



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES
CAVE HILL CAMPUS

YOUR Next Level

Making the Decision
for Graduate School at
UWI: Cave Hill Campus
Barbados

*“A mind stretched
by a new idea
never returns to its
original dimension”*



Is Graduate Study for You?

Whether you are currently working in business, industry, the public service or academia, or wish to pursue a new path, graduate study at UWI will provide you with excellent credentials for the next level of your career. The decision to embark on a graduate degree programme is a major step, which can bring you great rewards, including:

- **An intense intellectual experience**, in which you will build your capacity for independent thinking, critical analysis and problem solving through advanced research in your area of academic interest.
- Acquisition of **advanced knowledge and skills** that will give you a competitive edge in today's challenging job marketplace. Scholarship, research and creativity and their application to human development are the foundations of university life.
- A **wealth of skills that are transferable** to your personal and professional life, such as project planning; the ability to work with maturity, discipline and dedication autonomously and in teams; communication skills, including oral presentation and report writing; and the capacity for leadership.
- A **network of professional contacts** among your professors and fellow graduate students that will last a lifetime.

Pursuing graduate study requires a significant investment of time and financial resources. It is a decision you should make carefully and with good advanced planning to ensure that the investment will take you in the desired direction. What kind of person undertakes graduate study? One who is ambitious, motivated, disciplined and committed to attaining a higher level of intellectual achievement. A graduate degree from UWI can set you on the road to your next level of personal and professional success.



What UWI Offers the Graduate Student

The UWI is one of the premier universities for research and graduate study in the Caribbean and Latin American region.

Our reputation is based on:

- **Academic Excellence** - With over 40 years of experience serving the Caribbean region, we have built a tradition of academic excellence and quality, which is unmatched by any other higher education provider in the region. We are recognised worldwide for our scholarship. Our graduate programmes are well structured to provide you with the skills, knowledge, guidance and support you need to achieve academic success.
- **Outstanding Facilities** - Our laboratories and other research facilities are modern and meet the most stringent international standards. Our library resources are exceptional. The Main Library collection includes more than 172,000 volumes of books, over 20,000 pamphlets and 2,000 periodicals. Access is provided to the best of global computerised information systems for academic research and our special West Indian collection is a prized resource. The Law Library is considered the premier legal library in the region, with over 115,000 volumes and one of the most extensive collections of West Indian legislation in existence. A new Graduate Studies Complex is located on 33 acres of land congruous to the existing campus. When completed, the complex will boast dedicated graduate facilities including: state of the art Research laboratories, dedicated graduate seminar and lecture theaters and a modern wireless graduate library.
- **World-Class Academics** - Our academic staff represents the largest pool of specialists and experts in the Caribbean, with a breadth and depth of experience that is unrivaled. This team of regional and international scholars is well equipped to guide and develop the next generation of Caribbean scholars and leaders.
- **A Vibrant Community of Graduate Students** - We have a vibrant and rapidly growing community of about 1,000 mature, bright, motivated and focused graduate students from virtually every Caribbean country and several others outside our region. You can expect rich intellectual exchange with your peers, which will challenge you to extend your intellectual creativity and curiosity.



Graduate Programmes available at UWI Cave Hill Campus

Most programmes may be pursued as full-time or part-time course loads. Course outlines for the specific programmes of interest to you are available from the School for Graduate Studies and Research, Faculty and Departmental offices or online. You should contact the specific Department or Unit within the Faculty if you wish to discuss with a faculty member the specific programme of study or research you have in mind.

- **Research Degrees**

Students pursuing a graduate degree by research may obtain a Master of Philosophy (M Phil), Doctorate in Business Administration (DBA), Doctor of Philosophy (Ph. D) Doctor of Medicine (MD) at a more advanced level. In these programmes, the student undertakes an original, individual programme of research, involving detailed, sustained study of a specific topic for the production of a thesis. The student is supervised by an academic (knowledgeable in the field of research), who provides guidance and advice throughout the research process. Typically the student is required to undertake training in research methodology and techniques. The focus is on the generation of new knowledge.

- **Taught Degrees**

Students in these programmes typically take a number of taught courses, and pursue a practical period of internship, followed by independent research, leading to the production of a research paper. Taught degrees lead to the award of the Master of Arts (MA), Master of Business Administration (MBA), Master of Science (M Sc) Masters in Education (M.Ed), Masters of Social Work (MSW) Doctor of Medicine (DM) or Master of Law (LL.M.) designation. The focus is on the development of advanced professional skills.



Research Degrees

Students are accepted to pursue research degrees if their proposed area of research is compatible with the expertise and resources available in the Faculty. Highlighted below are some of the current areas of expertise:

Faculty of Humanities and Education

(M. Phil and Ph. D)

Cultural Studies, Theology, Education, History, Linguistics, Spanish Language & Literature, French Language and African & Caribbean Literatures in French and Literatures in English.

Centre for Gender and Development Studies (M.Phil and Ph.D)

Gender and Development Studies.

Faculty of Social Sciences (M. Phil and Ph. D)

Economics, Political Science, Sociology, and Social Work.

Faculty of Law (Ph. D)

Law.

