreography)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Playwriting)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Theatre History)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Theatre and Cultural Administration)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Theatre Innovations)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Costumes/Make-up)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Sociology of Drama)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Media Arts Studies)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Music/Ethnomusicology)	-	Full-time
M.A. Theatre Arts (Theatre Tourism)	-	Full-time

PhD Theatre Arts	-	Full-time
e. Department of Religion and Cultural Studies		
M.A. Religious Studies <i>with specialization in any of the following areas:</i>		
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 <i>with specialization in any of the following areas:</i>		
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
<i>Note: For PhD in New Testament Studies, candidates must have proficiency in New Testament Greek</i>		
f. Department of Philosophy		
M.A. Philosophy <i>with specialization in any of the following areas:</i>		
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 Arts and Science Education		
M.Ed Mathematics Education	-	Full-time
M.Ed Science Education	-	Full-time
PhD Mathematics Education	-	Full-time
PhD Science Education	-	Full-time
c. Department of Educational Foundations		
M.Ed Management	-	Full-time
M.Ed Educational Psychology	-	Full-time
M.Ed Guidance and Counselling	-	Full/Part
time		
Postgraduate Diploma in Education (PGDE)	-	Full-time
PhD Educational Management	-	Full-time
PhD Marriage and Family Counselling	-	Full/Part
time		
PhD Persona-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
d. 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
e.	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 (Ed) Physical and Health Education	-	Full-time
	PhD (Ed) Exercise and Sport Science	-	Full-time
	PhD (Ed) Sports Management	-	Full-time
3.	FACULTY OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES		
a.	Department of Geography		
	M.Sc. Environmental Management	-	Full-time
	M.Sc. Geography <i>with specialization in the following areas:</i>		
	M.Sc. Geography (Climatology)	-	Full-time
	M.Sc. Geography (Environmental Resources Management)	-	Full-time
	M.Sc. Geography (Geomorphology)	-	Full-time
	M.Sc. Geography (Housing Studies)	-	Full-time
	M.Sc. Geography (Population Studies)	-	Full-time
	M.Sc. Geography (Hydrology and Water Resources)	-	Full-time
	M.Sc. Geography (Rural Geography)	-	Full-time
	M.Sc. Geography (Soil Science)	-	Full-time
	M.Sc. Geography (Urban Geography)	-	Full-time
	M.Sc. Development Studies	-	Full time
	PhD Geography	-	Full time
b.	Department of Urban and Regional Planning		
	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 and Regional Planning	-	Full-time
4.	FACULTY OF LAW		
	Master of Laws (LL.M)	-	Full-time
	PhD Laws	-	Full-time
5.	FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES		
a.	Department of Accounting		
	M.Sc. Accounting and Finance	-	Full-time
	Master in Public Sector Accounting	-	Full-time
	PhD Accounting and Finance	-	Full-time
b.	Department of Business Management		
	Master of Business Administration (MBA) <i>with specialization in the following areas:</i>		
	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
	PhD Management	-	Full-time
	PhD Marketing	-	Full-time

6. FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

a. Department of Economics

M.Sc. Economics *with specialization in the following areas:*

M.Sc. Economics (Development Economics) - Full-time

M.Sc. Economics (Monetary Economics) - Full-time

M.Sc. Economics (Public Finance) - Full-time

PhD Economics *with specialization in the following areas:*

PhD Economics (Economic Theory) - Full-time

PhD Economics (Applied Economics) - Full-time

PhD Economics (Industrial Economics) - Full-time

PhD Economics (International Economics) - Full-time

PhD Economics (Monetary Economics) - Full-time

PhD Economics (Public Sector Economics) - Full-time

PhD Economics (Development Economics) - Full-time

PhD Economics (Labour Economics) - Full-time

PhD Economics (Environmental Economics) - Full-time

PhD Economics (Health Economics) - Full-time

PhD Economics (Operations Research) - Full-time

PhD Economics (Energy Economics) - Full-time

PhD Economics (Economic Planning) - Full-time

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. 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) - Full-time

M.Sc. Sociology (Demography) - Full-time

M.Sc. Sociology (Development Sociology) - Full-time

M.Sc. Sociology (Industrial Sociology and Labour Relations) - Full-time

M.Sc. Sociology (Medical Sociology) - Full-time

M.Sc. Sociology (Rural Sociology) - Full-time

PhD Sociology - Full-time

Master of Gender Studies	-	Full-time
7. FACULTY OF SCIENCE		
a. Department of Biological Sciences		
M.Sc. Pure and Applied Parasitology	-	Full-time
M.Sc. Pure and Applied Entomology	-	Full-time
M.Sc. Hydrobiology and Fisheries	-	Full-time
M.Sc. Plant Pathology	-	Full-time
M.Sc. Cytogenetic and Plant Breeding	-	Full-time
M.Sc. Systematic and Taxonomy	-	Full-time
PhD Pure and Applied Parasitology	-	Full-time
PhD Pure and Applied Entomology	-	Full-time
PhD Hydrobiology and Fisheries	-	Full-time
PhD Plant Pathology	-	Full-time
PhD Cytogenetic and Plant Breeding	-	Full-time
PhD Systematic and Taxonomy	-	Full-time
b. Department of Chemistry		
M.Sc. Inorganic Chemistry	-	Full-time
M.Sc. Analytical Chemistry	-	Full-time
M.Sc. Organic Chemistry	-	Full-time
M.Sc. Physical Chemistry	-	Full-time
PhD Analytical/Environmental Chemistry	-	Full-time
PhD Inorganic Chemistry	-	Full-time
PhD Organic Chemistry/Natural Products Chemistry	-	Full-time
PhD Physical Chemistry	-	Full-time
c. Department of Physics		
M.Sc. Radiation and Medical Physics	-	Full-time
M.Sc. Electronics and Communications Physics	-	Full-time
M.Sc. Theoretical Physics	-	Full-time
M.Sc. Atmospheric and Environmental Physics	-	Full-time
PhD Physics (Radiation and Medical Physics)	-	Full-time
PhD Physics (Theoretical Physics)	-	Full-time
PhD Physics (Atmospheric & Environmental Physics)	-	Full-time
d. Department of Mathematics and Computer Science		
M.Sc. Mathematics	-	Full-time
M.Sc. Computer Science	-	Full-time
Postgraduate Diploma in Computer Science (PGDCS)	-	Full-time
8. FACULTY OF BASIC AND ALLIED MEDICAL SCIENCES		
a. Department of Physiology		
M.Sc. Human Physiology	-	Full-time
PhD Human Physiology	-	Full-time
b. Department of Anatomy		
M.Sc. Human Anatomy	-	Full-time
PhD Human Anatomy	-	Full-time

