

BUSITEMA UNIVERSITY AGRO ENTREPRENEURSHIP CENTRE (BUAEC)
YOUTH EMPOWERMENT IN AGRIPRENEURSHIP PROGRAM
(YEAP-100-2024-TESO) PILOT FOR TESO SUB-REGION, EASTERN UGANDA

1. THE PURPOSE OF THE YEAP-PILOT PROJECT

Busitema University Agro Entrepreneurship Centre (BUAEC) is a programme recently established to raise value-based no-excuse patriotic farmers especially among the youth population in Eastern Uganda. Therefore, BUAEC is inviting applications for its first Youth Empowerment in Agripreneurship Programme (YEAP-100-2024 TESO) pilot project which plans to train 100 youths in Teso subregion in the value chains of orange flesh sweet potatoes (OFSP), cassava, piggery, poultry, vegetables, feed production, and cattle. At the end of the training period, the beneficiaries would have developed the capacities to:

- a. Establish their agribusinesses.
- b. Effectively and efficiently lead and run their profitable agribusiness.
- c. Plan and manage the growth of their agribusiness enterprises.
- d. Manage state of the art farm facilities and implements where applicable.
- e. Creatively add value to their agricultural produces with the mindset for local and international markets.
- f. Become good team players with all stakeholders.
- g. Become wealthy through agribusinesses and empower their communities.

2. QUALIFICATION

To qualify, applicants must:

- a. Come from the Teso sub-region.
- b. Be between 18 and 35 years of age.
- c. Have completed O-Level (Senior 4).
- d. Have NIN number.
- e. For piggery, poultry, and/or vegetables enterprises, applicants must have access to at least one hundred (100) m² of land.
- f. For beekeeping, the land area could be much less (even 20 m²).
- g. For potatoes and Cassava enterprises, must have access to at least four acres of land (could have support from parent/guardian).
- h. For cattle, must have access to at least one acre land.
- i. OTHERS: Those who have a business mind-set especially and would want to go into value addition, equipment and agro-input supplies among others.

- j. Application must be guaranteed by a parent/guardian.
- k. Provide a letter of endorsement by the Local Council 1 authority as a resident of the district for at least two years.

3. ENTERPRISES TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY TESO DISTRICTS

According to the Uganda agricultural production requirements for socio-economic development, the assigned enterprises to be produced by districts are summarized below. Use the information to complete the application form. When asked which enterprises are you interested in, enter those listed along your district.

S/N	District	Enterprises
1	Amuria	Poultry, Piggery, Potatoes and Cassava, Cattle (Beef)
2	Serere	Poultry, Apiary/insects, Vegetables, Potatoes/Cassava, Cattle (Beef and Dairy)
3	Ngora	Apiary/insects, Potatoes/Cassava,
4	Katakwi	Poultry, Apiary/Insect, Vegetables, Potatoes/Cassava, Cattle (beef)
5	Kaberamaido	Poultry, Piggery, Cattle (Dairy)
6	Kumi	Poultry, Vegetables, Cattle (Beef & Dairy), Others
7	Bukedea	Apiary/insects, Potatoes/Cassava, Others
8	Kapelebyong	Apiary/insects, Cattle (beef)
9	Soroti City	Poultry, Piggery, Potatoes/Cassava, Others
10	Soroti District	Poultry, Piggery, Vegetables, Potatoes/Cassava, Others
11	Kalaki District	Piggery, poultry, cattle (Dairy)

3. HOW TO APPLY

There are three ways to apply:

- a. Go to **BUAEC website** (<https://buace.org>) and complete the **YEAP-100-2024- TESO Training Application Form**. You can stop and continue your application

process. Upload all supporting documents by the deadline. **The portal will be open on Monday, September 2, 2024.**

- b. Go to **Busitema University website** (<https://busitema.ac.ug/>) and download the **YEAP-100-2024-TESO Training Application Form**. Please complete and return with all supporting documents by the deadline to Faculty of Agriculture and Animal Science (FAAS), Busitema University, Arapai Campus, Soroti. **The portal will be open on Monday, September 2, 2024.**
- c. Go to **Faculty of Agriculture and Animal Science (FAAS)**, Busitema University, Arapai Campus to obtain a hardcopy of the **YEAP-100-2024-TESO Training Application Form**. Please complete and return with all supporting documents by the deadline.

4. SUBMISSION DEADLINE

The deadline for receiving all application materials is **Friday, September 27, 2024 at 5:00 PM**. Materials received after this deadline will not be processed.

5. CONTACT INFORMATION FOR QUESTIONS

a. Faculty of Agriculture and Animal Science (FAAS)

Busitema University, Arapai Campus, P.O. Box 203, Soroti

Phone number: 0782363610

Email: okismpet@gmail.com

b. BUAEC OFFICE IN KAMPALA

Plot 9, Road 9 Summa II Road,

Ministers Village, Ntinda, Kampala

Phone: 0785005014

Email: buaecadmin@buaec.org

Website: WWW.BUAEC.ORG

YEAP-100-2024-TESO TRAINING APPLICATION FORM

Attention: If you do not fill in the blanks required or if the information is incorrect, your application will be disqualified.

1. BIODATA

- a. First and Middle Name _____
- b. Last name _____
- c. Date of Birth (Day/Month/Year) __ ___ / ___ / ___
- d. Gender: Male ___ Female ___
- e. Are you a person with disability? (check one) Yes No
- f. National Identification Number (NIN) _____

2. HOME CONTACT INFORMATION:

- a. Village _____
- b. Parish _____
- c. Sub-County _____
- d. District _____
- e. Telephone _____
- f. Email Address _____

3. EDUCATION BACKGROUND

Name of Secondary School _____

Year

Graduated _____

Certificate Awarded _____ Date _____

4. AGRICULTURAL ENTERPRISE YOU ARE INTERESTED IN

- a. What is your district: _____
- b. List three (3) enterprises assigned to your district which you interested in:
 - i. _____
 - ii. _____
 - iii. _____

5. DO YOU HAVE ACCESS TO LAND?

What size of land do you have access to (check one)?

- a. One acre or less
- b. Between one and 4 acres
- c. Larger than 4 acres
- d. I have no land, but I am interested in going into the business of value addition, equipment and agro-input supplies among others.

6. EVIDENCE OF LAND OWNERSHIP/LEASE

- a. Do you have evidence of land ownership or lease? (check one) Yes No
- b. What type of document proves the above in 11a? _____
- c. Make a copy of it and submit with hardcopy application or upload with online application.

7. NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN GUARANTOR:

Please submit a letter from an adult family member or guardian guaranteeing your character and maturity to participate in the YEAP -300 project. The letter must state their names, age, occupation, how they are related to you, and a statement of commitment to be responsible for you for this training.

8. LC1 ENDORSEMENT LETTER

Please submit a letter from the LC1 of your local government in your district stating that you are *bonafide* resident of that district for at least two (2) years.

9. SIGNATURE

I, _____ ascertain that the facts submitted in this form are true and correct. That am responsible for any information submitted on my behalf by anyone. I understand that any information found to be untrue disqualifies the applicant and could have legal implications.

Signature

Date