



NURSING AND MIDWIFERY RESEARCH GRANTS

2023 Call for Upcoming Researcher Applications

1. Background

Uganda Nurses and Midwives Council is a Body Cooperate established by the Nurses and Midwives Act 1996 to regulate the Nursing and Midwifery professions in Uganda so as to ensure public safety. In its Mandate to protect the public from unsafe nursing and midwifery practice, the Council sets standards for the professions, advises, and makes recommendation to government on matters relating to the two professions among the others.

To effectively execute its mandate, the Council has expanded its service points through decentralisation and has embraced technology to reduce turnaround time during registration and licensure among others. There is need for the Council to further improve its efficiency to comply with the fast growing technology, dynamic health care management, and population growth. As a result, the Council would like to use its 3rd cycle of research seed grants to derive evidence or best practices to increase its operation efficiency.

The Council is therefore pleased to announce the Call for applications for our 3rd cycle of the research funding program, 2023. The research funding program aims at generating evidence and best practices to improve the operational efficiency and effectiveness of the Council.

2. Focus of the 3rd Cycle of the UNMC research funding program 2023

This funding call invites Nurse or Midwife researchers in Uganda Africa to submit research proposals seeking funding. We are particularly looking to support researchers with research projects that can inform the operations of the Council.

3. Eligibility Criteria

The Program is designed to enable nursing and midwifery scholars who meet the following criteria generate evidence to better the operations of the Council:

- Have a Bachelors in Nursing or Midwifery
- Have a research experience of not less than 2 years
- Have a publication record in recognized research journals as an added advantage

- Have a research proposal in one of the fields of study for this program, stating its scientific and development relevance to the operations of the Council

4. Fields of Study

The eligible candidates may apply to study one of the following fields of study that applies to UNMC mandate and operations:

- Awareness of Nurses and Midwives on the Council Mandate and regulatory systems
- Visibility/Image of the Council
- Registration and Licensure
- Customer care
- Data and information management

5. Research Funding

- The Council will award a maximum of **Fifteen million Uganda shillings** for the seed grant.
- The research funding will run from the time of signing the contractual letter with UNMC to **June 2024**.
- The funds will be used to cover direct research costs only and not used to fund research activities retrospectively, that is, prior to the grant award.
- The successful candidates will be expected to provide quarterly progress reports to the Council

6. Application Process

All interested candidates will be required to forward their applications by email only to the following address: grants@unmc.ug

The application will consist of:

- A cover letter
- A short research/project proposal, not more than 10 pages with a clear description of the background, methods, utility of the research/project, implementation plan, and a budget.
- A curriculum Vitae
- A copy of the official academic transcripts and valid professional documents of the applicant
- A list of publications in recognized journals (where applicable)
- Two recommendation letters

Please use this email format for sending applications

From	Candidate's email address
To:	grants@unmc.ug
Cc:	unmcouncil@yahoo.com
Subject:	"2023 Uganda Nurses and Midwives Council Research Grants for Nurses and Midwives"

Attachments:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All the required documents listed in 6 above, preferably in PDF format as one document 2. All supporting documents must be labelled with your surname first
Message:	<p>Please find attached my application for the 2023 Uganda Nurses and Midwives Council Research Grants for Nurses and Midwives.</p> <p>Thank you, Candidate name and address</p>

Language of application: All applications **MUST** be submitted in English.

Deadline for application: **August 24th 2023 at 00.00 EAT**

PS: Applications that do not follow the indicated guidelines or with a missing required document will automatically be rejected.

7. Selection

A selection meeting will be held in **September 2023** and **only selected candidates will be notified**. Commencement of the grant will be immediately after receiving the award.

For any question, please contact:
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