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INTRODUCTION

Maasai Mara University was chartered on 12th February, 2013. The University's competitive advantage lies in the strategic location as a gateway to Maasai Mara National Reserve, which is a worldwide household name. It is also close to the Mau Forest, one of the most important water towers in the region, but highly threatened; it also lies within both a major livestock and wheat production area in the nation. These intertwined with the rich Maasai culture makes the University the ideal place for studies in science, natural resources, tourism, wildlife, livestock, agriculture and heritage that we have identified as our flagship courses.

VISION

To be a world class university committed to academic excellence for development

MISSION

To provide Quality University education through innovative teaching, research and consultancy services for development

UNIVERSITY NICHE

Environmental Resource Management and Conservation

MOTTO

Eng'eno e Puaan
(Knowledge for prosperity)

CORE VALUES

Excellence
Team Work
Professionalism
Equity and Social Justice
Creativity and Innovativeness
Transparency and Accountability

SCHOOLS

School of Education
School of Business and Economics
School of Pure, Applied and Health Sciences
School of Natural Resource, Tourism and Hospitality
School of Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences and Creative Industries

THEME: *“Positioning higher education and research as an enabler in a new socio- economic dispensation”*

NATIONAL ANTHEM

WIMBO WA TAIFA

O God of all creation
Bless this our land and nation
Justice be our shield and defender
May we dwell in unity
Peace and liberty
Plenty be found within our borders.
Let one and all arise
With hearts both strong and true
Service be our earnest endeavour
And our homeland of Kenya
Heritage of splendour
Firm may we stand to defend.
Let all with one accord
In common bond united
Build this our nation together
And the glory of Kenya
The fruit of our labour
Fill every heart with thanksgiving.

Ee Mungu nguvu yetu
Ilete baraka kwetu
Haki iwe ngao na mlinzi
Natukae na undugu
Amani na uhuru
Raha tupate na ustawi.
Amkeni ndugu zetu
Tufanye sote bidii
Nasi tujitoe kwa nguvu
Nchi yetu ya Kenya
Tunayoipenda
Tuwe tayari kuilinda
Natujenge taifa letu
Ee, ndio wajibu wetu
Kenya istahili heshima
Tuungane mikono
Pamoja kazini
Kila siku tuwe na shukrani

EAST AFRICA ANTHEM

Chorus

Jumuiya Yetu sote tuilinde
Tuwajibike tuimarike
Umoja wetu ni nguzo yetu
Idumu Jumuiya yetu.

Verse 1.

Ee Mungu twaomba ulinde
Jumuiya Afrika Mashariki
Tuwezeshe kuishi kwa amani
Tutimize na malengo yetu.

Verse 2.

Uzalendo pia mshikamano
Viwe msingi wa Umoja wetu
Natulinde Uhuru na Amani
Mila zetu na desturi zetu.

Verse 3.

Viwandani na hata mashambani
Tufanye kazi sote kwa makini
Tujitoe kwa hali na mali
Tuijenge Jumuiya bora

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Thank you, O Lord, The Almighty God
Thank you for Maasai Mara Our University
The Star Between the Mau Forest,
And the Mara the home of the seventh Wonder of the World
So, Thank you O Lord for Maasai Mara University
We glo-rify your Ho-ly Name
The Epitome of academic Excellence
Research and innovative Teaching
Embracing Creativity, Embracing Transparency
Professional, Accountabi-lity
The Epitome of academic Excellence
Research and Innovative Teaching
Promoting Equity and Social Justice
So God bless Maasai Mara University.

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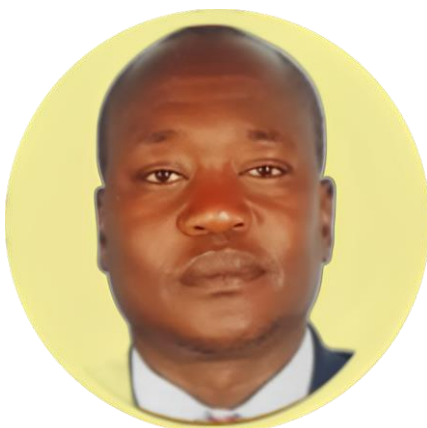
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THE CABINET SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF EDUCATION



Hon. Ezekiel Machogu Ombaki
Cabinet Secretary,
Ministry of Education

- The University Council;
- The Acting Vice-Chancellor;
- University Management;
- The Academic Staff;
- Members of Staff;
- Parents and Guardians;
- All Graduands;
- The University Community;
- Members of the Press;

It is a privilege and honour to be with you here today at this 10th graduation ceremony of Maasai Mara University to grace today's occasion. Today is a very special day for all of us who gather here. Let me begin by congratulating the University Management and Staff for working hard towards the success of this occasion and contributing to the country's pool of Human Resources. I wish to express my heartfelt congratulations to the Class of 2022 who have gathered here today to receive your hard-earned degrees, diplomas and certificates in various disciplines. The individual academic journey which began some years ago is finally coming to a successful end while the exciting working life begins. You have invested a significant part of your lives in

pursuit of knowledge and excellence, therefore your graduation today is no mean achievement and you indeed deserve commendation. You have all demonstrated a strong will, focus and discipline throughout your time at the University. You have proved that you have what it takes to make it in whatever career paths you take as you leave the university.

Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen,

We are in the process of making Education reforms and reconstructing the economy as well; as such we need to mobilize all the skills, talents and ideas from all of you in order to find solutions that will not only help us transform the education sector and economy at large, but also put us on a sustainable path in order to achieve our vision 2030 targets. To achieve, graduates like yourselves who are armed with fresh and new knowledge will be key and I, therefore urge you all to b service to your country.

Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Theme of this graduation is **'Positioning Higher Education and Research as an Enabler in new Socio-Economic Dispensation'**. Let me take this opportunity to remind all of us that providing quality higher education is not just a preserve of government but a collective responsibility for both policy makers like myself, management of institutions of higher learning and academic staff. As we are faced with challenges it requires our concerted efforts to find solutions. Let's embrace research and innovations in order to solve socio-economic problems as well as create an impact in this

environment that we find ourselves in. Let's embrace and establish areas within the niche and sub-niches of the university and create an impact to our society.

On the part of government, our desire is to provide the best environment which includes giving universities all the necessary infrastructure, tools and resources required to provide quality education to the learners. Equally members of staff at all levels and students alike should carry the same zeal of responsibility in working together to find lasting solutions to our challenges.

In this regard, I wish to assure all public universities in this country that as a government, we are fully committed to addressing the challenges you have in your respective universities relating to infrastructure, financing, and conditions of service. However, for us to make progress on all these, I want to reiterate to you all remember that we have a duty to engage in constructive, genuine and honest consultations with one another so that we implement strategies that will not only resolve the many challenges we have, but lay a strong foundation fo sustainably running our universities going into the future.

Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen,

As we gather here for this graduation, allow me to challenge not only the graduates but also the Professors, Doctors, Researchers and all Academic Staff in all our Universities to position themselves to drive the research agenda in this country that will be used as evidence in Policy Formulation. We need

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evidence generated by researchers in our universities working closely with other economic players such as the private sector and non-governmental organizations. Therefore, my Ministry is ready to work with all universities to utilize the available resources and opportunities, to make the

research docket relevant and active. By so doing, we will take a collective responsibility in finding solutions that will take our country to the next level. In conclusion dear graduands, as you go out do something, be innovators, keep doing the best for your country. I thank you all and may God be with you, open

unlimited opportunities for your futures.

I wish all of you a happy end of year celebrations and a prosperous New Year, 2023. Congratulation's graduands!!! Thank you and God Bless you.

**PRINCIPAL SECRETARY, STATE DEPARTMENT OF UNIVERSITY
EDUCATION AND RESEARCH, MINISTRY OF EDUCATION**



**Dr. Beatrice Muganda
Inyangala**
Principal Secretary, State
Department of Higher
Education and Research,
Ministry of Education

- The Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Education;
- The University Council,
- The Acting Vice-Chancellor;
- University Management;
- The Academic Staff;
- Members of Staff;
- All Graduands;
- Parents and Guardians,
- The University Community;
- Members of the Press;
- Ladies and Gentlemen;

Let me begin by expressing my appreciation for the deep honour that you have conferred upon me. I am excited to be here today to witness and address all of you here during this 10th graduation ceremony of Maasai

Mara University. It is a moment of joy for all of us here and we thank God for this far. Allow me to begin by congratulating the University Management, staff, students, parents and guardians who made these years everything that they were.

I wish to express my warm congratulations to the graduands who have gathered here today on this auspicious occasion. I acknowledge the resilience and hard-work of the graduating class of 2022 whose commitments have brought them this far to realize their dreams. I have confidence that the University has fully equipped you with the knowledge and skills resonating well with the core values of the University. The knowledge and skills you have gained over the years are meant to enable you to guide and influence our society through your thinking.

Honourable Ladies and Gentlemen,

As a university, we must strive to improve and create meaningful change. I, therefore call upon all staff and students to support institutional leadership and embrace dialogue so that we may all reap from the benefits of a more responsive, resourceful and effective university system.

Honourable Ladies and gentlemen,

I am delighted to say that research expands our knowledge base, gives us the latest

information, helps us to build up our credibility, and introduces us to new ideas and above all helps in problem-solving. I therefore want to challenge the academic staff, from the Professors, Doctors and Lecturers to embrace research and help solve societal problems. This will resonate well with this year's graduation theme of

'Positioning Higher Education and Research as an Enabler in new Socio-Economic Dispensation'.

Honourable Ladies and gentlemen,

For the graduands, your character will determine the daily choices that you make. Always be guarded by personal attributes such as courage, honesty, loyalty and integrity. Uphold these values in all situations, surround yourself with people you admire, in order to be inspired further and to strengthen your character.

As I conclude, it is my hope and trust that you have been moulded into all round men and women, rich in character, emotional intelligence, knowledge, skills and the right attitude to look at everything in a positive way.

I wish all of you a happy festive season and a prosperous year of 2023.

Thank you and God Bless you.

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THE CHANCELLOR, MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

The university wishes to congratulate the newest Maasai Mara University alumni! This celebration marks the tenth graduation ceremony of Maasai Mara University. The graduation ceremony is the most significant and meaningful occasion in a University's calendar.

The University's vision is to be a world class university committed to academic excellence for development. This vision is explicit on the role of academia on the local, national and global transformational agenda. Your admission to the university signaled a shared vision on matters of learning and education. You have acquired the appropriate values and skills to enable you play your transformative role in the society on development matters.

Our 2022 alumni, please note that Maasai Mara University values you as our loyal supporters. We implore you to play your part as role models and inspiration, career mentors, improving student recruitment efforts, fund raising and supporting the university's reputation. Every alumnus has experienced being a student to becoming a unique and different graduate and therefore I challenge you to play your role.

