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The University of excellence in discovery and dissemination of knowledge.

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To discover, harness, apply, disseminate and preserve knowledge for good of humanity



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RELEVANCE

The University is committed to ensuring relevance in its programmes and activities.

EXCELLENCE

Excellence shall be targeted in outputs of the University.

EQUITY

The University shall ensure that there is equity in all the opportunities within its jurisdiction.

QUALITY

All outputs and processes of the University shall ensure that quality is maintained.

INTEGRITY

The University shall ensure integrity in all their undertakings.

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MESSAGE FROM THE CABINET SECRETARY



Hon. Julius Migos Ogamba, EBS
CABINET SECRETARY FOR EDUCATION

It is my pleasure to join Maseno University fraternity in celebrating this auspicious occasion of its 24th Graduation Ceremony. I take this opportunity to heartily congratulate the graduands on the successful completion of their studies.

My Ministry continues to recognize the important role that Maseno University is playing in enhancing access to higher education through training of high quality graduates with competence to effectively compete in the local and global job market. Indeed, the Ministry is aware of the fact that the University has in the recent past attracted the highest numbers of KCSE candidates who have applied to join its various degree programmes, thus making the University one of the most attractive in the country. This increasingly growing student population has placed the University at the centre of excellence in the development of manpower in Kenya and beyond. In particular, we as a Ministry take cognisance of the fact that the University has embedded Information Technology (IT) in all its undergraduate programmes, thus playing a leading role in producing a workforce that is ready to respond to the growing needs of an increasingly

digital global space. The Ministry commends Maseno University Council, Management, Senate and staff for this strategic decision.

As the Country transitions from the 8-4-4 system of Education to Competency Based Curriculum (CBC), my Ministry will continue to partner with institutions of higher learning, the Commission for University Education and other stakeholders to produce graduates with relevant competencies to effectively midwife the implementation of CBC in Secondary and Tertiary institutions. I therefore urge the faculty both in Maseno and other Universities across the country to continue with the good work of mentoring young Kenyans in readiness for the implementation of the new curriculum while enhancing research and innovations that can place Kenya on the path to Industrialisation and support the realisation of the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

May I again take this opportunity to congratulate the Class of 2024 and wish them the best in their future endeavours.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all!

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY



Dr. Beatrice Inyangala, PH.D
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY,
STATE DEPARTMENT FOR HIGHER
EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

May I express my pride in joining everybody in congratulating the class of 2024 on their graduation. Congratulations also go to the parents, guardians, siblings and other relatives who stood with the graduands as they applied themselves through this worthwhile journey. To all staff at Maseno University who taught and served the graduands in a variety of ways, I say well done. I applaud the entire Council, Management and Senate for the exemplary guidance of the institution.

The academic staff deserve special praise for their dedication in teaching, supervision and examination of the graduands of 2024.

The State Department for Higher Education and Research shall always strive to support the University in its noble mandate of training and implanting of skills to successive cohorts of students. It is worth noting that with the 24th Graduation Ceremony, you are only one academic year shy of your Silver Jubilee. This is therefore a significant milestone in the history of Maseno University.

As a State Department, we are ever committed to

the provision of strategic and quality education and training. I therefore urge the graduands to go out there and prove their preparedness by exhibiting their very best in addressing ever-emerging development issues and challenges of our country and the world at large.

You shall be leaving Maseno University to join the national and global skilled workforce where you must diligently serve with a view to making a difference. With your training, you must strive to be part of the solution in all situations. Commit to ethical services, inspirational aptitude and the intention to make robust and positive change in society. As alumni of Maseno University, I urge you to project an image of the *alma mata* that prides in being the *Fountain of Excellence*.

I Congratulate the entire University fraternity on their attaining and actualizing the 24th Graduation Ceremony and wish you all the best in this [season of festivities and pray for a Happy 2025!](#)

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL



PROF. NAFTALI OMOLO ONGATI
BED. (UON), PGDE (LEEDS), MSC.(OST), PHD (PRETORIA)

Congratulations to the class of 2024!

I proudly enjoin myself in the celebration of the 24th Graduation Ceremony of Maseno University. On behalf of the entire Council and on my own behalf, I wish to particularly recognize the good work of Management, Senate, Faculty and all staff for the efforts made to make this day a reality.

I also wish to extend heartfelt appreciation to fellow Council members who have been focused in their counsel towards the governance of this institution.

May I express sincere gratitude to parents, relatives and sponsors of the graduands for the sacrifices made to see these proud young academics through their years of studies and research. It is my sincere hope that in turn, the graduands shall in different ways show appreciation of sacrifices by dedicating their acquired skills to the service of humanity.

On behalf of the Council and that of the entire University, I wish to appreciate the Government of Kenya for the budgetary support to this University every year. The Ministry of Education and the State Department for Higher Education and Research have

continued to be the unwavering reference points in the governance of the institution.

The University is ever strong due to the availability of guidance in compliance and adherence to government policies and requisite implementation strategies.

I therefore, take this opportunity to appreciate partners both within and outside the country with whom the University collaborate in research and other strategic projects. I urge these collaborators to keep a breast with the pace of progress in enhancing as well as sharpening knowledge for the welfare of humanity.

Finally, I congratulate the graduands once again and urge them to proceed forthwith the dream of always making the name of Maseno University shine among the community of the world-class Universities.

To all, **I wish you Merry Festivities.**

“I must appreciate the Government of Kenya for the budgetary support to this University every year”.

MESSAGE FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR



PROF. JULIUS O. NYABUNDI, OGW
BSC. (UON), MSC. (UON), PH.D (CALIFORNIA, DAVIS),

Congratulations to the graduands of 2024 on their achievement. This moment of jubilation in your life will be a memorable occasion.

I must at the outset sincerely appreciate your parents, sponsors and other benefactors who have immensely contributed to the realization of this auspicious day. On behalf of Management and on my own behalf, I thank members of Senate, Faculty and the entire staff for the commitment exhibited over the academic years. The result of your efforts is the 24th Graduation Ceremony.

I am proud to announce that for the 24th year, we are able to present graduands that have been taught, supervised, mentored, examined, passed and qualified to be conferred with degrees and awarded Diplomas and Certificates of Maseno University.

May I also express sincere gratitude to the Government of Kenya for continued support over the years. Our line Ministry of Education and State Department for Higher Education and Research have been steadfast pillars in our achievement and progress as an institution. I can happily report that Maseno University has continued to attract a high number of student intake, a majority of whom selected the University as their first choice for the preferred degree programme. This University has taken this gesture with recommitment to continuously re-engineer its

academic programmes to keep pace with the emerging trends in internationalization of education and the corresponding quality required for the development of knowledge for a modern world.

The academic staff are always urged to improve their teaching and supervision through research and innovation in order to be at the forefront in the expansion of the horizons of knowledge for the benefit of our students and our community at the national and global level. Maseno University in its prowess has attracted worthy collaborators in a variety of research and community outreach programmes. As a University, we are grateful for the support and cooperation of such collaborative institutions and individual scholars. The partnerships go a long way in the training of graduates that will go out to spearhead best practices in their disciplines and workplaces.

Maseno University Council deserves particular mention for their leadership and counsel in the governance of the University. The commitment by the Council has made it possible for Management to navigate the affairs of this University with astuteness and confidence.

May I end by wishing all the best during this period of festivities and a very prosperous 2025!

GRADUATION AT A GLANCE



PROF. ERICK O. NYAMBEDHA,
Ag. Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Academic and
Student Affairs (ASA)

On this 24th graduation, Prof. Erick Nyambedha shall ask the dean of schools to present graduands of Maseno University's class of 2024 for the Conferment of Degrees and Award of Diplomas and Certificates:



As the Deputy Vice-Chancellor in charge of Academic and Student Affairs, I am overjoyed that the class of 2024 can finally go through this rite of passage of graduation. They shall be celebrating the Conferment of Degrees and Awards of Diplomas and Certificates making successful completion of studies in various disciplines in respective Schools.

From all of us, we say, ***Congratulations!***

I urge the graduands to get into the world with confidence that their dependable qualifications from one of the best public universities in Kenya and indeed in the world.

Apart from specific disciplines of those who will graduate with Bachelors Degrees, they will also have the Information Technology (IT) component for which they were trained and qualified. This will definitely be of added value in the job market that has increasingly become IT- based.

VICE-CHANCELLOR'S ADDRESS TO 2024 FRESHERS (An excerpt)



The VC addresses 2024 freshmen

I wish to extend a hearty welcome to you and take this opportunity to congratulate you on your excellent performance in the 2023 K.C.S.E. examinations, which has enabled you to join Maseno University.

I can assure you that you are joining one of the best Universities in the Country and I am glad to observe that out of 7,848 allocated to Maseno University through KUCCPS a whole 91% of you chose Maseno as 1st choice University. Indeed, after inter-University transfers, Maseno is at 7,850. Through your own channels of getting information about institutions of higher learning you made a decision that Maseno University is the best place for you to advance your studies. For this reason, I am happy that am talking to a congregation of the converted, a group of people who made a choice of Maseno University, which choice has been granted. Congratulations once again. I wish to commit to you that the University will ensure that you are well trained and mentored to be the best University products in Kenya and the region.

With this admission you join other Kenyans who have acquired University education. In the year 2023 a total of 899,453 candidates sat for K.C.S.E. examinations

out of which 201,133 candidates, in other words, only 22.27% achieved the University admission cut off of C+ and above. You therefore represent the very top brains in this country. You have thus demonstrated your academic capabilities and your performance in the University will largely depend on how you manage your social self and your time. My responsibility this morning is therefore to meet you as your Vice-Chancellor, appreciate your presence and place emphasis on a number of issues even as I recap most of what you have already been told.

For the purpose of you fitting into University and achieving your goal, may I point out the following:

Personal Academic Responsibility.

You have already been informed that the University has no masters on duty, prefects or bells. You are therefore exclusively responsible for management of your timetable.

The University however expects you to attend all lectures and indeed that is the only way to your academic success within the University.

Having been the best students in your schools, you therefore all have the >>> **Continue on pg 14**

VICE-CHANCELLOR'S ADDRESS (Continued...)



The VC taking selfies with freshers

>>> **Continued from pg 13** opportunity to be the best students here. We therefore expect

an A score from each and every student. I can assure you that it is very easy if you remain diligent and focused.

University Rules and Regulations as Guide to Success

In the University, that responsibility has been transferred to yourself through Rules and Regulations booklet which has been distributed to you. Read that booklet very keenly and strictly adhere to the rules and regulations if you want to complete your studies in this University. Keep yourselves in good company and always remain on the right side of the law. In particular, avoid indulgence into drugs and illegal alcohol.

Social Relations

You are about nineteen years old now. Life expectancy

in Kenya is moving towards 80 years, which means that you have about sixty more years to live. I am however aware that you are at the cream of your life and temptations are bound to come your way. Manage yourselves by avoiding bad and tempestuous company. You may also seek the counsel of our students' counselors including peer counselors.

Ownership and Management of University Environment

Now that you have been admitted and registered at Maseno University, this is your home and you must be proud of it, defend it, improve it and maintain it.

Maseno University will be part of your perpetual history and therefore its status and reputation now and in the future will continue to be your pride.

As a University we have one of the best physical environments overlooking Lake Victoria, surrounded by scenic rocky hills and blessed with lots of rain, trees and beautiful fields.

