

Within the scientific network “Clim-A-Net - The North-South-Network on Climate Proofing of Vulnerable Regions” Carl von Ossietzky University Oldenburg announces

Scholarships for postgraduate students at University of Oldenburg

The DAAD promotes international academic cooperation, especially through the exchange of students and academics. Cooperating universities are Carl von Ossietzky University Oldenburg, Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University, Port Elizabeth, South Africa and University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

The North-South Climate Network aims to build on and develop new capacities and scientific knowledge on climate change impacts, mitigation and adaptation strategies for targeted regions. The network focuses on climate proofing of river basins in Africa. These regions are being both highly vulnerable to climatic changes and crucial in terms of a balanced regional development relying on the foundation of regional living and non-living resources as well as regional economies.

The project is organised in two research teams focussing on

- 1) study of ecological and hydrological systems based on field research, modelling and scenario building
- 2) study of socio-economic systems in the regions with regard to their adaptive capacities and adaptation strategies.

The two study regions are the Pangani River Basin (Tanzania) and the Keiskamma River catchment (South Africa).

Length:

6-12 months, depending on the research topic. In exceptional cases an extension of the scholarship to a maximum of 24 months is possible

Programmes at the University of Oldenburg:

- Landscape Ecology (German language programme with some English modules)
- Sustainability Economics and Management (German language programme with some English modules)
- Water and Coastal Management (English language programme)
- Environmental Modelling (German language programme)
- Marine Environmental Sciences (German language programme with some English modules)

Exchange students can combine modules from the different programmes. Students normally choose five modules per term (one module = 6 credit points (ECTS)). One module usually consists of a lecture plus seminar. Exchange students may choose a lower or higher course load depending on requirements at their home university.

Students who would like to apply for a complete master programme should contact Kilian Köbrich (contact details see below) for further information, as special requirements have to be met.

Scholarship:

The student will be awarded a scholarship of up to 750 € per month. DAAD will pay an appropriate flat-rate travel allowance, unless these costs are covered by another funding source.

Working Language and language of the master's degree: English/German

Requirements for the applicant

- University degree (Min. Bachelor) in Landscape Ecology, Geography, Economics and Social Sciences or related disciplines
- knowledge in climate change and adaptation to climate change, knowledge in empirical social science research, experience in scientific research project is desired (socio-economic systems) or
- knowledge in nature conservation, ecological and hydrological systems hydrology, experience in landscape and hydrological modelling (ecological systems)
- English proficiency at an academic level

Compulsory attachments:

- Curriculum vitae
- Reports, certificates
- Letter of Motivation
- Two letters of recommendation
- Proof of English language skills

First, please contact the Project Representative at your university:

University of Dar es Salaam – Pius Yhanda (yanda@ira.udsm.ac.tz),
Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University – Vincent Kakembo
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After that, please send your application to:

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