The University is committed to playing its role as a key driver to the local, national and global agenda. The University has responded to the government's Big 4 Agenda by developing the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Programme and establishment

of Institute of Ethnobiology and Ethnomedicines. The former aims at increasing the number of qualified public health practitioners while the latter's focus is on herbal research. We are proud to note that the number of students pursuing the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Programme has been increasing tremendously currently with a total of 328 students with five cohorts. This year we are having the first batch of students graduating with Diploma in Foods, Nutrition and Dietetics. As a university, this is an achievement that we thank God for. Also, the university, in collaboration with the Kenya Film Corporation is in the process of obtaining a mega studio that will not only serve students and academic staff but the surrounding community as well. Maasai Mara University recently signed a memorandum of understanding with Vaal University of Technology where students and academic staff in various fields will benefit through exchange visits that will entail teaching, research and various collaborations. This will ensure that our university is global with a great impact to various communities.

Maasai Mara University, through the Directorate of Quality Assurance, ensures that all academic programmes are not only accredited by the Commission for University Education but adopt the latest techniques that are relevant to learners so that they are competent to serve in their

respective specializations. This is through the curriculum review cycle every four years where stakeholders such as academic staff, students and professionals in the industry provide inputs that help shape the various academic programmes.

Our students continue to be linked with the industry through industrial attachments, field course academic visits, and visits by professionals in various fields who share real professional experiences that help our students learn.

With the launch of Competence Based Learning (CBC), our university is preparing to ensure that academic programmes remain relevant where learners use their talents to serve in different fields and contribute not only to the development of communities but the country at large.

I am impressed with the infrastructural developments in the university. Worth noting is the construction of the Mau Complex with high architectural quality that contains modern classes, academic and administrative staff offices and academic schools. Indeed, these will bolster the University's initiatives towards attainment of quality education.

I congratulate the 2022 class for their academic achievements and wish them well as the Maasai Mara University ambassadors, their alma mater.

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THE CHAIRMAN OF COUNCIL

Dr. Kennedy Ole Kerei
Chairman of the Council

Our Chief Guest, the Cabinet Secretary Ministry of Education, the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education, The Chancellor, Maasai Mara University, The Acting. Vice Chancellor, Deputy Vice Chancellors, Registrars, Academic Staff Members, Invited Guests, Graduands, Ladies and Gentlemen, Good Morning!

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you all to the 10th Graduation Ceremony at Maasai Mara University, the 3rd Graduation Ceremony being held virtually. Before I continue with my remarks, please allow me to recognize and welcome to Maasai Mara University the Vice – Chancellor and Principal of Vaal University of Technology (South Africa) Prof. Daniel Kgwadi. - Karibu Professor. The current Maasai Mara University Council is on 3rd year of its term and I am pleased to inform this

congregation that during the last one year, the University realized a number of achievements regarding physical infrastructure development at the university, human resource development and enhancement of research co-operation.

A number of Staff Welfare Initiatives were undertaken aimed at recognizing and rewarding performance and boosting morale of the staff. First, we conducted academic staff reviews and a number of staff members were promoted. This process is set to continue whenever financial resources allow. Secondly, the Council reviewed the University Statutes to make them more responsive to the overall University Strategic Development and growth trajectories and to ensure their compliance to prevailing government university regulatory provisions, guidelines and policies.

Thirdly, I am happy to inform all Maasai Mara University staff members that during this year the University has been able to meet all pending pension contribution obligations.

During the last one year, the University initiated a number of strategic collaborations including research and staff development co-operation with the Vaal University of Technology (South Africa), the

Kenya Forestry Research Institute (KEFRI), The Kenya Defence Forces Veterans, Millersville University (USA), Clarke University (USA) and the Western Kentucky University (USA) to mention but a few. Through these collaborations, the University aims at tapping on the best global academic practices and enhancing out institutional global visibility. I urge all academic staff members to explore the provisions of these collaborative agreements with the goal of reaping academic benefits.

The Chief Guest, invited Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen, this year the University is presenting nearly 2000 Bachelor, 30 Postgraduate and over 100 certificate and Diploma graduands for conferment and award of various degrees and Diplomas. Among the graduands are the pioneer BSc. in Nursing candidates. I believe this is an immediately impactful contribution of the University to development of the health sector in this country in general and to Narok County in particular. My office will work with the Narok County Government and other health service providing institutions within the County and explore possibilities of engaging these vital health delivery personnel in our local health facilities.

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The theme of this year's graduation is "Positioning Higher Education and Research as an enabler in new Socio-economic dispensation". This is in tandem with the new government's philosophy rooted on empowering local people as drivers of the country's inclusive sustainable socio-economic transformation. I would like to urge the Maasai Mara University academic fraternity to embrace this socio-economic paradigm and come up with

local people driven capacity building and action driven research especially in our niche areas of Environmental Conservation, Natural resource Management and Climate Change but also in youth and women empowerment.

Finally, to the graduands, I sincerely congratulate you for all the efforts you put into your studies that have enabled you to graduate within the stipulated time. We thank your parents and guardians too for

the sacrifices they made for you.

The government has rolled out a number of programmes aimed at economically empowering young Kenyans especially graduates. I urge you to be proactive and draw strategies of benefiting from these initiatives.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year 2023.

God Bless You All !!!

UNIVERSITY MANAGEMENT

THE Ag. VICE-CHANCELLOR



Prof. J. S. Chacha, PhD
Ag. Vice-Chancellor

Salutations

- The Chancellor of the University;
- The Chief Guest;
- The Cabinet Secretary of Education;
- The Principal Secretary for Higher Education;
- The University Council;
- The Governor of Narok county;
- University members of staff;
- Distinguished guests;
- Graduands;
- Parents and guardians;
- Ladies and Gentlemen;

On behalf of the University Management Board, University Senate, Staff and Students, it is with great pleasure I welcome you all to Maasai Mara University to celebrate with us the 10th of Maasai Mara University congregation graduation ceremony. The theme of this graduation is "Positioning Higher Education and Research as an enabler in new socio-economic dispensation".

Distinguished Ladies and gentlemen,

My hearty congratulations to the graduating class of 2021! This is a truly delightful moment for all of us to gather here today to witness the end of a well-travelled and remarkable journey of the 2018 graduating class. This Graduation Ceremony is indeed a culmination of excellent results brought about by your persistence, resilience and determination. Even as you celebrate this momentous achievement, remember many

students started this academic journey with you but did not complete the journey. After this day, we look forward to you joining the Maasai Mara University Alumni Association. It is important that you stay connected and in touch with your Alma Mater.

Distinguished Ladies and gentlemen,

I am proud to say that we have produced the best and continue to do so. This is attributed to our human resource that is well trained. The academic staff, the technical staff, the administrators, and the support staff all work as a team. The environment and support services at the Maasai Mara University are very conducive to skills and knowledge development, discovery, and mentorship services.

Distinguished Ladies and gentlemen,

I am delighted to say that today, we have so many students graduating with postgraduate degrees at both PhD and

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Masters levels. This is evident that the university is progressing well in the realization of one of its core mandates which is research and knowledge generation. The high number of postgraduate graduands today is a clear indication that as a university there is growth of the annual publications output. This is also contributing to the visibility and global ranking of the university, which is used to measure a university's performance around the world.

Distinguished Ladies and gentlemen,

In order to increase the chances of our graduates being observed fast in various industries and job markets, the university has re-engineered its academic programmes. We have also developed new programmes which are meant to address the challenges of the university, our local community and the country at large. For instance, we have introduced a school of Agriculture which will host new programmes relating to Agriculture due to our geographical location, and given that Agriculture is the backbone of the Kenyan economy.

Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is important to note that universities are about linkages and collaborations, and so we have strengthened the research and innovation docket in the university thus making it a visible research hub in the south rift. Maasai Mara university has established research collaborations with both local and foreign institutions and industries. Through these collaborations and networks, the university has been able to attract resources for advancing its research agenda and for development of infrastructure.

To enhance the research activities for instance, forty three (43) research teams were formed from which at least sixty four (64) million research grants have been won. This year, the university has developed thirty nine (39) innovations already registered with various Intellectual Property registration bodies in Kenya, five (5) copyrights, one (1) trademark and one (1) patent were obtained.

Further, our university has made more collaborations with Vaal University in South Africa which will see our academic staff and students engaged in exchange programmes, conduct joint conferences and enhance post-graduate capacity building. There is a quite a good number of students too pursuing their post-doc in South Africa. The university will have the privilege of hosting the 4th GDR fully funded colloquium with five (5) universities in France, one (1) in Tanzania and two (2) in Ethiopia. Other collaborations are with the Chinese, Finnish governments, among others.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

As a university, we have continued to partner with the local community in many ways which indeed a sign of goodwill. For instance, there is a proposal to establish a research climate change institute for the Ilichamus of the larger Maasai community. This will open up a number of opportunities for the community and the university at large. We have also continued to help the community in providing goods and services for instance in children's homes, planting of trees aimed at preserving the Maa ecosystem and cleaning of the Mara river. Through our community service and outreach programmes, we

are able to promote knowledge and technology transfer, thereby contributing towards the realization of Sustainable Development. We value and appreciate all our partners.

Distinguished Ladies and gentlemen,

Sustainable Development has become a norm as a pattern of social and structured economic transformations that optimizes the economic and societal benefits available in the present and even the future world. Today, this has become a global agenda as we talk of Sustainable Development Goals adopted by the United Nations, Africa Union 2064 Agenda, Kenya Vision 2030 and the Government of Kenya Big Four Agenda. First, a nation's future depends on its human resources. The knowledge, skills, and capacity of its people are essential to its wellbeing, sustainability, and growth. We need people who have knowledge in many fields. We need poets and philosophers, scientists and artists, engineers, historians, writers, medics, educators, and businesspeople. This for sure matches with theme of our graduation and the graduands who will be conferred with the various degrees, diplomas and certificates.

Distinguished Ladies and gentlemen,

The University has continued to make great strides due to the support from its stakeholders. The support from the Alumni, students, teaching and non-teaching staff, government and collaborators. The support has given us courage, hope, and strength to overcome the challenges that continue to confront us. As a university, we are also improving service delivery across all university

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systems that are aimed at graduating our students on time.

Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am confident that we have equipped the graduands with the relevant skills, knowledge and expertise that will make them change-makers. They have the tools, the knowledge, the skills, the ethical commitments, and the passion to steer through the changes that lie ahead and make them change-makers, job-creators but job-seekers.

Distinguished Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen,

As I conclude, allow me to appreciate the support we have continued to receive from your Ministry of Education. Thank you very much for accepting to grace this occasion. Allow me also to appreciate our members of staff, distinguished guests, graduands, parents and guardians for your presence. Special mention also goes to all our stakeholders and the university community at large.

All these people had faith in your dreams and potential, and they have all helped you to be here today

Once again, my warm congratulations to the graduands and their families.

I wish you a merry Christmas and a prosperous new year, 2023.

Thank you and God bless you.

