



# Democratic Republic of the Congo Data profile 2012

The DRC has a total of 36 publicly-funded universities, 6 of which provided questionnaire responses. In addition to the responses provided by the universities, the Ministry of Education submitted a completed questionnaire as well as a range of supporting documentation which included additional information about various categories of universities and some information about total enrolments. In addition, the University of Kisangani also provided updated data for the year 2011/2012 shortly before this profile was finalised. The data presented in this profile has been compiled based on all of these sources. However, since only 6 of out 36 universities provided responses, the data is unavoidably incomplete.

## Higher education landscape

**Table 1: Number and type of higher education institutions**

Type of higher education institution	Number of institutions	Estimated percentage of students enrolled
Publicly-funded universities	36	(104 325 for three universities. No percentage data)
Publicly-funded technical universities	416	Unknown
Privately-funded, accredited universities or colleges	140	61 512 (No percentage data)

Data not provided in questionnaires from MoE. Calculated from information documents received. The privately-funded universities include only the authorised and preliminarily authorised universities.

**Table 2: Private higher education institutions**

Private higher education institutions	Estimated number of students enrolled	Comments
Private higher education institutions	61 512	This number includes all 140 private institutions as noted in Table 1

No data provided in this section of the questionnaire, additional documents provided by the Ministry to calculate data.

**Table 3: Summary of higher education policy documents**

Higher education policy document	Copy available
Academic instruction No. 013/minesu/cabmin / mml/kob/2011 of 26/08/2011 for the attention of heads of public and private institutions of higher education institutions	Yes

## Enrolment patterns

**Table 4:** Student enrolment by mode of study and nationality\*

Student category	Number of students
Contact students	38 100
Distance students	0
Full-time students	39 449
Part-time students	
National citizens	40 435
SADC country citizens	16
Other international students (excluding SADC countries)	21

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011, and Ministry of Education data

\*Since the focus of the study was on the 2009/2010 academic year data, 2011/2012 data from University of Kisangani is not included in this table.

**Table 5a:** Student enrolment by gender and major field of study\*

Major field of study	Total number of students	Number of female students	Number of male students
Agriculture	381	74	907
Business, Management and Law	13 034	3 178	9 855
Education	1 862	294	1 568
Health Sciences	10 226	2 400	7 826
Humanities and Social Sciences	9 048	2 504	6 544
Science, Engineering and Technology	5 144	450	4 730
Criminology	50	6	44
Tourism and Hospitality Management	106	37	69

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011

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**Table 5b:** Student enrolment by gender (2011/2012) at University of Kisangani

Major field of study	Total number of students	Number of female students	Number of male students
Agriculture	154	37	117
Business, Management and Law	2 044	571	1 473
Education	448	108	340
Health Sciences	913	162	751
Humanities and Social Sciences	2 468	780	1 688
Science, Engineering and Technology	428	87	341

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011 (additional response)

**Table 6: Student enrolment by major field of study and level of study\***

Major field of study	Number of students enrolled per level of study					
	Undergraduate	Postgraduate < Masters	Masters	Doctoral	Post-doctoral	Other (e.g. short courses)
Agriculture	667	314	25	4	0	0
Business, Management and Law	8 334	4 700	19	4	0	0
Education	1 432	430	10	5	0	0
Health Sciences	5 241	4 947	29	5	0	0
Humanities and Social Sciences	6 452	2 597	57	31	0	0
Science, Engineering and Technology	3 803	1 448	16	11	0	0
Criminology	0	40	0	4	0	0
Tourism and Hospitality Management	106	0	0	0	0	0

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011

\*Since the focus of the study was on the 2009/2010 academic year data, 2011/2012 data from University of Kisangani is not included in this table.

**Table 7: Demand for higher education**

	Number of students
Number of applications received for undergraduate study	17 261
Number of applicants who met admissions criteria but could not be accepted	3 642
Number of new first-year undergraduate students	11 982
Number of applications for postgraduate study	1 248
Number of new postgraduate students admitted	621

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011

## Qualifications/Graduation data

**Table 8: Number of qualifications awarded per field of study and level of study**

Major field of study	Number of qualifications awarded per level of study				
	Undergraduate	Postgraduate < Masters	Masters	Doctoral	Post-doctoral
Agriculture	132	112	25	4	0
Business, Management and Law	1 321	1 789	6	4	0
Education	419	188	3	5	0
Health Sciences	1 599	380	12	5	0
Humanities and Social Sciences	1 573	918	34	29	0
Science, Engineering and Technology	477	368	16	11	0
Criminology	0	0	0	4	0
Tourism and Hospitality Management	6 041	0	0	0	0

