

CALL FOR INTERNAL APPLICATIONS**ERASMUS+ STUDENT MOBILITY AT UNIVERSITY OF HELSINKI AND TAMPERE
UNIVERSITY / FINLAND**

The management of University of Rwanda-College of Education (UR-CE) wishes to inform its academic staff that aligned with the existing collaboration with the Finnish HEIs to enrich the activities of the “**Higher Education Pedagogies for Teacher Education - HEP-TED**” project, the University of Helsinki and Tampere University will offer a six (6) month mobility to two (2) PhD candidates in both insitutions. This inter-institutional Mobility between University of Helsinki, Tampere University and University of Rwanda is under Erasmus+ Student Mobility Program.

Eligibility criteria:

The applicant must:

- Be admitted to UR-CE PhD programmes
- Be a Rwandan permanent academic staff at UR-CE;
- Be pro-active researcher
- Be Conducting an on-going PhD research in the field of “Educational Pedagogies for Teacher Education”;
- Be able to stay in Finland during the mobility period January – June 2026;
- Be ready to continue to work as an academic staff at UR-CE after completing the training.

Interested candidates should submit the following application documents:

- Application letter addressed to the Principal of the University of Rwanda-College of Education indicating the title of the PhD thesis and stating the relevancy to UR-CE mandate and Rwanda at large.
- Admission letter to UR-CE PhD programmes
- Copy of ID/Valid Ppassport
- Curriculum Vitae
- Recommendation letter from the main PhD supervisor
- Proof of English proficiency for students who have background studies in a non-English system.
- A brief concept note of the PhD research

Note: The Concept Note must include:

Project Title: *(not more than 20 words)*

Research area:

Project Summary: *An overall description PhD research concept and what it intends to achieve. Describe in general terms the problems to be addressed (Maximum 300 words)*

Project Problem and Outputs: *Description and background of the research problem(s) to address and descriptions of the expected individual outputs to be realised(200 words).*

Methodology/research design: *Provide a description of the methodology and research approach adopted in the PhD studies (200 words).*

How to apply?

Interested candidates will submit the required documents (in PDF format and in one folder) to the following e-mail address: **info.ce@ur.ac.rw**, with the subject: *Application for Erasmus+ Student Mobility Program at University of Helsinki / Tampere University*. Applications should be submitted at the latest by **17th September 2025 at 11:59 pm**.

Selection process


Applicants will be shortlisted based on the eligibility criteria and completeness of the application documents. The shortlisted candidates shall be interviewed by a panel appointed by the College Management. Only candidates nominated by UR-CE will be recommended for further admission processes at University of Helsinki or Tampere University. The online application deadline for the University of Helsinki is 30 September 2025 and 15 October 2025 for the Tampere University

Placement of candidates

During the application and interview process, candidates will be invited to indicate their preference for either University of Helsinki or Tampere University, providing a short justification based on their research focus, supervision needs, or academic interest. The final recommendation will be made by the UR-CE selection panel in consultation with project partners, ensuring alignment between the candidate's research topic and the host university's expertise and capacity.

For more clarifications, please contact the HEP-TED Project Coordinator, Prof. Wenceslas Nzabairwa: email: w.nzabairwa@ur.ac.rw, phone: 0788428454.

Done on 10th September 2025


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