Faculty of Pure and Applied Sciences

(M. Phil and Ph. D)

Biology, Ecology, Environmental Studies, Biochemistry, Microbiology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Mathematics, Meteorology, Physics, Electronics, Hydrogeology and Natural Resource Management.

Faculty of Medical Sciences

(MD, M. Phil and Ph. D)

Several disciplines including Medical Microbiology, Epidemiology, and Doctor of Medicine by Research.

The Sir Arthur Lewis Institute of Social and Economic Studies (SALISES)

Social Policy, Governance and Public Policy, Economic and Development Policy.



Taught Degrees

Faculty of Humanities and Education

(M. A. and M. Ed.)

M.A Cultural Studies

M. A. Theology

M. Ed (*Masters in Education*) (offered in seven specialisations - Curriculum, Educational Administration, Policy & Planning Psychology, Social Studies, Testing & Measurement and Literacy.

M.A. Heritage Studies

M. A. History - (offered in two specialisations -Caribbean History; and Historical Methodology)

M.A. Linguistics (offered in three (3) specialisations: Applied Linguistics; Descriptive Linguistics, and Socio-linguistics)

M. A. Post-Colonial Literatures in English

M.A. Spanish Language and Literature

M.A. French Language and African & Caribbean Literatures in French.

Faculty of Law (LLM and Graduate Diploma)

LLM Corporate and Commercial Law ☐ (Diploma also offered)

LLM Public Law ☐ (Diploma also offered)

LLM Legislative Drafting (Diploma also offered)

Faculty of Social Sciences (M. Sc. and MSW)

M. Sc. Applied Psychology ☐

M. Sc. Banking and Finance ☐

M. Sc. Counselling Psychology ☐

M. Sc. Cricket Studies ☐

M. Sc. e-Governance for Developing States ☐

M. Sc. Financial and Business Economics

M. Sc. Integration Studies ☐

M. Sc. International Management ☐

M. Sc. International Trade Policy ☐ (Certificate courses also offered)

M. Sc Labour and Employment Relations ☐

M. Sc. Project Management and Evaluation

Master of Social Work ☐

M. Sc. Tourism and Hospitality Management ☐

Cave Hill School of Business (MBA, IMBA)

Executive Masters in Business Administration (offered in three specialisations - General Management, Public Sector Management and Human Resource Management) ☐

International Masters in Business Administration ☐

Masters in International Events Management ☐

Faculty of Pure and Applied Sciences (M. Sc.)

M. Sc. Electronic Commerce ☐

M. Sc. Natural Resource and Environmental Management (offered in five specializations: Coastal and Marine Resource Management; Climate Change; Waste Management; Applied Meteorology and Water Resources Management).

☐ : Self Financed Programmes.

Faculty of Medical Sciences

(Diploma, M. Sc. and Doctor of Medicine - D. M)

M. Sc. and D.M. Emergency Medicine
D. M. Anaesthesia and Intensive Care
Diploma and M. Sc. Family Medicine ☐
D. M. Family Medicine
D. M. Internal Medicine.
D. M. Obstetrics and Gynaecology
D. M. Ophthalmology
D. M. Paediatrics
D. M. Psychiatry
D. M. Surgery (Parts I and II)
Diploma in Health Service Management

☐ M.Sc. of Public Health. ☐

☐ : Self Financed programme.

Funding Your Graduate Programme

The total cost of pursuing a graduate degree at UWI varies according to the type of degree and in some instances, the country of origin of the student.

Graduate programmes are currently funded as follows:

- By University Grants Committee (UGC)** through the governments of the fifteen countries, Antigua & Barbuda, Anguilla, Barbados, Belize, The Bahamas, The British Virgin Island, Cayman Islands, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, St Kitts & Nevis, St Lucia, St Vincent & The Grenadines & Trinidad & Tobago which contribute to the cost of the UWI. Typically, citizens of contributing countries in these UGC funded programmes may be sponsored by their governments, depending on the policy of the individual government. In such cases, the government covers some or all of the cost of their programme. Citizens of UWI - 12 countries receive a significant discount on fees in these programmes. **Non-sponsored students from contributing countries pursuing UGC - funded programmes and students from all other countries are responsible for funding their studies on their own.**
- Self-financed** where the student is responsible for the payment of all fees themselves. Most of the taught programmes are offered on a self-financed basis. In this booklet Self-financed programmes are marked with this symbol ☐.
- The university provides a few scholarships annually for graduate research study to MPhil and PhD students.
- Student loan programmes are available through FirstCaribbean International Bank, RBC Royal Bank of Canada and Clico Financial Holding in countries in the region where these financial institutions have branches, as well as through the Student Revolving Loan Fund in Barbados. First Caribbean International Bank also offers a special loan programme for the purchase of a

laptop computer.

In addition to programme costs, students need to cover **maintenance costs**, which include accommodation, meals, as well as books and incidentals. More information on the costs of graduate studies is available www.cavehill.uwi.edu/gradstudies/documentlibrary.htm

Graduate Student Life

A Welcoming and Enabling Environment -

The Campus environment offers many features to support and facilitate you as you concentrate on your studies. The Campus is fully computerised with dedicated computer laboratories for graduate students and a growing number of wireless hot spots around the Campus. The University Bookshop specialises in the sale of academic and scholarly books, with a strong Caribbean section, as well as magazines, newspapers and other convenience items.

