

**2017/2018**

**MARYKNOLL INSTITUTE OF AFRICAN STUDIES  
OF SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA/USA  
AND TANGAZA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, NAIROBI,**



SEPT 8 – DEC 1, 2017	SEMESTER PROGRAM
JAN 19 – APR 13, 2018	SEMESTER PROGRAM
MAY 15 – JUNE 6, 2018	FIRST IMMERSION PROGRAM
JUNE 12 – JULY 4, 2018	SECOND IMMERSION PROGRAM
SEPT 7 – NOV 30, 2018	SEMESTER PROGRAM

**PART I : PERSONAL INFORMATION**

(Please Print or type all information)

Family name	First name	Middle name (if applicable)	Religious name
Current address			( ) Phone number
Mobile Phone #:		Fax:	E-mail:

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

- 1) Present Academic Level (check one) Post Graduate \_\_\_\_\_  
Under-graduate \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) Please list Colleges, Universities, Institutions, Theology Schools attended (undergraduates list schools):

Name of Institution	Degree/Diploma	Major Field	Dates Attended

ATTN.: You must have a copy of the transcript of your grades attached to this Application or sent to the Maryknoll Institute of African Studies, Box 15199, Lang'ata, 00509, Kenya.

- 3) Please give a brief account of any **previous study** of African (or other non-Western) cultures and religions in school settings or workshops.
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

**PERSONAL BACKGROUND**

Date of Birth: Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Day: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_

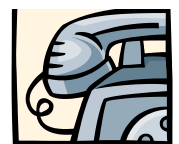
Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_ Religious affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Passport No. \_\_\_\_\_ or Identity No. \_\_\_\_\_

Lay Person \_\_\_\_\_ Clergy \_\_\_\_\_ (Year ordained) \_\_\_\_\_ Religious \_\_\_\_\_



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1) What is your occupation?

Present: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates: \_\_\_\_\_

Past: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates: \_\_\_\_\_

Future Plans: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Please describe briefly how you hope to profit from the MIAS program?

3) The MIASMU programs do not allow AUDITING OF COURSES UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE.

Are you prepared to make the following commitments: (Check YES or NO)

- a) working with a field assistant?..... YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_
- b) riding the local transportation system?..... YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_
- c) visiting overnight the rural home of a field assistant?..... YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_
- d) writing a 15 page research/integration paper per course?..... YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_
- e) attending all classes?..... YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_
- f) reading all materials required for the courses?..... YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_
- g) putting aside non-essential medical and vacation needs?..... YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_
- h) bypassing tourist places and sites?..... YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_
- i) doing field research in all parts of Nairobi including squatter's camps?..... YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_
- j) (For non-Africans) living in an African environment? ..... YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

(If any of your choices were NO, please explain)

4) Would you be interested in applying for the Master degree programs, Master of Arts (MA) or Master of African Studies (MAS) after completing two or more courses?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

5) Do you have any special interest in a particular ethnic group of Kenya?

(explain): \_\_\_\_\_

6) Do you need assistance with accommodations in Nairobi? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

If YES, what is your preference: (indicate by 1st, 2nd)

Guest House/Hostel: \_\_\_\_\_ Seminary Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

7) (For non-Africans only) Have you had any previous experience in Africa? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_

If 'yes' briefly indicate nature of experience, length of time, dates.

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COPYRIGHT POLICY FOR STUDENT WORKS

Students own and have a copyright interest in all scholarly or educational materials, art works, musical compositions and dramatic and non-dramatic literary works created as a result of participation in the Maryknoll Institute of African Studies of Saint Mary's University of Minnesota/USA and Tangaza University College, Nairobi, Kenya ("student works"). However, a condition of enrollment and participation in the Maryknoll Institute of African Studies of Saint Mary's University of Minnesota/USA and Tangaza University College, Nairobi, Kenya is permission to use students' works for educational purposes, including publication of said works in appropriate journals.

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PERSON TO CONTACT IN EMERGENCY:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

RELATIONSHIP: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone #. \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_



ADDRESSES FOR PERMANENT FILE

1) FUTURE ADDRESS (IF DIFFERENT THAN CURRENT ADDRESS)

Name of Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

P.O. Box/Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Ph. (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX \_\_\_\_\_

2) NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER, FAX & E-MAIL: of parents or nearest living relative:

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3) Religious Superior (if applicable):

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Religious Community \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

CURRICULUM VITAE FOR PROGRAM DIRECTORY

(Write two short paragraphs)

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PART II: PREREGISTRATION

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

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

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

A Course Catalogue containing course outlines and syllabi is sent upon request for formal application.

REMEMBER:

- Student preregistration determines whether a course is taught.
  - SEMESTER PROGRAMS: maximum number of courses for full-time students is THREE.
  - IMMERSION PROGRAMS: one course only per session.
- All courses are taught on a postgraduate level.

