

Mzuzu University (MZUNI) is a Public University established by the Laws of Malawi Cap 30:09 (*Mzuzu University Act No. 12 of 1997*). Currently, the University has six faculties of Education; Environmental Sciences; Health Sciences; Tourism, Hospitality and Management; Science, Technology and Innovation; and Humanities and Social Sciences. It is a dual mode University offering its courses through face-to-face and Open, Distance and e-Learning (ODEL) teaching and learning modes. It also offers some of its programmes on block, weekend and vacation release.

The University invites applications from suitably qualified candidates to fill the following vacant positions:

I. Faculty of Science, Technology and Innovation

1. Department of Biological Sciences

a. Professor / Associate Professor / Senior Lecturer / Lecturer in Human Anatomy and Physiology (1 position)

Applicants must have a PhD or Master's Degree in Human Anatomy and Physiology plus a Bachelor's degree with at least an upper second class or credit in either of the following: Biological Sciences, Zoology, Veterinary Medicine, Human Medicine or Parasitology and Disease Vector Control or related field obtained from a reputable and accredited institution of higher learning. Preference will be given to applicants with a teaching experience in the following subjects: Veterinary Parasitology, Pharmacology, General Pathology and Hematology.

b. Professor/Associate Professor/Senior Lecturer/Lecturer in Plant Systematics (1 position)

Applicants must have a PhD or Master's Degree in Plant Taxonomy and Systematics plus a Bachelor's degree with at least an upper second class or credit in any of the following: Biological Sciences, Biodiversity Conservation and Management, Botany, Agronomy, Horticulture, Crop science, Natural Resources Management, Environmental Science or related fields obtained from a reputable and accredited institution of higher learning. Preference will be given to applicants with a good knowledge of Plant Form and Function, Plant Ecology, Plant Anatomy, Plant Evolution, Ethnobotany and Conservation Biology.

2. Department of Information and Communication Technology

Professor/Associate Professor/Senior Lecturer/Lecturer in Cybersecurity and Digital Forensics and ICT Infrastructure and Cloud Computing (1 position)

Candidates must have a PhD or Master of Science in the fields of ICT or Information Technology or Computer Engineering or Computer Science or Cybersecurity and Digital Forensics or ICT Infrastructure Management or Information Systems plus a Bachelor's degree in the fields of ICT or Information Technology or Computer Engineering or Computer Science or Information Systems with at least an upper second class or credit obtained from a reputable and accredited institution of higher learning.

The Department is particularly interested in candidates with expertise in one or more of the following areas:

- Cybersecurity and Digital Forensics
- ICT Infrastructure and Cloud Computing

3. Department of Chemistry

Professor / Associate Professor / Senior Lecturer / Lecturer in Chemistry (1 position)

Candidates must have a PhD or Master of Science in Chemistry or a closely related field obtained from a reputable and accredited institution of higher learning. Candidates must have a Bachelor's degree in Chemistry or related field with at least an upper second class or credit obtained from a reputable and accredited institution of higher learning.

The Department is particularly interested in candidates with expertise in one or more of the following areas: analytical chemistry, environmental chemistry, material chemistry, nanotechnology, food chemistry, chemical toxicology, industrial chemistry, green chemistry, natural products and medicinal chemistry. Candidates with relevant research experience as well as supervision of student research projects will have an added advantage.

II. Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

Department of Communication Studies

Professor/Associate Professor/Senior Lecturer/Lecturer in English for Specific Purposes (ESP) (1 position)

The candidate should have a PhD or Masters' degree and a Bachelor's degree with an upper second class or credit in English for Specific Purposes or any other related

field. S/he will also be expected to possess demonstrated teaching and professional experience in ESP including academic writing, professional communication, and applied language studies plus the ability to design and deliver ESP courses tailored to diverse disciplines.

