

FURTHER INFORMATION ON OPENING OF FIRST SEMESTER (2022/23) AND SECOND SEMESTER (2021/22)

The Malawi University of Science and Technology (MUST) on 29 December, 2022 communicated opening dates for first semester of the 2022/23 academic year involving **first year students selected in 2022** and **second semester for continuing students**. Following some queries and the promise to communicate information regarding opening dates for Open and Distance E-Learning (ODEL) and Postgraduate (PG) students, the University seeks to make further communication as follows:

1. New undergraduate generic, economic fee paying and ODeL students

All students selected in 2022 under generic, economic fee paying and ODeL categories and who are coming to MUST for the very first time to start their 2022/2023 academic year, should report at MUST campus in Thyolo on **Sunday, 22 January, 2023**, in readiness for orientation that starts on Monday, 23 January, 2023. Orientation is an important exercise for new students as it helps them with tips on general academic and social life at university. As such, it is required that all new students must attend without fail.

While the generic and economic fee paying students will remain on campus for the entire first semester, those under ODeL will only be on campus for **six weeks (one week for orientation and five weeks for face-to-face learning)**. This means the ODeL students will be on campus until the week ending on 11 March, 2023.

2. Continuing undergraduate students from Year 2 to Year 5

Continuing students from Year 2 to Year 5, except for those going for Work Integrated Learning (WIL), should report on campus for their Second semester on **Sunday, 29 January, 2023**, for classes that start on Monday, 30 January, 2023.

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3. First Year continuing generic students

All first year students who are going into second semester will resume their studies on January 30, 2023. However, this group will not report on campus on 29 January, 2023. **Instead, they will be attending online classes while at home from 30 January, 2023 to 11 March, 2023.** This group should report on campus on **Sunday, 12 March, 2023** for face-to-face learning.

Continuing ODeL students will continue with Independent Learning in their respective homes.

4. Postgraduate Students

All Postgraduate students will start their studies on **30 January, 2023** and most of them have already been communicated about this by their respective departments. For those who were communicated different dates for opening or their classes have already commenced, they are advised to continue with those situational arrangements.

5. Transport arrangements

The University will provide transport to all students from Limbe to the MUST campus on the designated arrival dates. The pick-up point is Meru Filling Station near Illovo offices in Limbe on all designated arrival dates. The University bus will be available at the pick-up point at 10:00 am, 1:00 pm and 4:30 pm to ferry students to campus.

6. Fees Structure

The following fees shall be applicable from the 2022/2023 academic year starting with first-year generic, economic fee paying and ODeL students commencing their **first semester** on 23 January, 2023:

Description	Annual MK	Per Semester MK
Tuition		
1. ODeL students	585,000.00	292,500.00

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Description	Annual MK	Per Semester MK
2. Generic students	650,000.00	325,000.00
3. Economic fee-paying students	2,850,000.00	1,425,000.00
Accommodation		
4. Generic students	160,000.00	80,000.00
5. Economic fee-paying students	320,000.00	160,000.00

Fees for all continuing students **remain unchanged for the second Semester of the 2021/2022 academic year.**

7. Fees payment

The university does not receive cash or use any mobile money or personal bank accounts. As such, all fees should be deposited into university bank accounts. Students will be required to submit proof of payment by way of a deposit slip on arrival on campus. Those who pay through the online payment platform available on our webpage (www.must.ac.mw) are not required to produce proof of payments upon arrival on campus.

The tuition and accommodation fees must be deposited into any of the following bank accounts:

1. MUST Collections Account Current Account Number 9100001063429 Standard Bank, Limbe Branch	2. MUST Collections Account Current Account Number 1070000218137 FDH Bank, Limbe Branch	3. MUST Students Collection Current Account Number 1008811427 National Bank, Henderson Street Branch
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Management would also like to remind all students of the following:

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- i) Only continuing students who clear their outstanding tuition and accommodation fees and make part payment of at least 25% or full payment for the upcoming semester's tuition and full payment for accommodation fees are eligible to be on campus and will be allowed to register.
- ii) All students undergoing WIL must pay their tuition fees and complete semester registration before proceeding. Students who will proceed on WIL **without** registration will neither be paid their stipend nor be assessed.
- iii) All new students must make a full or partial payment of at least 25% of applicable tuition fees and FULL payment for semester accommodation fees (K80,000 for generic, K160,000 for economic fee paying and K40,000 for ODeL students who will only be on campus for six weeks) to be registered.
- iv) No continuing student will be allowed to pay tuition and accommodation fees for the new semester before clearing any previous fees arrears.

8. Accommodation

All students are admitted to the University on a non-residential basis. However, students will be required to make the necessary payment first before they can be considered for the limited university space. Students may also seek private accommodation around the campus.

- a) Room allocation will only be done for students who have cleared all their fees arrears and paid full accommodation fees for the new semester as directed by the University.
- b) To avoid inconveniences, students who have not paid all their fees arrears in full, **should** not report on campus.

9. Inquiries

For more information or queries, please contact the following:

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NOTE:

- The University will not communicate with students through phone calls but only through its media platforms or mass media. Any communication through phone calls purportedly from university officials should be treated with caution as it could be the work of fraudsters.
- Students and guardians are **cautioned** not to be tricked by fraudsters requesting them to make payments through **personal bank accounts** or **mobile money platforms** (Mpamba or Airtel Money).
- The University will not be held accountable for anyone swindled out of their hard-earned money through payments made through personal bank accounts or mobile money platforms.

University Registrar

4 January, 2022

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