

# Press Release



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## Mastercard@RUFORUM announces 60 scholarship recipients for 2018-2019 academic year

**Kampala July 02, 2018.** The Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM), is pleased to announce the Second cohort of the Mastercard@RUFORUM scholarship recipients for the 2018-2019 academic year.

Since July 2016, [RUFORUM](#), in partnership with [MasterCard Foundation](#), [Gulu University](#) and [Egerton University](#) are implementing an eight year programme aimed at transforming African agricultural universities and their graduates to better respond to development challenges through enhanced application of science, technology, business and innovation for rural agricultural transformation. This eight year Project will support the training of 220 (110 undergraduate and 110 postgraduate) economically disadvantaged students from across Africa. The Programme further provides opportunities for transformative action research using the RUFORUM Community Action Research Programme (CARP+) to enhance university-led community impact and the RUFORUM Agricultural Enterprises Challenge Program (RECAP), for developing a critical mass of young business leaders by providing a supporting environment.

This 2018 Call for scholarships awarded a total of sixty (60) scholarships to applicants from 13 African countries (Benin, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Namibia, Nigeria, Rwanda, Somalia, South Sudan, Togo, Uganda and Zimbabwe) and attracted 1,036 applicants from 24 African countries. After a rigorous three stage selection process involving pre-admission into the university, shortlisting for scholarship assessment and home validation visits, the RUFORUM Technical Committee made the final selection during its meeting convened on 6th June 2018 at the RUFORUM Secretariat. Of the 60 scholarships awarded, 35 were for females, accounting for 58% of the awardees.

RUFORUM thanks all applicants and congratulates the 60 scholarship recipients. The full list of the selected beneficiaries/awardees is published below

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RUFORUM First MCF cohort <http://www.ruforum.org/MCF/student-profiles>

## 2018/2019 Mastercard@RUFORUM Scholarship Beneficiaries

Egerton University, Kenya				
Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Education and Extension				
ID	SURNAME	OTHER NAME	GENDER	COUNTRY
1860107	AKEJO	GORDON	MALE	UGANDA
1860101	ACHIENG	CONCILIA	FEMALE	KENYA
1860103	SALIRU	ZENA	FEMALE	UGANDA
1860108	CHERUIYOT	BENARD	MALE	KENYA
1860105	BEKAH	GRACE	FEMALE	KENYA
Bachelor of Science in Horticulture				
1860204	GITHINJI	LEWIS	MALE	KENYA
1860201	OUMA	LAWRENCE	MALE	KENYA
1860206	WAWERU	LEAH	FEMALE	KENYA
1860208	BOR	LILY	FEMALE	KENYA
1860207	ADILU	KATO OMIA	MALE	UGANDA
Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science				
1860303	OCHIENG	LAVENDER	FEMALE	KENYA
1860301	ORUKO	BEVERLYNE	FEMALE	KENYA
1860302	NOWEZZIE	JOANA	FEMALE	MALAWI
1860305	MUTAI	KIPLANGAT	MALE	KENYA
1870530	AHMED	HANAN	FEMALE	KENYA
Bachelor of Agribusiness Management				
1860404	NKHOMA	ANDREW	MALE	MALAWI
1870540	OTIENO	CASMIEL	MALE	KENYA
1860410	MANYUELE	LEITATO	MALE	KENYA
1860409	SA'ADU	YASIR	MALE	NIGERIA
1870541	NYAMBURA	MARY	FEMALE	KENYA

<b>Bachelor of Science in Food Science and Technology</b>				
1860504	DUSHIMIRIMANA	LEONCIE	FEMALE	RWANDA
1860502	NIYONSHUTI	FABIOLA	FEMALE	RWANDA
1860508	MOKUA	NAOMI	FEMALE	KENYA
1860503	NJERU	STELLA	FEMALE	KENYA
1860506	OKOTH	IAN	MALE	KENYA
<b>Master of Science in Agronomy</b>				
1860610	ODUOR	SELPHINE	FEMALE	KENYA
1860606	IRABONEYE	NORBERT	MALE	RWANDA
1860602	AARAKIT	PAULINE	FEMALE	UGANDA
1860601	ABDIRAHMAN	SAID	MALE	SOMALIA
1860609	MOLETSANE	MALEKHOAA	FEMALE	LESOTHO

