KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

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Congratulations graduands



PROF. GEORGE A. O. MAGOHA, EGH
CABINET SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

The Ministry of Education celebrates Kenyatta University during its 50th Graduation Ceremony. I specifically recognise the efforts of the University Council, Management, Senate, Teaching staff, Non-teaching staff and graduands for making this event possible. This being the 3rd ceremony of Kenyatta University to be held virtually, I laud the institution for coming up with various interventions to deal with the challenges of Covid-19 pandemic. The successful completion of various academic programmes in spite of the pandemic is a testament to the fact that Kenyan universities have found a way to survive the challenges posed by the Covid-19 pandemic.

I encourage Kenyatta University to invest in research which is the hallmark of any institution of higher learning. The University has been in the forefront in both research and innovation, a spirit that must be upheld.

The Ministry of Education will continue to empower our universities to ensure we effectively implement various educational reforms. I extend my best wishes to all the December 2021 graduates!

Celebrating your achievements



AMB. SIMON W. NABUKWESI, CBS
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, STATE DEPARTMENT FOR UNIVERSITY EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

Graduation day is an opportunity for you to reflect both on the past and on the future. This event may very well signal a very significant change of direction in your life. Whatever direction you choose to take, the knowledge and skills that you have developed here will be beneficial to you, not only in your professional life but also as a contributing member of our society.

Dear graduands, I am proud to celebrate your achievements and for successfully completing your various programmes at Kenyatta University under complex conditions. I urge you to go forth to the world armed with the knowledge and skills which have gained through your various academic programmes, and utilize them to contribute towards economic growth of our nation.

At the State Department for University Education and Research, we acknowledge the tremendous efforts Kenyatta University has made towards the enhancement of education as it continually develops into a global centre of academic excellence.

Congratulations



DR. BENSON I. WAIREGI, EBS
CHANCELLOR

My warmest congratulations to all graduands who have qualified for the conferment of degrees and award of various diplomas and certificates during the 50th Kenyatta University Graduation Ceremony. Every graduating class deserves recognition for its accomplishment. But the perseverance you have demonstrated in completing your degree in the face of so much adds special meaning and significance to this ceremony.

As you prepare for your next chapter in life, I pray that you do so with the knowledge you have gained and with the wisdom and understanding you have earned. If the pandemic has taught us anything, it is that our individual destinies are intertwined and that we share a common future. For it is an enduring truth that will make a better world. Always remember that KU is part of your extended family.

I wish to thank the Government through the Ministry of Education, for its overall continued support to the University. I appeal for financial and other support from the Government to KU for its sustained growth.

We acknowledge your great work



PROF. SHEM E. MIGOT-ADHOLLA
CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL

On behalf of the University Council and on my own behalf, I extend my hearty congratulations to all the graduands of Kenyatta University's 50th graduation ceremony. We celebrate this great milestone and send you on your way to the next steps in your life with the blessings and best wishes from Kenyatta University Community. Go out there with humility, an open mind and passion to succeed.

At Kenyatta University we share your ambition to deliver the best in teaching and research that will move our great nation forward. The University Council continues to work closely with the university management and other relevant stakeholders in offering the highest quality of services in this impeccable institution. Further, the Council strives to ensure proper resource policy guidelines in meeting set objectives at Kenyatta University.

To all graduands, I believe that university prepared you well for the market. Go forth with confidence, trust your own capabilities and apply the knowledge and experience you have gained over the years from this reputable institution.

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Kenyatta University School of Law victorious in African Moot Court Competition



Kenyatta University winners Martin Kioko (extreme left) and Sidney Tambasi (extreme right) of the 30th Africa Human Rights Moot Court Competition in Stellenbosch University with Law school members including (from left to right) Dean Dr. Faith Kabaata and Wambui Njogu.

Kenyatta University School of Law beat thirty seven African law schools to emerge winners of the 30th Edition of the prestigious African Human Rights Moot Court Competition in September 2021. The Competition was held on 20th - 25th September 2021 and was organized jointly by the Centre for Human Rights, University of Pretoria and Stellenbosch University. It was hosted by the Faculty of Law, Stellenbosch University in South Africa.

The Competition was held under the theme "Responsiveness of the African Human Rights System to Sexual and Gender Based Violence". Thirty eight (38) teams representing African law schools including, the Stellenbosch University, University of Western Cape, University of Ghana, Kabarak University, African Nazarene University, Makerere University, Eduardo Mondlane University and University of Johannesburg participated in the Competition.

