

# ADMISSION ANNOUNCEMENT

## (Jewelry Design Certificate Program - Second Intake)

January 2026

### Jewelry Design Certificate Program (1 Year)

United African Institute of Technology (UAIT) invites applications for its Jewelry Design Certificate Program, a one-year, RTB-approved certificate program designed to develop job-ready jewelry designers and artisans through intensive, studio-based and practice-oriented training. This program is suitable for beginners and does not require prior professional jewelry experience. Learners progress from foundational design skills to advanced fabrication, gemology, and professional practice within one year.

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#### Program Overview

- Program Title: Jewelry Design Certificate Program
- Duration: 1 Year Certificate (3 Trimesters)
- Credits / Learning Hours: 120 Credits (1,200 hours)
- Accreditation: Approved by Rwanda TVET Board (RTB), Dec 2024
- Study Mode: Full-time, Studio-Based & Practice-Oriented
- Class Size: Maximum 20 students

*More than 65% of the program is dedicated to hands-on studio work, projects, exhibitions, and industry attachment.*

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#### Who Should Apply

This program is suitable for:

- Secondary school graduates interested in creative and craft-based careers
- Youth seeking practical, income-generating design skills
- Aspiring jewelry designers, artisans, and entrepreneurs
- Individuals aiming to work in jewelry production, design studios, or self-employment

*No prior jewelry design experience is required.*

*Creativity, manual interest, and strong learning motivation are essential.*

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#### Learning Focus & Curriculum Highlights

Learners will gain practical experience in:

- Jewelry Design Principles & Design Theory
- Drawing, Rendering, and Portfolio Development
- Basic & Professional Metalsmithing
- Gemology and Material Selection

- CAD for Jewelry Design & Digital Fabrication
- Casting and Mold Making
- Jewelry Business, Marketing, and Branding
- Internship & Industry Attachment
- Final Artistic Exhibition

Complementary modules include:

- Jewelry Business & Marketing
- Basic and Intermediate Korean Language  
(to support global employability and Korea-related industry opportunities)

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### **Korea Linkage & International Orientation (Key Advantage)**

Korean Language education is a strategic component of this program, designed to:

- Enhance international communication skills
- Support collaboration with Korea-related companies and designers
- Enable participation in international exhibitions, internships, and future partnerships

*Korean language training is not a requirement for employment, but a value-added pathway that broadens global exposure and professional opportunities.*

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### **Learning Outcomes & Career Pathways**

Graduates of the program will be able to:

- Design and produce professional jewelry collections
- Apply metalsmithing, gemology, and fabrication techniques
- Use digital tools and CAD in jewelry production
- Develop and present a professional jewelry portfolio
- Apply business and marketing strategies in the jewelry industry

### **Possible Career Pathways**

- Jewelry Designer
- Bench Jeweler / Metalsmith
- CAD Jewelry Designer
- Gemology Assistant
- Jewelry Production Technician
- Jewelry Business Owner / Entrepreneur
- Jewelry Sales & Marketing Specialist
- Further study in TVET or related creative fields

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### **Learning & Assessment Approach**

Learning is assessed through:

- Continuous studio practice and project work

- Portfolio-based assessment
- Practical and competency-based evaluation
- Final exhibition and integrated assessment

The program emphasizes demonstrated skills and professional outputs, rather than theory-only examinations.

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## Admission Requirements

Applicants must meet one of the following:

- Completion of Secondary Education (A2) or equivalent; OR
- Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) in related craft or design fields

Additional requirements:

- Physical and mental fitness for studio-based training
- Ability to follow instruction and communicate in English
- Strong motivation and commitment to full-time study

*Women, youth, and persons with disabilities (non-visual, non-hand impairment) are strongly encouraged to apply.*

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## Required Application Documents

### Required

1. Completed Application Form
2. Self-Introduction  
(motivation, creativity interest, and career goals)
3. Statement of Learning Commitment  
(maximum 1 page – commitment to completing a full-time, practice-based program)
4. Academic Certificates and Transcripts
5. Copy of Identification

### Optional

- Portfolio samples (drawings, craft works, photos of previous work)
- Recommendation Letter

*Only applications submitted through the official Google Form on the UAIT website will be considered.*

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## Tuition & Financial Support

- Application fee: RWF 50,000 (non-refundable)  
The application fee must be paid before submitting the online application.  
Applicants are required to upload proof of payment in the application form.

*Bank Details (Application Fee Only):*

*Bank Name: Bank of Kigali*

*Account Name: UAIT*

*Account Number: 100233274792*

- Tuition Fee: USD 1,500 per year (*payable by trimester*)
- Registration & Admission fee: RWF 150,000 (*payable after acceptance; one-time, non-refundable*)
- Scholarships: Limited partial scholarships available based on qualification and learning motivation

*As a private institution, UAIT operates without government subsidies and ensures sustainable, high-quality education through transparent tuition policies.*

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## **Application Schedule**

- Application Period: 19<sup>th</sup> Jan (Mon) ~ 13<sup>th</sup> Feb (Fri)
- Guidance Session: 27<sup>th</sup> Jan (Tue), 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb (Tue)
- Admission Interview: 25<sup>th</sup> Feb (Wed)
- Announcement of Successful Applicants: 16<sup>th</sup> Mar (Mon)

*In case the program capacity is not filled after the official registration period, additional offers may be made to waitlisted applicants for up to one week, in order of the waiting list.*

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- Registration Period: 18<sup>th</sup> Mar (Wed) ~ 24<sup>th</sup> Mar (Tue)  
*(Successful applicants will receive payment instructions)*
  - Matriculation Ceremony / Orientation: 15<sup>th</sup> Apr (Wed)
  - Classes start: 20<sup>th</sup> Apr (Mon)
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## **Admission Guidance Session**

- Location: UAIT campus (Kimihurura)
- 1<sup>st</sup> Session: at 2pm, 27<sup>th</sup> Jan 2026
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Session: at 2pm, 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2026

## **Contact Information**

- Website: <https://www.uit.ac.rw>
  - Email: [admission@uit.ac.rw](mailto:admission@uit.ac.rw)
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  - Location: Kimihurura, Gasabo District, Kigali, Rwanda
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## Online Application Method (Google-Based System)

All applications for the Jewelry Design Certificate Program must be submitted online using UAIT's Google-based application system.

### How to Apply

1. Access the official Online Application Form via the link provided on the UAIT website or official announcements.
2. Complete all required fields in the Google Form.
3. Upload all required documents in the designated upload sections.
4. Submit the form online.
5. Upon successful submission, applicants will receive an automatic confirmation email.

*No paper-based or walk-in applications will be accepted.*

### Important Notes

- All information provided must be accurate and truthful.
- Incomplete applications or missing documents may result in disqualification.
- Only applications submitted through the official Google Form will be reviewed.
- Applicants should ensure that the email address provided is active, as all communication will be conducted via email.
- Applicants must upload documents in PDF format:

### Application Deadline

- Applications must be submitted by 11:59 PM (local time) on the closing date.
- Late submissions will not be accepted.

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### One-Line Summary

*“A one-year, RTB-approved Jewelry Design program that transforms beginners into professional, job-ready jewelry designers through studio-based training and global orientation.”*

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