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**APPLICATION FORM**

**For the PhD programme** [See NOTES 1, 2]

**1. FULL NAMES (Please print clearly)**

Affix 2  
 Passport Size  
 Photographs  
 Here

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Family                                  First                                  Middle

Name(s) on previous records, if different from above

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Indicate here which specialisations you are applying for.

PhD in Translation:                                 

(b)     Specialising in New Testament:                                   Specialising in Old Testament:

(c)     Year in which you wish to begin studies at AIU: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. CURRENT MAILING ADDRESS**

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Tel.: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Office Use only:**

Date application form received: .....

Date application file complete: .....

Admission (give dates of the following decisions):

Recommended: .....

Deferred: .....

Rejected: .....

*[Attach a clear statement of reasons for an application that is deferred or rejected]*

**PART 1: OTHER PERSONAL INFORMATION**

**3. OTHER PERSONAL DATA**

Male

Female

**4. BIRTHDATE**

Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

**5. NATIONALITY**

Country of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport No: \_\_\_\_\_ ID No.(Kenyans) : \_\_\_\_\_

**6. OCCUPATION**

\_\_\_\_\_ Full time:  Part time:

**7. CHURCH AFFILIATION**

Present Church Membership: \_\_\_\_\_ How long?  
\_\_\_\_\_

**8. MARITAL STATUS (Put a tick in all relevant boxes)**

Single:  Engaged:  Married:

Widowed:  Divorced:  Separated:

Remarried:  Single parent:

If you are currently engaged to marry, where and when will your marriage take place? \_\_\_\_\_

**9. SPOUSE'S NAME**

\_\_\_\_\_ Family First Middle Before marriage

Name(s) on previous records, if different from above \_\_\_\_\_

**10. CHILDREN**

**How many children will accompany you during your time at AIU?**

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**PART 2: PREVIOUS EDUCATION**

*If you are a Masters graduate of AIU, go directly to Question 12. All other applicants must complete Questions 10 and 11 before proceeding.*

**11. COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY / SEMINARY EDUCATION [NOTE 3]**

<u>INSTITUTION</u>	<u>DATES</u>		<u>CERTIFICATE, DIPLOMA or DEGREE OBTAINED</u>			<u>DATE OF AWARD</u>
	<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>	<i>Name of cert. and final grade</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>	

*You must send copies of Masters' certificates, diplomas and degrees you hold from all of the above institutions with your application. Your application will not be processed without these. Each copy should carry your own handwritten and signed statement: "I solemnly declare that this certificate is my own, and has not been altered in any way." You must present the original certificates for verification upon your arrival at AIU, before you can register in any programme. Foreign applicants must also present a Recognition and Equation of qualifications (R.E. Q) certificate (for foreign certificates only). This is to be done through the Kenyan Government.*

**12. PREVIOUS THESIS WORK**

Did you write a thesis, dissertation or project in your Masters studies?

Yes:

No:

If yes, give the full title of the thesis and enclose a photocopy of the Title page and Abstract.

Thesis Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**13. DISMISSALS AND PROBATION**

Have you ever been denied admission to or been dismissed from any institution, or have you been on disciplinary probation in any institution you have listed in Qu.10 above, for either academic or moral reasons? If "yes" provide a short, accurate explanation on a separate paper.

Yes:

No:

**13. LANGUAGE FLUENCY** [NOTES 4, 5, 6]

Mother Tongue \_\_\_\_\_

Which of the following languages are you fluent in?

- |             |                          |             |                          |
|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|
| English:    | <input type="checkbox"/> | French      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| German:     | <input type="checkbox"/> | Portuguese: | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Greek (NT): | <input type="checkbox"/> | Hebrew:     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other:      | _____                    |             |                          |

**14. OTHER PREREQUISITE COURSEWORK** [NOTE 7]

Which of the following have you studied (at least equivalent to a 3 credit hour course each)?

- |            |                          |                                       |                          |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Semantics: | <input type="checkbox"/> | Pragmatics:                           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Discourse: | <input type="checkbox"/> | Social worlds (Old or New Testament): | <input type="checkbox"/> |

<b>PART 3: WORK EXPERIENCE</b>
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**15. PROFESSIONAL OR ACADEMIC CONFERENCES**

Give details of any professional or academic conferences which you have attended, and any papers you have presented (Conference, date, title of paper).

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**16. PUBLICATIONS**

If you have written and published any work, please give details below.

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**17. OTHER RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE**

On separate paper, submit a resume / cv of all other relevant work experience and further study since leaving secondary school.

**PART 4: APPLICATION FOR THE PHD STUDY PROGRAMME**

18. Why do you want to do doctoral studies?

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19. How will a doctoral degree contribute to your Christian service?

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**20. TENTATIVE THESIS PROPOSAL** [NOTE 8].

