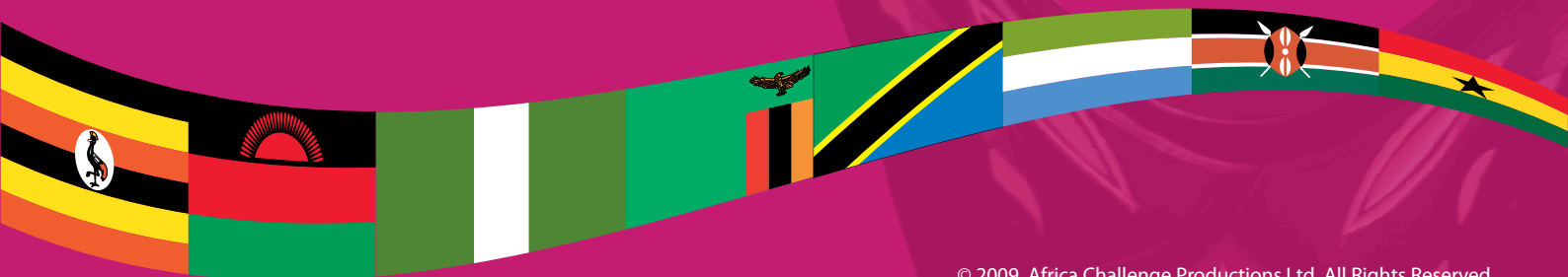




Programme Guide





WHAT IS ZAIN AFRICA CHALLENGE?

Zain Africa Challenge (ZAC) is an academic quiz programme for universities in Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia. 2009-2010 is the fourth year of the programme.

Enrolled universities will compete at National Qualifying Tournaments. Universities not advancing to the International Championship Festival will receive a \$1,000 grant from Zain. The student players, coach and liaison from those institutions will each receive a minimum of \$100 per person in grants.

The top teams from each National Qualifying Tournament advance to the Zain Africa Challenge International Championship Festival, held in Kampala, Uganda. The 32 teams play a knockout tournament, with 31 programmes recorded for broadcast. Each university at the Championship will receive a grant from Zain, based on each university team's final standing in the knockout tournament. In addition, the student players, coaches and liaisons also receive grants.

USING THE PROGRAMME GUIDE

This programme guide provides information on how to conduct the Zain Africa Challenge at each university and how to prepare the Scholars Team for the National Qualifying Tournaments and the International Championship Festival. It is designed to guide Coaches and Liaisons through everything from conducting the team tryouts to selecting and preparing the students for the tournaments. Each of the five sections deals in sequence with the steps involved.

STEP 1: GETTING STARTED

This section covers introduction to the programme, the programme timetable and rules for eligibility and participation.

STEP 2: PROMOTION AND STUDENT TRYOUT TESTING

This section covers promoting the programme at the university and conducting Student Tryout Testing to determine which students to invite to participate in Scholars Club practice sessions.

STEP 3: ESTABLISHING A SCHOLARS CLUB

This section includes information about creating a Zain Africa Challenge Scholars Club that will promote the programme, facilitate student training and sustain interest throughout the year. The Scholars Club is the best way to maintain the momentum year-round with the programme.

STEP 4: SELECTING AND TRAINING THE SCHOLARS TEAM

This section covers selection of the Scholars Team, introduces training drills and other tools to prepare the students for the competition.

STEP 5: ATTENDING TOURNAMENTS

Finally, this section addresses issues pertaining to attendance at the National Qualifying Tournaments and the International Championship Festival, including: expected conduct, student attire, schedule and events.

Additionally, there are tools available at the Zain Africa Challenge website: www.zainafriacchallenge.com. With effort and preparation, everyone will enjoy an exciting and rewarding experience with the Zain Africa Challenge.





