Addis Ababa University

Call for applications for admission to graduate programs for the First Semester of 2025/26 (2018 E.C.) Academic Year

Addis Ababa University (AAU) has opened up the call for the academic year of 2025/26(2018 E.C.) first semester in Masters (regular and extension) as well as PhD programs
Including:

Masters in Public Policy and Development Management (regular and extension programs)
PhD in Public Management and Policy (regular program)

Applicants are required to follow the steps described as follows:

A. The AAU Graduate Admission Test (GAT)

1. Applicants must first take the University Graduate Admission Test (GAT) and fulfill the minimum requirement to pass the exam.
2. Information regarding the GAT can be obtained from the AAU Testing Center's official Telegram channel Testing Center-AAU using the link t.me/aauGAT, or by scanning the QR code.
3. The application period for the University GAT is from **July 7 to August 17, 2025**.
4. The GAT will be administered from **August 18-25, 2025**
5. Follow the steps listed below and get registered for the GAT:
    a. Visit: https://portal.aau.edu.et
    b. Click on **'Online Exams'**
    c. Under **'Quick Links'**, click **'Apply for GAT'**
    d. Complete the **Test Taker Registration Form**
    e. Upload a **passport-size photo**
    f. Click **'Submit'**
    g. Copy the **generated registration number**
    h. Pay the GAT testing fee of **750 ETB via Tele Birr**.
        • Foreign applicants must pay an equivalent of **USD 50**: first, register by paying 750 ETB, then pay the remaining balance to AAU's Commercial Bank of Ethiopia account **No. 1000087392067**.
        • Submit the payment receipt to the **Testing Center Telegram Channel** and present a copy to the exam hall supervisor.
    i. After payment, **download and print your Admission Ticket**, which is required for entry to the exam hall.
    j. Follow updates via the **Telegram Channel: Testing Center-AAU**

Important Notes:

1. The GAT will be administered electronically. General exam information is available on the Telegram channel.
2. Applicants must regularly check the Telegram channel for updates regarding the **test date, time, and venue**.
3. Applicants who fail to appear on the scheduled test date must **re-register and repay the fee** to take the test at a later date.
4. **GAT results from the previous year (as of September 2024) remain valid** for the current application cycle.

B. General steps for applying to the AAU Graduate Program

1. Open the portal of Addis Ababa University https://portal.aau.edu.et
2. Click on the **Apply for Admission** link on the second bar on the left side
3. On the top bar, you will find the **Graduate** drop-down menu. You can click on the **Programs** button to view the Graduate programs and their brief description.
4. Alternatively, you can scroll down to the right bottom side entitled **Graduate Study**, and click Find out what programs we offer before the **Apply** button.
5. Once you have an overview of the disciplines and the programs listed, click on **Apply**.
6. Fill out the application form and pay, via Telebirr, ETB 500 for the application fee using the application number generated during the filling of the application form.
7. After completing your payment, you will need to return to the application form and complete your online application by uploading your educational document (PDF-converted,) cost-sharing document, and a signed and stamped form of sponsorship letter if sponsored by a government institution.
8. Ph.D. applicants need to upload credentials of all the previous trainings (BA/BSc and MA/M.Sc. Degree and student copy).
9. Ph.D. applicants may need to attach additional documents depending on the requirements of the department or the program.
10. MA/MSC applicants will need to upload their BA/BSc degree and student copy.
11. Government-sponsored applicants can get the sponsorship form from downloads section of the university website (https://www.aau.edu.et/documents/registrar/).
12. Once the online application is completed, **you must submit all the hard copies** of your academic and other credentials in person to the **AAU Admission Office, located on the second floor of the Main Campus Registrar Building, Room No. 203**.

Notice

1. We would like to inform you that you will not be able to complete the registration process unless you order an official transcript to be sent in hard copy to the Addis Ababa University Registrar, PO Box 1176.
2. Department-level entrance exam schedules and admission requirements for programs are available on the department notice board and on the university website (https://admission.aau.edu.et/GraduatePrograms).
3. Make sure you fulfill the admission requirements of the specific program as indicated in the curriculum of the specific program (uploaded on the website of the university).
4. Applicants for health disciplines will need to attach a letter from the Ministry of Health or a university grade report for each semester upon completion of their degree.
5. We would like to inform you that programs will be opened based on the minimum intake capacity of the programs.
6. Applicants who have attended school abroad should bring Higher Education Equivalence Letter from ETA and meet all the requirements set by the University.
7. Applicants who pass the GAT are required to submit a copy of their certificate from **August 19 - 27, 2025**, at the **Admission Office**, **Room 203**, 2nd floor, Main Campus Registrar Building.

Applicants of the following programs run by Department of Public Administration and Development Management:

1. **Masters in Public Policy and Development Management (regular programs)**
2. **Masters in Public Policy and Development Management (extension programs)**
3. **PhD in Public Management and Policy (regular program)**

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