

Governing Regulations, UECD

1. Selection of Students

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The selection of students in Uganda will be jointly decided through discussion conducted between UECD Uganda and UECD Switzerland. The candidates must submit to being monitored in order to insure that they fulfill established criteria, before being chosen. The resulting decision is final and binding.

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Considerable value is placed on fair choice, with special weight given to women, as they do not have the chance to profit from equal rights and opportunities in career, politics, and everyday life.

2. Selection Prerequisites for Students

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As a prerequisite, all student candidates must write an autobiographical text which should give a sense of their world view and attitude toward life. This text is then distributed to both sponsor and Board of UECD Uganda and Switzerland.

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Candidates must have satisfactorily completed Secondary (High School) A level, and due to financial circumstances, not be able to continue career training. In exceptional cases, UECD Switzerland may also support young people who, because of financial plight, were not able to complete their A levels. This would, however, necessitate that UECD Switzerland finds a sponsor who is ready to financially support the candidate through "high school", as well as through subsequent career training.

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In order to be selected for the program, candidates must show that they have developed a social consciousness. By this we mean that the candidate should think in terms of social responsibility rather than be limited by narrow ethnic or self-serving aims. Above all, they should care about socially and economically disadvantaged groups such as women and

children. They should be open, honest, independent and well aware of their responsibilities to society.

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Support will be given independent of religion, political ideology, or ethnic membership. It will be given out of the conviction that it is necessary to restore a balance between those who have been privileged by society, and those to whom society has denied such privilege.

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Financial support may only be used for career training and educational development. Misuse of available funds will result in the withdrawal of stipends.

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UECD Switzerland will not support more than one person to a family or to a clan.

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The student must master the English language, and be computer literate, or if not, be ready to learn such skills as would make this possible.

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The student must be willing to end career training at a specified time, and be ready to begin the actual career in earnest.

3. Persons to be excluded from the program

Persons who are terminally ill, drug addicted, or criminal, as well as those who have made untruthful claims, or misrepresented themselves to UECD Uganda or UECD Switzerland, particularly regarding facts about themselves, shall be excluded from the program

4. Conditions for Financial Support

Financial support may only be used for expenses directly associated with educational training. This includes: tuition, registration expenses, examination costs, school books, office supplies,

basic health insurance, identity cards, and similar expenses. Board and lodging costs, transportation, expenses for social contacts and other private expenses are to be paid for by the student, his relatives, or by his personal associates. Misuse of financial support will result in a withdrawal of the student's stipend.

5.Student Obligations

5.1 The students will sign a contract with UECD Uganda, their sponsors, and a family member or close standing adult who is willing to accept and acknowledge the following rules and obligations:

5.2 The student is obliged to find work during semester vacations to finance living costs.

The student is to make a budget which has to be accepted by the Board of UECD Uganda and will be sent at least 14 days before the beginning of the term with a scanned copy of the fees structure and the admission stamped by the university or institution to her/his sponsor with a copy also sent to the Governing Board of UECD Uganda and UECD Switzerland. When the budget is received and approved, the stipend will be delivered.

At the end of each semester, the student will send a report of daily expenses covered by the stipend provided. Whenever possible, these expenses should be accompanied by receipts, also to be sent to the Governing Board of UECD Uganda and UECD Switzerland.

5.5.Students are obliged to send regular reports of academic needs as well as reports of their performance (grades, etc) to sponsors and to the Governing Boards.

Financial support will end after the period agreed upon by the student in conjunction with UECD. Any interruption in studies must be communicated to the sponsor, to UECD Uganda, and UECD Switzerland, with a full explanation of the reason for postponement. If the Board of UECD Switzerland accepts a contract for a maximum of one year interruption, there will be no continued support for the student during this time. If the Board fails to accept the student's request for a "time out", the student will be dismissed from the program.

One form of support mentioned in lines 5.5 and 5.6, in particular, the financing of further education or expenses not directly connected with studies, can be discussed by the student together with the student's sponsor. If the sponsor declines to pay for an expense unrelated to study, the student can make a special application for support to the Board of UECD Switzerland.

5.8. Students are expected to work together as a team, and to support each other in groups of two or three.

Since there is still inequality between the sexes in Uganda, male students are encouraged and expected to help support their female colleagues in whatever way possible.

Students who profit financially from UECD funds, are expected in turn, after completion of the bachelor degree, to work in a team for five years as “Junior Consultant” on the Board of UECD Uganda.

Conditions and Responsibilities of Sponsors

Each sponsor supports one of the accepted students. He or she is obliged to give financial support to this student according to the conditions agreed upon. We hope that a genuine cultural exchange can transpire between sponsor and student with mutual engagement. The sponsor is also expected to select a substitute stand-in, in the improbable case that something should interfere with his/her commitment. In this way, the completion of the student's training is made secure.

6. Obligations of the UECD Board Uganda

6.1. The Governing Board of UECD Uganda is obliged to meet regularly, at least four times a year, with the Board Members to rule UECD Uganda and have the overview over the situation of every student in order to further exchange of information and progress. The Board is also required to organize an annual meeting of the entire Board and to write a Year End report describing its activities. The meeting, and the formation of this report will be coordinated with UECD Switzerland. All other business is to be organized autonomously by the Board of UECD Uganda. The minutes are an instrument of lead and are also sent to UECD Switzerland.

6.2 The Board of UECD Uganda will mentor and offer aid to students before and during the agreed period of support. In addition, they will make certain of the following:

that all statements made by candidates are checked for accuracy

that the contract specifying exact conditions between the candidate and UECD Uganda be signed as early as possible by all parties involved

that before the student signs this contract, he/she is made aware of all responsibilities involved, and that an oral conference takes place to insure that the student will continue to be reminded of each and every obligation; that this conference is to be repeated, if necessary, throughout the course of study.

That the student has made arrangements to be covered by a health insurance program offered by his place of study before the first semester begins, and that the student has been supported in this effort

that the student has opened a bank account, an e-mail account, and a skype account, and has been supported in so doing

that the student has received a copy of these regulations, knows and understands their content.

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