VICE-CHANCELLOR'S ADDRESS (Continued...)

In particular, the new University Library is the largest in the country. To address the issue of teaching space, we have the modern Tuition Complex with a seating capacity of 6000. We have also almost completed work on new Hostels with 1600 bed capacity.

Capping all these infrastructural efforts, Maseno has highly trained and dedicated academic staff comprising professors and lecturers who will be able to guide you in your academic endeavours.

Above all, Maseno is one of the best Universities in the country, be proud of it and defend it. You are our biggest marketing agency. Recommend Maseno to your friends and relatives.

Finally I would like to emphasize the following issues which I consider very important in your life as a student in Maseno:

Ethnicity and Religion

Maseno University is a National Public Higher Learning Institution with a mandate to provide equal opportunity education to all Kenyans. Invariably, therefore, you will meet colleagues from diverse ethnic, cultural, religious and even economic backgrounds.

Politics

As Maseno family we must not allow political divisions amongst ourselves. Hence, whereas you may all belong to or support diverse political parties or persuasions, the University does not allow divisive political activities within our premises.

Payment of Fees

You are the second cohort joining the University under the new funding model for universities. A lot has been said and continue to be discussed about this model. But as students, remain focused and apply for Government scholarships and HELB loans to clear part or all of your tuition fees depending on your need status. I have directed that a Help Desk be established under the Directorate of Student Affairs to assist advice in event of any difficulty in this process. Whatever you pay to the University go through the established process and in particular, ensure that

all payments should be made through the official stipulated payment channels.

Examinations

You will be expected to take all CATS (Continuous Assessment Tests) and examinations. You therefore must attend all lectures and work hard to pass your examinations. The University has zero tolerance for cheating in examinations. Anybody found to be involved risks termination of their studies.

Security

You are advised to be on the watch out against any approaches by strangers or friends promising unsolicited gains. Such approaches must be repulsed and exposed at the earliest opportunity as continued entertainment of the same may lead to dangerous and irreversible commitments or blackmail. You are advised to remain vigilant and take care of yourself.

It is my hope that all 1st Years are accommodated within Campus. For those that will choose to stay outside in rental hostels owned by landlords, there is a raft of Regulations that you must adhere to for your safety.

Students Disturbances and Strikes

I strongly caution you to avoid that route as a means of presenting your complaints. The University has laid down a Customer Complaints Handling Procedure and appropriate communication mechanism that you should follow whenever you have any complaint.

Finally, I welcome you to Maseno University once more and trust that, with all the pieces of advice that you have received for the last one week, you will make the best use of your stay here and be the best ambassadors to the Institution.

Thank you for your attention, Good Luck and God Bless.

**Prof. Julius O. Nyabundi PhD, OGW.
VICE-CHANCELLOR**

LAW

Excellence in Legal Studies at the School of Law



Prof. PLO. Lumumba delivering a keynote address at the Launch of Law School at Kisumu Campus last year.

One of the esteemed Schools in Maseno University is the School of Law, which is located in the Kisumu Campus.

The School of Law at Maseno University offers a variety of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in law: Bachelor of Laws (LL.B), Master of Laws (LL.M), Doctor of Philosophy in Law (Ph.D)

These programmes are designed to equip students with a solid understanding of legal principles, skills in legal research and analysis, and ethical values necessary for successful careers in the legal profession.

The School of Law boasts a dedicated faculty composed of experienced legal professionals and scholars who are passionate about teaching and mentoring students. The faculty members possess expertise in various areas of law, including constitutional law, criminal law, commercial law, human rights law, among others. The School of Law is equipped with modern facilities

that enhance the learning experience for students.

These include:

- Well-stocked library with extensive collections of legal texts and journals
- State-of-the-art classrooms with audiovisual equipment.
- Moot court facility for practical legal training
- Computer laboratories with internet access for legal research
- Conference rooms for seminars and workshops

The School of Law at Maseno University offers internship opportunities for students to gain practical experience in legal firms, government agencies, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), and judicial institutions. This hands-on experience prepares students for successful careers upon graduation.

DEBATE

Inter University Family Debate Competitions



The celebration of the foundation of love, dignity and shared progress was marked by way of an Inter-University Debate competition at the Maseno University's School of Law at Kisumu Campus on 15th May 2024. The day is marked on the International Day of the Family as in annually led by United Nations.

A total of 15 Universities participated in the debate namely;

- Strathmore University
- Maseno University

Participants interrogated the place of the family as unit that can safeguard the students about to live in the modern world. The debate was to form a platform for discussion of human personality in relation to how much personality can be developed within the context of the family.

The debate was concluded on the Place of the University students in the analysis of the role of the family with the international perspective.

Questions of structure of the family, family ethics, the

Inter-University Debate competition at the School of Law, Kisumu Campus on 15th May 2024.

place of religion in relation to the family among other factors.

The event faced a number of challenges to with the fact that all the teams from the 15 Universities were to debate within one day only; the logistics of bringing all the teams from all over the country, financial constraints and inadequate of facilities of facilities and number of facilitators.

Organizers took stock of the event in regard to its importance in building communicational networks among young law students who will take over the future .it was also agreed that the collaboration of the family in matters love, dignity and shared progress is a key event in the calendar of all nations sine the family is the local point at which all human responsible relations begin.

CONFERENCES

Stakeholders Engagement and Capacity Building to Align to CBC



Director, KICD, Prof. Ong'ondo delivering his keynote address at the stakeholders meeting.

On the 27th of March 2024, Maseno University School Of Education hosted the “Aligning Teacher Education Training to Competency Based Education Curriculum” at the Amphitheatre, South Wing.

This particular workshop-cum-symposium gathered participants to discuss the issues which are currently evolving in the Kenyan education circles. The School of Education , Maseno University played host Kenyan Institute Of Curriculum Development (KICD), Teachers’ Service Commission (TSC), researchers on curriculum issues and Quality Assurance Directorate of Maseno university.

The focus of the workshop was to interrogate and discuss alignment of teacher training at Maseno University and how it should be in tandem with the current Competence Based Curriculum (CBC) which it is in its eighth year of the rollout.

The workshop was a prognostication plan and focus on how School Of Education (SOE), Maseno University envisages how it would wish to roll out its teaching programmes to be in synchrony with the reality that is being encountered within the Kenya as the country rolls out Competence Based Curriculum towards senior secondary and eventually into the University.

The Director, Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development, Prof. Charles Ong'ondo meticulously presented the milestones and the

challenges Competence Based Curriculum is encountering in its rollout and challenged Maseno University to pick the cue and inject some robust intellectual input to add value to Competence Based Curriculum especially as the University prepares to admit the pioneer senior school graduates in 2028.

The Teachers’ Service Commission (TSC) representative presented an array of policy guidelines which the teacher prepared to teach Competence Based Curriculum should adhere to.

This will help the teacher to impact the learner with requisite skills and at the same time keep abreast continuous learning to help add value to the learner’s capacity since Competence Based Curriculum is a learning system which requires the teacher to be constantly knowledgeable and re- tooled to be also practical in various facets of learning.

The participants at the workshop presented empirical insights and challenges on how teacher training in the current evolving situation in Kenya should be handled. The specific challenge in how School of Education (SoE), at Maseno University should carry out its programme was highlighted by the Vice –Chancellor, Prof. Julius Nyabundi who posed several critical questions on how they should be robust and innovative to reduce the excessive reliance on other departments which service the School of Education.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION IN CHEMICAL SCIENCES AND STEM



Dr. Mildred Airo (left) of Chemistry Dept. making a presentation to an attentive audience at the STEM workshop in Maseno University.

On 27th February, 2024, a Workshop titled “Catalyzing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) in Chemical Sciences and STEM” at Maseno University provided a dynamic platform for discussing strategies to enhance DEI in STEM fields. This event gathered a diverse group of participants, including high school and university students, teachers, early and mid-career academics, and senior Professors, to explore barriers to DEI and share best practices for creating inclusive environments.

Dr. Francis Otieno of Maseno University opened the workshop by emphasizing the importance of supporting STEM-related projects and recognizing the attendees’ commitment to this cause. Dr. Mildred Airo, also of Maseno University, underscored the critical role of science, technology, and innovation in global development. She highlighted the necessity for collaborative efforts to support and connect various branches of STEM, both in Africa and globally.

Dr. Bowa Kwach, the Chairman of Chemistry Department, welcomed participants by noting the department’s success in placing graduates

in significant positions worldwide. He stressed the importance of addressing negative attitudes towards STEM, particularly those rooted in cultural conventions and stereotypes. Prof. Godfrey Netondo, Dean of Physical and Biological Sciences echoed this sentiment, describing science as the “backbone of our society” and emphasizing the impact of mentorship and projects like this workshop on inspiring students. Officially opening the workshop, Prof. Collins Ouma, Director, Research Directorate encouraged faculty to balance academic duties with innovative research. He highlighted the gender disparities in STEM education and called for increased support to foster more researchers in these fields.

Keynote speaker Prof. Patricia Munoz from IUPAC spoke passionately about the need to combat stereotypes, prejudice, and discrimination in STEM. She advocated for creating a fair and equal environment that values diversity and fosters a sense of belonging for all. Prof. Mary Garson from IUPAC shared the history of the IUPAC Global Women’s Breakfast, celebrating its role in providing a platform for female chemists worldwide. She noted Africa’s strong participation >>> **Continue on pg 20**

DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSIVITY WORKSHOP (Continued...)

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in this initiative, particularly in countries like Nigeria, Angola, and Egypt.

Prof. Maureen Olel, Dean of the School of Education, highlighted the influence of socioeconomic and cultural barriers on achieving DEI in STEM.

She called for a reframing of STEM education to ensure its priority and inclusivity, emphasizing the need for increased funding and addressing socio-cultural barriers. Dr. Patrick Onyango from School of Graduate Studies stressed the importance of optimizing DEI in postgraduate training through teaching, research, and community participation.

The mid-morning session included a presentation by Prof. Samuel Oyoo on the importance of addressing language barriers in science education. He emphasized the need for clear communication to ensure the success of DEI initiatives in STEM. Dr. Cecilia Wandiga from the Center for Science and Technology Innovations discussed their efforts in renewable energy, water, and specialty chemicals, highlighting the importance of partnerships in converting waste resources to green energy.

Prof. Peter Oracha of the Department of Special needs and Education discussed the intersection of disability and diversity, praising the Kenyan government's efforts to include people with special needs in education. He called for more investment in assistive devices and the removal of attitudinal barriers.

Dr. Mildred Nawiri from Kenyatta University decried the low number of women graduates in chemistry and STEM fields, while Dr. Emily Aradi from the University of Manchester emphasized the need to celebrate women in science to encourage more women to pursue STEM careers. Both speakers highlighted the importance of mentorship, advocacy, and support networks in overcoming barriers faced by women in STEM. The workshop also included talks on aquaculture by Dr. Erick Ogelo, artificial intelligence by Dr. Lilian Wanzare, and the fundamental role of mathematics in STEM by Dr. Isaac Owino. Ms. Lorna Otieno and Jerusha Opondo shared their experiences in civil engineering and electric mobility, respectively, stressing the need for more women in these fields.



Prof. Maureen Olel, Dean, School of Education making a presentation

Prof. Jacob Midiwo closed the keynote addresses by discussing the importance of partnerships in enhancing African science. He highlighted the Royal Society of Chemistry's efforts in promoting science-based hubs across Africa and encouraged young researchers to join these networks for collaborative research and career support.