## Gulu University, Uganda

### Bachelor of Science Agri-Entrepreneurship and Communication Management

ID	SURNAME	OTHER NAME	sex	COUNTRY
1830107	KAWOOYA	JOSEPH	MALE	UGANDA
1830108	KOBUSINGE	RACHEAL	FEMALE	UGANDA
1830102	ADONGO	IMMACULATE	FEMALE	UGANDA
1830105	BALYESIIMA	CHRISTOPHER	MALE	UGANDA
1830109	MOYOO	ROSE	FEMALE	UGANDA

### Bachelor of Science in Food and Agribusiness

1830206	KADOMA	JOVIA	FEMALE	UGANDA
1830202	AKANDWANAHU	WISDON	MALE	UGANDA
1830201	ACHENG	GRACE	FEMALE	UGANDA
1830207	KWADU	IVAN	MALE	UGANDA
1830205	ATABONG	GETRUDE	FEMALE	UGANDA

### Bachelor of Science Biosystems Engineering

1830302	LOKWIYON	YOANAH	MALE	UGANDA
1830301	LOCHEN	SAMUEL	MALE	UGANDA
1830306	NAMPIJA	GLORIA	FEMALE	UGANDA
1830303	MUGAGGA	MOSES	MALE	UGANDA
1830304	NAKAWOOYA	JUSTINE	FEMALE	UGANDA

### Bachelor of Science Education (Agriculture)

1830406	MANZUBO	NADIA	FEMALE	UGANDA
1830403	DRICIRU	JOYCE	FEMALE	UGANDA
1830402	ANYANGO	KASOLINA	FEMALE	UGANDA
1830404	KIRABO	ALLEN	FEMALE	UGANDA
1830409	ONGARIA	STEPHEN	MALE	UGANDA

<b>Master of Science Agri- Enterprise Development</b>				
1830508	KUT	ALUONG	MALE	SOUTH SUDAN
1830502	NABATANZI	LYDIA	FEMALE	UGANDA
1830512	MUTETI	FRANCISCA	FEMALE	KENYA
1830511	MPOFU	TADDIAS	MALE	ZIMBABWE
1830507	BALOUKI	DIDJEMA	FEMALE	TOGO
<b>Master of Science Food Security and Community Nutrition</b>				
1830611	SOGNIGBE	MONIQUE	FEMALE	BENIN
1830602	NAFULA	MARVEEN	FEMALE	UGANDA
1830607	KOLLIESUAH	NELSON	MALE	LIBERIA
1830608	NANOK	AARON	MALE	KENYA
1830610	SHEYAVALI	IYALOO	FEMALE	NAMIBIA

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### Notes to Editors:

The Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM), is a consortium of 85 African universities operating in 36 countries on the continent with a Vision for vibrant, transformative universities catalysing sustainable, inclusive agriculture development to feed and create prosperity for Africa. RUFORUM was established by Vice Chancellors in 2004 with a Secretariat hosted at Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda. In 2014 RUFORUM signed a MoU with the African Union Commission to support implementation of the Science, Technology and Innovation Strategy for Africa (STISA 2024) Priority One on reducing poverty and ensuring food and nutrition security. To-date RUFORUM has supported the training of 1716 MSc and 436 PhD graduates, of whom 94% work in their countries or region, the generation of over 300 agricultural technologies and mobilized over US\$169 million for strengthening postgraduate education in Africa. Please visit [www.ruforum.org](http://www.ruforum.org) for more information.

### About The MasterCard Foundation

The MasterCard Foundation works with visionary organizations to provide greater access to education, skills training and financial services for people living in poverty, primarily in Africa. As one of the largest, private foundations, its work is guided by its mission to advance learning and promote financial inclusion to create an inclusive and equitable world. Based in Toronto, Canada, its independence was established by MasterCard when the Foundation was created in 2006. For more information and to sign up for the Foundation's newsletter, please visit [www.mastercardfdn.org](http://www.mastercardfdn.org). Follow the Foundation at [@MCFoundation](https://twitter.com/MCFoundation) and read more about [matercard@RUFROUM](mailto:matercard@RUFROUM)

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