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011

**Table 9: Number of qualifications per qualification level, gender and field of study**

Field of study	Gender of student	Number of qualifications awarded per qualification level				
		Undergraduate	Postgraduate < Masters	Masters	Doctoral	Other (e.g. short courses)
Agriculture	Female	11	5	1	0	0
	Male	121	107	24	3	0
Business, Management and Law	Female	649	450	0	0	0
	Male	1674	1288	5	0	0
Education	Female	61	43	0	0	0
	Male	360	145	3	2	0
Health Sciences	Female	352	29	1	0	0
	Male	1019	265	11	5	0
Humanities and Social Sciences	Female	384	216	1	1	0
	Male	908	519	25	16	0
Science, Engineering and Technology	Female	44	43	0	1	0
	Male	334	320	14	5	0
Other: Criminology	Female	5	0	0	0	0
	Male	35	0	4	0	44

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011

## Higher education funding

**Table 10: Percentage of national budget allocated to education**

Year	Percentage of national budget allocated to education
2006	6.4
2007	7.9
2008	9.4
2009	7.3
2010	4.9

Source: SARUA MoE questionnaire 2011

**Table 11: Percentage of national education budget allocated to higher education**

Year	Percentage of national education budget allocated to higher education
2006	1.4
2007	1.5
2008	2.1
2009	2.3
2010	1.5

Source: SARUA MoE questionnaire 2011

**Table 12: HEI funding sources**

Sources of funding	Percentage of total funding/income
Student fees	64
Government subsidy/grants	36.2
Donations – private individuals/trusts	2.7
Donations – private sector/businesses/corporation	2
Donations – international funders/donors	4.3
Loans	8.4
Other	0.2

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011

**Table 13: Universities' spending patterns**

Spending areas	Percentage allocation of institutional budgets
Salaries (academic staff)	41
Salaries (support services)	23
Salaries (management)	7
Student financial support	2
Institutional operational costs	20
Research	7
Community service-related activities	5

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011

**Table 14: Sources of research funding**

Sources of research funding	Percentage of total funding/income
Government subsidy/grants	48
Donations – private individuals/trusts	21
Donations – private sector/businesses/corporation	11
Donations – international funders/donors	27
Loans	8
Members within the University communities	32

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011

**Table 15: Average tuition costs (US\$)**

	Local	Other SADC	Other foreign
Undergraduate:			
Agriculture	30	20	240
Business, Management and Law	40	20	250
Education	30	20	240
Health Sciences	40	30	30
Humanities and Social Sciences	40	30	30
Science, Engineering and Technology			
Postgraduate:			
Agriculture	110	100	100
Business, Management and Law	120	110	110
Education	110	100	100
Health Sciences	110	100	100
Humanities and Social Sciences	120	110	110
Science, Engineering and Technology	120	110	110
Other: Criminology	50	50	50

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011

**Table 16: Average amounts of additional student payments (US\$)**

	Local	Other SADC	Other foreign
Application fee	10	10	10
Registration fee	35	20	170
International levy	0	0	0
Examination levy	10	15	15

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011

**Table 17: Student financial aid**

Percentage of students receiving financial aid	16
Percentage of students with student debt	27

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011

## Staffing

**Table 18: Number of staff by nationality and type of post**

Staffing categories	Nationality	Number of staff
Academic and research staff	National citizens	985
	SADC citizens	0
	Other international	5
Management and administrative staff	National citizens	1 857
	SADC citizens	0
	Other international	0

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011

**Table 19: Staff employment status and gender**

Staffing categories	Employment status	Number of female staff members	Number of male staff members
Academic and research staff	Permanent	76	822
	Contract/temporary	11	128
Management and administrative staff	Permanent	366	1 441
	Contract/temporary	13	44

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011

**Table 20: Staff by employment status and gender**

Staffing categories	Employment status	Number of female staff members	Number of male staff members
Academic and research staff	Full-time	77	819
	Part-time	8	190
Management and administrative staff	Full-time	565	1 441
	Part-time	3	4

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011

**Table 21: Staff by major field of study and gender**

Staff category	Major field of study	Number of female staff members	Number of male staff members
Academic and research staff	Agriculture	2	44
	Business, Management and Law	17	181
	Education	9	131
	Health Sciences	25	177
	Humanities and Social Sciences	34	560
	Science, Engineering and Technology	9	75
	Criminology	0	4
Management and administrative staff	Agriculture	2	15
	Business, Management and Law	27	44
	Education	38	82
	Health Sciences	100	170
	Humanities and Social Sciences	16	69
	Science, Engineering and Technology	4	31
	Criminology	28	37
	Tourism and Hospitality management	4	33

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011

**Table 22: Highest level of qualification for academic and research staff**

Major field of study	Number of academic and research staff with this as their highest qualification				
	Undergraduate	Postgraduate < Masters	Masters	Doctoral	Other (e.g. short courses)
Agriculture	0	12	19	12	0
Business, Management and Law	2	35	16	28	0
Education	4	46	16	47	0
Health Sciences	0	57	14	78	0
Humanities and Social Sciences	3	83	28	147	410
Science, Engineering and Technology	0	37	21	70	128
Other: Did not specify	0	33	8	41	0

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011

## Research output

**Table 23: Research output**

Category of research output	2008	2009	2010
Peer-reviewed journal articles	44	22	47
Peer-reviewed books	17	19	20
Peer-reviewed book chapters	10	9	9
Patents	1	2	5

Sources: SARUA university questionnaires 2011