

Application Procedure

For information on the application procedure please visit our website: www.mksu.ac.ke or Registrar's (Academic and Student Affairs) office.

The following documents are required;

- i. Certified copies of professional and academic certificates and transcripts
- ii. copy of National Identity Card or Passport,
- iii. Two passport photographs

Application fee is KSH 2,000 Payable to any of the following bank accounts

Kenya Commercial Bank: 1137145064

Nation Bank of Kenya: 01020078499400

Standard Chartered bank: 0152016845602

Fees Structure for Msc (Agribusiness Management)

Tuition fee – Year 1: Ksh 120,000

(Excluding statutory fee)

Tuition fee – Year 2: Ksh 120,000

(Excluding statutory fee)

Mode of Study

The mode of study is flexible and a student can study on full-time or part-time basis

Intakes

Intakes in January and September.

Application for September 2019 Intake ongoing.

For further information on MSc. Programme and admissions, please contact the following Department of Agribusiness Management
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MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF AGRIBUSINESS MANAGEMENT
PROGRAMME FOR

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN AGRIBUSINESS
MANAGEMENT**

Vision Statement

A preferred University of Scholarly Excellence
in Scholarship and Service delivery

Mission Statement

Provide Scholarly Education through Training, Research
and Innovation for Industrial and socio-economic
transformation of our communities.

Philosophy Statement

Provide Transformative Leadership in Teaching, Training,
Research, Innovation, Industrial and Technology
transfer for wealth creation.

ISO 9001:2015 Certified

Msc. Agribusiness Management

Introduction

The MSc (Agribusiness Management) will equip students with essential skills, knowledge and competencies necessary to efficiently manage a competitive agribusiness industry and address emerging trends and issues in the global agriculture and food system. Graduates of the programme will support the nation to achieve commercialization of the agricultural sector, and food and nutrition security for all, as envisaged in the Food Security and Manufacturing pillars of the government's Big-Four Agenda. They will also play an essential role in contributing to the realization of Kenya's Vision 2030, UN's Sustainable Development Goals and Agenda 2063 of the African Union, through fostering sustainable agricultural development.

Learning Outcomes

On completion of the programme, the MSc. (Agribusiness Management) graduates will be able to:

- (1) Analyze agricultural commodity chains and market opportunities to improve access to domestic and global markets by chain actors;
- (2) Develop and efficiently manage competitive, safe, sustainable agribusiness value chains;
- (3) Analyze agricultural policies and programs with the aim of recommending value chain interventions that promote food and nutritional security;
- (4) Carry out independent research and development projects in agribusiness management, and disseminate their findings;
- (5) Offer agribusiness leadership, advisory and managerial services in governmental, non-governmental and private organizations and programs.

Why study at Machakos University?

The MSc (Agribusiness Management) of Machakos University is unique in a number of ways that make it relevant to modern agricultural sector.

i. Learners will be exposed to sustainable agri-food systems that take into account environmental issues and climate change;

- ii. Students will be trained on impact evaluation in agriculture and development to enable them carry out evaluation of the ever increasing interventions in agricultural development;
- iii. The programme allows students to choose from two options that emphasize on agricultural value chains and strategic management and leadership in agribusiness.

Admission Requirements

- (1) A holder of FIRST CLASS or UPPER SECOND CLASS degree in Agribusiness Management, Agricultural Economics or any Agricultural Sciences degree (with a strong background in economics or business) from a university recognized by Machakos University Senate; or
- (2) A holder of LOWER SECOND CLASS degree in the same disciplines as in (1), but must show a proof of academic advancement either through research and publication or postgraduate training in agribusiness related field or at least two year of relevant field experience; or
- (3) A holder of a PASS degree in the same discipline as in (1) above AND a relevant postgraduate diploma from a recognized University OR at least five years of relevant field experience and evidence of research publication since graduation.

Course Duration and Structure

- (1) The minimum duration of the programme is two (2) years consisting of four (4) semesters and shall involve Course Work and a Master's Thesis.
- (2) The course work consists of twelve (12) taught course units offered in two (2) semesters
- (3) In Semester one, six (6) core and foundational courses are offered in applied economics, business and in agri-food systems.
- (4) In Semester two, six (6) units are offered of which three (3) are compulsory foundational courses and the other three (3) are from the area of specialization chosen by the student.
- (5) Semesters 3-4 are dedicated to Master's thesis.

Distribution of units for the MSc (Agribusiness Management)

S.No.	UNIT NAME AND CODE
YEAR ONE SEMESTER ONE	
1.	AGB801: Agricultural Micro- Economics
2.	AGB 802: Quantitative Methods in Agribusiness Management
3.	AGB 803: Financial Management for Agribusiness
4.	AGB 804: Advanced Agricultural Production Economics
5.	AGB 805: Research Methods and Scientific Reporting
6.	AGB 807: Sustainable Food Systems
YEAR ONE SEMESTER TWO	
7.	AGB806: Strategic Management in Agribusiness
8.	AGB 808: Econometrics
9.	AGB 809: Impact Evaluation in Agriculture and Development
Specialization 1: Agricultural Value Chains and Market Development	
10.	AGB 810: Agricultural Value Chain Development and Management (Core)
11.	AGB 811: Strategic Marketing and International Trade (Core)
12.	AGB 812: Agripreneurship and Agri-enterprise Development (Elective)
13.	AGB 813: Agribusiness Policy Analysis (Elective)
Specialization 2: Agribusiness Strategic Management and Leadership	
14.	AGB 814: Strategic Leadership and Governance for Agribusiness (Core)
15.	AGB 815: Policy and Institution Innovations in Agribusiness (Core)
16.	AGB 816: Risk management for Agribusiness (Elective)
17.	AGB 817: Management Information Systems in Agribusiness (Elective)
YEAR TWO (2-3 semesters)	
18.	AGB 900: Thesis