Getting Started



Timetable for the Zain Africa Challenge

2009

16 Aug. - 5 Sept.	University Enrollment, all 8 countries
14 Sept.	Liaisons & Coaches Workshop (UG)
15 Sept.	Liaisons & Coaches Workshop (KE & ZM)
17 Sept.	Liaisons & Coaches Workshop (TZ & MW)
19 Sept.	Liaisons & Coaches Workshop (GH & SL)
24 Sept.	Liaisons & Coaches Workshop (NG)
15 Sept. - 23 Oct.	Universities conduct Zain Africa Challenge student tryout tests
Ongoing	Universities select Scholars Team for National Qualifying Tournaments
28 Oct.	Registration deadline for National Qualifying Tournaments
12 Nov.	National Qualifying Tournaments in (KE, TZ & UG)
16 Nov.	National Qualifying Tournaments in (GH, MW, SL & ZM)
19 Nov.	National Qualifying Tournaments (NG)
Ongoing	Scholars Teams continue practice and training for the International Championship Festival
19 Dec. - 3 Jan.	Zain Africa Challenge Office Closed

2010

Ongoing	Scholars Teams continue practice and training for the International Championship Festival
23 Jan. - 2 Feb.	International Championship Festival (TV Recording) in Kampala, Uganda
Mar. – Sept.	International Championship broadcast in all 8 countries



UNIVERSITY PARTICIPATION & PLAYER ELIGIBILITY RULES

All universities competing in Zain Africa Challenge must abide by these rules:

1. The title, concept, format, game packets of questions and answers and all other materials used in connection with Zain Africa Challenge are the property of the programme producers. They are for use in the Zain Africa Challenge programme at participating universities only and may not be used for any other purpose without the express written consent of the programme producers.
2. Enrollment in the Zain Africa Challenge programme entitles the university to use the Zain Africa Challenge title, concept, format and other materials. Use of any or all of these elements outside of official Zain Africa Challenge competition is prohibited without the express written consent of the programme producers.
3. Only questions and answers supplied by Zain Africa Challenge may be used in the Zain Africa Challenge student tryout tests.
4. Universities must rigorously follow the student tryout test security procedures distributed with the tests.
5. No Zain Africa Challenge match may be filmed, videotaped, audio taped, broadcast or otherwise preserved without the express written consent of the programme producers.
6. Universities will responsibly certify the eligibility of the players on the Zain Africa Challenge Scholars Team according to the Player Eligibility Rules below.
7. A member of the institution's faculty or staff is required to accompany the Zain Africa Challenge Scholars Team to the National Qualifying Tournament and International Championship Festival. This person serves as the institution's coach and official representative in resolving any situations that may arise (e.g. game logistics, team travel or personal emergencies).
8. Failure to observe these terms and conditions could result in a university's expulsion from the Zain Africa Challenge competition.

The Scholars Team which attends the Zain Africa Challenge National Qualifying Tournaments and International Championship Festival must meet the following requirements:

1. The four members of the Zain Africa Challenge Scholars Team must each have taken the student tryout test and participated in Zain Africa Challenge Scholars Club activities (practice games) in order to be eligible for the competition.
2. Students must be undergraduates, having never received a bachelor's degree.
3. Students must be full-time as defined by the university. A registrar's verification that a lower course load completes all degree requirements is acceptable in lieu of the full-time student status.
4. Each member of the Zain Africa Challenge Scholars Team must be enrolled for the semester or term during which the National Qualifying Tournament and/or International Championship Festival is conducted in order to be eligible to compete.
5. The composition of the Zain Africa Challenge Scholars Team should reflect the diversity and history of the institution.
6. Players may compete at the National Qualifying Tournament UNTIL the player advances to the International Championship Festival.
7. All players are limited to one year of Zain Africa Challenge participation at the International Championship Festival, regardless of institutional affiliation.
8. Once a player has represented ANY university at the International Championship Festival, they may NOT PLAY again at ANY level.
9. Participating universities may add additional eligibility requirements to conform to its university policies.