THE 2014 UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE EXAMINATION (UEE)

The University of Malawi (UNIMA) is pleased to announce details for the 2014 University Entrance Examination (UEE) as follows:

1. OVERVIEW OF THE EXAM

The University Entrance Exam is a multiple choice aptitude test that aims at predicting a candidate’s ability to apply the knowledge acquired in secondary school to succeed at the university. The exam has 3 separate 1 hour examination papers described below:

a) Language skills - This paper contains 50 questions and it measures a candidate’s aptitude in using the English language;

b) Numerical skills - This paper contains 40 questions and it measures a candidate’s aptitude in mathematics, geometry and algebra.

c) Reasoning skills - This paper contains 50 questions and it measuring a candidate’s ability to use given information to form patterns, draw conclusions and establish relationships in order to come up with valid positions.

2. DATES AND VENUES

a) Registration: Tuesday, 8th April, 2014 and Wednesday, 9th April, 2014 at the following venues from 7:30 a.m. on each day:

Blantyre Center - The Polytechnic
Zomba Center - Chancellor College - The Great Hall
Ntcheu Center - Kings Foundation Secondary School
Lilongwe Center - CIVO Stadium
Kasungu Center - Kasungu Teachers Training College
Mzuzu Center - Katoto Secondary School

b) Examination: Thursday, 10th April, 2014 from 7:30 a.m.
Only candidates who applied through UNIMA Admissions Office in Zomba shall be allowed to register and sit for the examination at any of the above mentioned centers. Interested candidate are advised that new applications shall not be allowed at the designated centers during the registration and examination days.

3. ELIGIBILITY FOR THE UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE EXAMINATION

Only those candidates who applied through the UNIMA Admissions Office in Zomba and meet the criteria specified below are required to sit for the 2014 University Entrance Examination:

a) Holders of MSCE, IGSCE or other internationally recognised qualifications comparable to an ‘O’ level certificate with at least six credit passes (i.e. a minimum of grade ‘6’ at MSCE and grade ‘C’ at IGCSE) including English Language obtained in 2013, 2012, or 2011. The following is the interpretation of O-Level/IGCSE letter grades for University of Malawi admission purposes: A*= 1; A = 2; B = 3; C = 5; D = 7; E, F and G = 8.

b) Candidates who failed to satisfy the university entry requirements in 2011 or 2012 but successfully improved their grades after re-sitting a maximum of four subjects in 2012 or 2013 may use their supplementary statements for accumulating credits. However, candidates cannot combine grades from two independent certificates, i.e. candidates who were awarded a full certificate in 2011 or 2012 and reattempted MSCE in 2013 and obtained another full certificate cannot combine grades from the two independent.

c) Candidates should have paid the appropriate application fees.

The following groups of candidates are not eligible to sit for the University Entrance Examination:

a) Candidates who are currently registered as residential or non-residential students with the University of Malawi or any other comparable tertiary institution such as LUANAR or Mzuzu University.
b) Candidates who were once admitted to the University of Malawi or any comparable University/Institution of Higher Learning and were withdrawn on academic grounds.

2. REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION AND THE ACTUAL EXAMINATION.

a) Registration

Candidates must bring the following documents:

i) Original or certified copies of certificate(s) or statement of results. Furthermore:

a. Candidates with international qualification must bring their original Certificates.

b. All practising nurses with Nurses and Midwifery Technician qualifications (NMT’s) must bring copies of their qualifications.

ii) A nationally recognised and clear identification document like a MANEB identity card, a passport, a voter registration certificate or a valid driver’s Licence. Alternatively, candidates can also use official identification documents issued by the Management of the school where they obtained their MSCE/O-Level qualification; District Commissioner (DC) or any Commissioner of Oaths. In this scenario, the Identification Document must include an official stamp, name and signature of the issuing office and a clear photograph, name and examination number(s) of the candidate. Applicants who do not have a nationally recognised identification document (ID) shall not be allowed to sit for the University Entrance Examination.

iii) A recent passport size photograph which must be attached to the candidates registration form.

iv) Proof of payment of an appropriate application fee i.e. bank deposit slip.

b) Examination

i) Candidates must bring their own erasers and soft lead or HB pencils.
3 CANDIDATES WHO ARE NOT REQUIRED TO SIT FOR UEE

a) Applicants with special needs are encouraged to inform the University Registrar of their status not later than Friday, 28th March, 2014 in order to be considered for exemption from writing the UEE. These candidates are only exempted from sitting for UEE after establishment by the University Registrar that their special need would put them at a disadvantage if they were to sit for UEE. All submissions from candidates with special needs should include working phone numbers or email addresses, photographs showing the nature of the special need and an official medical/assessment report issued by a recognised medical practitioner/institution.

b) Candidates with ‘A’ Level, ‘AS’ Level, International Baccalaureate (IB) and the National Senior Certificate (NSC) are not required to sit for the University Entrance Examination. These candidates should submit their application documents directly to the Admissions Office in Zomba using the 2014-2015 Application Form for A-Level, AS, NCS and IB candidates not later than Thursday, 10th April, 2014. This application form can be downloaded from our website www.unima.mw. Further details regarding the 2014 University Entrance Examination and applications for candidates with A-Level, As, IB and NSC qualifications can be obtained from the University Office using the following methods:

University Registrar
University Office
P.O. Box 278
ZOMBA
Attention Admissions Office