Applying for the following program(s) (Check one or more)

Sept 8 ó Dec 1, 2017	Semester Program	_____
Jan 19 ó Apr 13, 2018	Semester Program	_____
May 15 ó June 6, 2018	First Immersion Program	_____
June 12 ó July 4, 2018	Second Immersion Program	_____
Sept 7 ó Nov 30, 2018	Semester Program	_____

**Please check off one, two or three courses** indicating your preferences by 1st, 2nd or 3rd marker next to the course(s) of the program(s) you plan to attend and **return this form with your application** to MIASMU, c/o Director. Box 15199, Lang'ata, 00509, Nairobi, Kenya.

**COURSE OFFERINGS: SEPTEMBER TO DECEMBER & JANUARY TO APRIL SEMSTER PROGRAMS**

**Classes taught on MONDAYS 1.30 pm – 4:45 pm**

- \_\_\_\_\_ *African Traditional Religion Interprets the Bible*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *spirituality, Personhood and Psychotherapy in an African Context*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Contemporary Political and Economic Realities in Kenya*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Church in Contemporary Africa: Its Political, Social and Economic Situation*

**Classes taught on TUESDAYS 1.30 pm – 4:45 pm**

- \_\_\_\_\_ *Introduction to Islam in Eastern Africa*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *Gospel and Culture: The African Experience*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *African Culture: An Overview*
- \_\_\_\_\_ *African Feminist/Womanist Theology: A Source for African Christian Theology*

**Classes taught on WEDNESDAYS 1.30 pm – 4:45 pm**

*Sociology of Development/Underdevelopment in African Religion.*  
*Introduction to East African Art*  
*African Traditional Spirituality.*  
*African Christian Theology: Historical and Systematic Development*  
*Mission in Africa Today: Methods, Concepts, Practices & Challenges*

**Classes taught on THURSDAYS 1.30 pm – 4:45 pm**

*African Traditional Religion: Major Beliefs, Practices and Contemporary Forms.*  
*African Marriage and Family: Challenge and Change.*  
*Introduction to East African Literature: Focus on Religious Conflicts.*  
*Justice and Peace in East Africa.*

**Classes taught on FRIDAYS 1.30 pm – 4:45 pm**

*Ideology and Practice of Health Ministry in Contemporary Africa: Traditional and Western.*  
*African Independent Churches: Authentic Integration or Separation from Christianity.*  
*Sage Philosophy: The Root of African Philosophy and Religion.*  
*Moral Teaching and Practices of African Traditional Religion.*

**2018 IMMERSION PROGRAMS COURSE OFFERINGS**

**All Courses offered are taught Wednesday thru Friday 8.30 - 12.15 pm**

**FIRST SESSION**

*African Cultures: An Overview.\**  
*African Traditional Religion Interprets the Bible.*  
*African Feminist/Womanist Theology: A Source for African Christian Theology.*  
*Contemporary Political and Economic Realities in Kenya.*  
*Sociology of Development/Underdevelopment in African Religion.*  
*Introduction to East African Art.*  
*Towards the Inculturation of Religious Community Life in Africa.*  
*African Christian Theology: Historical and Systematic Development.*  
*Spirituality, Personhood and Psychotherapy in an African Context.*  
*Gospel and Culture: The African Experience.*

**SECOND SESSION**

*African Cultures: An Overview.\**  
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*Mission in Africa Today: Methods, Concepts, Practices & Challenges*

\*The course, "African Cultures: An Overview," is repeated in the second Immersion Program as it is a required course for those in the Master programs, and a popular course for students new to Africa.

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DEADLINE FOR FORMAL APPLICATION TO THE 2017/2018 PROGRAMS:

**August 15, 2017** – September 8 – December 1, 2017 **Semester** Program  
**December 15, 2017** – January 19 – April 13, 2018 **Semester** Program  
**May 1, 2018** – May 15 – June 6, 2018 **First Immersion** Program  
**June 1, 2018** – June 12 – July 4, 2018 **Second Immersion** program  
**August 15, 2018** – September 8 – December 1, 2018 **Semester** Program

**AIRMAIL COMPLETED FIRST FOUR PAGES OF APPLICATION FORMS TO:**

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CHECK LIST:

- \_\_\_\_\_ APPLICATION FORMS (All three Parts)
- \_\_\_\_\_ TRANSCRIPTS OF GRADES ATTACHED OR SENT TO MIAS DIRECTLY
- \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION
- \_\_\_\_\_ SECOND LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION
- \_\_\_\_\_ STATEMENT OF WAIVER (Insurance)
- \_\_\_\_\_ DOCTOR'S RECOMMENDATION (if not resident of Africa)
- \_\_\_\_\_ TUITION: Citizens and Residents of Africa: Ksh. 34,500 (US\$ 475) per **semester** course  
Foreign Students from overseas: US\$ 950 per **semester** course  
Citizens and Residents of Africa: Ksh. 37,500 per (US\$ 540) **Immersion** course  
Foreign students from overseas: US\$ 1080 per **Immersion** course

[MAKE ALL KENYA SHILLINGS CHECKS PAYABLE TO: **MARYKNOLL INSTITUTE OF AFRICAN STUDIES** (Other currencies pay in cash or wire transfer. Request wire transfer address for US\$ or EURO accounts).