THE DEPUTY VICE CHANCELLOR (ACADEMIC & STUDENT AFFAIRS)



Prof. Bulitia Godrick Mathews, PhD.

**Deputy Vice-Chancellor
(Academic and Student Affairs)**

The Academic Division embodies realization of core mandate of Maasai Mara University through spearheading actualization of the University Niche: “Environmental Resource Management and Conservation”.

Notably, the Division has realized significant milestones in the last one year since we held the 9th Graduation Ceremony in 2021. Firstly, we have increased our student population through admission of new students into the

2022/2023 academic year. By closure of 2022 admission window, we had received 2,445 First Year students allocated by the Kenya Universities and Colleges Central Placement Service (KUCCPS). Besides, 265 students successfully transferred their initial first year University placement to our University.

Competent workforce. We boast of competent, certified and dedicated knowledge experts offering teaching, learning, research and consultancy services to both the undergraduate and postgraduate students. It is out of sheer efforts of these professors and other faculty members that we celebrate and churn out this year's graduates.

Academic integrity and certification. This is exemplified through leading Higher Education sector in offering authentic academic programmes certified by the Commission for University Education (CUE) and the

Kenya National Qualifications Authority (KNQA). Moreover, Maasai Mara University has been tested and certified internationally under ISO 9001: 2015. Likewise, the Division has continually appointed qualified programme leaders for every academic programme in the five schools. These schools are: the School of Pure, Applied and Health Sciences, School of Natural Resources, Tourism and Hospitality; School of Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences and Creative Industries; School of Business and Economics and the School of Education.

Sustainable student mentorship. The Division also epitomizes student mentorship in its five faculties through allocation of mentors to every student. The mentees are steered by lecturers as from their first to final year of study thus ensuring high and sustainable students' retention and graduation rate.

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Technological

advancement. We have leveraged on modern technologies in teaching, learning and research with a proactive e-learning systems and approaches that have made work easier and enjoyable for both students and staff. Provision of projectors, smart boards as well as the public address system in all lecture halls is underway. Students and staff information needs are being met through a vibrant Institutional Repository and E-Resources that can be accessed off-campus.

Robust research. The Division steered the development of fundable research proposals in a bid to attract more revenue, research equipment as well as industrial linkages and collaborations. Furthermore, teaching staff

have continually benefited from research funds that facilitate attending local and international research conferences to present research papers. A research kitty was integrated in the Revised Research Policy. The policy was approved by the University Council.

Guaranteed professional student welfare. Equally, we pride in prioritizing students' welfare thus we have various initiatives-cum-policies that ensure we nurture and retain needy students throughout their four years of study. To begin with is the draft scholarship policy, domiciled in the office of the Dean of Students, whose main purpose is offering financial and other material support to needy students. Second is the work-study program where needy

undergraduate students utilize free time to offer labor to the University and returns channeled to school fees. This is also being escalated to cover post-graduate students.

Climate Change mitigation. In line with the University Niche, we actively involve faculty members, non-teaching staff and students in green cover initiatives such as tree planting, green innovations and community engagement.

Call for collaborations and partnerships. The Division warmly welcomes national and international partnerships in research, innovations, teaching and learning, consultancy services as well as academic exchange programs.

THE Ag. DEPUTY VICE CHANCELLOR (ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE & STRATEGY)



**Prof. James Simiren
Nampushi, PhD, MKIM**
Ag. DVC (Administration,
Finance & Strategy)

The Deputy Vice
Chancellor
(Administration,

Finance and Strategy) office co-ordinates administrative and financial support to our members and stakeholders. The section is responsible for providing a variety of services to the faculty and its students; administrative support, financial management, human resources, payroll management, student records among others. The team is dedicated to supporting the needs of its students and staff members with a goal of providing quality service delivery.

As you embark on the next phase of your life, we would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you for your hard work and dedication. We are so proud of all the hard work you have put in to get to this point. You have accomplished something that many people only dream of - a degree/diploma/ certificate, and the skills to live a successful life.

Congratulations on your graduation from DVC (AF& S) office and my team. This is a time to celebrate your

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successes and reflect on the past four years. You have worked hard to get here and we hope you will continue to work

smart as you enter the next phase of life.

You should have a sense of accomplishment and pride in all you have accomplished thus

far. It has been a pleasure serving with you over the last four years and we are excited to see what lies ahead for each of you!

THE REGISTRAR, ACADEMIC AFFAIRS



Dr. Fredrick O. Otieno,
PhD
Registrar, Academic Affairs

Today's graduation ceremony is the tenth (10th) since Maasai Mara University (MMaraU) was awarded the charter in 2013. I salute all the students, guardians, and guests for gracing this occasion on this day of 16th December 2022. Specifically, I want to acknowledge the students for their focus, dedication and discipline that has enabled them to achieve the academic recognition bestowed upon them today. Congratulations on your achievements! You have enlivened the natural principle of life that a horse gets to its desired destination only when it is harnessed; a river generates

electricity only when it is channeled, and life gets somewhere only when it is focused, dedicated, and disciplined. The product of this belief has unfolded before your very eyes today- it is you and will continue to unfold if you remain true to the dictates of being Focused, Dedicated and Disciplined (FDD). We release you to the labour market with confidence that you have harvested what you sowed in the academic garden. Share your harvest generously in the labour market believing that the hand that giveth is more blessed than the one that taketh.

While at the labour market we encourage you to continue sowing seeds of service to the best of your ability remembering that if you sow corn, you will reap nothing but corn; if you sow discord, hatred, or jealousy, your harvest must bear the same characteristics as your seed according to the laws of nature. Therefore, sow seeds of your hearts' desires and a similar harvest is

assured. Provide your best service to reap best rewards. To the guardians, parents, and stakeholders in general, we want to thank you most sincerely for the interests you have demonstrated towards the development of our great University. We look forward to your continued support.

Finally, to the graduands, as you weigh options available for furthering your career, we wish to remind you of the postgraduate opportunities at your alma mater. All schools at Maasai Mara University offer a variety of postgraduate programmes for furthering your studies. You are invited to visit the University website (www.mmarau.ac.ke) or the Chairs of Departments/Deans of Schools for more information on the postgraduate prospects. Above all, keep in touch with your schools in case of career progression opportunities that may in future be available for you. May God bless your plans.

THE REGISTRAR ADMINISTRATION AND STRATEGY

Mr. Samuel K. Partoip,
MIHRM
Registrar, Administration & Strategy

I take this opportunity to thank God for His faithfulness to us as an institution having had a successful academic year. Hearty congratulations to all our 2022 graduands for their achievement! I know they are feeling so proud of themselves for successfully completing their studies. We are equally proud of them and confident to send them to the market knowing that they have what it takes to succeed in life. This is such a joyous and proud moment of celebration.

The Administration and Strategy sub-division falls under the Administration, Finance and Strategy

Division of the University. Key support services, Human Resource Management and co-ordination of Strategic Plan Implementation fall under our sub-division. We pride ourselves with quality Academic and Administrative Staff who through their support the vision and mission of the University is progressively being realized. We are keen to ensure that we provide a conducive environment that is supportive to our most valued assets - the people. Within the current fiscal difficulties facing Universities, Management has ingeniously channeled resources to ensure that key services to our people remain afloat. Our administrative support services remain vibrant to ensure our core academic functions are fully delivered to our clients as we collaboratively realize our dream.

The Strategic Plan 2019-2024 co-ordination ensures that realization of the plan is progressive. During the current financial year, the

University Council has completed the mid-term review of the plan for relevance and continued fidelity to the mission of the University. This Strategic Plan was characteristically the first strategic plan to curve out the Niche of the University which is “*To Be a Centre of Excellence in Environmental Resource Management and Conservation*”. With the implementation of this strategy, the niche continues to stand out defining our space in the world of academics. The focus on our niche continues to make us relevant in our region given that we uniquely fall under the Mara-Mau ecosystem. Nationally and regionally, we are cutting out an image of a Centre of Excellence in environmental resource management and conservation. In the global stage, our niche is in line with the green energy framework which is the current focus of the global community.

God Bless Maasai Mara University, God Bless Kenya.



Mr. Samuel K. Partoip, Registrar, Administration and Strategy, (centre) with a section of trainees during the Charter Delivery Training for the University staff.

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THE FINANCE OFFICER



CPA. Skamo Loltianya
Finance Officer

The Finance Department's vision is to be the leading finance service provider offering the highest level of service to the University consistent with Public Finance Management Act 2012, University's Strategic Plan, University's overall objectives and other applicable laws and financial regulations.

Our mission is to generate and implement a financial management function of the University that provides leadership in the areas of

optimal resource acquisition, effective and efficient resource allocation and utilization, reliable and timely financial services and accurate financial reporting. Congratulations, graduates! The credentials you have earned and your graduation certificate you will soon hold in your hands will open doors for you throughout your professional lives and you should have a deep sense of pride in what you have achieved and it represents. But your presence at Maasai Mara University graduation is also a reflection of the privilege and good fortune that life's circumstances have granted you and the University community at large.

As you celebrate your success, I challenge you to be innovative and ride with the opportunities offered by technological disruptions. Throughout your four years

study you have been adequately prepared for this moment and the future.

Your success will depend on your worldview, attitude, relationship and character not forgetting your hard work and commitment. Maximize your talents. I urge you to remain focused and positive.

Finally, as you go into the world, allow me to remind you that your integrity is everything. It takes years to build and can crumble in a moment. Once it's gone, it's almost impossible to get it back. So, protect it in everything you do, with everything you have first time and every time.

I know that your involvement with Maasai Mara University will continue and your achievements will add further luster to the university's reputation, which is now yours to nurture for the rest of your lives.

Congratulations, once again!

THE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT



Dr. C. K. Serrem
Ag. Head, Health

On behalf of Health Services Department, I congratulate the graduating class of 2021 for

your resilience and successful completion of your course.

Every step-in life is a challenge, the last four years have been a challenge in your attainment of your desired goals.

I wish you every continued success as you enter the next exciting stage of your life on your chosen career. It is my hope that you stay connected with Maasai Mara University in the years to come.

Celebrate your achievement and remember those who assisted you to achieve your goals to this end. I wish you God's guidance and blessings in your future endeavors.

May the Christmas season sparkle with moments of peace, joy, love and goodwill. May the year ahead be full of success and contentment.

Merry Christmas and a prosperous year 2022.

THE DEAN OF STUDENTS



**Mr. Mohamed Abdullahi
Adan**
Dean of Students

STUDENT AFFAIRS

The office of the Dean of Students is primarily concerned with students' welfare from the time they join the University until when they graduate. It co-ordinates all the activities that affect Students Welfare, such as Students leadership (MMUSA), Bursaries, students Mentorship, Guidance and Counselling, Spiritual Welfare, Clubs and Societies, Accommodation, Wardenship, Work Study, Career Services, Sports, Entertainments and students conduct and discipline. The office also works in liaison with Health Unit for health concerns of the students, Catering section, and acts as the link between university administration and the students.