III. Faculty of Education

Department of Teaching, Learning and Curriculum Studies

a. **Professor / Associate Professor / Senior Lecturer / Lecturer in Curriculum Studies in Geography (1 position)**

Candidates must have a PhD or Master of Education Degree in Curriculum Studies or Teacher Education specialised in Geography Education plus a Bachelor of Education Degree majoring in Geography with a credit or an upper second class obtained from a reputable and accredited institution of higher learning.

b. **Professor/ Associate Professor / Senior Lecturer / Lecturer in curriculum studies in Theology/Religious Studies (1 position)**

Candidates must have a PhD or Master of Education Degree in Curriculum Studies or Teacher Education specialised in Theology/Religious Studies plus a Bachelor of Education Degree majoring in Theology with a credit or an upper second class obtained from a reputable and accredited institution of higher learning.

IV. Faculty of Environmental Sciences

Department of Forestry and Environmental Management

a. **Professor/Associate Professor/Senior Lecturer/Lecturer in Forest Biology (1 position)**

Candidates must have a PhD or Master of Science in Forestry with a bias in Forest Biology/Botany/Microbiology plus a bachelor's degree with credit in the same fields from a reputable and accredited institution of higher learning. A successful candidate will be expected to teach courses in Forest Biology, Botany and Biochemistry and any other related courses.

b. **Professor/Associate Professor/Senior Lecturer/Lecturer in Forest Science (1 position)**

Candidates must have a PhD or Master of Science in Forestry or any related fields plus a bachelor's degree with an upper second class or credit in the same fields from a reputable and accredited institution of higher learning. A successful candidate will be expected to teach courses in Wood Science, Forest Science, Forest Ecology and Environmental Management.

c. Professor/Associate Professor/Senior Lecturer/Lecturer in Forest Protection (1 position)

Candidates must have a PhD or Master of Science in Forestry or any related fields plus a bachelor's degree with an upper second class or credit in the same fields from a reputable and accredited institution of higher learning. A successful candidate will be expected to teach courses in Forest Entomology, and Forest Pathology.

d. Professor/Associate Professor/ Senior Lecturer/Lecturer in Forest Soils (1 position)

Candidates must have a PhD or Master of Science in Forestry, Soil Science, Agronomy or Agroforestry plus a bachelor's degree with an upper second class or credit in the same fields from a reputable and accredited institution of higher learning. Candidates with a bachelor's degree only will be considered for the position of Staff Associate.

For all the above positions, candidates should address their suitability to meet the following requirements:

1. Experience

Candidates with two (2) years of teaching experience at the tertiary level in the subject area will have an added advantage.

2. Duties and Responsibilities

- i. To teach and assess undergraduate and postgraduate courses;
- ii. To develop and teach new courses, including postgraduate courses, as may be required;
- iii. To supervise undergraduate and postgraduate projects, including research; such as research and publication
- iv. To actively participate in scholarly activities;
- v. To serve on University Committees to which they may be appointed; and
- vi. To undertake any other reasonable duties as required and assigned by their Head of Department, Dean of Faculty or Management.

3. Attributes and Competencies

- i. Ability to work as a member of a team;

- ii. Progressive knowledge in the subject areas for those applying for Lecturer position and above;
- iii. Applicants are expected to demonstrate interest or experience in teaching and interdisciplinary research;
- iv. Evidence of scholarly publications in peer-reviewed sources for candidates applying for the position of at least Senior Lecturer grade.
- v. Good communication skills; and
- vi. Ability to work under pressure and to strictly meet given deadlines.

4. Mode of Application

The application should include an up-to-date Curriculum Vitae (CV), copies of academic qualifications, **academic transcripts** as well as the names and contact details of three traceable referees. The job title should be indicated on the envelope and sent to:

University Registrar
Mzuzu University
Private Bag 201
Luwingu
Mzuzu 2
Malawi

Or Electronic Submission:

Electronic submission of the application should be sent as attachments in PDF or MS Word format to jobvacancies@mzuni.ac.mw. The subject line of the application should show the job title.

To reach the University not later than **Friday, 6th March 2026**. Note that only shortlisted candidates will be acknowledged.

MZUNI is an equal opportunity employer and therefore encourages applications from qualified men, women and persons living with disabilities.