

Call for applications: FACE NDC Student Industrial Attachment

The Copperbelt University through the School of Natural Resources is one of the five consortium partners (FAO, UNITAR, UNZA and UNESCO) in the FACE-NDC Project which will run from 2023 to 2030, with FAO as the lead partner and funded by the International Climate Initiative (IKI) of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action. One of the objectives of the project involves strengthening institutional, technical, and human capacities in Zambia in the field of renewable energy and energy efficiency for agrifood and forestry value chains, as climate change mitigation options. One of the activities to achieve this objective, involves supporting student industrial placements to partners companies in renewable energy and climate change. This activity is aimed at contributing to enhanced practical skills for the students.

Call for Applications for Student Industrial Attachment Support

The Copperbelt University hereby invites applications from eligible students for the FACE NDC support for industrial attachment.

A total of 10 attachment support opportunities are available for third year students.

This opportunity is open to students enrolled in the following programmes in the School of Natural Resources:

BSc Bioenergy, BSc Forestry, BSc Agroforestry, BSc Plant and Environmental Sciences, and BSc Sustainable Natural Resources Management and Climate Change. Recipients of the industrial attachment support are expected to undertake the industrial placement for a period of 2 months effective 12th October 2026.

Eligibility Criteria

The call is open to students, who:

- Are Zambian nationals only with a valid National Registration Card (NRC).
- Are registered students in the School of Natural Resources (BSc Bioenergy, BSc Forestry, BSc Agroforestry, BSc Plant and Environmental Sciences, and BSc Sustainable Natural Resources Management and Climate Change).
- Are in the third (3rd) year of study in the just ended 2025/2026 academic year.
- Have obtained an **overall merit classification** for the 1st and 2nd year of study results combined.

The support will be awarded to at least 50% qualified female applicants, therefore, females are strongly encouraged to apply.

Requirements:

1. A motivation letter for seeking the industrial support.
2. An official academic transcript outlining results for the 1st and 2nd years of study.
3. A curriculum vitae demonstrating academic readiness, potential and willingness to learn in a professional environment.
4. Copy of valid National Registration Card (NRC).

Value of the Industrial Attachment Support

Successful applicants will receive:

- A monthly allowance of K1,500, payable for each of the two months of the placement.

- Practical work experience, professional mentorship and skills development in organizations operating in renewable energy, climate change, forestry, environmental sustainability and related sectors.

Accommodation is not covered in the industrial attachment support. Therefore, applications are strongly encouraged from students who can arrange for own accommodation in any of the following placement towns; **Lusaka, Kitwe, Batoka, Katete, Chipata and Solwezi.**

Submission of Application

The application for the **industrial attachment support** should be addressed to the undersigned and submitted not later than **1st October, 2026.**

The Coordinator,
FACE NDC Project,
Copperbelt University,
School of Natural Resources,
P.O. Box 21692,
Kitwe

Submission Method: Applications shall be made through Email only as a single pdf file to dean.snr@cbu.ac.zm and copied to; jane.kwenye@cbu.ac.zm; face-ndc@fao.org. The single pdf file should be named as follows: Applicant's last name_Industrial attachment 2026. The email subject line should be clearly titled: industrial attachment 2026.

If there is any clarification, technical and administrative support that is required, applicants may contact Prof. J. Kwenye on +260 971634617 and/or email: jane.kwenye@cbu.ac.zm

Incomplete applications or applications that do not include all required supporting documents will not be considered.

Shortlisting of applicants will be done within one week of the closing date which is 1st October. Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed by a panel consisting of members of staff from CBU, FAO and the Host Companies.

All candidates will be informed of the outcome of their application. The University will also publish the list of selected candidates on the University's website and other official social media platforms.