GAMES AND SPORTS

This department strives to promote physical and mental fitness of students at the university. The students

participate in both indoor and outdoor activities, which include scrabble, monopoly, table tennis, volleyball, basketball, rugby, hockey, handball, badminton and soccer among others. Students actively participate in both intra and extra mural activities.

CHAPLAINCY

This unit provides spiritual counselling, conducts religious ceremonies e.g. weddings, baptisms and masses. It also organizes seminars and workshops and coordinates religious activities around campus. There are chaplains for both catholic and protestant and the unit facilitates for the spiritual needs for the Muslim students too.

WORK STUDY PROGRAM

The Office of the Dean of Students further supports students from less privileged backgrounds. It identifies needy students and places them in various University departments to work and earn some income mainly for upkeep. This goes a long way in retaining students who would otherwise defer their studies due to financial constraints.

OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES AND STUDENTS' ADVISEMENT

The office also houses the office of career services and

students' advisement, which incorporates the alumni office among other functions. Students are advised on career choices and guided for proper placement.

STUDENTS MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

The Maasai Mara University Student Mentorship programme links first year students (Mentees) with a Mentor who is a Lecturer willing to coach, share knowledge and experience. Transition to university is a challenging experience hence, new students benefit from the assistance of more experienced individuals and mentors who have the gratification of helping students and acquiring multiple skills for themselves.

GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING

This unit promotes and facilitates students' personality, social and intellectual development. This assists us to bring up a holistic person in a student who is responsible, accountable and of good character in his/her undertakings. Counsellors liaise with those who closely interact with the affected students including parents, teaching staff and medical doctors in assisting them to manage and address their concerns. Majority of the featuring cases for this year

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are, anxieties of what future holds after graduation, relationships, financial challenges, health issues, family issues and depression. This unit also trains peer counsellors and involves them in dealing with HIV/AIDS scourge and Drugs/Substance Abuse.

BURSARY AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Maasai Mara University provides support to needy students from poor backgrounds, where the affected students apply for the same and the University pays their tuition fees though University students' bursary and provides meals for

extreme cases through the Students Governing Council. A total of two hundred and two students (202) were given bursaries that enabled them to do their exams. The University annually commits two million and five hundred thousand shillings to cater for the same. Equally, other forty one (41) students were awarded bursaries through Mara Conservancies and Joe Wanjohi Education foundation which enabled them to continue with their education. Similarly, a total of 169 students from very needy backgrounds were provided meals at the students mess

this year through the support of the Students Council.

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

The office of the Dean of students advises on modalities of formation of clubs. It also registers clubs to allows them to function within the university. Students are encouraged to join the various clubs or to form new ones in the event that they can cater for both their academic and social welfare. Currently the registered clubs and societies fall under the following categories: academic, religious, recreational, contemporary and environmental.

Sports, Education, and Development

Sports participation is positively related to youth developmental outcomes. It enhances development of problem solving and self-regulatory skills in addition to helping participants stay fit, reduce stress, develop teamwork, and boost self-esteem and discipline. The sports industry is one of the best paying in the world.

Maasai Mara University fraternity participates in various sports disciplines namely soccer, hockey, handball, volleyball, rugby, table tennis, martial arts, chess, darts among others. "These are performed at different levels. Intra university competitions are held first for selection of teams which then proceed to Kenya University Sports Federation (KUSF), Rift

Valley championships. From here, best performing teams proceed to national, East Africa and the World Games respectively," said Sports Officer, Mr. Mwaniki.

Vera, a first-year nursing student highlights the role of sports in education and development; "Sports participation makes me very active and vibrant. It enhances my listening skills and this improves my concentration levels. This improves my class performance. Sports also expose me to various cultures and different social backgrounds. As a result, my self-esteem is boosted."

Gilbert Kaboche, a third-year student at Maasai Mara University and Kenyan international wrestler, supports these assertions, "It disturbs me

seeing some students engaging in drug abuse. Sport is a clean and disciplined profession. Sports can be used to change such vices". The University produces excellent international sportspersons. For example, in 2015, Jane Njeri, then a student at Maasai Mara University represented the country in 200 and 400 metres races in world Inter-University games in Korea.

The University continues to entrench sports in students' welfare services to facilitate the holistic development of its students. The same benefits will be rolled out to the local community, nationally and globally. "The University is just the best place for growth and development. I have been to Oslo, Norway where I participated in the world wrestling games representing

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Kenya and flying high the name of Maasai Mara University. I have also had the privileged to tour Serbia for the World under 23 Wrestling Championship and South Africa. Additionally, through sports, I have been to Egypt, Nigeria, and Bulgaria. It is opening for me opportunities. Outside there, I am an ambassador not only of the University but also for our

country Kenya.” Gilbert Kaboche described. Strengthening sports participation and giving necessary support in the institution will open doors for talented sportspeople and enhance learning environment. Without the University’s support and understanding, most of my achievements wouldn’t be possible,” said Mr. Kaboche.

Many more sports disciplines should be introduced and promoted. On the same note, skills and gifted sporting students should be enrolled in “Sports Scholarships” and other rewards should be introduced for motivational purposes.

Directorate of Public Relations and Linkages



Maasai Mara University Hockey Team having a group talk during the North Rift Regional Kenya University Sports Association (KUSA) Games at the University of Eldoret.



Mr. Kabue Mwaniki, (left), receiving a shirt from the Mara Legend (Maasai Mara University Alumni) team captain before a football match

SENIOR LEGAL OFFICER



Mercylene Njoroge
Senior Legal Officer

The Legal Office endeavours to provide high quality legal advice and assistance to the university across a broad range of disciplines. This involves providing advice, drafting documents, ensuring compliance and

progressing matters on a wide variety of issues, often against a background of public and charity laws, reputational concerns, including: contracts, discipline issues, implementation of university policies, information rights, intellectual property and employment law.

I congratulate the graduating class of the year 2022. The journey has been long and tiring but you have made it. Your success is not a surprise. It is well deserved and gives you a chance to

spread your wings. As you go out there, be ambassadors of the university. Embrace and actualize the core-values of the Institution. Do not forget to give back to the society all that you have learnt from the University. Make the world a better place.

As you enter into the new battlefields of life, always remember that you are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem and smarter than you think. Anything is possible when you believe in yourself.

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THE UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN



Dr. Nancy Kimile
Ag. University Librarian

No mountain is unsurmountable. You have proven your ability and demonstrated your mantle. This is a time you and your families have anticipated for years. This is a culmination ceremony of efforts and determination for the attainment of your various degrees.

I offer heart-felt congratulations to all graduates. We are bursting with pride for your achievement. In the Library, you are all our graduates regardless of your school or course.

A Kind Gesture: University Library Receives Books Donation Worth KES 1,764,125

Books build understanding and awareness. Books open the world of imagination and knowledge, books boost memory and intelligence. Books enhance readers' confidence, creativity and imagination and play quintessential role in the lives of

The Library is a knowledge hub that all learners visit frequently in pursuit of quality information and knowledge. We have a hybrid collection of both on-site and off-campus modern technology such as MYLOFT. We also enhance and support teaching, research, consultancy and community development services. We also ensure local and global visibility of the library through institutional repository, WI-FI, references and circulations.

It has been a privilege supporting your academic and career needs. Our services do not end here. Your feedback on our services have helped us improve tremendously. We continue learning. Keep the conversation going. We want your relationship with the Library to continue. Explore the possibilities available for the alumni.

Books Donation

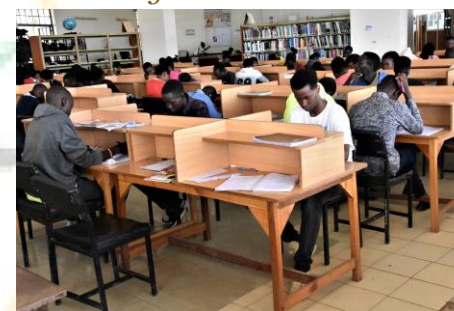
book lovers. For a fourth year in a row, Maasai Mara University Library has received book donations from the Michael Blundell Trust through Rattansi Educational Trust. This year, the donation is worth KES 1,764,125 which according to the Acting-Librarian, Nancy Kimile, "the information materials have come at the right time to boost growing readership and demand

I believe the knowledge, the experiences and the relationships you have made during your time here at the University will serve you well throughout your lives.

With respect and admiration, we look forward to supporting your life-long learning journey.



Knowledge Ambassadors Club



Students in the Library

for books. The array of books is a blessing and we are privileged as a University to have such a trusting and consistent partner in education".

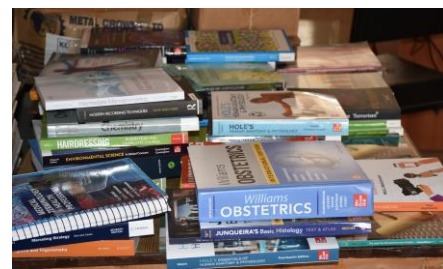
Previously, in the year 2021, the University received a donation of informational materials worth KES 1,045,970, in the year 2020, the donations worth KES1,034,365 and the first donation from the Michael

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Blundell Trust was in the year 2019 worth KES500,000. “This upward trajectory is encouraging and promising. We strive to strengthen this relationship for our mutual benefit and are open for such worthwhile partnerships and collaborations,” said Dr. Nancy Kimile.



University Librarian with the samples of the donated books



The donated books.

SCHOOLS

SCHOOL OF ARTS, HUMANITIES, SOCIAL SCIENCES AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES



Prof. Kodak Benard, AMPRSK
Dean, Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences and Creative Industries



Dr. Kennedy Karani Onyiko
Chairperson, Social Studies



Dr. Jane Ombati
Chairperson, Languages Linguistics & Culture (LLC)



Dr. Denis. Ikachoi
Ag. Chairperson, Media, Film & Communication (MFC)

Congratulations to the graduating class of 2022. This graduation ceremony marks the climax of your academic journey at Maasai Mara University and a confirmation of your deserved academic achievement. The school has three departments namely: Languages,

Literature and Culture, Media, Film and Communication and Social Studies departments. The school continues to position itself in its role of providing valuable training, learning and research opportunities in Arts, Creative Industries, Humanities and Social Sciences. It provides

competencies for the 21st century.

The school offers market-driven curricular that connect with and build upon its rich qualified academic faculty for service delivery to our esteemed students and other stakeholders.

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Our faculty are steadfast in the integration of Theory, Research and Practice.

The Languages, literature and Culture department has inaugurated the LTF Thespians Productions Club that is founded on Constantin Stalinlavsky's principle that performing art is grounded on practice. It is a club that nurtures and enhances film and performing art skills by offering platforms for showcasing theatre and film productions. We are in the process of developing a certificate course in language for ethnographic researchers and tourists, which will be linked to our research projects by staff in the department. This will ultimately provide a framework in which linkages are established with foreign universities and other institutions of higher learning.

