



ABOUT MAKERERE UNIVERSITY

Established in 1922 as a technical school, Makerere University is one of the oldest and most prestigious universities in Africa. Its mission statement is to provide world-class innovative teaching, learning, research and services responsive to national and global needs.

The Faculty of Economics and Management (FEMA) seeks to provide high-quality training and to be a leading research center on Economic, Trade, Management, Banking, Finance and Business Administration issues that focus on national and international growth and development. FEMA

offers Master of Arts in Economic Policy and Planning, Economic Policy Management, Business Administration and Economics and PhD in Economics.

The Department of Women and Gender Studies (DWGS) is a multi-disciplinary academic unit that is at the forefront of academic and community initiatives to address gender and development issues from an African perspective. The department's mission is to provide intellectual leadership for mainstreaming gender perspectives in all aspects of economic, political, social and cultural development. The department offers a Master of Arts in Gender Studies.

ABOUT UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

UNDP is the United Nations global development network, an organization advocating for change and connecting countries to knowledge, experience and resources to help people build a better life. UNDP is working on the ground in 166 countries. UNDP assists governments with their own solutions to global and national development challenges. As countries develop local capacity, they draw on the people of UNDP and its wide range of partners. The headquarters of UNDP is in New York, United States.

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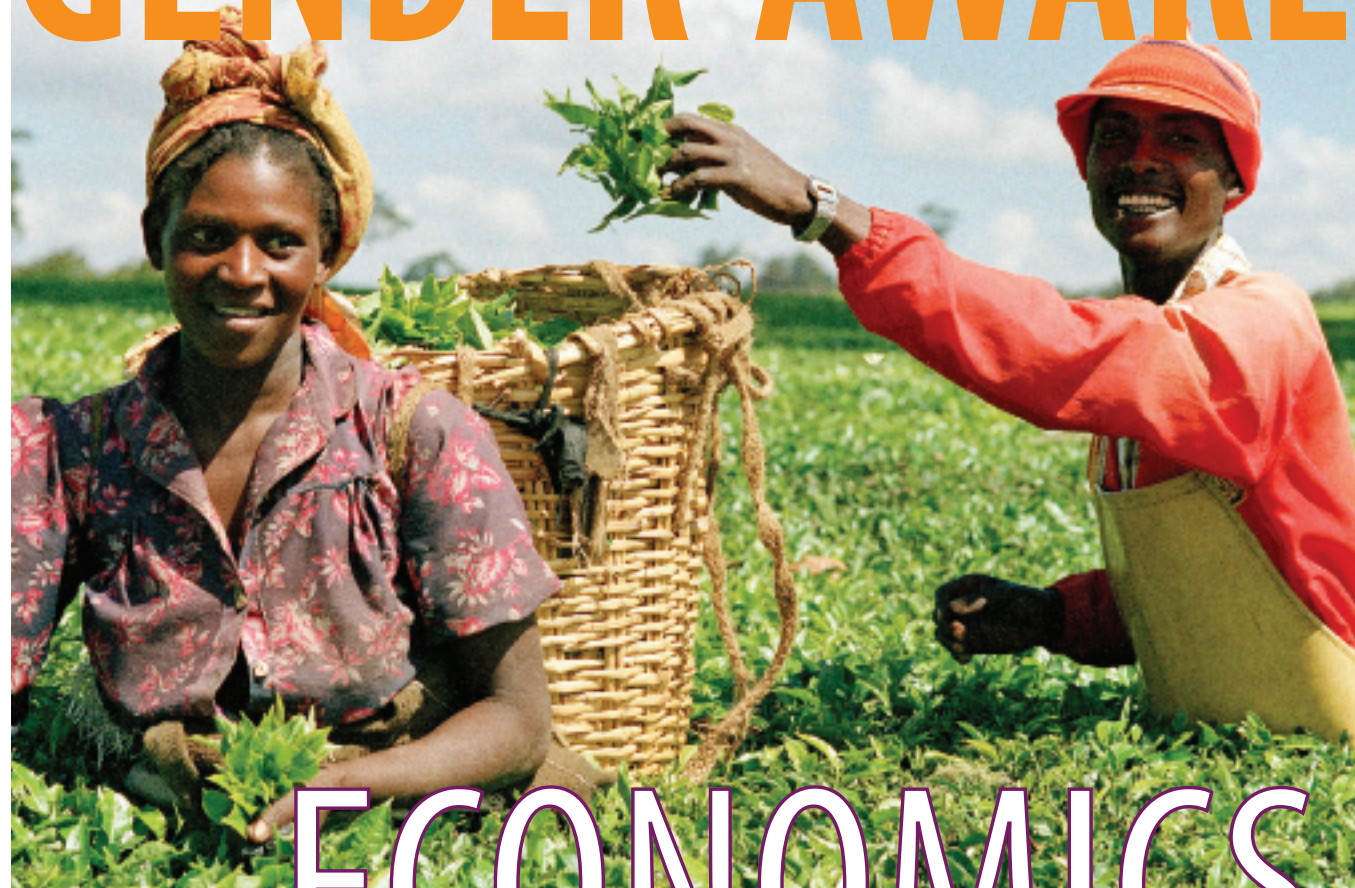
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Master of Arts in GENDER-AWARE