The workshop concluded with a skit on barriers in STEM by Maseno University students and a vote of thanks by Dr. Dorothy Okoth Ekambuli Secondary School students and their teacher expressed gratitude for the opportunity to attend the workshop, noting the inspiration and valuable insights gained. The teacher emphasized the need to address poor attitudes towards STEM subjects in secondary schools to cultivate positive attitudes among students, especially girls.

MEETING

The Second Health Professionals Meeting



The Second Health Professions Education Conference 2024 was a collaborative effort between Maseno University School of Medicine and the Institute of Global Health, Northwestern University.

The conference was Spearheaded by Dr. Wycliffe Masanta and aimed to promote health professions education and research, as well as the integration of the technology in teaching and training. The conference held from April 3rd to April 5th 2024 focused on various aspects of health professions education, including curriculum review, mentorship approaches, innovative teaching and assessment tools.

Key achievements of the conference included successful planning and execution of activities, high attendance rates, and positive feedback from participants. Notably, the event attracted speakers and participants from multiple universities, indicating growing national recognition.

However, challenges such as budget constraints, logistical issues at the venue were noted.

To address these challenges and improve future

conferences, several recommendations were proposed. These included defining Maseno University's support for health professions education activities, clarifying the role of key stakeholders, early approval and resource allocation for advertising, reducing registration fees, and redesigning the registration process to ensure commitment from participants.

Additionally, suggestions were made to enhance conference facilities and establish formal agreements with relevant regulatory bodies for professional development points.

Acknowledgements were extended to all contributors, including partnering institutions, funding organizations and the venue. The success of the conference underscored the importance of strengthening collaborations and accelerating the establishment of a department of health professions education at Maseno University, School of Medicine.

Plans for future initiatives, such as faculty benchmarking trips were highlighted, emphasizing the ongoing commitment to advancing health professions education.

VISITS

Prof. Pupala from Trnava University Visits on Erasmus Mobility Programme



Prof Branislav Pupala(3rd left)with School of Education staff. Immediate right is the Dean of the School of Education, Prof Maureen Olel.

The Erasmus Mobility Programme at Maseno University, welcomed visiting Prof. Branislav Pupala from Trnava University, Slovakia from 3rd to 18th January 2024. The programme included teaching sessions on various topics such as comparative studies in preschool education, curriculum development, and policies of preschool education. Prof. Pupala also engaged in discussions with Faculty members on teaching, research, and community outreach practices, and also interacted with postgraduate students.

The visiting Professor separately met the Chairman of the Department of Special Needs Education, the Coordinator of Early Childhood Development Education and the Director, Linkages, Outreach and Consultancies.

The School of Education's Curriculum Development Committee that is chaired by the Dean, Prof. Maureen Olel had an interactive session with Prof. Pupala. To crown the visit, Prof. Pupala met the Vice-Chancellor together with University Management and thereafter, all staff in the Department of Education.

This visit provided a comprehensive and enriching experience for Prof. Pupala, fostering international Consultancies and knowledge sharing in the field of education. Overall, Prof. Pupala's visit was a success, and The University looks forward to future Consultancies with Trnava University in Slovakia.

The Erasmus Mobility Programme offers support for higher education institutions to enable students and staffs to travel abroad to other programme countries or partner countries on scholarships to study at the partner host countries while participating institutions receive incoming students from participating member countries. The programme at partner countries usually announce availability of support yearly.

VISITS

Team from Fayetteville Technical Community College and New Millennium Ministries Comes Visiting



Dr. Caroline Oloo, Chair of Department- Business Administration, with grant winners. L-R: Charles Owuor, Meshack Muendo, Dickens Oloo, Melza Akinyi, Laurine Icheu, Stephen Mukunya.

On June 21st, a distinguished delegation from Fayetteville Technical Community College and New Millennium Ministries, based in the United States of America, visited Maseno University. This visit was a significant milestone as it marked the collaboration with the team that funded six Maseno University students in their impactful Entrepreneurship projects.

The Vice-Chancellor welcomed the guests and reiterated the University's support for the collaboration. He emphasized that everything possible must be done to expand the collaboration in terms of funding and beneficiaries.

The visiting team was led by Dr. Dwarka and Dr. Sony Kelly from Fayetteville Technical Community College. Their contributions have been instrumental in advancing the entrepreneurial skills and projects of the selected students. Maseno University team, headed by Dr. Oloo Caroline, who leads the Entrepreneurship Program and oversees the Impactful Entrepreneurship Award, warmly welcomed the delegation. Dr. Caroline's leadership has been pivotal in driving the success of the entrepreneurial

Initiatives at the School of Business and Economics.

The primary purpose of the Fayetteville Technical Community College team's visit was to strengthen future collaborations. They expressed their commitment to supporting more impactful entrepreneurial projects for Maseno University students, promising further awards and funding opportunities to continue fostering innovation and Entrepreneurship within the university community.

Twinning with Gulu University in Building Stronger Universities



From left- Prof. Openjuru, VC Gulu University receives a gift from Prof. Nyabundi, VC Maseno University.

Gulu University in Uganda has twinned with Maseno University in the Building Stronger Universities (BSU) Project. The signing of the MOU was done at Main Campus on 14th October 2024 by the Vice-Chancellors, Prof. George L. Openjuru for Gulu University and Prof. Julius Nyabundi for Maseno.

This is the Phase 4 christened BSU 4 which builds on the 3 previous phases that ran from 2011 to 2023.

The key themes of the project are:

- Transforming Education
- Rights
- Resources and Gender

BSU is a DANIDA funded project that aims at strengthening capacity in teaching, research and community engagement. BSU is a long-standing collaboration bringing together African and Danish Universities.

BSU 4 shall cover several tropical areas that include: Lifelong Education and new ways of learning like hybrid and e-learning. Sustainable Development and Climate Change. Post-conflict policies. Health, Health Rights and Changing Gender Relationships. The Vice-Chancellor of Gulu University, Prof.

Openjuru expressed his pleasure in working with Maseno University particularly because of Maseno's known best practices in eLearning. Prof. Nyabundi welcomed the Gulu team and expressed his full support for the collaboration and assured the visiting team that his office would be open for any interventions on issues that may require approval from his office. The Gulu team toured the Universities facilities in all the Campuses including Kisumu Campus and the eCampus, both in Kisumu City. Further meetings were held at Kisumu Hotel (Maseno University) where the guests enjoyed Lake-Side hospitality. In the lighter moments the two Vice-Chancellors discussed the impending Eastern Africa University Games (see lead story) and the VC Maseno promised his counterpart that the strongest team would be decided in actual action during the games between 15th to 21st December 2024. The BSU 4 MOU signing was witnessed by members of the Gulu team who accompanied their VC: Prof. Charles Okumu, Mr. Moses Omara, Dr. Agatha Alidri, Mr. Ben Waiswa, Dr. Francis Atube, Mr. Robert Ringtho, and Dr. Geoffrey Tabo Odok. Maseno side had the VC together with Prof. Maureen Olel, Mr. Peter Kiprotich, Mr. Nick Ogolla, Mr. Kennedy Nyong'o, Dr. Owen McOnyango, Ms. Barbara Makhaya and Prof. Rose Ongati.

COLLABORATION

Initiating Collaboration with the French Embassy

On Tuesday, January 16, 2024, officials of the French Embassy held a meeting with officials at the University. Representatives from the French Embassy were Dr. Mathieu Guerin, the Attaché for Science and Higher Education and Deputy Head of Cooperation, and Dr. Serawit Bruck Landais, the Regional Global Health Counsellor for Eastern Africa and Somalia. The objective of the visit was to establish a collaborative relationship between Maseno University and the French Embassy.

The central focus of the meeting was to discuss potential areas of collaboration between Maseno University and the French Embassy. The discussions were broad and covered several key areas of mutual interest:

- It was noted that there is an ongoing recruitment process for one hundred and twenty [120] teaching assistants scheduled for 2023-2026. The French Embassy emphasized the need to closely observe this process.
- The meeting highlighted the opportunity for Kenyan teachers to go to France to teach English in primary and secondary schools. This initiative aims to enhance educational exchange and cultural integration.
- French Language Teachers' Day traditionally held in Nairobi, the French Language Teachers' Day will be organized in Kisumu at Maseno University in November 2024. This change is intended to decentralize the event and involve more regional

participants.

- The French government offers scholarships for Masters and Ph.D. programs in France. These scholarships target students who will later teach at universities, thus strengthening academic ties between the two countries.
- The discussion included plans to consider an exchange program for students and staff beginning in 2025. This program aims to foster academic and cultural exchange, enhancing the educational experience for all participants.
- Several funding opportunities for research in social sciences were discussed. These funds aim to support collaborative research projects and academic development.
- Charles Caurdent, the Director of Alliance Française, will play a pivotal role in facilitating meetings with committee members and organizing French cultural and educational activities.
- It was suggested that students from various departments should be encouraged to integrate French language studies with their primary programs. This integration will provide students with additional skills and enhance their career prospects.
- The French Department was encouraged to organize French theatre performances in collaboration with Alliance Française. The Dunga Hill Camp was proposed as a potential venue for these cultural events.



A meeting between embassy officials and Maseno University staff.

VISITS

France Alumni Career Talk

The France Alumni Career Talk was held on the 1st of June 2024. The bodies in charge of the meeting were the Campus France, the France Alumni Day, Kenya Association of Teachers of French and the Association of France Alumni in Kenya (AFRAKEN).

The meeting was attended by teachers and students from various secondary schools in the Western Region: Mukumu Girls, St. Agnes Shibuye, Maseno School, Goibei Girls, Sinaga Girls, Nyakach Girls, St. Brigid's Girls and a representative of St. Josephs Boys(boarding).

The France Alumni Talk was spearheaded by Dr. Nuru Kyalo Ochieng, the head department French, Maseno University, and also the head of Kenya Association Teachers of French in the western region.

She gave the welcoming addresses and shared the topics to be discussed.

The topics discussed in the talk included:

- Presentation of France Alumni Day and Studies in France
- Presentation of Sciences Po and scholarship opportunities
- Alumni Career Talks

Question and Answer session Presentations by students French was defined as the third most expansive language in the world, as the most variable and a national language in some countries. Dr. Nuru said she wished for the France Alumni activities to be brought back to the region. She urged the French teachers to bring more teachers from then western region to the Kenya Association of Teachers of French so as to grow the French speaking community.

Miss Mercy Gicovi, an alumni of Campus France Kenya made a presentation of France Alumni Day and Studies in France.