With the support of the university management, the school facilitates student-organized projects and media arts activities that allow students to create film, television, sound, video and digital media products as well as community education and outreach projects such as participation in the Inter-University Top Story competitions. The school has vibrant projects for students and staff including:

- This year the school was represented in the KALASHA awards hosted by the Kenya Film Commission at KICC (Nairobi) where our students interacted with professionals in the media industry where they learnt a lot.
- The department was privileged to host the female journalists' mentorship programme organized by the International Association of Women in Radio and Television (IAWRT-Ke) in

which ten (10) female students from the Media, Film and Communication department, under the coordination of Ms. Nancy Adagala and Ms. Juliet Oduor, were selected to participate.

- The department established links with Osotua Radio stationed in Narok Town where journalism students can learn best professional practices.

The Department of Social Studies is home to Social Work, Community Development, Political Science, Public Administration, Criminology and Penology, Religion, Philosophy, History, and Sociology. These programs lead to both undergraduate and Graduate Masters Degrees. Delivering these programs is a team of qualified and competent teaching faculty and administrative staff that work together as a synergy. We focus on student-centered learning and salient applications in the real world. Our graduates are equipped with appropriate theories, methodologies, and frameworks. This facilitates critical analysis and sound research. We produce a civic competent graduate who make informed and reasoned decisions for the public good as citizens of a culturally diverse democratic society in an interdependent world.

Currently, the Department is carrying out the following research projects:

- **Character and Thriving Among Kenyan Youth: A Novel Measure for Use with Street Children and Youth Enrolled in Schools.**

We propose to develop a measure of character for Kenyan youth who live and are educated

in a range of contexts, including rural schools, urban schools, and children who are homeless (i.e. "street children"). Our goal is to move beyond the often-superficial acknowledgement of context in developmental science, which typically amounts to exploring mean differences using measures created and normed in western cultures. The product of this work will be an actionable measure to inform the development, evaluation, and continuous quality improvement of Kenyan youth development programs. We will employ an exploratory sequential mixed methods design (Creswell & Plano-Clark, 2011), beginning with semi-structured interviews with 60 youth and 15 adults. Interviews will initially be structured around the Five Cs of Positive Youth Development, meaning character strengths likely discussed will include self-regulation, diligence, perseverance, future-mindedness, thrift, wisdom, hope, gratitude, honesty, compassion, empathy, selflessness, and social responsibility. Using the interview data as a guide, we will create a new Swahili-language measure of character strengths and administer the measure to a sample of 450 youth (150 living in each context). The resulting data will allow us to establish a reliable factor structure and examine criterion-related validity. We will then evaluate the usability and relevance of the measure to Kenyan youth development programs. In addition to the publicly available measure, outputs include three manuscripts submitted to peer-reviewed journals, a practitioner-oriented white paper, and a policy brief. Short-term outcomes include improved evaluation capacity and program

effectiveness of Kenyan youth-serving organizations. Long-term outcomes include improved life chances among Kenyan youth, an expanded academic presence of Maasai Mara University as a center for youth development research, and the incorporation of the measure in subsequent research.

The summary of the project's progress thus far is as follows:

Accomplished objectives and activities

- We have conducted interviews twice with Kenyan youth who live and are educated in a range of contexts, including rural schools, urban schools, and youth who are homeless (i.e. “**street – connected youth**”).
- We have written a manuscript entitled “**Positive Youth Development Across Three Kenyan Contexts: An Inductive Approach**” which has been successfully submitted online and is presently being given full consideration for publication in the Journal of Adolescent Research - JAR-21-007.
- We have a paper entitled, “**Positive Youth Development Across Three Kenyan Contexts: An Inductive Approach**” at SRCD 2021 Biennial Meeting, April 7-9, 2021.
- We have presented a poster entitled, “**Seeking Harmony: The Juxtaposition Between Positive and Negative Community Influences for Kenyan Youth**” at SRCD 2021 Biennial Meeting, April 7-9, 2021. The poster was recognized as the one that best represents international collaborative research.

- Using the interview data as a guide, we have created a new Swahili-language measure of character strengths and administered the measure to a sample of 450 youth (150 living in each context).

- We have submitted an abstract to the SRA Conference, 2023. The title of paper is: “**Bettering Oneself to Better the Community**”

Positive Youth Development Across Three Kenyan Contexts

- The department has submitted for funding a proposal entitled: *Street – Connected Youth Resilience to Urban Hardships amidst Covid-19 Pandemic in Nairobi, Kenya*. We propose to explore the psychosocial factors and resilience trends of street-connected youth in Kenya amidst Covid-19. Our goal is to develop a culturally informed resilience model that will aid the reintegration to socio-economic activities of street connected youth. The product of this work will be an actionable resilience model to inform the development, evaluation, and continuous quality improvement of Kenyan street-based youth development programs.

The Department is currently collaborating with the following Universities: Stellenbosch University (RSA), University of KwaZulu Natal (RSA), Clemson University (USA), University of South Carolina (USA), Oregon State University (USA), Lagos Business School (Nigeria), Millersville University (USA), Clarke University (USA) and University of Alabama (USA).

The objects of collaborations are commonly the following:

Development of academic research, workshops, conferences, or other joint projects.

- a) Exchange of scholarly and pedagogical materials.
- b) Mobility of faculty, staff, or research personnel.
- c) Mobility of undergraduate and graduate students.
- d) Development of dual-degree, transfer-degree, or joint-degree programs

The department held an international research seminar. Dr. Benjamin Parry, a Post-Doctoral Researcher in Youth Development Leadership (YDL) in the department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism Management at Clemson University and Dr. Onyiko. Kennedy Karani, a Senior Lecturer of Social Work and Chairperson, Department of Social Studies at Maasai Mara University (Kenya) were the main presenter. The hybrid seminar (virtual and physical) attracted 250 participants (students and faculty members from all academic departments in the University. The Department of Social Studies is an exciting and dynamic place. I encourage you to join our dynamic and productive academic community. We welcome all prospective students and hope you will find a program to suit your needs and interests in our department. We offer students opportunities to advance knowledge and develop creative solutions to social development gaps in the 21st century.

Congratulations once again.



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SOCIAL STUDIES**

RESEARCH SEMINAR

- Character Development
- Thematic Analysis
- Evaluation of Youth Programmes

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SCHOOL OF BUSINESS & ECONOMICS



Mr. Simel Ole Sankei
Chairperson, Management



Dr. George K. Rukaria
Dean, School of Business &
Economics



Mr. Job O. Ogada
Chairperson, Economics

On behalf of the School of Business and Economics, I wish to congratulate the 2021/2022 graduating class. We are pleased to join you in celebrating this great milestone. I am confident that you have what it takes to contribute

positively to the improvement of the society. Besides looking for formal jobs, you have the capacity to create employment for others and yourself through entrepreneurship. Education is lifelong. As such, the school welcomes you back for the next level of learning – diploma, undergraduate,

masters, doctoral and post-doctoral studies. We will continue offering market-driven programmes through our two departments – the Department of Business Management and the Department of Economics.

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SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Dr. Naphtali Rop
Chairperson, Educational
Foundations & Psychology



Prof. Beatrice Manyasi, PhD
Dean, School of Education



Prof. Paul Maithya
Chairperson, Curriculum, Instruction
& Educational Management

The School of Education is one of the largest in the university. It has two departments: Curriculum Instruction and Education Management (CIEM), headed by Prof. Paul Maithya, Education Foundation and Psychology (EFP), headed by Dr. Naftali Rop. The School offers Teacher Education programmes meant to realize the role of education as a societal pillar for sustainable development in Kenya and internationally. It has experienced members of faculty who are aware of the reforms in the education sector. They embrace innovative teaching and learning to improve the quality of teacher education by adopting relevant pedagogical skills facilitated by Partnership for African Social and Governance Research (PASGR). This was made possible due to the university having invested in ICT

infrastructure and a Learning Management System (LMS). Besides participating and being mentors in the Pedagogical Leadership in Africa (PEDAL), some members of faculty are affiliates of a Research Policy Community (Utafiti Sera House) constituted by the African Network for Internationalization of Education (ANIE) and the Partnership for African Social and Governance Research (PASGR) to explore evidence and contribute towards policy framework that can advance Strengthening Equitable Access to Quality Higher Education in Kenya and globally. Internationalization of Education has been embraced in the school through students and members of faculty of Maasai Mara University and James Madison University (JMU), USA. This year, academic staff and students from JMU visited MMU.

Members of faculty from the two universities are working on a book project which will be published soon. Students from the two universities interact through the virtual environment. The School of Education has been on the frontline of making recommendations to the presidential working party on education reforms in Kenya. Members of faculty are keen on developing Competency Based Teacher Education (CBTE) curricula to align them to the Basic Education Curriculum Framework (BECF) and national agenda - Value Based Education and Community Service Learning. The aim is to develop a competent, professional, reflective and ethical teacher, relevant to the 21st century; committed to nurturing every learner's potential in line with inclusive education: integrated

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education, special education and mainstreaming.

Our graduates will be involved in curriculum development, curriculum implementation,

strategic leadership, guidance and counseling, policy formulation and action research that will inform successful implementation of

education reforms at all levels.

Congratulations to all students graduating in the year 2022!

SCHOOL OF PURE, APPLIED & HEALTH SCIENCE



Prof. Nathan Oyaro
Dean, School of Pure,
Applied & Health Sciences



Ms. Jacqualine Naulikha
Chairperson, Health
Science



Prof. Justus Simiyu
Chairperson,
Mathematics &
Physical Sciences



Dr. Dominic Menge
Chairperson, Biological
Sciences



Mr. Justus Ope
Chairperson, Computing
& Information Sciences

The school was started in 2009 with five members and currently, the school has four departments.

The school of science has more than thirty-two (32) teaching staff and a student population of over six hundred students (600). The school members of staff are involved in teaching and

research in various areas. The school has recently acquired three state-of-the-art sets of equipment for teaching and research and these include AAS, FTIR-affinity-1s, and GC-FID. The school has several collaborations with industry and other leading universities.

On behalf of the School and myself, I would like to

congratulate the class of 2022 for having satisfied the school board of examiners for the award of the various degrees. I would like to celebrate with you at this milestone in your life.

We wish you God's blessing, good luck as you endeavor to better your lives.

Congratulation once more!

SCHOOL OF NATURAL RESOURCES, TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY



Dr. Jedidah Nankaya
Chairperson, Forestry and
Wildlife Management



Prof. Francis Mburu, PhD
Dean, School Natural
Resources, Tourism &
Hospitality Management



Dr. Patrick Kamundia
Chairperson, Animal Health
and Production



Dr. Samson Mabwoga
Chairperson, Environmental
Studies, Geography & Agriculture



Mr. Moses Muraya
Chairperson, Tourism,
Hospitality & Leisure Studies

Congratulations, graduating class of 2022! You did it. You have accomplished a major milestone in your lives. You have made a major step that is going to define the rest of your lives. As a school we salute your resilience, creativity and perseverance through your academic journey: graduation is not an end to itself but a launch point to greater achievements in your future. The skills that helped you reach this moment will be the skills that will help you succeed throughout your lives in whatever you choose to do. A degree from Maasai Mara University is more than a certification of knowledge acquired. It symbolizes certain strength of character necessary to excel in life.

