



MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING, ZANZIBAR
THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF ZANZIBAR (SUZA)

Support for Skills Development for Youth Employability in the Blue Economy Project (SEBEP), Project Ref. No. TZ-MoEVT/AfDB/C/IC/11

THE SUZA SEBEP PROJECT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME 2025/2026

1. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The State University of Zanzibar (SUZA) is one of the beneficiaries of the Support for Skills Development for Youth Employability in the Blue Economy Project (SEBEP). SEBEP is a project that is co-financed by the Revolutionary Government of Zanzibar and the African Development Bank. Its aim is to address the skills gap among the youth in Zanzibar through training and capacity building, while also creating a better learning environment for acquiring the required skills.

One component of the project is staff capacity building for the SUZA Institute of Maritime Studies (SUZA-IMS). In this programme, SUZA-IMS intends to train future faculty members. These individuals will contribute to the provision of training and education in the priority areas within the maritime field, namely, navigation/nautical science, marine engineering, and logistics and port management.

2. SCHOLARSHIP CALL

In line with this development, the State University of Zanzibar **would like to invite applications for scholarship awards for master's degrees** from qualified Zanzibaris for the academic year 2025/2026, as outlined in the table below:

S/No	Discipline	No. of scholarships
1.	Navigation/Nautical Science	3
2.	Marine Engineering	2

3. ELIGIBILITY

The minimum requirements for qualifications into the Scholarship award are:

- A bachelor's degree with a minimum GPA of 3.5/5.0 or its equivalent in the relevant field.
- The applicant must have been admitted to or has applied for admission at a reputable university offering the postgraduate degree programme in their field of study.

- iii. The applicant must be 40 years or younger.
- iv. Possession of a certificate of competency at officer level will be added advantage for those applying for navigation/ nautical science or marine engineering.
- v. The applicant should have valid passport if planning to study abroad.
- vi. The applicant must be ready to work for SUZA as an academician upon completion of the study programme.

4. SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection of qualified applicants for the SUZA SEBEP Project Scholarship Award shall be in accordance with the SUZA Training Policy. Parallel with this, gender equality and inclusiveness will be highly considered.

5. THE SCHOLARSHIP PACKAGE

The SUZA SEBEP Project Scholarship shall cover both the direct university cost and direct student costs, which shall cover the following:

- i. Tuition fee and research costs as per fee structure of the respective university.
- ii. Up to two annual return air tickets at economy class.
- iii. Monthly stipend at the minimum student rate in the country and city which the candidate will be pursuing his/her studies.
- iv. Visa fee and health insurance.
- v. Stationery.

6. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applicants are required to submit applications in both hard copy and soft copy (in PDF format) to the Vice Chancellor.

The application package shall comprise of:

- i. Cover letter.
- ii. Updated Curriculum vitae (CV).
- iii. Copies of certificates and academic transcripts. Certificates and academic transcripts from foreign universities must be certified by the Tanzania Commission for Universities.
- iv. Letter of motivation with 200 words explaining the reason why the applicant is applying for the scholarship and how he/she will contribute academically to the Institute of Maritime Studies of the State University of Zanzibar.
- v. Admission or provisional admission letter with its associated university fee structure (if applicable).
- vi. Copy of the passport for those planning to study abroad.
- vii. Copy of the Zanzibar ID card.

Hard copies of the application, clearly labelled 'Application of SUZA SEBEP Scholarship Award in Maritime Studies 2025/2026, shall be sent to SUZA headquarter Tunguu, or by courier at the following postal address:

Vice Chancellor
State University of Zanzibar
P. O. Box 146
192 Barabara ya Tunguu
72214
Zanzibar.

The soft copy of the application should be sent via email to vc@suza.ac.tz with the subject line 'Application for SUZA SEBEP Scholarship Award in Maritime Studies 2025/2026', and a copy should be sent to ims@suza.ac.tz.

7. DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION

The closing date for application is **22nd August 2025**.

8. IMPORTANT NOTE

Applicants are required to note the followings:

- i. The selection for scholarship award, shall only focus on applications on the selected fields and will consider the reputation of the university a candidate has applied to and the maritime training profile of the country of that particular university.
- ii. The SUZA SEBEP Scholarship will not pay for costs related to any extension of study duration.
- iii. The duration for the Scholarship is 12 to 24 months only, depending on the programme structure, unless a study programme has a compulsory distance learning mode, or comprises of extended sea training. In the case of extended sea training, the scholarship management will decide on the terms of payment of the stipend during the sea training period.
- iv. Applications submitted after the closing date or without all the required information listed above shall not be considered.
- v. Applicants should apply on the strength of the information given in this call, applications failing to meet the above conditions will not be considered.

***Issued by the Office of the Vice Chancellor
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