She explained that Campus France Kenya was an Agency of promoting High Education in France, she stated the agency's missions and its action in Kenya. Campus France provides scholarships for students who wish to study in different universities in France on various levels including Degree, Masters,



Top and below: presenters at the career talk



VISITS

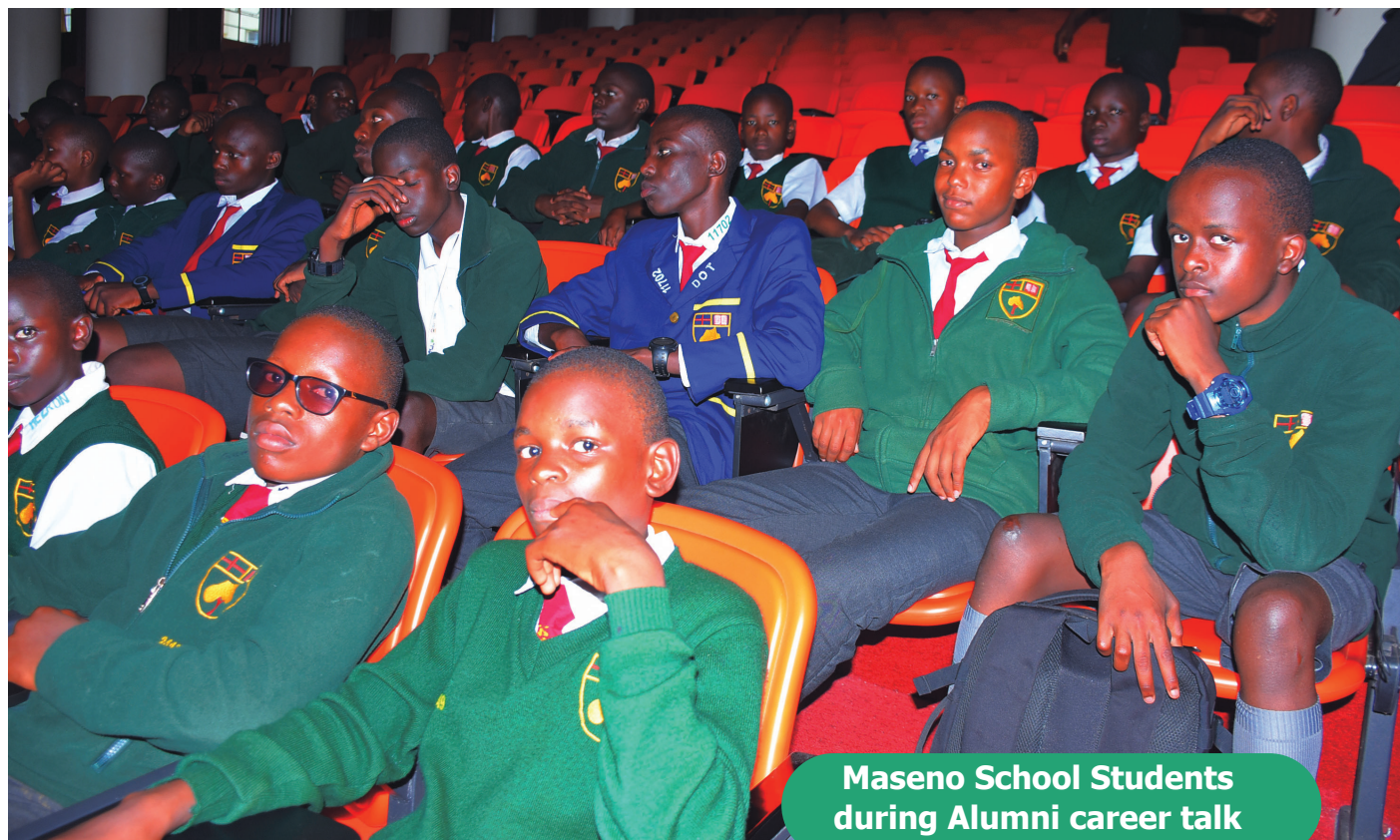
and Doctorate level. She encouraged the students to apply for scholarships in universities in France through the Campus France. Miss Gicovi also presented a show from various students going on with their studies in various universities in France who had gotten their scholarships through the Campus France Kenya.

Presentation of Sciences Po and scholarship opportunities was made by Miss Cynthia Isimbi. She stated that Sciences Po is France leading university in the social sciences. She explained the employment of the graduates in diverse sectors. She showed the students the university's programmes and the pre-college program being offered. She encouraged the students to make a step to apply to the Sciences Po.

At the end of the Alumni Career Talk there were presentations from the high school students such as singing in French and answering or making fluent conversations in the language.



Sinaga Girls Students performing during the Alumni Career Talk.



Maseno School Students during Alumni career talk

VISIT BY REPRESENTATIVES FROM FRENCH EMBASSY

French Embassy Officer In-charge of Education Meets Maseno Officials

On the 13th of June, 2024, a significant meeting was convened at the Vice-Chancellors boardroom at Maseno University. The primary aim was to foster the growth of the French language in alignment with educational objectives.

The meeting was attended by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Prof Chacha who was representing the Vice Chancellor, a representative from the office of the French ambassador to Kenya, a representative from the French Department of the University.

The meeting began with a focus on supporting French teachers and students to achieve the overarching goal.

This support would be realized through the development of specialized programs for both teachers and students. After two years of French language instruction, participants would be eligible to apply for a program that allows them to teach English in French schools across primary, middle, and high school levels.

In February 2024, interviews were conducted at Maseno University for this program. Approximately

50 students from the region were interviewed, with 36 qualifying for the opportunity to study in France. Of these, 10 students are from Maseno University. The selected candidates are scheduled to depart for France in October and will be supported by the French Government during their three-year stay.

A prior meeting at Alliance Française in Nairobi brought together 100 teachers from Nairobi and 80 from Mombasa to deliberate on enhancing the French language's presence.

A proposal was made for Maseno University to host The International French Day on November 23rd, 2024. The event is anticipated to attract around 100 participants.. Activities such as presentations, training sessions, and workshops are planned. The University's amphitheater has been proposed as the venue.

Attendees will receive a variety of gifts in appreciation. The Ambassador of France to Kenya is expected to grace the occasion.

Pre-events leading up to International French Day have been proposed to prepare for the main event. These pre-events will feature debates involving both teachers. and students.



From right-Representative from the French Embassy Lea Laouaf with Dr. Nuru from the French Department.

RE-INSPECTION OF PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMME



Re-inspection session in progress

The Re-Inspection of Public Health programme was done on 10th of July 2024 at Maseno University's Main Campus. The inspection team had: BSc Public Health regulator (PHOTC-K) officials Dr. John Kariuki PHOTC chair, Professor Mohamed Karawa and Mr. Peter Mwadziwe the HOS-PHOTC alongside Kisumu County Public Health Officer Mr. Jeremiah Ongwara together with Vihiga County Public Health Officer Mr. Solomon Omutuko. The process touched on key objectives such as:

- Creating good rapport between Maseno University and PHOTC-K in order to widen up job markets and internship for students undertaking the programme since PHOTC is a pathway leading students different work places.
- Check on the challenges affecting the students together with the lecturers so that they can bring in solutions to the problems, provide the school with license.
- Aid in the indexing and registration of students, check on the workloads of the lecturers.
- Provide ways on how to catalyze the professionalism of students.
- Most importantly acquiring evidence on how Maseno university public health department have been undertaking their programme.

The inspection was carried out in all the offices, laboratories and classes where the programme is being undertaken.

The laboratories which were inspected include:

Parasitology and Entology Laboratory, Microbiology Laboratory and Public Health Skills Laboratory.

In the meeting that was held to discuss key issues in connection with Public Health to fully achieve recognition as a member of PHOTC, the Department of Public Health came up with targets that they have been progressively making strides to achieve.

They include:

- Recruitment of at least seven (7) competent and PHOTC registered faculty members on full time basis.
- Recruitment of at least two (2) competent PHOTC registered technicians on full time basis.
- Provision of at least four laboratories to support delivery of the program
- Provision of technical drawing laboratory with adequately installed computer software.
- Provision of at least two public health officers to support sanitation and hygiene in the university.
- Review of the University programmes curricula to align them with the PHOTC core-curricula.
- Review of admission and /or indexing criteria for direct entry and upgrading students.
- Review of students' practicum guidelines and practicum logbooks for delivery of the programme.

During the Re-Inspection, the Department promised to work on the requirements to comply with recommendations from the Re-Inspection team.

DONATIONS

Maseno Receives Orbit Readers



3rd from left the Vice-Chancellor receiving donations of Orbit Readers and assistive technology devices from officials.

Maseno University has a diverse student Profile, with students from various parts of Kenya and other countries. The University is committed to providing high-quality education and has received several awards and recognition for its academic programmes and research initiatives.

Some of the students are people living with disabilities. In recent years, assistive technology has become an integral part of our lives, helping individuals with disabilities or impairments to lead more independent and fulfilling lives.

Donation of Orbit Readers and assistive technology devices training took place in Maseno University. The aim of this donation and training was to improve the lives of individuals with visual impairments by providing them with the necessary tools and knowledge to navigate their surroundings more effectively.

The primary objective of the donation and training was to empower individuals with visual impairments by equipping them with assistive technology devices that could help them perform daily tasks more efficiently. Orbit Readers, for instance, are portable magnifiers that can be attached to a smartphone or tablet, allowing users to read digital content more easily. The training program aimed to educate recipients on how to use these devices effectively,

thereby improving their overall quality of life.

The donations and training have had a significant impact on the lives of the recipients. By providing them with Orbit Readers and other assistive technology devices, they were able to enhance their ability to read digital content which is essential for staying informed and connected with the world around them.

The training program also helped recipients to learn how to use these devices more effectively and reducing their dependence on others for assistance.

Moreover, the donation and training empowered recipients to take control of their lives by providing them with the tools they needed to perform daily tasks more independently. This, in turn, increased their confidence and self-esteem, enabling them to lead more fulfilling lives.

The donations and training also had a positive impact on the institution.

By participating in this initiative, the University is able to demonstrate its commitment to diversity and inclusion, which is essential for creating an inclusive and supportive environment for all students and staff. Moreover, the training program provided the institution with valuable insights into the needs of individuals with visual impairments, which would help the University to better support these students in the future.

NURSING STUDENTS FROM NYANZA REGION MEET AT MASENO UNIVERSITY

This Nyanza region fourth Convoy was held on 12th July 2024 on Maseno University grounds. The previous Convoys were carried out in the Western Regional at the Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology, in Nairobi at the Catholic University and in Mombasa.

Institutions present at the Nyanza Region Campus Convoy were Nyabondo MTC, Uzima University, Greatlakes University, Maseno Mission School of Nursing, Fafa Medical College, Kisii University and the host, Maseno University.

The different associations and Unions present at the convoy were Kenya Student and Novice Nurses Chapter (KESNNUR) which is a chapter under the National Nurses Association of Kenya (NNAK), Nursing Council of Kenya, KMET, Medical Student Association of Maseno (MEDSAM), GLUK, Marie Stopes representatives and leaders of NNAK in different regions.

The meeting was spearheaded by KESNNUR chairperson, Mr. Elphas Muricho assisted by Mr. Gesora Kevin, KESNNUR 2nd vice chairperson, Mr. Chrispine Juma Organizing Secretary KESNNUR, Mr. Victor Otieno, nursing representative Maseno and Mr. Javan Ochieng the former nursing representative Maseno.

The guests focused on various issues in their speeches. The Dean School of Nursing Maseno University, Mrs. Magambi Linda welcomed guests to the meeting and made remarks about the nursing course. She told the students that nursing is taking care of others and that as students their nursing journey has just started.

Mr. Sam Brian, the MEDSAM President gave welcoming remarks and stated the schools and departments under the MEDSAM organization. He also stated various achievements made by the association. He finally welcomed all the guests to the University for the meeting.

Mr. Elphas Muricho took a chance to talk about the Kenya Student and Novice Nurses Chapter which he chairs. He stated that KESNNUR is a chapter under NNAK and it's a platform for young nurses. The chapter facilitates mentoring of nurses, brings nursing students together, engages nursing students in community service like the blood donation drive



Nursing Students from different Institutions at the event

and participating in international nurses meeting. Together with KESNNUR 2nd vice chairperson and the organizing secretary, they encouraged the nursing students from different institutions to join KESNNUR and other nurses associations.