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PART III: DOCUMENTS

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

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

This page, together with the photos and down payment check, is to be sent by registered airmail to **Maryknoll Institute of African Studies, c/o Director, Box 15199 Lang'ata, 00509, Nairobi, Kenya.** The two recommendations, transcript of grades and doctor's report, can be mailed separately or, if enclosed in sealed envelopes, can be sent with this mailing.

TUITION DOWNPAYMENT

**Semester** programs tuition down payment: - Citizens and Residents of Africa: Ksh. 17,250 (US\$ 238) per course.

-Foreign students from overseas: US\$ 475 per course.

**Immersion** programs tuition down payment: -Citizens and Residents of Africa: Ksh. 18,750 (US\$ 270) per course.

-Foreign students from overseas: US\$ 540 per course.

The down payment should accompany this application to ensure one's place in the 2017/2018 programs. Make all Kenya shillings checks payable to: **MARYKNOLL INSTITUTE OF AFRICAN STUDIES** (Other currencies pay in cash or wire transfer. Request wire transfer address for US\$ or EURO accounts). If the down payment is not possible at this time, please explain the reasons why and indicate when payment will be made:

(explanation)\_\_\_\_\_

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STATEMENT OF WAIVER

(for insurance purposes)

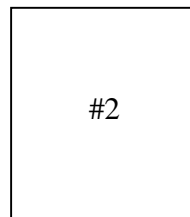
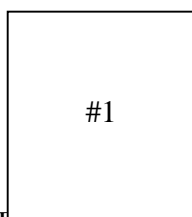
I understand that certain risks are inherent in participation in the Maryknoll Institute of African Studies of Saint Mary's University of Minnesota/USA and Tangaza University College, Nairobi, Kenya. I agree to assume those risks. I further agree to hold the African Area of the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota/USA and Tangaza University College, Nairobi, Kenya and their representatives harmless of any and all liability that may arise in connection with participation in the Maryknoll Institute of African Studies 2017/2018 Programs, August 1, 2017-December 31, 2018 Nairobi, Kenya.

(Your Signature): \_\_\_\_\_

(Date): \_\_\_\_\_

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ATTACH TWO PASSPORT SIZE PHOTOS





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FIRST LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION: 2017/2018 PROGRAMS  
(EMPLOYER, RECTOR, DEAN, OR RELIGIOUS SUPERIOR)

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Participants who are immature or lack sufficient flexibility to adjust to new situations would not find the program rewarding. Also, anyone who is under serious psychological stress or has less than vigorous good health is not advised to undertake such a program.

In light of this description would you please comment on:

(1) the extent and nature of your acquaintance with the applicant:

(2) their capacity to successfully participate in the kind of program described above. (Please use both sides of this sheet if necessary).

Thank you for your valuable cooperation.

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Name of Reference: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Position or Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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SECOND LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION: 2017/2018 PROGRAMS

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**DOCTOR'S REPORT: 2017/2018 PROGRAMS**  
*(Required Only From Those Applying from Outside of Africa)*

Dear Doctor,

The undersigned \_\_\_\_\_ has applied for the 2017/2018 program(s) of the Maryknoll Institute of African Studies located in Kenya, East Africa. This is a program of study and research with some traveling. For most of the time the participants live and study in Nairobi, Kenya which is situated on a plateau 5,200 feet above sea level. While extraordinary physical rigors are not demanded, living conditions demand good physical health. The weather for most of the program is mild 45 - 80 degrees, combining intense tropical sunshine with rain, dampness and overcast skies. Furthermore, Kenya is in a malarial area and there is some slight risk of becoming infected on travel outside of the city of Nairobi, if one does not take proper precautions.

Besides the normal wear and tear of life in a culture quite different from that of the United States or other Western countries, the program is not that demanding. However immature persons or persons in poor physical condition or with coronary or respiratory problems, severe allergies, or ambulatory limitations would find the program taxing or even dangerous. Also, it is difficult for the program to provide special diets. Furthermore, it is to be noted that the electrical power supply is at times erratic and may not be totally reliable if the person uses an electrically powered medical device.

Upon examination of the applicant, would you please express your judgment as to their physical and mental capability for such a program. This statement is for the information of the program and will not in any way hold the physician legally liable for the applicant's acceptance into the program or for any injury or illness that might occur during the program. Thank you for your cooperation.

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Upon examination I find \_\_\_\_\_ to be in sufficient good health for the Maryknoll Institute of African Studies described above.

Upon examination I would not recommend \_\_\_\_\_ as being in sufficient good health for the Maryknoll Institute of African Studies described above.

Physician's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Physician's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_