



**SOUTH SUDAN HIGHER EDUCATION INITIATIVE FOR EQUITY AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT
(SSHIELD) PROJECT**

Indiana University Master's Degree in Secondary Education Scholarship

General Guidelines

Applications are invited for the South Sudan Higher Education Initiative for Equity & Leadership Development (SSHIELD) Master's Degree in Education Scholarship Program for the academic year 2014 / 2015. Candidates from any discipline may apply but the main focus is on education.

This is an Indiana University degree from the USA program, delivered and co-taught by professors from Indiana University, University of Juba and Upper Nile University.

Scope of the Scholarship Program

The Scholarship Program of the SSHIELD Project is funded by USAID, through Higher Education for Development (HED). With this funding, up to twenty (20) female candidates will be sponsored. The scholarship is exclusively for South Sudanese female candidates.

The scholarship is for a maximum of twelve months and is designed exclusively to support the pursuit of a Master's degree in Education.

Candidates must be proficient in written and spoken English. Those called for interview and are successful will be given an English language screening test in December 2013.

Procedure for Application

Preliminary application forms can be obtained from and returned to the SSHIELD Project Office at the College of Education, University of Juba, or at (State Ministry of Education, Directorate of Gender). The preliminary application form must be accompanied by the following documents:

- Curriculum Vitae
- Copy of Nationality
- A statement of interest: explaining your academic goals, career objectives, why you are applying for this program, and the qualifications that make you an appropriate candidate for this program (**Approximately 500**).



Submission of incomplete SSHIELD Application Forms will not be considered.

All documents for submission should be in English and typed or written neatly and clearly in black ink.

Who is Eligible? (Criteria for Selection)

- South Sudanese females aged between 25 years and 35 years
- Hold an undergraduate degree (preferably in Education) at either first class or upper second class level.
- Willingness to lecture at the University of Juba, Upper Nile University or any other Public University in South Sudan for at least two years after the scholarship program
- Commitment of the candidate to promotion of quality education in South Sudan
- At least two female candidates per State
- Candidates with second class degree with at least 2 to 5 years work experience will be considered

Additional requirements for those selected as Finalists (after the prescreening process)

- Authenticated copies of the secondary school leaving certificate
- Authenticated copies of university certificates and transcripts.
- Authenticated copies of English language course certificates (where applicable)
- At least three letters of recommendation addressing the candidate's personal qualities and candidate's professional and academic qualification
- Guarantee of release from employment by the nominating Institution and statement concerning the relevance of the study project for the nominating Institution
- A statement of the research area you wish to pursue;

Applications should be received no later than 3:00 pm on Monday 16 December 2013. Candidates may hand in their applications to the SSHIELD Project Office at the College of Education, University of Juba or e-mail on genderequity@outlook.com Candidates who are shortlisted for interview will hear from us by Monday 20, January 2014. Applicants who have not heard from us by then may assume that they are unsuccessful. Final 20 candidates should be ready to begin lectures at the University of Juba by March 2014.