



Ardhi University – Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

Masters in Disaster Risk Management (MDRM)

This is a professional postgraduate degree programme for graduates wishing to pursue a career in Disaster Risk Management (DRM). It does not necessarily require a background in science. Students need not possess formal training in DRM. The course is designed for people who will be involved in the DRM work and focuses on frontline management and planning and executing interventions aimed at reducing risk. The programme seeks to equip students with fundamental theoretical knowledge on DRM and best practice, as well as competence in the use of DRM tools. Graduates will have the knowledge and skills to pursue career opportunities in Tanzania's central government, local government, national and international relief agencies, nongovernmental organisations and the private sector. Although the course contains compulsory core learning modules, students can customise the programme according to their field of study and interests.

The educational objectives of the Masters are:

- To equip students with the knowledge to:
- Work in the field as DRM professionals in disaster-prone areas and emergency settings
- Coordinate, manage and facilitate DRM activities
- Carry out research pertinent to their areas of competence and specialisation in the field of DRM
- Pursue a career as a consultant working on DRM issues
- Provide training on DRM

Specific admission requirements:

Applicants require a second or higher class Bachelors degree or postgraduate diploma in programmes offered by Ardhi University and equivalent qualifications from other recognised academic institutions approved by the Ardhi senate.

Assessment & examination:

Students will be evaluated according to relevant university regulations and will undertake the following assessments:

- Timed examinations
- Homework and class assignments
- Timed tests
- Take – home examinations
- Demonstration, project and field reports
- Oral presentations

Academic cycle and duration:

Masters degree by Course work and dissertation

Masters degree by thesis:

PhD by thesis: 48 months

HOW TO APPLY

Applications forms can be obtained from the office of the Deputy Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs,
Ardhi University,
P.O Box 35176,
Dar es Salaam.

or through the ARU website:

<http://www.aru.ac.tz/images/documents/pdf/adverts/POSTGRADUATE%20APPLICATION%20FORMS%20-%20Latest.pdf>

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