The School of Natural Resources, Tourism and Hospitality has four

departments including Environmental Studies, Geography and Agriculture, Forestry and Wildlife Management, Animal Health and Production, and Tourism, Hospitality and Leisure Studies. These four departments offer the following programmes: Bachelor of Environmental Studies (Earth Sciences), Bachelor of Arts in Geography, Bachelor of Environmental Management, Bachelor of Environmental Studies (Biology and Health), Certificate in Tourism and Wildlife Management, Diploma in Tourism and Wildlife Management, Bachelor of Forestry Ecosystems Management, Bachelor of Science in Wildlife Management, Bachelor of Science in Animal Health and Production, Bachelor of Tourism Management, and Bachelor of Hotels and

Hospitality Management. The School is currently offering three PhD and Masters programmes in Environmental Studies, Land Resource Management, Environmental Planning and Management, and Geography. In addition, the school has developed and is in the process of launching two masters programmes; Master of philosophy in Tourism Management, Master of philosophy in Hospitality Management. The programmes offered in the School are designed to equip students with requisite skills and knowledge to deal with sustainable use and management of natural resources in the fields of mineral exploration, urban and regional planning, wildlife, livestock, tourism, hospitality, and environmental conservation.

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UNIVERSITY DIRECTORATES

THE BOARD OF POSTGRADUATE STUDIES (BPS)



Prof. Romulus Abila, PhD
Director, Board of
Postgraduate Studies

The Board of Postgraduate Studies (BPS) is responsible for co-ordinating all postgraduate studies at the university. The Board carries out this function through a BPS Board appointed by the Vice Chancellor as per the current University Statutes and also by working closely with academic schools and departments.

We are pleased to inform you that during this year nearly 40 graduands will be presented for conferment of Master and PhD degrees from across the 5 academic Schools. Guided by the University 2019-2024

Strategic Plan, the Directorate is putting in place and implementing strategies whose overall goal is to strengthen and improve postgraduate studies and research at Maasai Mara University, contribute to increased visibility of the University and foster international collaborations and partnerships. Towards this, the Directorate wishes to report the following achievements in 2022:

- i. Achievement of the set 1 month thesis internal and external examination duration,
- ii. Training of 100 postgraduate students on proposal writing, data collection and data analysis and scientific publication,
- iii. International exposure of postgraduate students through participation in a multidisciplinary international conference organized by Maasai Mara

University and Millersville University, USA,

- iv. Guiding upto 15 young scholars to apply for varies DDAD and the TWAS-TÜBİTAK Fellowships (tenable in Turkey) PhD and Master scholarships to enable them undertake their postgraduate studies through sandwich programmes.
- v. Initiated development of a PhD in Agricultural Resource Economics and a Masters in Water Resource Planning and Management. The two postgraduate programmes will contribute towards making the university a center of excellence in environmental management.

We wish to thank the University Management for the support it has continued to provide the Directorate. To all graduating candidates today we wish you speedy progression in all career paths chosen.

THE DIRECTORATE OF RESEARCH & INNOVATION



Dr. Aloys Mosima
Osano, PhD
Director, Research &
Innovation

The Directorate of Research and Innovation has continuously fostered research and innovation activities within the University and in the immediate community. In the 2022 calendar year, the Directorate of Research and Innovation has advanced several issues in research and innovation including:

- i) Co-ordination of research teams to develop fundable

grant winning proposals – at least 35 grant proposals have been developed. Consequently, 11 research grants to the tune of Ksh. 72 million have been attracted (2 more shortlisted for funding – worth Ksh. 160 million). At least 10 more research proposals are currently under development.

- ii) The Directorate has coordinated and supported innovations from within the

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university community. At least 25 innovations have been registered for patenting in the year. Plans to develop an innovations incubation centre are also underway.

iii) Conducted short trainings on renewable energy and detergents production to the university community. At least 4 trainings have been conducted.



(a)



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Training on renewable energies (Biogas and Briquette fuels) and liquid detergent production; community outreach program.

iv) Successfully held the first International Conference focusing on a single discipline – social work. The conference attracted over 40 institutions from at least 10 countries globally.



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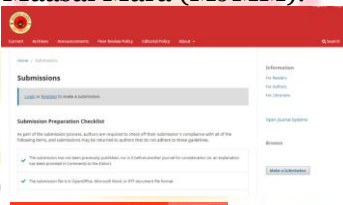
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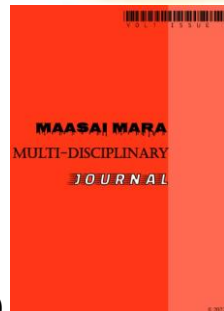
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The conference book of abstracts (a) and some of the conference proceedings images (b) as well as conference collaborations being initiated in the Vice Chancellors Office

v) In liaison with the University Library, the Directorate launched the Multidisciplinary Journal of Maasai Mara (MJMM).



(a)



(b)

v) The directorate has a production process that handles the creation of biogas and briquette renewable energies, as well as the production of all-purpose detergents, hand sanitizers,

deodorant man-hole anti clogging agent, and general-purpose detergents. Production of these essential products have seamlessly continued without any hitches.



(a) Mmarau hand wash



(b) Hand sanitizer



(c) General-purpose liquid detergent



(d) briquettes



(e) Descalor

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ECOLOGICAL DYNAMICS OF EPHEMERAL WATER BODIES IN ARID TROPICAL LANDSCAPE RESEARCH



Prof. Romulus Abila.
Project PI

The above research project is an initiative of Prof. Romulus Abila, Professor of Environmental Biology (Ecology) and Director, Board of Postgraduate Studies. The research, funded through a USD 35,000 UNESCO-TWAS Basic Sciences Grant, seeks to investigate ecological dynamics of plankton communities in the rapidly changing Narok arid and semi arid landscape. Phytoplankton are the primary producers in aquatic ecosystems and seasonal changes in their species diversity and abundance (dynamics) determine productivity and health of such aquatic ecosystems. Zooplankton are the principal secondary producers and together with phytoplankton determine the ability of a freshwater ecosystem to support other aquatic biota such as benthic invertebrates, fish and birds. A number of ephemeral (seasonal) water bodies – both natural and constructed are found in Narok arid and semi arid (ASAL) landscape in Kenya's Mara River Basin (MRB) and together with a number of seasonal streams represent the only natural sources of water in the ASAL region for

livestock, humans and wildlife. Changing demographics, land use changes and climate change are envisaged major drivers of change to ecological functioning of these ecosystems through increased water abstraction, increased evaporation and nutrient and sediment loading and siltation thus altering species diversity, community structure and seasonal changes of plankton communities. Cyanobacteria (Blue green algae) have been found to produce significant amounts of methane, a greenhouse gas. Due to climate change, algal blooms are likely to increase, amplifying release of methane to the atmosphere. Proliferation of cyanobacteria increasingly reduce the quality of the water and its suitability for domestic, livestock and wildlife use especially when manifested as toxin producing harmful algal blooms (HABs) and it is thus important to safeguard these precious water resources. Toxic algae of water quality interest include *Planktothrix* and *Dolichospermum*. Small water bodies represent microcosms through which dynamics and consequences of toxic algae can be understood and this study will generate data that can be used to complement similar studies being undertaken in the larger Lake Victoria. This study seeks to assess effects of major land use changes in the Narok socio ecological system i.e. livestock keeping (pastoralism) and commercial agricultural production, human activities and climate variability on

water pan plankton spatio-temporal ecology and provide scientific evidence that can improve our understanding of effects of emerging environmental perturbations on aquatic ecosystems in ASAL landscapes. Findings from the study will contribute to policy and practices relating to sustainable management of these critical water resources in Narok and similar tropical arid and semi arid landscapes and development of theory to improve management of fast changing African socio-ecological systems. Findings from the study may further contribute to implementation of the Narok County's current Climate Change Act (2022) and County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP).

The research further contributes to development of environmental studies research at Maasai Mara University through acquisition of research materials worth USD 20,000 and training of two MSc. students in Environmental Studies (Environmental Biology) through full tuition fees payment and fieldwork support. The following research equipment have been purchased through this research project: A YSIA603191

MULTIPARAMETER PRO PLUS METER capable of measuring upto 7 physical parameters *in situ*, a VWR 630-3098, Complete set IT415PH-1, Inverted microscope VisiScope IT415 PH with Camera, a ZOOM NTB-6A Stereo microscope and

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a Sedgwick counting chamber as well as research support chemicals, reagents and glassware.



Examples of small water bodies found within the Narok landscape.

(Photo credit: Romulus Abila, 2021)



Prof. Romulus Abila undertaking field work with a student

Nanotechnology Research Centre (NRC)



**Dr. W. Nyaigoti Omwoyo,
PhD, MRSC, FNGS
Lead Scientist and Founder,
Nanotechnology Research
Center (NRC)**

The Nanotechnology Research Centre (NRC) at Maasai Mara University, supports Academic and Research Programs in Nanotechnology. The centre is operating at the forefront of nanotechnology with a strong focus on application of nanomaterials in environmental remediation, technical drug delivery, environmental monitoring and biosafety. The centre has a unique operating model combining expertise from different branches of science to work on a common theme of Nanotechnology. The centre has a strong relationship with the leading nanotechnology experts both from the national and international level. The Center collaborates with other leading institutions including the Institute of Chemical and

Biotechnology (ICBT), Vaal University of Technology, Center for Traditional Medicine and Drug Research (CTMDR), KEMRI, Nairobi, the Department of Public Health, Pharmacology and Toxicology (PHPT), University of Nairobi and the Center for Research in Therapeutic Sciences (CREATES), Strathmore University. The successful evolution of nanotechnology has centered on a unique cohesiveness to provide a nourishing atmosphere for students, researchers and the society. The major focus of the centre is research towards areas of national priorities such as healthcare and food security. The centre relies on the state-of-the-art research equipment in the Chinese laboratories within the University which are capable of synthesizing nanomaterials and preliminary characterization. Advanced characterization is done at our collaborating institutions. Currently, the center boasts of having five (5) PhD students and seven (7) Masters students who are working on various nanotechnology related projects. Some of the on-going projects at the center include:

- i) Encapsulation of *Senna didymobotrya* and *Tithonia diversifolia* plant extracts in biodegradable nanoparticles and nanofibers as bio-pesticides against bean weevil (*Acanthoscelide obtectus*).
- ii) Physicochemical characterization and pre-clinical evaluation of encapsulated artemether lumefantrine-paracetamol triple loaded combination nano-structured lipid carriers.
- iii) Synthesis of cellulosic nanomaterials impregnated with magnetic iron oxide nanoparticles for the fenton degradation of methylene blue
- iv) Fabrication of a mosquito repellent fabric encapsulated with essential oil-loaded chitosan nanocarrier/Ag-nanoparticles for the prevention of malaria and lymphatic filariasis
- v) Encapsulation of Cannabis sativa crude extract in biodegradable PLA nanocarriers for analgesic and anti-inflammatory activities
- vi) Optimized preparation of plant loaded Polyvinyl Alcohol-Chitosan polymeric

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nanofibers and their anti-fungal properties.

vii) Synthesis and characterization of green cellulosic nanocomposite for the removal of endocrine disrupting compounds from mimicked waste waters.

viii) Production of biodegradable 3D printing material and investment casting pattern from recycled pulp sludge.