The North Coast Training College representative, Mr. Reuben Waswa gave a speech mentioning opportunities of nurses globally and reasons and advantages for working abroad. Marie Stopes representative, Mr. Arman Juma also had a chance and mentioned about his organization which he said was an international organization and was well equipped. He mentioned the location of its other branches, services offered and issue of gender and health. He appreciated the nurses as the backbone of any health facility.

The representative of the Nursing Council of Kenya outlined the roles of NCK, which include protecting nurses mentally and physically and preparing nurses to work in hospitals. He spoke of the building blocks for nursing and what paths a nurse can take if he or she does not want to work as a bedside nurse. The KMET representative, Mrs. Jane Raburu took a chance to explain aspects of leadership in nursing and the skills required to be a leader in nursing.

The president of the National Nurses Association of Kenya Mr. Collins Ajwang who was the guest of Honour, appreciated all the nursing students, lecturers and leaders of various unions and organizations present. He praised the nurses for the major role they play and appreciated them for being able to be distinguished from any other medical workers. He also encouraged and welcomed students to join NNAK and said it would be a good thing if the association was part of the Global Nursing Society.

ISO

The ISO 9001:2015 Re-Certification Audit

The ISO 9001:2015 Re-certification audit was held between 27th of June and 5th of July in the University. Before the auditing commenced a meeting was held in the University boardroom to discuss key issues in relation to the taskforce

assigned for the auditing team. The process was carried out by the Kenya Bureau Standards (KEBS) officials.

The lead auditors were Madam Franscisca Atieno from KEBS assisted by Bernice Ogonda, the management representative.

The ISO 9001:2015 auditing team

A meeting being held at the university boardroom before the auditing process is carried out

The main objectives of the audit process are:

- Confirming compliance with the ISO 9001:2015 standards.
- Showcasing dedication to providing exceptional

education.

- Providing exceptional research and other outreach services.
- Checking other applicable statutory requirements

The team carried out the process in select departments across the University. The Vice-Chancellor said, “As Maseno University, we have created this process as one of our norms so that we ensure our stakeholders trust our unwavering commitment to quality services. Therefore we affirm our focus on meeting and exceeding our clients’ expectations through our streamlined learning environment, our simplified procedures and our emphasis on quality teaching, research and community outreach.”

The KEBS team promised to avail the full report on funding of the audit to the University and outlining action points that they found necessary to be followed in pursuit of re-certification.



Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) officials in a meeting held in the University boardroom before Auditing commenced.

STATE OF THE ART THAT IS THE NYABUNDI HOSTELS



Prof. J.O. Nyabundi Hostels

Maseno University, renowned institution of higher learning that offers a wide range of academic programs to students from all over the country and beyond. The University has consistently strived to provide its students with modern facilities and conducive learning environments to enhance their academic success. In line with this commitment, the university has recently constructed new hostels known as Prof. Julius Nyabundi Hostels.

Nyabundi Hostels are the newest additions to Maseno University's accommodation facilities for students. These hostels were constructed with the primary objective of providing comfortable and secure living spaces for students, thereby enhancing their overall University experience.

The Hostels are strategically located within the University Campus, ensuring that students have easy access to their classes, libraries, laboratories, and other essential facilities. The Hostels are also close to public transportation hubs, making it convenient for students to travel to and from Campus.

Nyabundi Hostels have been designed to accommodate a significant number of students, a total of 1500, thereby reducing the pressure on existing

accommodation facilities within the university. The hostels offer both single and shared room options catering to different student needs and preferences.

The Nyabundi Hostels are equipped with modern amenities designed to ensure that students live comfortably while pursuing their studies at Maseno University. Some of these amenities include:

- Comfortable beds with mattresses
- Wardrobes for storage
- Study desks with chairs
- Shared bathrooms with hot water showers
- Common areas for socializing
- Wi-Fi connectivity throughout the Hostel premises

The safety and security of students residing in Nyabundi Hostels is paramount. To this end, the University has implemented various security measures such as 24/7 security personnel patrols, CCTV surveillance systems installed around the Hostels' perimeter, access control systems at entrance points, fire alarms and fire extinguishers among others.

The availability of Nyabundi Hostels has significantly improved accommodation options for Maseno University's growing student population by providing them with modern living spaces that cater for their needs while studying at the institution.

RECOGNIZING RESEARCHERS

Prioritizing Research and Innovation

The Directorate of Research and Innovations at Maseno University, headed by Prof. Collins Ouma, is tasked with the responsibility of supporting research, innovations, publications and hosts the Maseno University's Scientific and Ethical Review Committee (MUSERC). Over the year, the Directorate has engaged in great resource mobilization for research and disseminated widely including in international peer-reviewed journals. In the current, *Equator Magazine* on the 24th Graduation we focus on the research activities of two key researchers: Dr. Erick Ogello and Dr. Samuel B. Anyona (pictured 1 & 2 respectively).



DR. ERICK OGELLO (FISHERIES)

Dr. Erick Ogello is a prolific scholar, research scientist and Chairman of the Department of Animal and Fisheries Sciences, Maseno University, Kenya. Dr. Ogello holds a Doctor of Philosophy Degree (PhD) in Fisheries Science from Nagasaki University Japan., Master of Science Degree (MSc) in Aquaculture (Great Distinction) in Ghent University, Belgium, and Bachelor of Science Degree (BSc) in Fisheries (First Class Honors) at Moi University, Kenya.

Dr. Ogello has obtained additional professional training in 1) Sustainable Aquaculture Development (Wageningen University, The Netherlands), 2) Aquaculture Production and Management (University of Jerusalem, Israel), Streams and River Ecology (Linchoping University, Sweden), Strategic Leadership Development Program (SLDP) and Senior Management Course (SMC) at Kenya School of Government. Dr. Ogello is an African Food Fellow, having been trained under African Food Fellowship and Leadership Program in Wageningen University, Netherlands.

Dr. Ogello was recently awarded the African Food Systems and Leadership Award 2022, for being the most promising food systems leader in helping building healthier, more sustainable and inclusive food systems in Africa. His research interests include; Fisheries Science, Aquaculture value chain, and Blue Economy. Dr. Ogello is currently running various

projects funded by different agencies, namely 1) Climate Smart Fish Culture Systems Project (KCSAP-funded by World Bank, 2) Artemia production for sustainable mariculture funded by Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association (WIOMSA), 3) Blue-cycling: Food systems and climate (FOSC) funded by European Union under Horizon-2020, 4) Farm to Fork- Potentials of Agroecological practices in East Africa funded by European Union.

Dr. Ogello is an international consultant in matters fisheries, aquaculture and blue economy, and has previously consulted for the World Bank Group, WordFish, MasterCard Foundation among others. Dr. Ogello has published 83 scholarly articles (h-index 19., 1236 citations) in peer reviewed international journals, and presented talks in several local and international scientific conferences. Dr. Ogello is a member of African Center for Aquatic research and Education (ACARE), East African Water Association (EAWA), and Aquaculture Association of Kenya (AAK).

DR. SAMUEL BONUKE ANYONA (BIOCHEMISTRY)

Dr Samuel Bonuke Anyona, is currently a Lecturer at the Department of Medical Biochemistry, School of Medicine, Maseno University, Maseno, Kenya. Dr. Anyona holds a PhD in Medical Biochemistry from Kenyatta University, Nairobi, Kenya and >>> **Continue on pg 38**

GREAT LAKES AND MASENO UNIVERSITIES HOLD A COLLABORATIVE MEETING



Participants at the meeting in the Administration Block

A collaborative meeting between Great Lakes academics and those from department of Nutrition and public health was held at Maseno's Administration Block on 11th of June, 2024. Great Lakes University sought to discuss a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) concerning the utilization of learning facilities, particularly laboratories and technical drawing studios, for their nutrition and public health students.

The meeting discussed issues around the following areas of collaboration:

- Discussion on the sharing of physics, chemistry, and food chemistry laboratories.
- Sharing of technical drawing facilities for nutrition and public health students .
- Determination of the timeline for sharing the facilities. Estimation of the number of students from Great Lakes University who would utilize the shared

resources.

- Proposals to facilitate the sharing arrangement, including the cost of equipment and the feasibility of hosting Great Lakes University students outside of Maseno University working hours.
- Confirmation of further steps, including a subsequent meeting if Maseno University approves the sharing of resources.
- Both parties engaged in a constructive dialogue regarding the utilization of facilities.
- The specifics of sharing, including scheduling and capacity, were addressed thoroughly.
- Great Lakes University committed to providing the number of students who would benefit from the sharing program.
- Considerations regarding the cost of equipment and logistics beyond regular hours were discussed.
- It was agreed to reconvene for another meeting to finalize details pending approval from Maseno University.

In order to move forward it was agreed that:

The meeting concluded on a positive note with both parties expressing enthusiasm for the collaboration. Great Lakes University and Maseno University are poised to enhance educational opportunities for students through shared resources pending further discussions and approval.

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LEAD STORY: MASENO HOSTS EAST AFRICAN UNIVERSITY GAMES (EAUG) 2024

The 21 categories of field, track and indoor games to be competed

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| • Athletics | • Sitting volleyball | • Woodball |
| • Chess | • Net ball | • Table Tennis |
| • Badminton | • Soccer | • Rugby |
| • Darts | • Hockey | • Cortball |
| • Scrabble | • Karate | • Volleyball |
| • Tennis | • Taekwendo | |
| • Goalball | • Softball | |

Maseno University has the honour of hosting the 13th Edition of East African University Games 2024.

The officials of the Federation of Eastern Africa University Sports assessed facilities at Maseno University and found them fit for hosting of the games running from December 15th to 21st 2024. The Federation officials have held several inspections of the University facilities from time to time and found the state of preparedness for the games satisfying. The University is therefore set to receive upwards of 7000 participants for the 13th Edition of the games.

The pre-games symposium was held at Maseno University's Kisumu Hotel and the University's Boardroom at Siriba Campus on 17th and 18th October 2024 respectively.

Universities' from all the East African countries are expected to converge at the Equator during the action-packed week-long competition. During the games a coalition of the East African cultures is expected to manifest with the presence of East Africans at the various sports grounds. It will be a testimony of the expanded East African Community that now includes: Democratic Republic of Congo, Republic of South Sudan, Federal Republic of Somali, Republic of Rwanda, Republic of Burundi, United Republic of Tanzania, Republic of Uganda and Republic of Kenya. Long before the expanded East African Community indicators of these countries being of relational characteristics that needed to be harnessed had emerged from pre-colonial times. The establishment of University Colleges in Uganda (Makerere), Tanzania (Dar es Salaam) and Kenya (Nairobi) are the

pre-curses of the EAUG that will be one of the biggest international events of the year in Kenya.

Since the inception of Makerere University College as an affiliate of the University of East Africa in 1963, University College, Nairobi in 1964 and University College

Dar es Salaam in 1963, East African students at University level have interacted in different spheres: debates, cultural performances, literary and other intellectual exchanges and of course, sports.

