

THE AGA KHAN UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF NURSING AND MIDWIFERY ADMISSIONS 2026 INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Upgrading RN-BScN) Programme.

ADMISSIONS TO THE SCHOOL OF NURSING AND MIDWIFERY

Admission to the Aga Khan University School of Nursing and Midwifery (AKU-SoNaM) is based on merit and potential for leadership. Merit is assessed by several criteria including scholastic achievements, performance on the AKU Admission Test and an interview.

The School of Nursing and Midwifery - Kenya invites nurses to apply to their Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Upgrading RN-BScN) Programme.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- (a) Form IV level of education with a minimum aggregate score of C plain in Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) or Division II in Kenya Certificate of Education (KCE)
- (b) Must be a holder of Kenya Registered Community Health Nurse (KRCHN) or Kenya Registered Nurse (KRN)
- (c) Must be registered with the Nursing Council of Kenya (NCK) and hold a current practice license
- (d) Must have a minimum of two (2) years of practice experience

HOW TO APPLY

Candidates are required to apply online. For assistance in completing the online application, applicants are advised to go through the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) or Understand the Online Process on the online application portal.

To complete application requirements the following documents must be included in the submission.

- a) Recent passport size colour photographs.
- b) Attested photocopies of official academic transcripts from your nursing training institution. If a copy of the transcript is not available, you must present a certified letter from your training institution.
- c) Copies of your enrolment/registration certificate and nursing license from the Nursing Council of Kenya (NCK).
- d) Copies of your Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) documentation.

- e) Current Curriculum Vitae.
- f) One-page personal statement describing your professional goals for the next five years.
- g) Attested copies of work experience letters from your current and previous employers to validate your statement in the application form.

APPLICATION FEE

A non-refundable application fee of Ksh. 3,200/- is applicable.

MODE OF PAYMENT

The payment page on the application platform will include a link to Direct Pay Online (DPO). DPO accepts M-Pesa and credit/debit cards, serving both local and international applicants. A 3% surcharge is payable to Pesapal upon submitting the application. For M-Pesa payments, the amount payable, including the surcharge will be reflected in your total balance

APPLICATION FEE PAYMENT PROCEDURE

Please note that all application procedures are completed entirely online, including payment of the application fee. Applicants must carefully follow the entire process through the Save, Pay, and Submit stages.

During submission, the system will prompt you to enter your password or PIN to authorize the transaction. After initiating payment, applicants are advised to wait until the process is fully completed before logging off or closing the browser.

Once payment has been successfully processed, applicants will receive a payment confirmation notification, followed by a final submission confirmation from the system.

PHOTOGRAPH SPECIFICATION

1. Passport-sized; coloured photo with white background.
2. Taken within the last one week to reflect on your current appearance.
3. The photo should show a clear, front view, full face of the person.
4. Snapshots, mobile phone photos or low-quality photos are not acceptable.

REPEATING APPLICATIONS

Applicants not successful in their first attempt may apply again with additional information supporting their application.

PROVISIONAL APPLICATIONS

The Aga Khan University will accept provisional applications from candidates who may have documents pending to be submitted. All such applications will be evaluated provisionally. Pending documents must be submitted by the date specified by the University.

THE AKU ADMISSION TEST

All applicants are required to take the AKU-SoNaM Admission Test scheduled for Friday, May 8, 2026. The Test is administered in English and consists of multiple-choice questions in Nursing Knowledge. The admission test center will be in Nairobi; an applicant may sit the test on our other campuses.

INTERVIEWS

On the basis of admission test on merit, all shortlisted candidates will be interviewed by a panel, Interviews will be held on the same day, Friday, May 8, 2026, immediately after the test.

FINAL SELECTION

Merit list of successful applicants will be communicated between Monday Jun 29 – Friday Jul 3, 2026.

AKU ADMISSIONS POLICY:

2.3 Selection of students is made with great care and concern, and decisions are irrevocable and non-negotiable. Refer to the policy: <https://www.aku.edu/admissions/Documents/policy-aku-admissions-046.pdf>

REVOKING ADMISSION

Aga Khan University reserves the right to revoke admission and registration if an application form or supporting documents are found to be inaccurate, incomplete, or fraudulent. Any candidate who presents a fraudulent document in support of an application for admission may be identified to other universities and colleges.

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