



NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

PRESS RELEASE

REGISTRATION AND ACCREDITATION OF INSTITUTIONS AND PROGRAMMES

The National Council for Higher Education Act (No. 15 of 2011), gives mandate to the Council to regulate Higher Education Institutions in Malawi. At its 34th ordinary meeting held on 16th December 2021, the National Council for Higher Education (the Council), made the following decisions regarding institutional and programme assessments for registration and accreditation:

S/N	Name of Institution	Decision of the Council
1	Pentecostal Life University	<p>a) The Council registered Pentecostal Life University at its new campus in Area 51.</p> <p>b) The Council accredited with conditions four (4) programmes, namely:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bachelor of Arts in Journalism and Mass Communication; 2. Bachelor of Accounting and Finance; 3. Bachelor of Arts in Christian Ministry; and 4. Bachelor of Arts in Christian Leadership and Management. <p>c) The Council did not register four (4) programmes, namely:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Master of Arts in Media and Mass Communication; 2. Master of Arts in Development Studies; 3. Master of Arts in Strategic Management; and 4. PhD in Business Administration by Research. <p>d) The Council did not accredit eight (8) programmes, namely:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Master of Business Management; 2. Bachelor of Arts in Human Resource Management; 3. Bachelor of Arts in Public Administration; 4. Bachelor of Development Studies;

		<p>5. Bachelor of Social Science (Economics);</p> <p>6. Bachelor of Arts in Banking and Finance;</p> <p>7. Bachelor of Arts in Marketing; and</p> <p>8. Bachelor of Arts in Entrepreneurship.</p>
2	Malawi Assemblies of God University	<p>a) The Council accredited with conditions five (5) programmes, namely:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bachelor of Commerce, Monitoring and Evaluation; 2. Bachelor of Accounting; 3. Bachelor of Social Science in Community Development; 4. Bachelor of Social Science in Early Childhood Development; and 5. Doctor of Philosophy in Contextual Theology. <p>b) The Council did not authorise MAGU to offer its programmes through Open Distance and eLearning mode of delivery.</p>
3	Malawi Institute of Management	<p>The Council did not accredit the following two (2) programmes, namely:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bachelor of Science in Information and Communication Technology; and 2. Master of Science in Management Information Systems.
4	Malawi College of Accountancy	The Council did not accredit Bachelor of Banking and Financial Services Management.
5	University of Malawi	The Council accredited Bachelor of Social Science (Social Work).
6	University of Lilongwe	The Council registered Doctor of Philosophy in Applied and Development Economics.
7	University of Livingstonia	<p>a) The Council registered three (3) programmes namely:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bachelor of Science in Sustainable Agriculture; 2. Bachelor of Science in Agribusiness and Entrepreneurship; and 3. Bachelor of Science in Rural and Agrarian Development.
8	UNICAF University	The Council did not authorise the inclusion of a fallback award of a Master of Philosophy for accredited Doctoral programmes of UNICAF University.

The National Council for Higher Education (NCHE), further wishes to notify the general public that private Higher Education Institutions are required to register with NCHE all new programmes and satellite centres before admitting students or commencing operations in those centres. The Council would like to assure the general public that it is doing everything possible to ensure that only properly registered private Higher Education Institutions are operating and offering registered programmes. Both public and private Higher Education Institutions are required to go through the process of accreditation. The Council is therefore urging all prospective students, parents and guardians to access lists of all registered and accredited institutions and programmes in Malawi before enrolling.

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