There are three main food service outlets on Campus offering everything from quick take away snacks to full sit-down breakfast, lunch and dinner. The Campusmart is a mini convenience store where you can purchase a wide variety of frozen and dry goods, toiletries and other household items. The free Health Clinic on Campus serves registered students, with a team of two full-time nurses and a panel of doctors. The Campus Security Services Unit is on constant alert to secure the safety of students at Cave Hill.

Most of your time will be taken up with studying, but you can look forward to participating in the exciting range of social and recreational activities both on and off Campus when you need to take time out for a refreshing break.

Students with disabilities should indicate their special needs so that arrangements can be put in place to accommodate them.

Special Considerations for Regional and International Students

Housing

The Campus has two halls of residence - Frank Worrell Hall and Sherlock Hall. However, these provide only limited accommodation for graduate students. Most graduate students stay off campus. The Campus' Student Lodgings Accommodations Assistant can provide information on off-campus accommodation (Telephone: (246) 417-4176; Fax: (246) 422-6482 or Email: accommodation@uwichill.edu.bb). All final arrangements on terms and conditions of lodging and/or board must be made by students and the landlords or settled among themselves by students sharing the cost of rented houses on a cooperative basis.

Immigration Requirements

Non-Barbadian students are required to obtain a student visa. The Records Section of the Office of Student Affairs will liaise with the Immigration Office on behalf of students. Students must be registered, be in good financial standing and submit the completed forms and supporting documents to the Records Section within four (4) weeks of the start of their programme.

The Applications and Admissions Process

The School for Graduate Studies and Research has overall responsibility for all graduate programmes offered at the UWI. The School supervises admissions, registrations, examinations, records, grants and scholarships.

Application information can be obtained from the School for Graduate Studies and Research Office. Applicants should complete the application form online or when necessary download forms from www.cavehill.uwi.edu/gradstudies/. Applicants should submit only **one** application whether applying online or on paper.

Applicants must satisfy the general University Regulations governing admission to a higher degree and must generally possess an honours degree. Applicants to Ph. D. programmes should normally hold an M. Phil degree, but persons with taught Masters degrees will be considered for direct entry to the Ph. D. under special circumstances in consultation with the relevant Faculty.

Applicants to M. Phil programmes should normally have at least an Upper Second Class Honours degree. Applicants to taught masters programmes should normally have at least a Lower Second Class Honours degree or equivalent.

Candidates with Pass degrees, who have other relevant qualifications and substantial experience in the field to which they are applying, will be considered for entry to course-based Masters programmes on a case by case basis. Candidates with Pass degrees will normally be considered for entry into Masters programmes no sooner than two (2) years after completion of the undergraduate degree.

Required Documentation

The following documents must be submitted whether you are applying on-line or on paper:

- Birth Certificate (not required from Cave Hill graduates)
- Marriage Certificate (where applicable)
- Legal Affidavit or deed poll if the name is different from that on the Birth Certificate.
- Professional Certificates/Diplomas
- Official Transcripts (these must be sent directly from the granting institution)
- Employment Information (with dates) for your last four (4) jobs. You must include Employer Contact Information.
- Research proposal for MPhil, PhD and DM applicants
- Two (2) referee reports.

Applicants must submit original or notarised copies of the above documents. These documents are all essential for the consideration of your application. Applications cannot be processed without the relevant documentation and application fee where applicable. The deadline for application is normally January 31st of each year.

www.cavehill.uwi.edu/gradstudies/

Contact Information

All applications and supporting documentation should be submitted to:

Senior Assistant Registrar, Graduate Studies
School for Graduate Studies and Research
The University of the West Indies
Cave Hill Campus
St. Michael, Barbados

Further information on specific programmes should be directed as follows

Gender Studies

Telephone: (246) 417-4490/1
Fax: (246) 424-3822
E-mail: gender@uwichill.edu.bb
www.gender.uwichill.edu.bb

Faculty of Humanities and Education

Tel: (246) 417-4385/87
Fax: (246) 424-0634
E-mail: humanities@uwichill.edu.bb
www.cavehill.uwi.edu/fhe

Faculty of Law

Telephone: (246) 417-4224/4215
Fax: (246) 424-1788
E-mail: law@uwichill.edu.bb
www.cavehill.uwi.edu/law

Faculty of Pure and Applied Sciences

Tel: (246) 417-4312/4311
Fax: (246) 417-4597
E-mail: scitec@uwichill.edu.bb
www.cavehill.uwi.edu/fpas

Faculty of Social Sciences

Tel: (246) 417-4268/65
Fax: (246) 417-4270
E-mail: socsci@uwichill.edu.bb
www.cavehill.uwi.edu/fss

SALISES

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www.uwichill.edu.bb/salises

Faculty of Medical Sciences

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www.cavehill.uwi.edu/scmr

Cave Hill School of Business

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www.chsb.biz