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- i. Applicants must in the first instance, meet the relevant "O" Level requirements for award of Bachelor's degree of the Benue State University:
 - (a) A credit in English Language is required for all courses;

- (b) A credit pass in Mathematics is required for all Sciences, Social Sciences as well as courses in Management Sciences, Environmental Sciences and Educational Management;
- (c) A Pass in Mathematics is required for all non-Science Education Courses;
- (d) "O" Level credit Pass in Economics is required for all Management Science courses and Economics;
- (e) A credit pass in "O" Level Literature in English is required for programmes in the Departments of English, Languages & Linguistics, Theatre Arts and Law, while a Pass in Literature in English is required for Language Education programme;
- (f) IJMB "O" Level credit Pass in Mathematics and English Language are acceptable in lieu of credit pass at SSC or GCE "O" Level;
- (g) NCE English major is acceptable in lieu of "O" Level Literature in English;
- (h) NCE Use of English is acceptable in lieu of "O" Level credit pass in SSC or GCE "O" Level English.
- (i) Psychology requires at least a Pass in Biology or Health Science;
- (j) In all cases, "A" Level passes supercede "O" Level passes.

ii. **Master's Degree Programmes (M.Sc., M.A. and M.Ed)**

In addition to (i) above, candidates must possess a relevant Bachelor's degree with a minimum of Second Class Lower Division 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 Upper Division or Second Class Lower Division 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 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 3.00. Candidates with Bachelor's degree in related fields such as Mathematics Education, Statistics, Mathematics/Statistics, Statistics/Computer Science or PGD in Mathematics or related field at a minimum CGPA level of 3.00 may be considered for M.Sc. Mathematics while candidates with Bachelor's degree in related fields like Mathematics, Physics, Electrical/Electronic Engineering, B.Sc. (Ed) Computer and Information Management or PGD in Computer Science with a minimum CGPA of 3.00 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 University's undergraduate programme.*

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

- *Minimum of Second Class Lower Division (CGPA of 3.00) with Bachelor's degree in Business Administration/Management, Accounting, Banking and Finance, Marketing, Management, Economics from recognized Universities.*
- *Candidates must have attained a satisfactory level of performance in the University's Admission Test and 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 (i) above.

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

In addition to (i and ii) above, candidates must have a good Master's 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 written and oral examinations.
- 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.
- For PhD Law, applications should be accompanied by a research proposal.
- For PhD Physiology and Anatomy, candidates must be fully registered with Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria.

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 Business Administration (MBA)

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

vii. Postgraduate Diploma in Planning Studies

The Department provides a 12-month programme leading to the award of Postgraduate Diploma in Planning Studies. Intending applicants are expected to:

- Possess the University Entry (WASSC or NECOSSC at not more than 2 sittings) requirement of at least 5 credits, which must include English Language and Mathematics and any three subjects from the following: Geography, Chemistry, Biology or Agricultural Science, Economics, Technical Drawing, OR
- possess 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, NABTEB NTC and
- A Bachelor's degree in any of Geography, Economics, Sociology, Psychology, Estate Management, Building, Architecture, Civil Engineering or Urban and Regional Planning with at least a 3rd Class honours or an HND in Urban and Regional Planning, Architecture or Estate Management with at least credit pass.

viii. 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 Third Class Degree in Computer Science or CGPA 2.00 for Computer Science graduates or Lower Credit for HND graduates.*
- *Candidates who do not possess degrees or HND in Computer Science but who possess minimum of Second 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.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

All programmes begin with Course Work and end at Project for Postgraduate Diplomas or Dissertation and Thesis for Master's and Ph.D 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 Master's 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.
- iii 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 Transcript to The Secretary, Postgraduate School, Benue State University, Makurdi. (Transcript to be accompanied with Transcript Request Forms which should be printed from University portal).

Method of Application

Applications are available only on the online platform. Applicants are to visit the Benue State University website www.bsum.edu.ng (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. Applicants would then proceed to the designated Banks (Fidelity, First, Zenith, Sterling, Diamond) with the printed copy of pre-registration form and pay a non-refundable application fee using the generated Application number. 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 and submit. Applicants should print in duplicate the hard copy of the completed form, attach all relevant photocopies of their credentials then submit to the Postgraduate School.

Applicants are to ensure that the on-line reference forms are completed by the three referees. They are to note that applications without relevant documents uploaded will not be considered. Later purchase of the Form which commences 30 days after the date of the advert shall attract an additional fee.

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 ten thousand Naira (₦10,000).

Closing Date

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