



COVENANT UNIVERSITY POLICY ON ADMISSION FOR POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS

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PREAMBLE:

There are general and specific requirements for admission into the Postgraduate programmes of Covenant University. This policy contains the requirements and procedures for admission into the different Postgraduate programmes available in the University.

1. General Admission Requirements:

- a) To be considered for admission into any postgraduate programme of Covenant University, an applicant shall satisfy the general University requirements as well as any special requirements for admission into the programme of interest.
- b) An applicant shall complete the application form on the University portal and ensure that the information submitted is accurate.
- c) The applicant shall provide all relevant documents, including certificates, academic transcripts, reference letters, etc. as specified on the application form before being considered for admission.
- d) An applicant shall request and ensure that all institutions attended process and forward official academic transcripts (undergraduate and/or postgraduate) to the School of Postgraduate Studies. Transcripts must be received directly from the applicant's institution.
- e) Applicants who are Nigerian citizens shall, in addition, provide their National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) discharge, exemption or exclusion certificate.

2. Postgraduate Diploma (PGD) Programme

To be considered for admission into the Postgraduate diploma (PGD) programme, an applicant shall have:

- a) Bachelor's Degree with not less than third class Division in the same or related discipline from Covenant University or a University recognised by the Senate.
- b) Bachelor's Degree with at least second Class lower Division in an unrelated discipline may be considered.
- c) Higher National Diploma (HND) with a minimum of Lower Credit.
- d) Applicants with relevant professional qualifications may be considered.

In addition, a candidate shall obtain credit passes in at least five (5) subjects, including English Language and Mathematics, at the Ordinary Level examinations of WAEC/NECO/NABTEB.

3. Master's Degree Programme

To be considered for admission into M.A., M.Sc., M.Eng. MBA and MPA degree programmes of Covenant University, an applicant shall be required to have:

- a) Bachelor's degree in relevant discipline with at least second class lower division from Covenant University or any other university recognised by the Senate.
- b) Postgraduate diploma (PGD) with a minimum CGPA of 3.5 in addition to a Bachelor's degree (minimum of third class Division) or HND (minimum of Lower Credit) in a relevant discipline may be considered.
- c) Applicants with relevant professional qualifications such as ACA, ACIB, etc. who do not have either B.Sc degree or HND would need to obtain the relevant PGD before applying for the professional Master's programme of the University such as MBA/MPA/MIT etc.

4. Ph.D Degree Programme

To qualify for admission into the Ph.D degree programme of Covenant University, an applicant shall possess:

- a) Bachelor's and Master's Degrees (M.A/M.Sc/M.Eng/M.Tech) in the relevant discipline obtained from Covenant University or any other university recognised by the Senate.
- b) A minimum CGPA of 4.0 on a 5.0 point scale or equivalent in the Master's programme to qualify for a direct entry into the Ph.D degree programme.
- c) Applicants with CGPA of 3.50 - 3.99 on a 5.0 point scale or equivalent in the Master's programme may be considered for M.Phil./Ph.D programme.
- d) Applicants with professional Master's Degrees shall not be eligible for Ph.D programmes except they obtained M.Sc degrees in the relevant fields.

5. Screening and Selection Criteria

- a) All applicants for admission into the postgraduate programme of Covenant University shall undergo a screening exercise to determine eligibility.
- b) The screening shall include written and oral tests in the applicant's desired programme and also an appraisal of readiness to comply with the rules and regulations for postgraduate training in Covenant University.
- c) An applicant shall have a minimum score of 50% in the screening tests to be considered eligible for admission.

6. Provisional Admission

- a) Selected applicants, having met the stipulated criteria for admission, shall be offered provisional admission into the applicable programmes.
- b) A non-refundable acceptance fee of ₦50,000.00 shall be paid by the admitted candidates within two weeks of the offer while the remaining shall be paid on or before resumption.
- c) The admission shall be withdrawn if any of the conditions stated above is not complied with or if any information supplied by the applicant is found to be false.