The winning team members were Sidney Tambasi, a fourth year student and Martin Kioko, a third year student. The team was coached to victory by a fourth year student, Mr. John Muchina, the best orator in the 2021 World Trade Organization Moot Court Competition and the Law School Dean Dr. Faith Kabata.

Kenyatta University Accredited for Teacher Professional Development



Kenyatta University Vice-Chancellor Prof. Paul K. Wainaina (extreme right) receives contract documents for TPD accreditation from Nancy Macharia, CEO Teachers' Service Commission.

Kenyatta University won the bid for **'Accreditation of Service Providers for Teacher Professional Development (TPD) Programme for Registered Teachers in Kenya'** by Teachers Service Commission (TSC) alongside three (3) other institutions. The programme seeks to offer Professional Teacher Development (TPD) training to all the registered teachers in primary, secondary and those teaching in colleges in Kenya.

The training requires teachers to be taken through the Teacher Professional Development programme in order to continue practicing, as is in other professions by sharpening their professional skills. Teachers will be equipped with skills to become better teachers in pedagogy, content delivery and management skills of both the learners and resources.

World Teachers Day: Rethinking Education in Dynamicity



UNESCO Regional Director for Eastern Africa, Prof. Hubert Gijzen flags off the World Teachers' Day walk

Kenyatta University through the School of Education held a virtual 7th Annual International Conference on Education and Lifelong Learning on 6th and 7th October 2021. The conference was preceded by the World Teachers' Day celebration on 5th October 2021 which was marked by a walk within the University. The theme of the conference was "Rethinking Education in Dynamicity"

The walk was flagged off by the Chief Guest, Prof. Hubert Gijzen, the Regional Director, UNESCO Regional Office for Eastern Africa, accompanied by the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Paul Wainaina.

50th GRADUATION CEREMONY

FRIDAY 17TH DECEMBER, 2021

Live Streaming on www.ku.ac.ke
Live on: KUTV

KU tv a new experience

http://graduation.ku.ac.ke

Theme: Sustaining Quality Education and Research in the context of Covid-19 Pandemic and Beyond

We take pride in your Momentous Achievement



PROF. PAUL K. WAINAINA
VICE-CHANCELLOR

As we hold our 50th Graduation Ceremony, we recognize your achievements with tremendous pride. Graduating is a major achievement and truly exceptional. It means that you have been resilient, focused and determined to succeed. I am very confident that with the skills and experience you have gained at Kenyatta University, you are ready for the journey ahead.

The theme of this year's Graduation Ceremony ***'Sustaining Quality Education and Research in the Context of Covid-19 Pandemic and Beyond'*** speaks to the various interventions the University has undertaken to navigate the challenges of the pandemic.

The quality of education and research should never been compromised by challenges and instead has given us the opportunity to farther our research and innovation initiatives. The University seeks to sustain thoughts, philosophies and interests through research, scholarship and collaborations.

We remain committed to addressing the challenges of Covid-19 by intensifying efforts towards academic excellence.

To all graduands, as you mark this important milestone with friends and family, always remember that Kenyatta University will always be here for you.

December 2021

	Programmes	Numbers
1	PhD	62
2	Masters	424
3	Postgraduate Dip	21
4	Bachelors	5,048
6	Diplomas	421
7	Certificates	49
	Total	6,025

'Culture: Rising above the Pandemic'

The 28th Edition of the Kenyatta University Culture Week Festivals was held between 23rd and 29th October 2021. In adherence to the COVID-19 protocols, the festival was a hybrid event where some few groups performed at the University Amphitheatre and live streaming of the celebrations was done virtually through KUTV and social media platforms. The theme of this year's festivals; **'Culture: Rising above the Pandemic'** was a true testament of the resilience witnessed given the devastating effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The climax of the cultural celebrations was the Mr. and Miss KU beauty pageant which was held on Friday 29th October 2021. For the first time all the Satellite Campuses of Kenyatta University participated in the contest. During the display of various talents, Collins Ojwado and Wairimu Wambui were crowned Mr. and Miss Kenyatta University 2021.



Newly crowned Mr KU Collins Ojwando and Miss Wairimu Wambui during the week long Culture Week festival 2021.