Researchers at the center are currently involved in writing several research proposals for funding. One of the proposals is aimed at improving the

chemical security in our laboratories while several others are aimed at advancing the nanotechnology multidisciplinary and multi-institutional research.

Soon, the center will develop products for commercialization as replicated in our partnering institutions.



A Masters student Using A spray dryer for microencapsulation



A masters in Chemistry student using a freeze dryer for optimum production cellulose

CENTRE FOR ICT & E-LEARNING



Mr. Anil Kumar
Director, Centre for ICT
& E-Learning

Since the year 2013 when the university was fully chartered, it has progressively improved the provision of computers and other ICT equipment to support teaching and research activities. Due to the critical role played by internet access, the university has progressively increased its internet bandwidth to 600 Mega bites per second currently, thereby allowing staff and students to access online materials. Currently, the university has a total of 24 wireless hotspots, and these have seen research

output increase as well as the quality of teaching.

The University started the process of automation in 2014, as a way of improving the quality of service and cutting down on costs, by acquiring an ERP system. So far, more than 99% of all services and operations offered within the University have been fully automated, including those in the Academics Division, Finance, Procurement, Human Resources, Library, Payroll, Timetabling, Health Services, and Accommodation among others. Students are also able to register for their courses and access their fee statements online. Similarly, members of staff are able to access their pay slips online while the university communicates regularly to students and staff via their respective online portals. The university website continues to be very important and strategic in communication. Through the university website, the ranking of the university in major international and local

rankings has been improving progressively.

I am happy to inform you that the eLearning platform for the university is fully customized and maintained by the Director, Center for ICT and eLearning. This creative work not only saves a lot of money for the university but also fulfilled many of our requirements. The ICT Directorate has also come up with some innovations for ease of doing business such as online staff support, an e-filing system as well as online student reporting. Other innovations geared towards improving service delivery that will soon be rolled out include online application of university accommodation by students and online leave application by members of staff. The ICT Directorate continues to work very closely with management, staff, and students in order to advise and support their innovations as well as support other sections of the university in service delivery.

To the Class of 2022, on behalf of the Directorate of the Centre for ICT and eLearning, we

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congratulate you on one of your greatest achievements to-date! While we know this is just the beginning of many great things to come, this accomplishment shouldn't be

taken lightly. Your dedication to the successful completion of your degree is proof you can achieve anything. We are grateful that you allowed us to be a part of your academic

journey and wish you the best in all your future endeavors.

Again, my sincerest CONGRATULATIONS!

DIRECTORATE OF QUALITY ASSURANCE & PERFORMANCE CONTRACTING



Dr. Wesonga Justus Nyongesa, PhD, IHRM, AKIM
Director, Quality Assurance

The Directorate of Quality Assurance wishes to congratulate you, our graduands on this important success in your life. The Directorate of Quality Assurance came into existence in March, 2022 as a result of separating from two directorates; Directorate of Quality Assurance and Directorate Performance

Contracting & Quality Management Systems. The sole purpose is to achieve effectiveness and efficiency in service delivery to both internal and external stakeholders of the University.

The Directorate is involved with monitoring of all academic processes to ensure that they conform to the set standards and policies. This is to ensure the university admits qualified students, offer quality market driven academic programmes, ensure quality teaching and examination process to graduate competitive students into the job market. This is achieved by use of Quality Management System as a Standard.

Maasai University is ISO 9001:2015 certified institution. This has enabled the

Directorate to use the Quality Management system (QMS) to carry out planned audits with the aim of identifying gaps and areas of improvement to keep focus in driving the university towards achieving the vision of: To be World Class University committed to academic excellence for development.

As a Directorate, we are confident that the university is releasing qualified and competent graduates to the industry to help foster the government's goals and Kenya's Vision 2030.

I take this opportunity to thank you graduands, for you represent resilience, dedication and hard work. May you shine as you join the job market and make Maasai Mara University proud. We wish you a bright future

DIRECTORATE OF ENDOWMENT FUND



Dr Daniel Nchorira Naikuni, PhD, MKIM, MIHRM
Director, Endowment Fund

"And in the end it's not the years in your life that count; it's the life in your years." Abraham Lincoln

Class of 2022 - you have dealt with the COVID-19 pandemic trends and its global impact with great fortitude, resilience, and perseverance. These makes you a special group worth celebrated. I wish you all the best during this pivotal time in your lives endeavors. Now is the time to seize the future and explore a number of opportunities through creative and innovative thinking within and out of Kenya. I believe you will all be superb professionals with great

knowledge, compassion, and empathy. In the words of William Osler, "The good physician treats the disease; the great physician treats the patient who has the disease". You are all great physicians in your own capacities and line of training. Believe in God and do the right thing towards your successes and accomplishments

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DIRECTORATE OF GENDER, EQUITY AND CULTURE



Dr. Sammy M. Mutisya
Director, Gender, Equity and Culture

The Directorate of Gender Equity and Cultures addresses all aspects and concerns related to women's and men's, boy's and girl's lives and situations in the university and society at large. These include the way they interrelate, their differences in access to and use of resources, their activities, and how they react to changes, interventions and policies.

The mandate of the directorate is to reduce Gender Based Violence in the workplace, maintain adherence to 1/3 gender rule in new appointments and promotions, develop fundable research proposals on gender related concerns and create gender awareness within the academic community and surrounding communities and to initiate partnerships and collaborations with other players in the area of gender mainstreaming.

The directorate has developed policies on gender mainstreaming and gender-based violence and works with

the national government, county governments and gender empowerment institutions towards reducing all forms of gender-based violence. The Directorate is further in the process of developing a Community Based Learning Support System for supporting out-of-school girls through utilization of community support systems, Mobile Learning Technology and gender responsive pedagogies.

The Directorate in collaboration with other sections of the university, Faith Based Organizations and relevant government departments has undertaken community outreaches to champion for the right to education for the Maasai girl child and advocated against harmful cultural practices that hinder young Maasai girls from accessing education and has allocated scholarships and bursaries to adolescent Maasai girls to pursue higher education within the University. The girls who benefit from these scholarships and bursaries become role models and good-will ambassadors for championing education rights for Maasai girls.

Vision

To promote gender equality and equity in access to opportunities within the university and surrounding

communities for advancement of inclusive societies.

Mission

To reduce obstacles towards inclusivity in education and access to employment and promotion of equal opportunities through awareness creation and recognizing the needs of both women and men, boys and girls in order to achieve gender equality and inclusive society.

Objectives

- To conduct training to facilitate integration of gender issues in policy formulation and decision making.
- To engage in outreach programmes and advocacy in gender related issues through public short courses, seminars and workshops.
- To provide counseling on gender-based issues.
- To promote gender mainstreaming in the University and community through curricular, research and career development.

Available Services for Students and Staff

- Reporting on Sex and Gender Based Violence;
- Consultancy services on gender Based Issues;
- Research on gender related issues;
- Development of research proposals on gender issues;
- Community Outreach and gender awareness;
- Collaboration with stakeholders in gender equity and culture.

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DIRECTORATE OF PUBLIC RELATIONS AND LINKAGES.

Mr. Lankeu Reason
Director, Public Relations and Linkages

The Directorate of Public Relations and Linkages (PR&L) promotes the image and brand of the University as a premiere institution of higher learning nationally, regionally and internationally. Our ideal location; sandwiched between Mau complex and the Maasai Mara National Game Reserve and being at the gateway to the seventh wonder of the world is unique and strategic.

The Directorate undertakes programmed communication, branding, publicity and marketing activities that reach target audiences through the production of quality contents; audio-visual that are shared and channeled through various media; social, digital and print. We have seven active social media accounts where there is constant engagements and interactions. The accounts are; Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, Instagram, Tiktok, Linked-in and Tumbler. We continuously produce informative videos that are shared via these social

media platforms. We partner with mainstream local media to market our programmes, for promotions and for visibility.

In modern era globalised world where technology is fast changing development and education trends, the University family not only shares and explores information, best practices and research but also embraces internalisation. Such idealistic relevance are realised through PR&L efforts in building new relationships aimed at improving the University status, services, sustainability and relevance. Creation of such large networks culminates in a web of opportunities.

The Directorate pursues strategic linkages, partnerships and collaborations with industries, institutions; both local and international, research institutes and the communities at large in areas of mutual interest anchored on the mission and vision of the University. Such connections and networks enable the University to have a lasting impact of redressing world's challenges and making it a better place.

We continue to engage partners and build relationships. This can be attested by the large number of local and foreign visitors from various institutions we have hosted in the University. Some of these include: Telkom Kenya

Limited, Kenya Defence Forces, Higher Education Loans Board (HELB), National and Equity Banks, Clemson University, James Madison University, Minnesota University and Sino-Africa Joint Research Centre, Chinese Academy of Sciences, South Korea, Changshin University, amongst others.

Some of these engagements have culminated into Memoranda of Understandings (MOUs) tailored to achieve the University's core mandates nationally and internationally. In the last financial year 2021/2022, we initiated more than twenty engagements and signed six MoUs.

The Directorate has had direct impact on the society through community service and Corporate Social Responsibility. Through these active participatory services and engagements, we create a more vibrant, caring, informed and empowered community able to steer sustainable development agenda.