The University Colleges made East Africans criss-cross borders to study and then work and made the citizens feel at home not only in their home countries Uganda, Tanzania and Kenya but in Rwanda, Burundi and Sudan as well. Ngugi wa Thiongo the renown Kenyan novelist has the fondest memories of his days in Makerere; it is only after decades that it was realized that Okot P.Bitek, him of Song of Song of Lawino, was a Ugandan and that Taban Lo Luyong, was Sudanese.

The story is also told of Mwalimu Julius Nyerere being most comfortable when he visited the maverick Tom Mboya in the Ziwani estate in Nairobi where the common mwananchi lived as opposed to being in Mboya's other house in upper-class Lovington.

As the top politicians interacted, the mwananchi in the East African states mingled, socialized and lived together. In the mix Congolese music became a shared gem in the region and beyond.

The sportsmen and women will be competing for the 13th Edition of the EUAG but these memories will flow back and stamp further the bond between the Universities, the Governments and above all, the people of Eastern Africa.

FEDERATION OF EASTERN AFRICA UNIVERSITY SPORTS (FEAUS) MEETING

On 22nd May 2024, Maseno University held a delegation meeting that was attended by the heads of Federation of Eastern Africa University Sports.

There were twenty three universities that attended the meeting that represented the East Africa Community (Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda, and Kenya).

This will be the 13th competition that will take place. Some of the games that will take place include outdoor i.e., football, rugby, netball, volleyball, hockey etc. and indoor games which include: chess, badminton, scrabble etc.

The main goal of the meeting was to discuss about the games that will be held on the 16th-20th December at Maseno University grounds and also inspecting the facilities that will be used during the games competition. Various topics were discussed that included:

- Payment of deposits of fees due to the games
- Announcement of the teams, sports, selections and draws
- Final technical delegates meeting
- Release of the final general program and fixtures
- Pre games symposium
- Final dates of individual entry
- Final payments
- Arrival, competition and departure dates.

They mentioned some of the challenges that have happened in the previous completions that should not recur which included:

- Eligibility of students that is students should be of age not above 25
- Students participating should not fake their credentials that is their identification cards.
- Students cannot participate after graduating
- Dates of due payments should be observed
- Duration of each match should be observed
- Universities completion should strive to be better



A section of the delegates that represented FEAUS at Maseno.

EAUC SPORTS (Continues...)

than high schools sports completions.

The delegates discussed about the Federation of Eastern Africa University Sports handbook that had roles, rules and regulations as well as the consequences involved in different games.

Prof. Julius O. Nyabundi, Vice Chancellor Maseno University, appreciated the Federation for accepting and choosing Maseno University to host the Heads of Delegation meetings as well as the 13th federation

sports competition. He gave positive insights that were; first the secretariat meetings should be permanently moved to Maseno University.

He assured the delegates that the institution has enough facilities to hold the competitions and also good accommodation for the participants. He said that the sports will help share experience in the games and also emphasize on the development

>>> from pg 34 postdoctoral training in Global Infectious diseases from the University of New Mexico (UNM), NM, USA.

Dr. Anyona joined the Global Infectious Diseases training program at the UNM-Kenya Project in Kisumu and Siaya (Director; Dr. Douglas J. Perkins) in September of 2007 as a post graduate student.

Dr. Anyona was trained (doctoral; 2007-2012) and (Postdoc; 2013-2014) under a Fogarty International Center (FIC), Global Infectious Diseases (GID; D43), Program (PI/Mentor; Dr. Douglas J. Perkins) that supported state-of-the-art training sessions in laboratories at UNM, NM, USA and UNM/Kenya Medical Research Training Institute (UNM/KEMRI) projects in Kisumu and Siaya, Kenya. Dr. Anyona has hands on experience in various Immunological, Biochemical, Genomic, Bioinformatics and Statistical analysis techniques.

Dr. Anyona's research work revolves around infectious diseases, specifically malaria anemia and related comorbidities (HIV, bacteremia, TB) in pediatric populations living under intense Plasmodium falciparum malaria transmission in regions of western Kenya. During his doctoral studies, Dr. Anyona investigated the effects of naturally acquired malarial pigment by monocytes, and the role of cyclooxygenase-2 polymorphisms on susceptibility to severe malaria through their ability to elicit functional changes in prostaglandin-E2 production. Dr. Anyona's

post-doctoral training continued along the same path.

In the 2018-2019 financial year, Dr. Anyona was a fellow under the prestigious Fogarty Global Health Program with the Harvard University, Boston University, Northwestern University, and University of New Mexico (HBNU) Consortium.

The 1-year fellowship investigated the Perturbations of the Human Ubiquitin Proteasome System (UPS) following infection with Severe Malarial Anemia (Hb<5.0g/dL) in children living in P. falciparum endemic region of western Kenya.

In late 2019, Dr. Anyona applied for the FIC Emerging Global Leader Award (K43) grant. The application was successful and Dr. Anyona received a 4-year (August 2020- July 2024) award (K43 TW011581). The research study builds on the UPS work started during the HBNU fellowship, and is investigating the Dysregulation of the Human Ubiquitin Proteasome System in Pediatric Severe Malarial Anemia.

Dr. Anyona has published over 28 articles (first and co-authored) in international peer review journals <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/myncbi/1-qxng6Gc7PcDL/bibliography/public/>, and presented over 84 abstracts (1st and co-authored) at international conferences (71 of which are at the ASTMH).

<https://scholar.google.com/citations?hl=en&user=5bx1jH0AAAAJ>.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

EXEMPLARY STUDENTS WIN DAAD SCHOLARSHIPS



From left-Jusper Odhiambo, Sheila Atieno and Dennis Ojok

ATIENO Sheila

My pursuit for academic excellence has been a driving force for my hard work efforts. I first joined Maseno University for my undergraduate programme in International Relations and Diplomacy with IT.

As an academic institution it had really grounded me with strong academic orientation, excellent professional skills and great personal skills. This is also attributed to the leadership role I played within the student council for the academic year 2021/2022 where I served as the treasurer of the Student Organization of Maseno University. With a second-class honor, I was eligible to advance my studies sooner.

I was sure of still pursuing my master's degree in Maseno. Through the announced call for applications from the DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) I submitted my application and was successful to be chosen to pursue a masters degree in Research and

Public Policy under the school of Development and Strategic Studies. The learning experience has been a great one and the teaching modules offered by our lecturers are top notch. DAAD offers an opportunity for its scholarship holders to attend the summer school programme from a few of the selected institutions in Germany.

I am excited that this coming August, I will be attending the 2024 Summer School programme at Heidelberg Institute of Global Health at Heidelberg University- Germany. Through this prestigious opportunity, I will be interacting with other students across the globe, it presents a chance for me to enrich my networks and advance in my academic and career interests. Maseno University being my alma matter will equally be represented at a global scale. I cannot wait for this experience.

The learning experience has been a great one and the teaching modules offered by our lecturers are top notch.

DAAD SCHOLARS (Continued...)



ODHIAMBO Jusper

My Academic journey began in Moi University in 2017 to 2021 for undergraduate program in Penology and Security Studies. After my graduation I focused so much on environmental conservation research that encouraged me to apply for DAAD-Scholarship in 2022.

As a student at Maseno University, currently pursuing a Master's in Research and Public Policy under the DAAD-In-Country Scholarship Program. My academic journey at Maseno University has been rich with learning experiences and practical applications. The coursework has provided me with a deep understanding of public policy processes, analysis, implementation, and review of policy.

I have explored various leadership styles and governance frameworks that are critical for effective policy formulation and implementation. I have acquired knowledge on effective communication strategies that are essential for ensuring that policies are understood and supported by the public and stakeholders.

I have improved my skills in developing and communicating research findings, which is vital for evidence-based policymaking. My motivation to embark on a transformative academic journey has now culminated in a unique opportunity.

Through the generous support of DAAD and Leipzig University, I have been awarded the chance to attend the summer school program on IDEAS, Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Education from September 1st

to September 24th, 2024 in Leipzig University.

My innovation project for the IDEA summer school, titled the "Green Wildlife Conservation Foundation," aims to address the pressing issue of wildlife poaching and habitat destruction. The foundation's core mission is to create a conservancy that serves multiple purposes of mitigating poaching, community involvement and eco-tourism, protecting ecosystem and enhancing climate resilience.

Attending the IDEA summer school at Leipzig University is a significant milestone in my academic and professional journey.

This program will provide me with the opportunity to present and refine my project, learn from experts through engagement and network with peers.

The summer school offer two courses on Innovative Teaching and Learning in Higher Education: interactive, reflexive, student-centered that will shape my teaching skills. The Bio-Biz: Business Models for Sustainable Use of Biodiversity course is vital in shaping my entrepreneurship and innovation skills. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to DAAD, Leipzig University, and Maseno University for their unwavering support and belief in my potential.

This journey has not only been an academic pursuit but also a personal quest to make a tangible impact in the field of conservation and public policy. As I look forward to the summer school and the future beyond, I am driven by the desire to implement sustainable solutions that bridge innovation, conservation, and community empowerment.

The knowledge and experiences gained will undoubtedly contribute to my growth as a public policy professional dedicated to creating positive change.

My motivation to embark on a transformative academic journey has now culminated in a unique opportunity.

DAAD SCHOLARS (Continued...)



OJOK Denis Ambrose

It's my greatest honor to be first recipient of this prestigious DAAD In-Region scholarship from Uganda, especially in Maseno University currently pursuing a Master of Research and Public Policy at the School of Development and Strategic Studies.

His academic background is robust, with a Postgraduate Diploma in Project Planning and Management from Uganda Management Institute (UMI), completed in 2020, and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Public Administration from Gulu University, Uganda, with a major in Public Policy and Analysis, awarded in 2017. Additionally, he is an alumnus of the Africa Institute for Economic Development and Planning, a part of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa.

Denis has furthered his expertise with a Certificate in Administrative Law from the Law Development Centre, a Certificate in Good Clinical Practice from the NIDA Clinical Trials Network, and a Certificate in Mainstreaming Human Rights-Based Approach on the Climate, Disaster and Human Mobility Nexus from the Raoul Wallenberg Institute. A proud member of the Young African Leaders Initiative (YALI) Network, a flagship program of the U.S. Department of State, Denis has also dedicated the last six years to serving as a Teaching Assistant at the Management Institute of Science and Technology in Lira City, Uganda.

I have benefited a lot from this DAAD scholarship in terms of the academic and social exposure I have had so far.

Denis is set to attend the 2024 HIGH Summer School at Heidelberg University from August 1st to August 29th, 2024. This program is funded by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) through the programme "Academic qualification of junior researchers from developing countries," with financial support from the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ). He is sincerely looking forward to learning and sharing his personal experiences during this prestigious summer school.

I chose to study Master of Research and Public Policy for two reasons. The first is the unique collaborative and dual pathways on Social Research and Public Policy which is essential to the development of Uganda as a country and Africa at large. The second is my aspiration to become Policy Analysis; this course will enable me to understand policy dynamics that underline development in Africa, thus positioning me to speak from a point of authority on improving evidence-based policy development and management.

I have benefited a lot from this DAAD scholarship in terms of the academic and social exposure I have had so far. Being able to see how things function in this part of the world has been so enlightening and has changed my whole outlook and approach to life. The ability to reason from an innovative and empirical perspective in tackling development and governance issues is a skill I cannot wait to use when I return to Uganda.

I have gained many skills and insights while studying this course. My analytical skills have improved. My ability to communicate ideas with clear constructive thoughts has tremendously improved, not to mention that my research and academic writing skills are much better than before.

