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LUANAR | ECAMPUS

PhD in Extension Innovation and Development



About the Programme

The PhD in Extension, Innovation, and Development at LUANAR eCampus is a fully online, research-centered program that develops scholars and practitioners in extension innovation, rural development, and agricultural systems. It equips students to conduct transformative research that informs policy, enhances extension systems, and drives sustainable rural development, impacting agricultural productivity, economic resilience, and communities effectively.

Why Choose LUANAR ECAMPUS?

- Flexible and Accessible
- Expert-Led
- Research Impact

Start Your Journey

Join LUANAR to develop the expertise needed to lead, innovate, and make a lasting impact in agricultural extension and rural development.

Apply Now!



If you have any questions we are here to help

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Course Structure

Year 1

Semester 1

- Module 1: Philosophy of Research
- Module 2: Conducting Literature Review
- Module 3: Critical Academic Writing
- Module 4: Research Questions in Social Research
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Semester 2

- Module 5: Operationalizing and Conceptualizing in Social Research
- Module 6: Research Design
- Module 7: Research Methods
- Module 8: Designing Data Collection Instruments

Year 3

Semester 1

- Module 17: Research Dissemination
- Module 18: How to Write a Journal Paper
- Thesis Development and Finalization

Year 2

Semester 1

- Module 9: Quantitative and Qualitative Data Analysis
- Module 10: Quantitative Data Analysis Techniques
- Module 11: Qualitative Data Analysis Techniques
- Module 12: Research Ethics in Social Research

Semester 2

- Module 13: Managing Data and Research Materials
- Module 14: Writing Policy Briefs
- Module 15: Thesis Compilation and Production
- Module 16: Avoiding Plagiarism



Who is This Programme For?

The PhD in Extension Innovation and Development is ideal for individuals seeking to drive impactful change in agriculture and rural development. This program is tailored for:

- Development Professionals:
- Policy Makers and Advisors:
- Academics and Researchers:
- NGO and International Development Practitioners:



Future Job Titles

This program prepares graduates to assume leadership and specialized roles in various sectors. Potential job titles include:

- Extension Specialist
- Policy Advisor in Agriculture and Rural Development
- Research Scientist in Development Studies
- Program Manager in Rural Development Initiatives
- University Lecturer



Programme Duration

The PhD in Extension Innovation and Development is a full-time, research-based programme designed to be completed in 3 years. This time frame provides flexibility for working professionals engaged in research.

- Duration: 36 months, including field research, data analysis, and dissertation writing.



Admission Requirements

To qualify for admission to the PhD in Extension, Innovation and Development programme at LUANAR ECAMPUS, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- **Educational Background:** Master's degree in Extension, Innovations, Rural Development, Sociology, or Development Studies from a recognized university.
- **CV:** 3-page CV detailing academic background, work experience, and key achievements.
- **Master's Thesis:** Digital copy of Master's thesis in English.
- **Concept Note:** 4–5 pages on research topics, motivation, and goals.
- **Transcripts:** Official transcripts from all previous higher education.
- **Recommendation Letters:** 2–3 letters from academic or professional referees.
- **English Proficiency:** Proof required if English is not the first language.

Application Process

Ready to take the next step? Here's how to apply for the PhD in Extension Innovation and Development at LUANAR:

- Complete the Online Application Form
- Submit Required Documents
- Pay the Application Fee
- Await Admission Decision

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Apply today to help shape the future of sustainable rural transformation.

Speak to Admissions

Now is the time to take actions



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