

## **Announcement of CENSU Master grants (for academic years 2022/23-2023/24)**

The research and education programme CENSU (Climate Change, Energy, Sustainability: Transformations and Governance) is announcing TWO MASTER grants for exchange to Oslo Metropolitan University (OsloMet), toward a Masters in International Education and Development, 2022/2023.

We welcome applicants from all CENSU partner universities: University of Dar es Salaam (UDSM); State University of Zanzibar (SUZA); Universidade Lurio (UniLurio); Universidade Eduardo Mondlane (UEM)

### **About CENSU**

CENSU is funded by the Norwegian government's development agency. Its objective is to strengthen education and research capacity related to major development challenges in Tanzania and Mozambique: The sustainability of extraction of their energy resources, particularly oil and gas, and the implications for climate change mitigation. The project will concentrate research on current and anticipated oil and gas exploration mainly in Lindi in southern Tanzania and Inhassoro in southern Mozambique (possibly also Cabo Delgado). All CENSU research and education activity shall integrate natural and social sciences, with a view to better understand the relationship between the environmental, economic and social dimensions of sustainable development.

### **About the grants**

The duration of grant and degree programme is two years' full-time. While degree completion may be extended to three years, subject to special arrangement with OsloMet, the grant cannot be extended. The size of the grants are NOK 11,000 per month (approx USD 1,300 at current exchange rate) for a total of 22 months (of which the first 10-12 months must be spent in Oslo, beginning August 2022). Grantees will also receive an additional stipend to cover travel costs.

### **About the Masters degree**

OsloMet's Master in International Education and Development has two tracks – one in international education, another in international development. The CENSU grantees will follow the latter track. In the first year of study, the grantees do a full years' worth of coursework (60 ETCS) at OsloMet. In the second year, they undertake fieldwork and write their theses (with

sending universities as bases). Academic staff from OsloMet will serve as main theses supervisors, and academic staff from home universities as co-supervisors.

Consult further information about the OsloMet degree program at the below link. However, please note that you shall NOT apply via the online application route, but as instructed below: <https://www.oslomet.no/en/study/loi/international-education-development>

Two seats in the 2022/2023 batch are reserved for CENSU candidates. However, these seats, and the two attached grants, will be awarded only to the extent that applicants are qualified as per the assessment of OsloMet's MIED admissions committee.

## **Qualifications**

A successful candidate will have

- A convincing research/theses concept proposal (see more below)
- A strong bachelor's degree and/or a strong master degree in a relevant field of study.
- Research experience related to topics tangential to those of CENSU is a significant advantage, as is research/teaching experience transcending the natural/social sciences divide
- Proven ability to work independently and in close collaboration with others
- Proof of English proficiency as per the rules for OsloMet degree admission:  
For Mozambicans: TOEFL IBT minimum score 80, or IELTS minimum score 6.0, or proof of BA or MA degree completion in an English-speaking country/program.  
Tanzanian are exempted from proof of English proficiency.

*Thesis concept proposal:* We invite proposals addressing one or more of the following research questions:

- How are ecological and social dynamics interwoven in relation to gas extraction in fragile societies and vulnerable environments?
- To what extent, and how, are local community livelihoods (likely to be) affected by gas extraction activities?
- To what extent do the gas projects create expectations and concerns in affected communities/society, and what are these expectations and concerns?

- How do governing institutions and gas corporations (including contractors) respond to the expectations and concerns of citizens – including through consultation processes– and to what extent and how do they promote sustainable development related to energy production?

The research concept proposal must

- Present the analytical approach to be applied in the research project; this approach must transcend the natural science/social science divide
- Provide a short outline of the methods to be employed
- Have a fieldwork location focus that fits with the research sites identified in the CENSU project

The length of proposal should be approx. 1500 words (excl. the list of references.)

## **Application**

Your application must include:

- Research/theses concept proposal (see above)
- CV (max. 2 pages)
- Relevant transcripts and diplomas
- All of the above must be combined into a single PDF file.

**Closing date: Wed 24 November 2021**

The application shall NOT be submitted through the OsloMet online application route, but sent to the CENSU educational coordinator at your university:

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