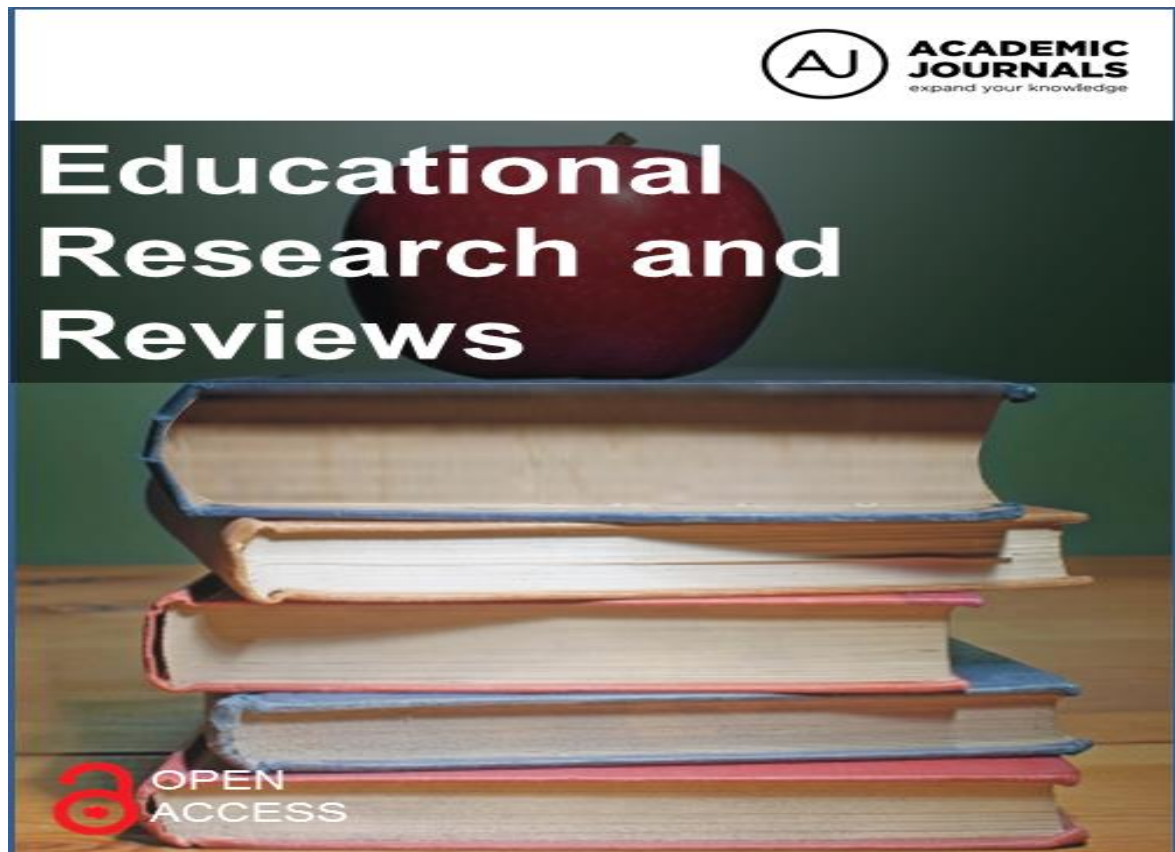


Correlates in granting Students Loans in Uganda: Thematics in the Selection Criterion and Guidelines

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This mixed research study focused on the selection criterion and guidelines used by the Higher Education Students Education Financing Board (HESFEB) in granting students loan scheme to University Students in Uganda with a sample from Makerere University. Findings revealed that the majority are aware of these guidelines and one to benefit from the scheme had to formally pass A level education level with 3 principle passes with a science subjects combination and are selected after filling a standard application form although many come from low economic family status with heavy household poverty. The study concluded that the selection criteria favours underprivileged students who have passed science subjects and thus leaving behind impoverished students from humanity study disciplines/courses. Thus it recommends a framework for the need to revise the guidelines to cater and consider all backgrounds of applicants for this loan scheme irrespective of their course, family background and economic status to achieve the program goal as it's done in other countries.

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