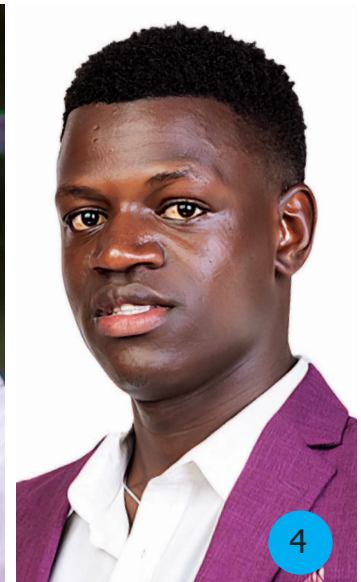
STUDENTS ACTIVITIES

Congratulations!! Current SOMU Leaders



This gallery: Student Organization of Maseno University(SOMU) Leaders 2024/25
1. Kimoi - Vice Chairperson 3. Paul Samuel - secretary general
2. Benjamin Anditi - Chairman 4. Tracy Anyango - CS Finance

Highest Commendations to the former SOMU Leaders

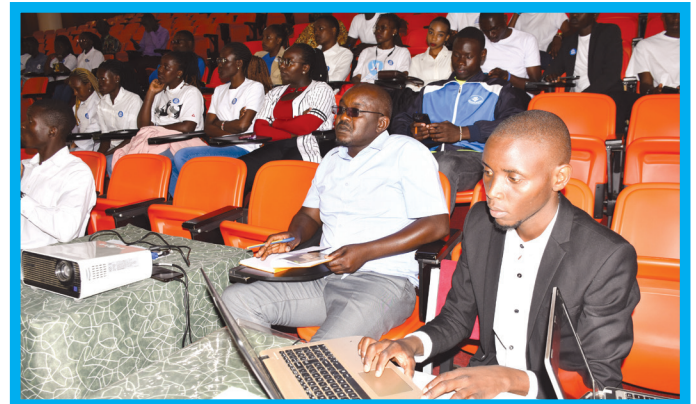


Former Student Organization of Maseno University(SOMU) Leaders, 2022/23
1. Omollo Victor - Chair-Person 3. Mary Jasmin - Treasurer
2. Vivian Mugure - Vice Chair 4.Kagose Gabriel - CS. Sports & Entertainment

CULTURAL WEEK PERFORMANCES 2024



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MASENO UNIVERSITY'S ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD SECURITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY(PHD) PROGRAMMES

- PhD in Horticulture
- PhD in Fisheries & Aquaculture
- PhD in Agribusiness Management
- PhD in Animal Science
- PhD in Agronomy
- PhD in Soil Science
- PhD in Agricultural Economics
- PhD in Agricultural Extension
- PhD in Genetics & Plant Breeding

MASTERS PROGRAMMES (MSC)

- Horticulture
- Soil science
- Agricultural Economics
- Genetics and Plant Breeding
- Agribusiness Management
- Animal science
- Fisheries and Aquaculture
- Agricultural Extension
- Agronomy

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

- BSc. (Horticulture, with IT)
- BSc. (Agribusiness Management, with IT)
- BSc. (Animal Science, with IT)
- BSc. (Agronomy, with IT)
- BSc. (Agricultural Education & Extension, with IT)
- BSc. (Agricultural Economics, with IT)
- BSc. (Fisheries & Aquaculture, with IT)

SCHOOL OF ARTS & SOCIAL SCIENCES

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY(PHD) PROGRAMMES

- PhD in Anthropology
- PhD in Communication & Media Studies
- PhD in Theatre and Film
- PhD in French
- PhD in History
- PhD in Kiswahili
- PhD in Sociology
- PhD in Religion
- PhD in Design
- PhD in Music Education
- PhD in Ethnomusicology
- PhD in Music Performance
- PhD in Music Composition
- PhD in Theatre and Film
- PhD in Philosophy
- PhD in Counselling Psychology
- PhD in Industrial - Organizational Psychology
- PhD in Gender & Development
- PhD in Gender & Public Policy
- PhD in Geography

MASTERS PROGRAMMES (MSC)

- Applied Linguistics
- Literature
- History
- Sociology
- Theoretical Linguistics
- Music Composition
- Linguistics
- Kiswahili
- Social Development & Management
- Anthropology
- Communication & Media Studies
- French
- Interior Design
- Ethnomusicology
- Fashion Merchandising
- Music Education
- Music Performance
- Geography
- Religion
- Philosophy
- Social Policy
- Criminology
- Gender and development
- Industrial-Organizational psychology
- Councelling psychology

MASENO UNIVERSITY'S ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

- BA (with IT)
- BA (Drama & Theatre Studies, with IT)
- BA (Sociology & Anthropology, with IT)
- BA (Communication & Media Technology, with IT)
- BA (Textile, Apparel Design & Fashion Merchandising, with IT)
- BA (Interior Design, with IT)
- BA (Theology, with IT)
- BA (Criminology)
- BA. (Music with IT)
- Bachelor of Psychology(with IT)
- BA (Fine art, with IT)
- BA (French with IT)
- BA (Gender and Development with IT)
- BA Language and Communication with IT
- BA (History and Archaeology with IT)
- BA. (Geography and Natural resources Management with IT.
- BA.(Religion, with IT)
- BA. (Literature, with IT)
- BA. (Kiswahili, with IT)

DIPLOMA PROGRAMMES : 4 Semesters

- Religion
- Journalism and Mass Media
- Social Work
- Conflict Resolution and Peace Building
- Music Production & Technology
- Film Studies
- Criminology
- Church Music
- Film & Theatre Studies
- Textile Design
- Fine Art
- Interior Design
- Theology
- Public Relations
- Fashion Design & Accessories
- Gender and Development
- French 1 (Level C1)

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMMES : 2 Semesters

- Theology
- Religion
- Journalism and Mass Media
- Social Work
- Public Relations
- Film & Theatre Studies
- Music Production & Technology
- Music
- Textile
- Fine Art
- Fashion Design & Accessories
- Interior Design
- Gender and Development
- Theatre for Development
- French 1 (Level A1), French 2 (Level A2), French 3 (Level B1), and French 4 (Level B2)

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY(PHD) PROGRAMMES

- PhD in Business Administration
- PhD in Strategic Management
- PhD in Human Resource Management
- PhD in Procurement and Supply Chain Management
- PhD in Operations Management
- PhD in Management Information Systems
- PhD in Tourism Management
- PhD in Accounting
- PhD in Finance
- PhD in Economics
- PhD in Hospitality Management

MASENO UNIVERSITY'S ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

MASTERS PROGRAMMES (MSC)

- Master of Business Administration (MBA)
- Master of Business Entrepreneurship (MBE)
- M.A. in Economics
- Master of Economics in: *Applied Economics, Economic Policy, Analysis of Management, Financial Economics*
- MSc. in Supply Chain Management
- MSc. in Human Resource Management
- MSc. in Finance
- MSc. in Hospitality Management
- MSc. in Tourism Management
- MSc. in Eco-Tourism Management

DIPLOMA : 4 Semesters

- Business Administration
- Purchasing and supply Management
- Hospitality Management (6 semesters)
- Travel and Tourism Management (6 semesters)
- Human Resource Management

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

- Bachelor of Business Administration (with IT)
- BA (Economics, with IT)
- BSc (Accounting and Finance, with IT)
- BSc (Marketing Management, with IT)
- BSc (Human Resource Management, with IT)
- BSc (Applied Economics, with IT)
- BSc (Hotel and Institution Management, with IT)
- BSc (Ecotourism Hotel and Institutional Management with IT)
- BSc (Travel and Tourism Management, with IT)
- BSc (Economic and Statistics, with IT)
- Bachelor of Business Entrepreneurship (with IT)
- Bachelor of Procurement and supply chain Management with IT
- BSc. (Economics and finance, with IT)
- Bachelor of Business information Technology(with IT)

CERTIFICATE : 2 Semesters

- Business Administration
- Purchasing and supply Management
- Hospitality and Tourism Operations (4 semesters)
- Human Resource Management
- Sales and Marketing

SCHOOL OF COMPUTING AND INFORMATICS

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY(PHD) PROGRAMMES

- Phd in Computer Science and Technology
- Phd in Information Technology

MASTERS PROGRAMMES (MSC)

- Artificial Intelligence
- Computer Science
- Computer Technology
- Mobile Computing and networking
- Information Systems
- Computer Communications & Networks
- Parallel and Distributed Computing

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

- BSc. (Information Technology)
- BSc. (Computer science)
- BSc. (computer Technology)
- BSc. (Information and Communication Technology Management).

DIPLOMA : 4 Semesters

- Information Technology
- Information and Communication Technology Management

CERTIFICATE : 2 Semesters

- Information Technology
- Information and Communication Technology Management
- Data Analysis using SPSS
- Information Technology Enterprise Center (ITEC)
- Certificate in computer Application International Computer Driving License (ICDL) 3 months
- PC Technician (CISCO ITE) 3 months
- Cisco certified Network associate (CCNA) 4 months
- Productivity software applications (7 packages) 3 months
- Executive ICT skills Entrenchment: office Productivity software (Microsoft 2016) 3 months.

MASENO UNIVERSITY'S ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

SCHOOL OF DEVELOPMENT AND STRATEGIC STUDIES

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY(PHD) PROGRAMMES

- PhD in political science
- PhD in international relations
- PhD in development studies.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

- BA. (Political science with IT)
- BA. (International relations & diplomacy with IT)
- BA. (Development studies with IT)

MASTERS PROGRAMMES (MSC)

- Political science
- International relations
- Development studies
- Research and public policy (MRPP)

DIPLOMA : 4 Semesters

- Public administration
- Community development

CERTIFICATE : 2 Semesters

- Public administration
- Community development

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY(PHD) PROGRAMMES

- PhD in curriculum
- PhD in pedagogy
- PhD in guidance and counselling
- PhD in planning and Economics of education
- PhD in special needs education
- PhD in educational Administration
- PhD in educational Technology
- PhD in Educational psychology

POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE

- Postgraduate certificates
- Postgraduate certificate in education

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

- B.Ed. (Arts with IT)
- B.Ed. (Science, with IT)
- B.Ed. (Special needs education, with IT)
- B.Ed. (Home Science, with IT)
- B.Ed. (Music, with IT)
- B.Ed. (French, with IT)

MASTERS PROGRAMMES (MSC)

- MEd. in special needs education
- MEd. in planning and Economics of education
- MEd. in educational Administration
- MEd. in educational Technology
- MEd. in educational Psychology
- MEd. in guidance and counselling
- MEd. in curriculum
- MEd. in pedagogy
- MEd. in early childhood development and education

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA

- Postgraduate diploma
- Postgraduate diploma in education

DIPLOMA : 4 Semesters

- Special & inclusive education
- Guidance and counselling

SCHOOL OF LAW

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

- Bachelor of laws, (with IT)

MASENO UNIVERSITY'S ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS, STATISTICS & ACTUARIAL SCIENCES

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY(PHD) PROGRAMMES

- PhD in pure mathematics
- PhD in applied mathematics
- PhD in applied statistics

MASTERS PROGRAMMES (MSC)

- Pure Mathematics
- Applied Mathematics
- Applied Statistics
- Actuarial Science
- Quantitative Research Methods

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

- BSc. (Mathematical science, With IT)
- BSc. (Actuarial Science, with IT)
- BSc. (Applied statistics, with IT)
- BSc. (Mathematics & Computer science)
- BSc. (Mathematics & Economics, with IT)
- BSc. (Mathematics & Business studies, with IT)

DIPLOMA : 4 Semesters

- Actuarial science

CERTIFICATE : 2 Semesters

- Basic Statistics (eStats)(eCampus)

SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY(PHD) PROGRAMMES

- PhD in Human Anatomy.