What areas of biblical or translation studies are you especially interested in?

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Give a working title for a proposed doctoral dissertation topic.

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What hypothesis are you interested in?

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On a separate paper, explain why do you wish to write on this particular subject? (write between 100-200 words typed explanation).

## **SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT to the doctoral programme**

Please sign and return this application form duly completed so as to reach the Registrar **before 1<sup>st</sup> April (Kenyan citizens 15<sup>th</sup> May)**, which are the application **deadlines** for September enrolment.

- (a) In signing this application form, I promise, if accepted as a student to be subject to regulations governing the social, educational and spiritual standards of AIU.
- (b) I affirm that all statements on this application are true to the best of my knowledge, and understand that misrepresentation may lead to dismissal.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**RETURN THIS COMPLETED FORM AND ALL ENCLOSURES  
(see lists below) TO THE REGISTRAR.**

The Admissions office  
Africa International University  
PO Box 24686  
Karen 00502  
Nairobi Kenya

**Africa International University**  
**Other Documents to submit in Application**  
**for the PhD programme [See NOTES 1, 2]**

**1. STATEMENT OF FAITH:**

On separate sheets of paper write briefly your understanding of each article of the AIU statement of faith (enclosed).

**2. BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

*Complete this section on separate sheets of paper (approximately 1 page for each part).*

1. Explain in several paragraphs how you became a Christian and how you know that you had a definite conversion experience.
2. Since becoming a Christian, how have you matured spiritually? How do you face the day to day challenges of life?
3. What evidence is there that God is calling you to the ministry for which you are seeking training at AIU?
4. What is your vision in terms of ministry upon graduation?

**3. ENGLISH PROFICIENCY EXAM (EPE)**

All candidates must submit a satisfactory result of TOEFL or IELTS (see current NEGST Prospectus) to be considered for admission. British Council or other Examining Body must send TOEFL & IELTS results directly to AIU (our TOEFL no. is B60033).

Please put a tick in the appropriate box if you have already taken an English proficiency test:

- TOEFL       IELTS       Other standard test. If so, state which \_\_\_\_\_

If you have not taken any of these, indicate intended test date: \_\_\_\_\_

**4. EXEGETICAL PAPER.**

In addition to the typewritten thesis proposal, all applicants must submit an exegetical paper on a passage from the Greek N.T. or Hebrew O.T. This paper must be typed, and 10-15 pages long. This paper should adequately display your competence in biblical language and exegesis.

**8. REFERENCES**

On a separate paper, provide a typed list of four referees who are not relatives. Each referee will be required to provide a competent written recommendation on your behalf.

Each reference should list (1) name, (2) mailing address, (3) telephone, mobile, fax numbers, and (4) email address for contact.

- 1) Two professors under whom you have studied at Master's level
- 2) Your present or most recent employer
- 3) An experienced supervisor at work to whom you report and who is in a position to provide a recommendation of your proficiency
- 4) The Pastor of your Church who has known you for more than one year

**9. SPOUSE'S STUDIES**

Spouses of applicants who intend to pursue educational studies while at NEGST must submit a separate application form.

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## HEALTH DECLARATION [NOTE 9]

The NEGST doctoral programme is an arduous four year period. It is important that each student enjoys a high level of good health. We therefore request that you complete the following questions.

- a) Specify any form of disability which requires you to have special consideration in housing, seminars, travel, or food (eg, sight, hearing, physical mobility).
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- b) Return the enclosed Medical Certificate of Health forms *for yourself and your spouse*, duly completed by and signed by a qualified Medical Officer.
- c) Will your church, para-church organisation, or employer cover your family's health costs while you are at AIU?  
Yes:   
No:
- d) Will you subscribe to the AIU health scheme (\$ 1000 US per year; see separate statement and note especially the exclusions)?  
Yes:   
No:
- e) Do you agree to undergo a rigorous physical examination in Nairobi before registering (see following note)?  
Yes:   
No:

All admitted students will be required to undertake a physical examination before registering, at a physician of AIU's choice. The AIU physician will counsel each student of the advisability of proceeding to studies.



**SENDING ORGANISATION DECLARATION** [NOTE 10]

Is a church, para-church organization, or other institution sending you for doctoral studies?

- Yes:   
No:

Will this organization receive you back into their employment after you complete these studies?

- Yes:   
No:

Give the name, address and other contact of the person in your sending organisation who will provide a written commitment to release you for studies and receive you back afterwards [NOTE 8].

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Tel.: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**FINANCES** [NOTES 11, 12]

How do you anticipate financing your studies? Please put a tick at all appropriate boxes.

