



What is TAGDev?

Transforming African Agricultural Universities to meaningfully contribute to Africa's growth and development (TAGDev) is an eight year project which aims to transform African agricultural universities and their graduates to better respond to developmental challenges through enhanced application of science, technology, business and innovation for rural agricultural transformation.

Partnerships:

The MasterCard Foundation, Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM), Egerton University (Kenya) and Gulu University (Uganda) are implementing partners motivated to training competent and highly skilled African youth whilst developing the capacity of African universities.

TAGDev Focus:

1. Pilot a new model of agricultural education at early adopter universities that connects tertiary agricultural education to rural communities, with an emphasis on smallholder farmers;
2. Strengthen agribusiness / entrepreneurship at Egerton University, Gulu University and selected Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) institutions;
3. Scale up new models for agricultural education to other agricultural universities and TVET institutions and
4. Increase collaboration and mutual learning among institutions and agencies implementing and influencing innovative Tertiary Agricultural Education for rural transformation in Africa

TAGDev Scholarships:

Scholarship opportunities are open to African students of all race, colour, and descent, particularly those who are economically disadvantaged and from conflict and post-conflict areas of Africa. The applicant should be eligible for admission into undergraduate and/or postgraduate programmes at Gulu University and/or Egerton University. Students already holding any other scholarship of any kind are not eligible to benefit from this scholarship opportunity.

Application forms are available at <http://ruforum.org/MCF/scholarships>.

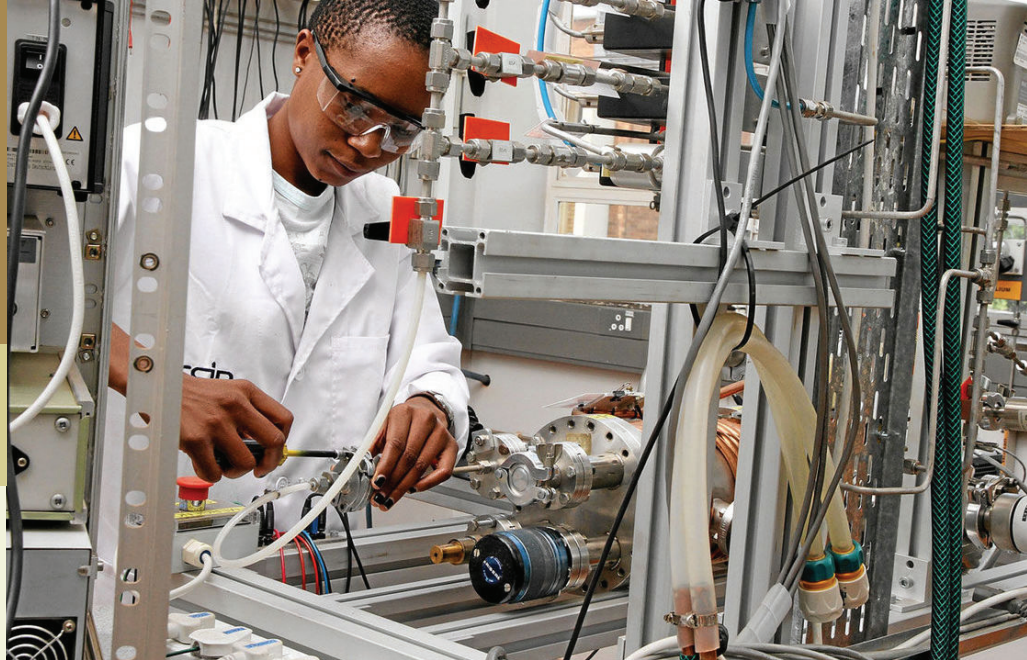
Scholarship Facts:

This is a full-board comprehensive scholarship that covers; tuition fees, one return air ticket for African students from outside Uganda and Kenya, research costs, workshop and conference costs, living expenses including stipend and accommodation fees, laptop, internship attachment, community engagement and field attachment, and entrepreneurship training.

Student Profile upon completion: Students will become high achievers, engaged and focused graduates who are change makers in Africa.

Eligible Programmes: The following programmes have been identified as priority for the academic year 2017/2018.

University	Bachelors programmes	Masters Programmes
Gulu University	1. Bachelor of Science in Agri-Entrepreneurship and Communication Management 2. Bachelor of Science in Food and Agribusiness	1. Master of Science in Agri-Enterprises Development 2. Master of Science in Food Security and Community Nutrition
Egerton University	1. Bachelor of Science in Agriculture 2. Bachelor of Science in Animal Science	1. Master of Science in Community Studies and Extension 2. Master of Science in Agri-Enterprise Development



Community Action Research Programme PLUS (CARP+):

The CARP+ focuses on supporting capacity building at undergraduate and graduate levels through enhancing educational value chain and incorporation of Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET). The CARP+ seeks to support universities establish or enhance outreach Centre(s) that link universities more closely with rural communities, research, extension and development agencies, policy-makers and the private sector. Proposals focused on agricultural value chains in crop, livestock and food systems are accepted.



The RUFORUM Entrepreneurship Challenge Program (RECAP):

The RUFORUM Entrepreneurship Challenge Program (RECAP) is an innovative program that builds on the pilot successful enterprise scheme operated by Gulu University and Egerton University. Through the RECAP, agricultural universities will have the opportunity to establish Agribusiness incubation Centers (AIC) as part of operationalizing the Entrepreneurship Challenge Program. This will foster development of innovative business ideas leading to products and/or services at national to regional scale. The AIC will serve as a hub that provides opportunity to students and other innovators and entrepreneurs to design and validate their business models and products and test their viability for success in the real world.



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