KU-WEE Hub and FKE sign a memorandum of understanding



Kenyatta University Vice-Chancellor, Prof Paul.K Wainaina (2nd left) and Federation of Kenya Employers Executive Director,Mrs Jackline Mugo (2nd right) display MoU Documents. Looking on (left) Prof. Waceke Wanjohi DVC (Academics) and Stephen Obiro (right) Head of Advocacy, Partnerships and Research at FKE.

Kenyatta University Women's Economic Empowerment (KU-WEE) hub and the Federation of Kenya Employers (FKE) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to concretise a partnership that will see the two institutions conduct research on women in corporate governance.

The research study will evaluate the effectiveness of the Female Future Leadership Programme implemented by FKE. The programme aims to build capacity of women in mid-to-top levels of management to make them board-ready and to enhance their participation in leadership. Learners are drawn from private and public sectors as well as civil society.

Since its inception, many of the programme's graduates have either received promotions or earned board positions. The FKE/KU-WEE hub study is one of 12 research studies under the Hub's project on initiatives on what works to advance women's economic empowerment in Kenya, funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

FKE Executive Director, Mrs. Jackline Mugo and the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Paul Wainaina reiterated their commitment to the partnership, adding that such research findings will be key in ensuring that skills acquired in academic institutions are useful in contemporary work environments.

Prof. Wainaina said there is need for preparation on school-to- work transition adding that Kenyatta University achieves that through the Growing Leaders programme targeting final-year students.

Ksh. 18M Research Project on Use of Face Masks Launched



A research project on '***Optimizing parameters for the Proper Use of Face Masks to Reduce Severity of Underlying Infections for Enhanced Tolerance to Covid-19'*** was launched at Kenyatta University on Friday 5th November, 2021. The study is funded by the National Research Fund (NRF) to the tune of Ksh. 18.15 Million.

During the launch and presentation of the inception report, the Principal Investigator, Dr. John Paul Oyore disclosed that the project was aimed at addressing key objectives including; to determine pathogenic microbial colonization profiles among disposable surgical and reusable face masks after prolonged use, to determine the duration reusable face masks should be worn before washing.

Establish the sources and characterize microbial colonies found on the face masks following extended use, to determine public awareness of the potential risks associated with wearing contaminated face masks and investigate the reasons why Kenyans are reluctant to properly wear the face masks.

Other objectives include; to formulate interventions for managing COVID-19 and improving public health outcomes following the research outcomes, and knowledge sharing among stakeholders on the optimal parameters for proper use of face masks

New KENET Open Wi-Fi @ KU

Africa's first Open Wi-Fi network is being rolled out by the Kenya Education Network Trust (KENET). The new Wi-Fi network will provide connectivity for over 65,000 students and staff at Kenyatta University among other institutions. The KENET Open Wi-Fi network will be delivered and deployed by Kenyan Cloud and integration services provider Atlancis Technologies, a leading Kenyan firm specializing in enterprise ICT solutions together with ecosystem partners NetExperience, and IO Networks by Himachal Futuristic Communications Ltd (HFCL), an Indian telecom firm.

The KENET network is a perfect example of how Telecom Infra Project (TIP) Open Wi-Fi ecosystem collaboration works. IO Networks by HFCL provides the access point hardware, while Netexperience delivers the open-source controller software. Other current Open Wi-Fi projects involve controller software from TIP Open Wi-Fi-compliant vendor Indio Networks.

The KENET network's other Open Wi-Fi-compliant projects are excellent examples of how the Open Wi-Fi community works and strong proof that Open Wi-Fi is the right Wi-Fi architecture choice. Kenyatta University is excited to be part of a strong international community bringing cost-effective connectivity to support learning and research.

The 10th All Africa University Games set for June 2022 in Kenya



Over 5,000 sports men and women from different universities across the 54 African countries will converge at KU to compete during the 10th FASU (Federation of African Sports Universities) Games to be held at Kenyatta University from 6th to 10th June 2022. competition events include; Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Chess, Football, Table Tennis, Tennis, Volleyball, Handball, Swimming, Taekwondo and Karate for both women and men. Woodball, Roll Ball, Goalball, Sitting Volleyball and Gurasumo (Kenyan, Borana Traditional game) will be offered as demonstration sports.

A Pre-Games Scientific conference is being organized to take place at Kenyatta University prior to the games. The purpose is to share scholarly research in Sports. The Vice-Chancellor Prof. Paul Wainaina will also host the forum for all vice-chancellors from Africa during the games to discuss the value of university sports as a vehicle for development.

10TH ALL AFRICA UNIVERSITY GAMES
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