- Local church:       Denomination:       Friends:   
Fund-raising:       My head office:       Personal:

- Donor Organization or Foundation which has committed to your financial support  
(give name and address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Students who will require some help to meet study costs must request such in a separate letter. A sheet outlining AIU's scholarship policies for doctoral programmes is included in the application pack. Note carefully that no student can be admitted without the strong commitment of his/her sponsors, or without assurance that all costs for the four year programme will be met in full.



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# Recommendation Form Professor

## Ph.D. Program, Africa International University

Indicate the program to which you are applying:

PhD in Biblical Studies       PhD in Translation Studies

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

## Recommender

*Africa International University requires applicants to submit letters of recommendation. The recommendation form is to be completed and returned in a sealed envelope to AIU whose address appears below.*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Institution or Agency \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

May we contact you if we have additional questions?  Yes       No

*Write as fully as you can about the candidate. We are looking for applicants with strong intellectual capacity and sufficient preparation to successfully complete the school's program.*

1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?

2. What do you consider the applicant's strengths?

3. What do you consider the applicant's weaknesses?
  
4. Describe an activity or program in which the applicant has been involved that displays his/her leadership ability or potential.
  
5. What do you feel would be the applicant's greatest difficulty in an intensive graduate school program? Does the applicant need any additional preparation?

*Rate the applicant in the areas indicated below.*

	Unable to Comment	Marginal (Lower 50%)	Average (Top 50%)	Good (Top 25%)	Excellent (Top 10%)	Superior (Top 3%)	Equal to the Best
Intellectual ability							
Analytic frame of mind							
Problem-solving skills							
Time management skills							
Quality of oral expression							
Quality of written expression							
Motivation and initiative							
Leadership							
Organization							
Sense of Humor							
Emotional maturity							
Ability to work with others							
Professional integrity							
Research ability							
Potential as a university lecturer							

6. Please check one of the following: I  strongly recommend  recommend  do not recommend the applicant.
  
7. Please make any additional comments about the applicant's potential or personal qualities which you feel would be helpful for the admissions committee.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
*Day/Month/Year*



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# Recommendation Form

## Pastor

### Ph.D. Program, Africa International University

Indicate the program to which you are applying:

PhD in Biblical Studies       PhD in Translation Studies

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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Title \_\_\_\_\_

Institution or Agency \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

May we contact you if we have additional questions?  Yes       No

*Write as fully as you can about the candidate. We are looking for applicants with strong spiritual maturity, intellectual capacity, and sufficient preparation to successfully complete the school's program.*

1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?

2. Is the applicant living a consistent Christian life?

3. What do you consider the applicant's strengths? Weaknesses?

4. Describe an activity or program in which the applicant has been involved that displays his/her leadership ability or potential.

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Spiritual life							
Purposefulness							
Teachability							
Dependability							
Judgment							
Initiative							
Quality of work							
Attitude							
Creativity							
Influence on others							
Leadership							
Emotional maturity							
Ability to work with others							
Integrity							

6. Please check one of the following: I  strongly recommend  recommend  do not recommend the applicant.

7. Please make any additional comments about the applicant's potential or personal qualities which you feel would be helpful for the admissions committee.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
*Day/ Month/ Year*

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# Recommendation Form Employer

## Ph.D. Program, Africa International University

Indicate the program to which you are applying:

PhD in Biblical Studies       PhD in Translation Studies

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

## Recommender

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Institution or Agency \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

May we contact you if we have additional questions?  Yes       No

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Quality of oral expression							
Quality of written expression							
Motivation and initiative							
Leadership							
Organization							
Sense of Humor							
Emotional maturity							
Ability to work with others							
Professional integrity							
Research ability							
Potential as a university lecturer							

6. Please check one of the following: I  strongly recommend  recommend  do not recommend the applicant.
  
7. Please make any additional comments about the applicant's potential or personal qualities which you feel would be helpful for the admissions committee.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
*Day/Month/Year*

## AIU STATEMENT OF FAITH

Africa International University is founded on the Bible and its revelation of Jesus Christ. Its constitution enshrines the Statement of Faith of the Association of Evangelicals in Africa, which reads as follows: -