MASTERS PROGRAMMES

- Master of Science (Msc.) in Medical Psychology
- Master of Medicine (MMed) in Family and Emergency Medicine
- Master of Medicine (MMed) Obstetrics and Gynaecology
- Master of Medicine (MMed) in General Surgery
- Master of Science (Msc.) in Human Anatomy

Master of Science in Medical Laboratory

- Master of Medicine in Internal Medicine
- Master of Science in Medicine in Paediatrics and Child Health

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

- Bachelor of Medicine & Bachelor of Surgery, with IT
- BSc. (Medical Laboratory science. With IT)
- BSc. (Biochemistry, with IT)

SCHOOL OF PHARMACY

- Bachelor of Pharmacy (B. Pharm), with IT

SCHOOL OF NURSING

- BSc. (Nursing, with IT)

SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL AND BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY(PHD) PROGRAMMES

- PhD in Chemistry
- PhD in Cell & Molecular Biology
- PhD in Molecular Microbiology Biotechnology
- PhD in Applied Entomology
- PhD in Conservation Biology
- PhD in Applied Parasitology & Vector Biology
- PhD in Plant Ecology
- PhD in Microbiology
- PhD in Plant Taxonomy and Economic Botany
- PhD in Plant Pathology
- PhD in Agroforestry

MASTERS PROGRAMMES (MSC)

- Microbiology
- Cell & Molecular Biology
- Molecular Microbiology & Biotechnology
- Applied Entomology
- Applied Parasitology & Vector Biology
- Physics
- Physics (School-Based)
- Chemistry
- Plant Physiology and Biochemistry
- Plant Taxonomy and Economic Botany
- Conservation Biology
- Plant Ecology
- Plant Pathology
- Plant Taxonomy and Economic Botany

MASENO UNIVERSITY'S ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

- BSc. (Basic Science, with IT)
- BSc. (Analytical Chemistry, with IT)
- BSc. (Physics, with IT)
- BSc. (Industrial Chemistry, with IT)

SCHOOL OF PLANNING & ARCHITECTURE

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PHD) PROGRAMMES

- PhD in Spatial Planning
- Applied Statistics

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

- BA. (Urban & Regional Planning, with IT)
- BA. (Disaster Management, with IT)
- BSc. (Geospatial Information Science, with IT)

MASTERS PROGRAMMES (M.A)

- Project Planning & Management
- Monitoring and Evaluation
- Urban Management

DIPLOMA : 4 Semesters

- Urban Management

CERTIFICATE : 2 Semesters

- Geospatial Information Systems GIS
- Monitoring and Evaluation Systems

SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PHD) PROGRAMMES

- PhD in Biomedical Science and Technology (options: Medical Parasitology, Medical Entomology and Vector Science; Medical Microbiology, Medical Immunology and Biotechnology; Medical Genetics; Computational Biology and Bioinformatics; Forensic Science; Haematology: Clinical Chemistry, Pharmaceutical Science)
- PhD in Public Health
- PhD in Nutrition (Community Nutrition & Development)
- PhD in Nutrition (Public Health Nutrition)

MASTERS OF PUBLIC HEALTH (MPH)

- Epidemiology & Population Health
- Health Promotion and International Health
- Health Systems and Services Management

MASTERS PROGRAMMES (MSC)

- Masters Programs (MSc.)
- Medical Microbiology
- Medical Parasitology
- Medical Entomology and Vector Science
- Medical Immunology
- Medical Biotechnology
- Community Nutrition & Development
- Clinical Chemistry
- Public Health Nutrition
- Pharmaceutical Science
- Medical Haematology
- Family Development & Technology
- Medical Parasitology
- Pharmaceutical Science

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

- BSc. (Nutrition & Dietetics, with IT)
- BSc. (Medical Biotechnology, with IT)
- BSc. (Public Health, with IT)
- BSc. (Health Records and Information Management)
- BSc. (Health Systems Management, with IT)

MASENO UNIVERSITY'S ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

THE eCAMPUS

MASTERS PROGRAMMES (MSC)

- Master of Public Health (MPH)
- MSc. in Quantitative Research Methods
- MA. in Monitoring & Evaluation
- MA. in Project Planning & Management
- MA. in Social Development & Management
- MA. in Educational Administration
- MSc. in Supply Chain Management
- MSc. in Hospitality Management
- MSc. in Tourism Management

CERTIFICATE PROGRAMMES

- Certificate in Basic Statistics (eStats)
- Certificate in Bridging Mathematics.

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA

- Postgraduate Diploma in Education

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

- Bachelor of Business Administration (with IT)
- BSc. (Actuarial Science, with IT)
- BSc. (Applied Statistics, with IT)
- BSc. (Mathematics and Business Studies, with IT)
- Bachelor of Procurement and Supply chain management
- Mathematical Sciences (with IT)

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. DOWNLOAD & PRINT application forms:
2. OBTAIN application forms from the Office of the Registrar, Academic Affairs, the Office of the Director Kisumu Campus, or the Office of the Coordinator Details
 - Upon payment of a non-refundable Application Fee of Ksh. 2,000/= at the banks indicated, completed Application Forms will be submitted alongside the bank deposit slips to the Office of the Registrar, Academic Affairs, the Office of the Director, Kisumu Campus.
 - If applying online, applicants will be required to upload a scan of the bank deposit slip for the application fee.

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APPLICATION PROCEDURE

TUITION FEES AND OTHER CHARGES:

VISIT THE UNIVERSITY WEBSITE(www.maseno.ac.ke)

FOR: FEE STRUCTURE FOR ALL PROGRAMS (TUITION FEE PER ACADEMIC YEAR IN KENYA SHILLINGS) OTHER CHARGES

NOTE:

Maseno University reserves the right to alter fees without any reference to you.

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GALLERY



5th and 6th (L): VC Maseno and VC Gulu respectively with staff from both universities



ISO Re-Certification meeting



Presentation during Dept. of Public Health Re-Inspection



Fisheries researcher Dr. Ogello designing an aquaponic system with Prof. Alyssa of Gottenburg University, Sweden.

GALLERY



Prof. Magoha Complex



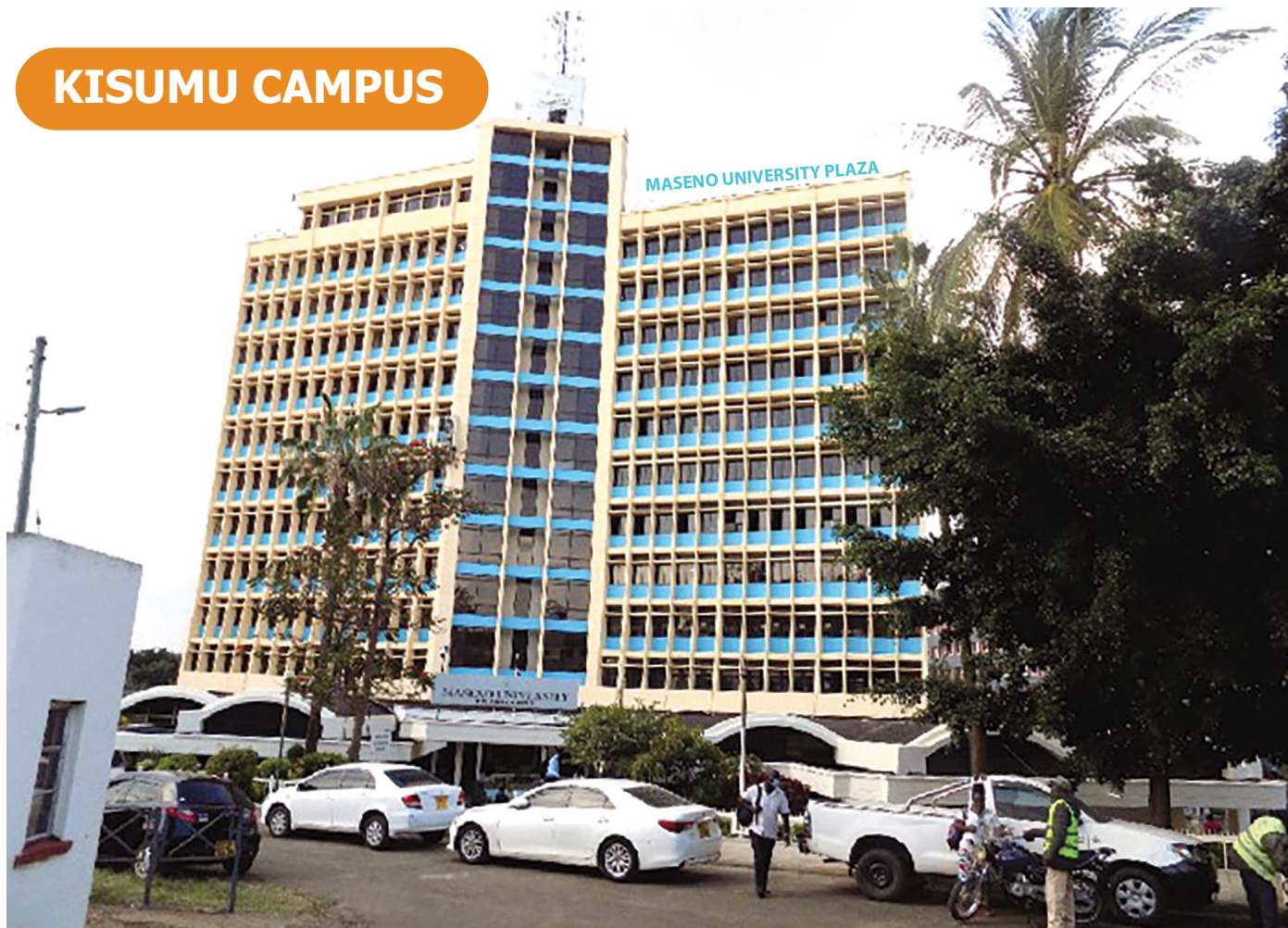
Tree Planting



First Years' Orientation

CAMPUSES

KISUMU CAMPUS



Odera Akang'o is the youngest Campus of Maseno University. It is situated at Yala Township along the Kisumu-Busia Highway which is 40 Kilometres from Kisumu City CBD where its sister Campus, **Kisumu Campus** (above) is situated.



ODERA AKANG'O CAMPUS



eCAMPUS



THE STAR OF LAKESIDE HOSPITALITY KISUMU HOTEL (MASENO UNIVERSITY)



Kisumu Hotel (Maseno University) is a key player in the Western Tourism and Conference Circuit in the country.

A variety of rooms, dining spaces and working areas avail to visitors an ideal environment for all purposes of their visits. The Hotel has qualified staff in all departments and a dependable management readily at the service of customers.

The Hotel belongs to Maseno University which also uses it as a teaching lab for students in the Department of Eco-Tourism, Hotel and Institutional Management.

Final year students treat guests to what is christened the 'International cuisine' where they show-case their earned skills in cuisine, accomodation and event hosting.

<https://kisumuhotel.maseno.ac.ke>





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