ECONOMICS

Gender and Economic Policy Management Initiative – Africa

WHY GENDER-AWARE ECONOMICS?

Evidence shows that investing in gender equality—such as increasing women’s access to health care, employment and credit—can accelerate economic growth and reduce poverty and that persistent gender inequalities reduce prospects for economic growth. Yet, attention to gender equality is still lacking in economic policy formulation and implementation.

The Gender and Economic Policy Management Initiative Africa was created in response to this gap in Africa. The programme intends to accelerate achievement of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), in particular MDG 3 on gender equality and women’s empowerment, by increasing the effectiveness of economic policies and poverty reduction strategies in Africa to make them deliver to poor women and men, girls and boys, more equitably.

The Master of Arts in Gender-Aware Economics is open to students from all over Africa.



OBJECTIVES AND EXPECTED SKILLS UPON COMPLETION

The Master of Arts in Gender-Aware Economics, the first of its kind in Africa, is an intensive one year programme starting in August 2010.

The programme will provide the future generation of African policy-makers and planners with the knowledge and tools they need to apply gender equality as a key parameter in economic policy making, analysis, planning, budgeting and implementation.

It is expected that the students will acquire conceptual understanding of gender issues in economic analysis and policy making and knowledge and expertise to mainstream gender perspectives in development policy formulation and planning at national and international level.

FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

Gender-aware economics is a new and fast growing branch of economics with well established, high-ranking journals. With the spread of gender institutions and policies on the African continent there is increased demand for a strong workforce with degrees in this field. Regional economic institutions as well as ministries of finance and planning need economists with knowledge on gender issues to adequately address poverty reduction.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission to the Master of Arts in Gender-Aware Economics programme is based on academic performance and professional experience.

- A first degree in Economics, Commerce, Statistics or equivalent from a recognized university, with a minimum of lower second class honours.
- Preference will be given to applicants who are in a relevant position in a government, para-statal or non-governmental organization and who are committed to a career in gender-responsive economic policy management.
- Applicants are required to provide a one-page statement of interest/motivation into the programme.

SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE OFFERED TO SELECTED APPLICANTS WHO FULFILL THE ADMISSION CRITERIA.

For further information on admission process, please see www.fema.mak.ac.ug.

ADMINISTRATION OF THE PROGRAMME

The programme will be managed and administered by the Faculty of Economics and Management (FEMA) and run in collaboration with the Department of Women and Gender Studies (DWGS), Makerere University.

The programme will also benefit from visiting lecturers and professors as well as practitioners from the public and the private sectors to serve as guest speakers and resource persons for selected modules.

The 12-month course of study will be held in three sessions, the first two focusing on core courses and the last concentrating on electives. At the programme end, students will be required to submit a research paper on economic policy issue from a gender perspective.

The Master of Arts in Gender-Aware Economics programme includes:

REQUIRED COURSES

- Applied Econometrics
- Foundations for Gender-Aware Economics
- Gender-Aware Macroeconomics
- Gender-Aware Microeconomics
- Gender-Aware Research Methodology
- Macroeconomics for Policy Management
- Microeconomics for Policy Management
- Policy Analysis and Management

ELECTIVE COURSES

- Gender Analysis of Development Finance
- Gender Analysis of International Trade and Investment
- Gender-Aware Macroeconomic Modeling
- Gender-Aware Agricultural Economics
- Health Economics
- Public Sector Economics
- Resource and Environmental Economics