We believe in: -

- (i) THE HOLY SCRIPTURES of the Old and the New Testament (a total of 66 Books) are the Word of God. It is divinely inspired, infallible, inerrant, and entirely trustworthy and serves as a supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct (2 Tim.3: 16-17).
- (ii) GOD is ONE. The one God is eternally self-existent in three Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit (Deut.6:4-5; Mt. 28:19)
- (iii) JESUS CHRIST is Saviour and Lord. As God, He was manifest in the flesh. We believe His virgin birth; His sinless human life; His divine miracles; His vicarious and atoning death, His bodily resurrection; His ascension; His mediatorial work; and His future personal return in Power and Glory (Lk.1: 32-33; Jn.1: 1-4; 1 Tim.2: 5-6; 6:13-16).
- (iv) HOLY SPIRIT is God. As the third Person in the Godhead, He indwells every believer upon conversion and enables the believer to live a holy life; to witness in power; and to work for the Lord Jesus Christ (Act. 5:3-4; Mt.28: 19; Acts.1: 8).
- (v) MAN was made in the image of God and sinless. By choice, Man fell out of favour into sin. In God's mercy, SALVATION comes to every lost and sinful person freely and simply by faith in Jesus Christ who shed His blood for sin, and through regeneration by the Holy Spirit (Gen.1: 26-28; 3:1-21; Jn.1: 11-13, 1Cor. 12:13).
- (vi) All believers in Jesus Christ are ONE BODY, the Church, of which He is the Head (1 Cor. 12:13; Eph.2: 14-22).
- (vii) SATAN is a fallen angel whose intent is to supplant God and frustrate His purpose, and whose ultimate end is consignment to eternal punishment (Lk. 10:17-18; Rev. 20:10).
- (viii) BODILY RESURRECTION of all the dead will take place someday. Believers in Christ will rise unto everlasting blessedness while unbelievers will rise unto judgment and everlasting punishment (Rev. 20:11-15; 2 Cor.5: 9-10).

Please sign below if you subscribe with the AIU "Statement of Faith"

Applicant name : .....

Signature :.....

Date :.....



# Africa International University

## Notes accompanying application forms

**NB: All applicants read these notes carefully. Failure to comply with their requirements may affect your application, admission or registration into the doctoral programme.**

1. *All applicants will initially register as Supervised Postgraduate Students in biblical studies or in translation. Candidates' success will be reviewed after the first year, and those with good prospects of completing a doctoral dissertation will have their registration changed to that of Doctoral Candidate.*
2. *Applications for MTh or MPhil only should be completed on the appropriate form.*
3. *AIU considers applications from a university or seminary accredited by 1) a national government; 2) ACTEA accredited or ACTEA ACTC status; 3) an agency recognized by ACTEA.*
4. *All applicants must submit test scores from a Standard English Proficiency Test, such as TOEFL or IELTS. See Q. 24.*
5. *AIU regulations for the academic research PhD require you to have an active knowledge of Hebrew and Greek sufficient for reading and exegesis. This is equivalent to two years study in one language and a minimum of one year for the other. Applicants, who are deficient in knowledge of one or other biblical language, must make arrangements to make good the lack before they can be registered for the doctoral programme. This may require a three-month period of residence at AIU prior to registration. The Board of Studies will require you to demonstrate your skill before you can proceed with registration.*
6. *All students in PhD programmes must demonstrate reading fluency in French and or German before they begin writing their dissertation. This is normally 18 months into the programme. The Board of Studies will require you to demonstrate your skill before you can proceed.*
7. *AIU doctoral regulations require you to have had the equivalent of one graduate course of study in semantics, pragmatics, discourse, and social or cultural worlds of Old and/or New Testament. Applicants who lack any of these, or who are deficient in knowledge of biblical languages, must make arrangements to take up residence at AIU for three months preceding registration for the doctoral programme, and undertake upgrade courses.*
8. *If you are admitted, you will provide a full proposal by the end of your first year of study. This full proposal may be on a different topic from what you have specified in your application. At that time, the Board of Doctoral Studies must approve your final submission.*
9. *The PhD programme will be an arduous four years of study. Before you proceed with registering, the Board of Doctoral Studies will require you to undergo a careful physical examination in Nairobi at a medical practitioner of AIU's choice. You will not proceed to registration before undertaking such an examination.*
10. *If a church, para-church or other organisation is sending you for doctoral studies and intends to receive you back into their service afterwards, this application requires a clear written commitment from the organisation. This commitment must state that they are sending you for studies, releasing you full time for the duration of the study programme (48 months), and committing themselves to receiving you back into employment after studies.*
11. *Applicants who are so sponsored may apply for scholarship assistance on the basis of this written recommendation from their sending organisation. In all cases the sending organisation must specify what support they will contribute to your time at AIU.*
12. *As an indication of your acceptance of the financial costs of your studies at AIU, you are asked to contribute \$2,000 US each year for four years towards your studies, to be raised from your own community.*

## CHECK LIST of ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS

To process your application, you must include the following list of items. Failure to do so may delay the application process.

Put a tick at items you have completed already:

- |   |                          |
|---|--------------------------|
| This form, duly completed   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| A recent passport size photograph of yourself                             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Application fee (US \$20 or US \$25 foreign cheques (if not sent already) | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Copies of Masters Transcripts   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Copies of Masters Certificates  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Official post-graduate transcript (to be sent directly to Registrar)      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Photocopy of Masters thesis, dissertation or project Abstract             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Statement of Faith and your view points on each article                   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Biographical Sketch   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Typed Exegetical paper  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| English Proficiency Certificate   | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Typed initial doctoral thesis proposal                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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