Young and mid-career veterinarians and other related professionals with a background in and training needs for transboundary animal disease management in Africa.

**Admission requirements**

- A degree in veterinary medicine or related field (e.g. animal production, wildlife, fisheries, etc.)
- A proven aptitude, either through work experience or acquired otherwise, for the profession;
- At least two years of work experience, acquired on a full-time or regular basis;
- Brief explanation of why the prospective student is applying for the MTADM Master Course in form of a statement of motivation.

**Language**

The course is conducted in English. Proficiency in the English language has to be proven before admission by passing a recognised language test and a personal interview. Applicants whose higher education was in English language can be exempted.

**Course fees and living costs**

Total course fees including tuition, course material, and bench fees for research work are EURO 20,000.

However, for the 1st master course to be implemented and completed under the EDULINK funded project a “fee waiver” (except functional/registration fees) will be in effect.

Nevertheless, applicants are expected to look for fund for costs associated with registration and living expenses in Ethiopia (12 months) and in Germany (5 months). The minimum monthly costs of living for board and lodging, health and accident insurance and other personal expenses in Ethiopia range between EURO 300 to 400; in Germany the monthly costs of living are approximately EURO 750.

**Scholarships**

It is expected that some scholarships will be made available by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD). Detailed information incl. application deadline and forms, will be posted on our website: [http://www.aau.edu.et/mtadm/](http://www.aau.edu.et/mtadm/)

Applicants are also encouraged to seek financial support for a scholarship from other possible sources such as government institutions, projects, international organisations (e.g. ILRI, FAO, WHO, EU), non-governmental organisations and industries.

**Application for admission**

**Deadline for application** for admission is **15 September 2009**

Application forms can be downloaded from the website: [http://www.aau.edu.et/mtadm/](http://www.aau.edu.et/mtadm/)

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**Course Announcement**

1st Joint Master Program in Transboundary Animal Disease Management (MTADM) January 2010-December 2011

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THE PARTNERS

The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of Addis Ababa University (FVM-AAU), Ethiopia, was established in 1979 and has been offering postgraduate studies since 1996. The Faculty has currently eight Master and four PhD programs. Most part of the course work of the joint MTADM will be carried out at FVM-AAU.

The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of Freie Universität Berlin (FVM-FUB), Germany, has been offering postgraduate training at MSc level since 1992. At the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine the Postgraduate Studies in International Animal Health (http://www.vetmed.fu-berlin.de/) are the executing institutions for all international training programmes. Part of the course work of the joint MTADM will be carried out at FVM-FUB.

The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of Makerere University, Uganda, the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of University of Khartoum, Sudan, the College of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Production of Sudan University of Science and Technology and the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine of University of Nairobi, Kenya, are further partner universities in East Africa with rich experience in veterinary education and research. These universities are involved in teaching the modules of the joint MTADM both at FVM-AAU and FVM-FUB and also supervising the Master Thesis research of students.

THE PROGRAMME

The Joint Master in Transboundary Animal Disease Management (MTADM).

The joint MTADM is implemented as Joint Degree Programme between the participating universities. The duration of the programme is two years. The first year is allotted for course work and is divided into three phases: Phase I for modules at FVM-AAU (3 months), Phase II for modules at FVM-FUB (5 months) and Phase III for modules at FVM-AAU (4 months). The second year is dedicated to project proposal preparation (1 month), master thesis field research (7 months) and thesis write-up and defense (3 months).

The joint MTADM will be accredited in accordance with the strict rules of the German Accreditation Council.

The programme uses a modular curriculum structure to allow for state-of-the-art teaching of a particular topic as a combination of classroom knowledge transfer (lectures, group work, seminars, PC labs) linked to practical laboratory experiences (bench work) within a defined and uninterrupted time period at a particular partner institution. The successful participation in a module will lead to the achievement of the full credit points (ECTS credit point system of EU) according to the study regulations of the participating universities.

FIRST YEAR

Phase I
At FVM-AAU, Debre Zeit, Ethiopia

Basic modules (14 ECTS, 3 months)

- Epidemiology and Biostatistics
- Livestock Production Systems and Disease Ecology
- Animal Health Information System and Disease Patterns

Phase II
At FVM-FUB, Berlin, Germany

Advanced modules (24 ECTS, 5 months)

- Risk Analysis
- Surveillance and Risk-based Surveillance
- Laboratory Diagnosis Applications

SECOND YEAR

Research Phase (30 ECTS, 7 months)
Mainly in the home country

- Bridging Module (Project Assignment)
- Workshop Module (Study Design)
- Workshop Module (Data Analysis)
- Master Thesis Work

Final Phase (30 ECTS, 5 months)
At FVM-AAU, Debre Zeit, Ethiopia

- Master Thesis Work & Oral Examination