



ROYAL OPEN UNIVERSITY

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UGANDA

ADMISSION CRITERIA

Please find below ROU admission criteria;

1. **Selection of courses:**

A student chooses a course of preference for as long as he/she qualifies for it. There are several programmes that are not reflected on this list because they have not been any applications. However, most of them are offered by our collaborating institutions and you apply for it on duo award.

2. **Minimum entry qualifications;**

The following are the minimum entry qualifications for admission at ROU approved and followed by university's Admission Committee. A degree course will take 3 year on normal progress before graduation.

I) SCHOOL OF BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

a) Bachelor of Business Administration

Two A Level Principal Passes of which one should be in Economics and one subsidiary pass plus five O level passes including a credit in Mathematics.

b) Bachelor of International Business Administration

Two A Level Principal passes and one subsidiary pass plus five O 'level passes including a credit in Mathematics.

c) Bachelor of Marketing Management

Two A Level Principal passes of which one should be in Economics and one subsidiary pass plus five passes including a credit in Mathematics

d) Bachelor of Human Resource Management

Two A Level Principal passes and one subsidiary pass including a subsidiary in Economics and five O Level passes including a credit in Mathematics.

e) Bachelor of Supplies and Procurement Management

Two A Level principal passes and one subsidiary pass including a subsidiary

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pass in Economics and five O Level passes with a credit in Mathematics.

f) Bachelor of Entrepreneurship and Small Business Management

Two A Level principal passes and one should be in Entrepreneurship and five O Level passes with a credit in Mathematics.

g) Bachelor of Business Computing

Two A Level principal passes in Mathematics, Economics, Physics or Geography and five O level passes including a credit in Mathematics

h) Bachelor of Tourism and Hotel Management

Two A Level Principal passes and one subsidiary pass plus five O 'level passes including a credit in Mathematics.

h) Bachelor of Arts in Economics

Two A Level principal passes and one should be in Economics and five O Level passes with a credit in Mathematics.

i) Bachelor of Science in Statistics

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Two A Level principal passes in Mathematics and Economics plus five O Level passes with a credit in Mathematics.

j) Bachelor of Economics and Applied Statistics

Two A Level principal passes in Mathematics and Economics and five O Level passes with a credit in Mathematics.

k) Diploma in Business Administration

One principal pass in Economics and two subsidiary passes plus five credits at O Level including a credit in Mathematics.

l) Diploma in Tourism and Hotel Management

One principal pass and two subsidiary passes plus five credits at O Level including a credit in Mathematics.

m) Diploma in Secretarial and Office Management

One principal pass and two subsidiary passes plus five credits at O Level including a credit in Mathematics

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n) Certificate in Business Administration

Two subsidiary passes at A level plus five passes at O level including a credit in Mathematics

II) SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND COMPUTING

a) Bachelor of Computer Science

Two A Level principal passes in either Mathematics or Physics and any other one subsidiary pass plus five credit passes at O Level.

b) Bachelor of Computer Engineering

Two A Level principal passes in Mathematics, Physics and any other principal pass or subsidiary pass and five O level passes.

c) Bachelor of Information Technology

Two A Level principal passes in either Arts or Science subjects and one subsidiary pass plus five O Level passes.

e) Bachelor of Management Information Systems

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Two A Level principal passes in either Arts or Science subjects and one subsidiary pass plus five O level passes.

f) Bachelor of Library and Information Sciences

Two A Level principal passes in either Arts or Science subjects and one subsidiary pass plus five O level passes.

g) Diploma in Library and Information Sciences

One A level principal pass, and two subsidiary passes in either Arts or Science subjects plus five O Level passes.

h) Diploma in Computer Science

One A level principal pass, and two subsidiary passes in either Arts or Science subjects plus five O Level passes.

i) Diploma in Information Technology

One A level principal pass, and two subsidiary passes in either Arts or Science subjects plus five O Level passes.

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j) Certificate in Computer Science

A Level with subsidiary passes and five O Level passes.

k) Certificate in Library and Information Sciences

A Level with subsidiary passes and five O Level passes.

V) SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

a) Bachelor of Computer Science with Education

Two A Level Principal passes in either arts or science subjects plus one subsidiary pass in ICT and five O Level passes.

b) Bachelor of Arts with Education

Two A Level Principal passes in arts subjects and one subsidiary pass, should have two teaching subjects.

c) Bachelor of Science with Education

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Two A Level principal passes in science subjects and five O Level passes, should have two teaching subjects in Science subjects.

d) Bachelor of Education - In-service Arts/science Primary Option

Should have a Grade III Teachers Certificate and a Diploma in Primary Education from a recognized Institution of Higher Learning with two teaching subjects in either arts or science subjects.

e) Bachelor of Education - In-service Science/Arts Secondary Option

Should have a Diploma in Secondary Education from a recognized Institution of higher learning with two teaching subjects and two A level principal passes.

f) Bachelor of Education with Special Needs Education In-service

Applicants should have a Diploma in Special Needs Education from a recognized Institution of Higher learning

g) Bachelor of Education with Guidance and Counseling In-service

Applicants should have a diploma in Education with Guidance and Counseling from a recognized Institution of higher learning, must have two teaching subjects.

III) SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

a) Certificate in Mass Communication

A Level with subsidiary passes and five O Level passes.

b) Diploma in Mass Communication

One A level principal pass, and two subsidiary passes in either Arts or Science subjects plus five O Level passes

c) Bachelor of Mass Communication

Two principal passes at A Level plus one subsidiary pass should have five passes at O Level or the equivalent.

d) Diploma in Social Work and Social Administration

One A level principal pass, and two subsidiary passes in either Arts or Science subjects plus five O Level passes

e) Bachelor of Social Work and Social Administration

Two principal passes at A Level and one subsidiary pass or the equivalent plus five passes at O Level.

f) Diploma in Development Studies

One A level principal pass, and two subsidiary passes in either Arts or Science subjects plus five O Level passes

g) Bachelor of Development Studies

Two principal passes at A Level and one subsidiary pass or the equivalent plus five passes at O Level.

h) Diploma in International Relations and Diplomatic Studies

One A level principal pass, and two subsidiary passes in either Arts or Science subjects plus five O Level passes

i) Bachelor of Arts in International Relations and Diplomatic Studies

Two principal passes at A Level and one subsidiary pass or the equivalent plus five passes at O Level.

j) Diploma in Conflict Resolution and Peace Building

One A level principal pass, and two subsidiary passes in either Arts or Science subjects plus five O Level passes

k) Diploma in Social and Community Development

One A level principal pass, and two subsidiary passes in either Arts or Science subjects plus five O Level passes

l) Bachelor of Social and Community Development

Two principal passes at A Level and one subsidiary pass or the equivalent plus five passes at O Level.

m) Diploma in Development Studies

One A Level principal pass plus two subsidiary passes, and five passes at O Level

n) Certificate in Public Administration

At least subsidiary passes at Advanced Level plus five passes at Ordinary Level Certificate.

V) SCHOOL OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

a) Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery

Two A Level Principal passes at Advanced level in Biology and Chemistry plus one subsidiary pass in science subjects including general paper and five credits at Ordinary level in English, Mathematics, Chemistry, Biology, and Physics.

b) Bachelor of Pharmacy

Two A Level Principal passes at Advanced level in Biology and Chemistry plus one subsidiary pass in science subjects including general paper and five credits at Ordinary level in English, Mathematics, Chemistry, Biology, and Physics.

c) Bachelor of Nursing Sciences

Two A Level Principal passes at Advanced level in Biology and Chemistry plus one subsidiary pass in science subjects including general paper and five credits at Ordinary level in English, Mathematics, Chemistry, Biology, and Physics.

d) Bachelor of Clinical Medicine and Community Health

Two A Level Principal passes at Advance level in Biology and Chemistry plus one subsidiary pass in science subjects including general paper and five credits at Ordinary level in English, Mathematics, Chemistry, Biology, and Physics.

e) Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Technology

Two Principal passes at Advanced level in Biology and Chemistry/physics/Mathematics and five credits at Ordinary Level in English, Maths, Chemistry, Physics and Biology.

f) Diploma in Clinical Medicine and Community Health

One principal pass in Biology at Advanced Level plus two subsidiaries passes in science subjects including general paper and five credits at Ordinary level including Maths, English, Biology, Chemistry and physics.

g) Diploma in Nursing Sciences

One principal pass in Biology at Advanced level plus two subsidiary passes in science subjects including general paper and five credits at Ordinary level including Maths, English, Biology, Chemistry and physics.

h) Diploma in Pharmacy

One principal pass in Chemistry at advanced level plus two subsidiary passes in science subjects including general paper and five credits at ordinary level in Mathematics, English, Biology, Chemistry and Physics.

i) Diploma in Medical Laboratory Technology

One principal pass in Biology and a subsidiary pass in Chemistry and one subsidiary pass in science subjects including general paper plus five credits at ordinary level in Mathematics, English, Biology and Physics

VII) ACCESS PROGRAMME

This is a pre-university programme designed for students who do not meet the minimum qualifications for direct entry into ROU degree or diploma programmes. It is for students whose educational systems are different from Uganda's but qualify for university entry under their home countries' educational systems. Students who pass the access programme qualify to apply for ROU undergraduate courses.

V) FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND APPLIED SCIENCES

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics

Bachelor of Applied Mathematics with Computing

Bachelor of Science in Analytical Chemistry

Bachelor of Science in Industrial Chemistry

Bachelor of Science in Chemistry

Bachelor of Science in Applied Physics

Bachelor of Science in Telecommunications Engineering

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering

Bachelor of Science in Environmental Management

Bachelor of Science in Wildlife Management and Conservation Biology

Bachelor of Science in Applied Physics

Diploma in Telecommunication Engineering

Diploma in Environmental Management

All the above degrees require; to have sat the Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education and obtained at least 2 (two) principal passes in relevant subjects i.e.

Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry plus one subsidiary pass. For Diploma courses above, one should have obtained at least one principal pass in Mathematics, physics, and Chemistry.

VI) POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMAS AND DEGREES

To qualify for a Postgraduate Diploma, a candidate should have obtained a Bachelor's Degree from a recognized institution of Higher Learning or the equivalent.

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA PROGRAMMES UNDER SCHOOL OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES INCLUDE;

Postgraduate Diploma in Anatomy

Postgraduate Diploma in Physiology

Postgraduate Diploma in Biochemistry

Postgraduate Diploma in Microbiology

OTHER POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMAS INCLUDE

Postgraduate Diploma in Business Administration

Postgraduate Diploma in Computer Science

Postgraduate Diploma in Development Studies

Postgraduate Diploma in Project Planning and Management

Postgraduate Diploma in Public Administration

Postgraduate Diploma in Education

Postgraduate Diploma in Educational Management and Planning

Postgraduate Diploma in Electrical Engineering

Postgraduate Diploma in Water and Environmental Engineering

Postgraduate Diploma in Construction Project Management

NOTE: Apply for any Post Graduate Degree in any of the above fields.

MASTERS DEGREE PROGRAMMES

To qualify for a Master's Degree programme, a candidate should have obtained a Bachelor's Degree from a recognized Institution of Higher Learning with a minimum CGPA of Second Class Lower Division.

MASTERS PROGRAMMES IN UNDER SCHOOL OF HEALTH AND HUMAN

SERVICES INCLUDE;

Master of Medicine in Obstetrics & Gynecology

Master of Medicine in Internal Medicine

Master of Medicine in Pediatrics

Master of Medicine in Pathology

Master of Medicine in Psychiatry

For all the above courses, a candidate must hold a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery.

OTHER MASTERS PROGRAMMES INCLUDE;

Master of Arts in Conflict Resolution and Peace Building

Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology

Master of Arts in Development Studies

Master of Arts in English

Master of Arts in Geography

Master of Arts in History

Master of Arts in Human Rights and Development

Master of Arts in Linguistics

Master of Arts in Project Planning and Management

Master of Arts in Public Administration and Management

Master of Arts in Social Work and Social Administration

Master of Arts in Economic Policy and Planning

Master of Business Administration with specialization in Finance and Accounting, Finance and Banking, Human Resource Management, Information Technology, Insurance, International Business, Local Government, Management option, Marketing, NGO Management and supplies and Procurement.

Master of Arts in Economics

Master of Science in Statistics

Master of Arts in Human Resource Management

Master of Education Foundations

Master of Education in Comparative and Instructional Technology

Master of education in Early Childhood Education

Master of Education in Educational Administration and Management

Master of education in Educational Foundations

Master of Education in Religious Studies

Master of Education in Special Needs Education

Master of Information Technology

Master of International Relations and Diplomatic Studies

Master of Laws with Specialization in; Commercial Law, Criminal Law and Criminology, Intellectual Property Law, Natural Resources and Public International Law

Master of Science in Conservation Biology and Wildlife Management

Master of Science in Applied Mathematics

Master of Science in Chemistry

Master of Science in Computer Science

Master of Science in Environmental Management

Master of Science in Information Systems

Master of Science in Physics

Master of Science in Pure Mathematics

Master of Science in Software Systems Engineering

Master of Science in Construction Project Management

Master of Science in Water and Environmental Engineering

Master of science in Electrical Engineering

Duration of the courses;

All undergraduate arts degree courses take 4 years Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery takes 6 years, Bachelor of Nursing Sciences which takes 6 years, Bachelor of Pharmacy which takes 6 years, Bachelor of Science in Clinical Medicine and Community Health which takes 6 years, Engineering courses take 6 years.

All Postgraduate Diploma courses take two Year. Master Programmes take 3 to 4 years.

All Diploma courses take three years and Masters programmes take 3-4 years

NB: Certificate and Diploma holders from recognized Institutions of Higher Learning are eligible to apply for either Diplomas or Degree courses of their choices.