

# Danida Fellowship Centre Master Scholarship Programme 2025

The Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD) received an invitation from the Royal Danish Embassy and the Danida Fellowship Centre (DFC) to participate in the Master Scholarship Programme for 2025. The Master's programme will focus on one of the areas of sector cooperation: climate, environment, energy, water, urban development, food and agriculture. These programmes will take place in Denmark and it's a two-years of full-time studies. The programme is being implemented in collaboration with the Strategic Sector Cooperation (SSC) projects across Africa and candidates must be nominated by a Sector Counsellor.

## 1. Who can apply?

- The candidate must be endorsed by his/her own institution/workplace.
- The candidate must have good command of the English language.
- The candidate must have a relevant bachelor's degree with excellent grades.
- The candidate must not already have obtained a master's degree.
- The candidate must fulfil the specific academic requirements of the Master's programme, which the candidate applies for.
- The candidate must be below the age of 33 years at the time of applying to the university.

## 2. Scholarship Offers

- Application fee (max. 1). The fee will be paid by the candidate and refunded by DFC.
- Mandatory Academic English language test (IELTS/TOEFL). The cost will be paid by the candidate and refunded by DFC (max. 1).
- Tuition fees.
- Accommodation in Denmark. Accommodation will be booked by DFC or the Danish University.
- Stipend Allowance will be paid directly by DFC (according to Danish Government regulations).
- International air ticket (economy class) to and from Denmark for the Master's programme. Tickets will be booked by DFC and sent directly to the candidate.
- Residence permit. The fee will be paid directly by DFC.

## 3. Fields for study

The master's programme will focus on one of the areas of sector cooperation: climate, environment, energy, water, urban development, food and agriculture (**list of programmes attached**)

## 4. How to apply:

Application procedure for the Master Scholarship Programme candidates must go through two application rounds separately, effectively applying twice. In essence:

- Candidates must first apply for an advance pledge of scholarship through DFC's online application portal.
- If granted an advance pledge of scholarship by DFC, the candidate must apply directly to the Danish University through their online portal on equal terms with all other applicants.
- Please note that a scholarship pledge constitutes no guarantee that the candidate will be admitted to a master's programme by the University. DFC has no influence over the Universities' selection process or intake; hence it is the sole responsibility of the candidate to apply in time and make sure he/she lives up to the requirements stated by the University.
- Master's programme the candidate must register on the DFC online application portal (see attached guidelines) to apply using the following link: <https://dfcentre.smaply.io/acc/sr/>
- **Guidelines to apply attached for further reference.**

## 5. Closing date:

If the candidate meets the above requirements, a scholarship application for a specific Master's programme should be sent through by no later **than 30 October 2024**. The complete application should be submitted to Ms Jacky Smit at [JackyS@dalrrd.gov.za](mailto:JackyS@dalrrd.gov.za). The applications should be accompanied with:

- Short but detailed CV
- Passport copy
- Qualifications

## 6. Useful websites:

- <https://dfcentre.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/Guidelines-Danish-Partner-Authorities-and-Sector-Counsellors-Oct-2023.pdf>
- <https://dfcentre.smaply.io/acc/sr/>
- <https://sydafrika.um.dk/en>

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