As you graduate and become alumni of this great institution, be our proud ambassadors. Most importantly use the knowledge and experience acquired to be great change makers, and make meaningful transformations in your society.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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Maasai Mara University strengthens ties with Vaal University of Technology by signing a Memorandum of Understanding

On Tuesday, 8 November 2022, Maasai Mara University (MMARAU) and Vaal University of Technology (VUT), South Africa strengthened their ties and formalised their longstanding relationship by signing a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between the two universities. The signing ceremony took place at VUT's Council Chambers by the two institutions' Vice Chancellors Prof Joseph Chacha and his counterpart from VUT, Prof Dan Kgwadi. The MOU aims to confirm the collaboration between the two institutions, which will result in a number of interdisciplinary projects over the next five years. The partnership is particularly relevant to Maasai Mara University as the two institutions will be able to have student exchange for research and other academic programs, joint research activities, sharing of research and educational materials, publications and academic information amongst others to enhance the vision of the University. Furthermore, the two institutions discussed modalities of offering joint degree programs, joint curriculum development, joint organization of international conferences, joint publications and the writing of joint research proposals for funding. Previously, Maasai Mara University and Vaal University of Technology (VUT) have had several engagements which have

yielded several fruits including but not limited to;

- i. Our staff from the School of pure applied and Health Sciences, Dr. Nyaigoti Omwoyo was hosted and funded by VUT for a two year postdoctoral research fellowship and we have since been having joint publications and joint postgraduate student supervision.
- ii. Another member of staff from the same school, Mr. John Mining is currently on a PhD scholarship co-supervised by researchers from the two institutions.
- iii. Our pioneer Master of Science in Chemistry student, Mr. Evans Suter was funded to do his laboratory work at VUT two years ago and graduated from MMARAU and is currently on a scholarship pursuing his PhD studies at VUT.
- iv. This year, 2022 another staff member from the School of Business and Economics, Dr. Wesonga Justus has been awarded a fully funded postdoctoral research fellowship by VUT.
- v. On the other part, MMARAU has previously hosted Prof. Makwena Moloto from VUT for short visits on two occasions in 2017 and 2018. The Professor held several seminars with postgraduate students in

Chemistry and taught some sessions.

- vi. In September 2019 Maasai Mara University hosted twelve (12) postgraduate students from VUT who attended the 2019 MMARAU international conference presenting research articles.

In a new development, the Department of Science and Innovation, South Africa is now supporting partnerships between South African and Kenyan Institutions in line with their plan of action 2022-2025. This is what necessitated the development of a legal working relationship between Maasai Mara University and Vaal University of Technology. This institutional agreement comes at the height of ongoing efforts to boost MMARAU's co-operation and partnerships with its international peers something that is underpinned by one of its strategic objectives of strengthening international university alliances through engaged scholarships.

The signing of the MOU between MMARAU and VUT was witnessed the Kenyan High Commissioner to South Africa Amb. Samal Edeke, who said he was honoured to bear witness to the signing. He added that Kenya and South Africa signed an Agreement of Cooperation in Scientific and Technological Innovation in 2004 following which joint calls were launched between the two countries to

support researchers and innovators from public universities and research institutes for the mutual benefit of the two countries.

As a token of appreciation, the MMARAU delegation presented each VUT representatives in attendance with beautiful Shuka, a traditional cloth mostly worn by the Massai people of Kenya.

Below are Samples of Photos from the function:



Maasai Mara University initiates ties with University of Pretoria, South Africa.

Maasai Mara University initiated Collaboration activities with University of Pretoria, South Africa. The activities include but not limited to joint research, and teaching of Kiswahili among other areas



Above are Prof. Tawana Kupe, VC University of Pretoria and Prof. Joseph Chacha, VC Maasai Mara University and their delegation posing for a group Photo at the VC's Boardroom, University of Pretoria.

Social Responsibility for Development

Community service and Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) are engrained crucial components

of University mandate. It is through these events that the University gains unique sense of purpose and service. By

engaging in these activities, it manifests its role in diverse areas of life, creating a more

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vibrant and caring and responsible community.

Maasai Mara University over the year engaged in numerous of such activities. We visited the Maasai Mara University Model Primary School and donated three energy saving fire stoves, 50 metallic chairs and 200 exercise books. It is a norm, quite often; charitable occasions and sponsorship events in educational institutions are accompanied by mentorship sessions. This occasion was not an exception. “We take our responsibilities to society with the seriousness it deserves. As our Model Primary School, it is our duty to ensure that you grow and be a shining example to other Primary Schools and the larger community. We strive to ensure that this Model Primary School portray a positive impact and be a symbol of change and to the wider community,” Mr. Samson Shakai, Liason Officer said.

The University’s time dedicated to helping the local community teaches resilience, kindness and patience. “We are here to hold your hands as a team, we need each other. When you grow today, our community is safe tomorrow. This is a big opportunity to gain experience and interact,” said Mr. Peter Mutange, Estates Development. As a fulfilment to these words, Mr. Mutange pledged to pay school fees for one needy child for a term.

On a similar note, the University also donated 100 seats to Nkilogosi Primary School.

Other social development and CSR activities undertaken during the final Year 2012/2022 included attending the Day of the African Child, participation in the International Women’s Day in Naroosura, Narok South and participation in the launch of Narok Gender Policy and the International Zero Tolerance Day for Female Genital Mutilation (FGM), at Suswa Primary School. The local communities were sensitized and engaged on the value of formal education and the negative impact of retrogressive cultural practices.

The Department of Nursing, the Directorate of Research and Innovation and The Directorate of Public Relations and Linkages did community service for development event in Limanet Primary School to; revive 4-K Clubs in schools, health talks on Malnutrition, Sexual Reproductive Health, immunization, and hospital delivery, and life skills, demonstration and promotion of use of Briquettes as alternative source of clean energy and an environmental protection tool and tree planting.

For sensitisation, mentorship, motivation and marketing of the University programmes, the University through the Directorate of Public Relations and Linkages have continued to visit Schools. As a part of Corporate Social Responsivity (CSR), sanitary towels and trees seedlings are donated. Some of the recently visited secondary schools include; Naroosura

Mixed, Mengit Mixed, Siwot Mixed Schools, Kilgoris Girls, Mao Springs, St. Antony, Olasiti Boys, Olesharo Girls, Sakutiek Mixed, Saleita Mixed, Oloropil Mixed and Ole Ntimama Mixed. Such events are crucial in building relationships and making positive impacts on the lives of the local community. Maasai Mara University is focused on engaging the local community to seek solutions for local problems and undertake development programing continuously.



A cross-section of Teachers and pupils of Maasai Mara University Model Primary Schools having a feel of donated seats from Maasai Mara University.



Mr. Samson Shakai, University Liaison Officer donating books to pupils from Maasai Mara University Model Primary School.



Dr. Jedidah Nankaya, Chairperson, Forestry and Wildlife

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Management, Second left with Mengit Secondary School students having a mentorship and motivation talks during the school visit programme.



Ms. Jacqueline Naulikha, Chairperson, Health Science, practically demonstrating to pupils of Limanet Primary School the use of sacks for vegetable production as a solution to food insecurity.

Directorate of Public Relations and Linkages

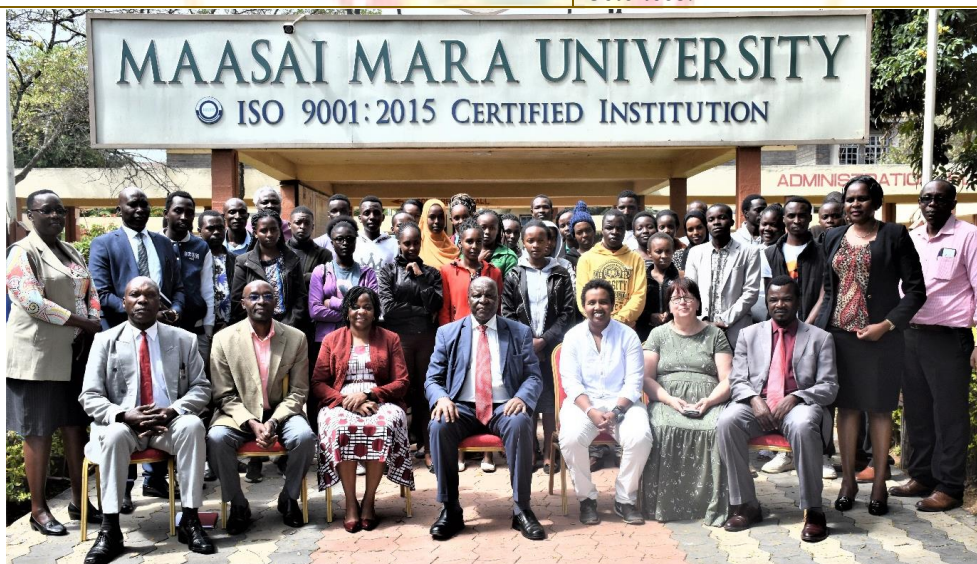
MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY PICTORIALS



fruits of partnership. Mr. Lankeu Reson, Director Public Relations and Linkages, (right) receiving an assortment of gifts from Prof. Mitchel Cude, (Centre), James Madison University, USA. Looking is Prof. Paul Maithya, (left) and the Acting Vice-Chancellor Prof. Joseph S. Chacha, (second right).



Prof. Nathan Oyaro, Dean, School of Pure, Applied and Health Sciences, (left), and Prof. Francis Mburu, Dean, School of Natural Resources, Tourism and Hospitality Management (right) with Prof. Xue Yan (2nd left) and, Mr. David Huai-Bo Liu (3rd left) from Sino-Africa Joint Research Centre, Chinese Academy of Sciences, examining equipment in the Chemistry Laboratory which are some of the fruits of the collaboration and partnership between Maasai Mara University and the Chinese Academy of Sciences.



50 Health Care Assistants (HCA) trainees joins Maasai Mara University leaders, representatives from Narok County, Finnpartnership and AmaniHoiva Kenya Ltd, a subsidiary of AmaniHoiva Kotihoito Oy, in a group photo. This was during the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and the launch of HCA training. With support from Finnpartnership, AmaniHoiva has reviewed and enhanced the curricula in training HCA. Training is anchored in Maasai Mara University, Department of Health Sciences and the programme is envisioned to run for four years. The County Government of Narok through its Ministry of Health and Ministry of Education provides access to healthcare facilities to be used in training.

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Deeper connection. A student from James Madison University (JMU), USA and a Maasai Mara University student (right) interlock fingers symbolizing the deeper connection and a web of opportunities brought about through the partnership between the two institutions. In June 2022, eight students and four Professors from JMU visited MMU.



Mr. Justus Ope, Chairperson, Computing and Information Sciences, (front left), Dr. Sammy Mutisya, Director, Gender (centre) and Mr. Kigen Koech, Manager Innovations and Strategic Partnership, Telkom Kenya Ltd, (right) who led Telkom's technical team to survey the University for possible collaboration in areas of mutual interests. Behind are; Kevin Sadia (left) and Njoroge Kihara (right) both of ICT.



Mr. Kinuthia Wamwangi, council member addressing members of the press after a successful interdenominational prayer held at the University main hall. On-lookers are the Acting Vice-Chancellor Prof. Joseph S. Chacha, (behind right), Deputy Vice-Chancellor Academic and Student Affairs ((A&SA), Prof. Bulitia Godrick Mathews, (behind centre), and the University Chairman of the Council. Kennedy Ole Kerei, (behind left).

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Director of Public Relations and Linkages, Mr. Lankeu Reson (left), the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Academic and Student Affairs (A&SA), Prof. Bulitia Godrick Mathews, (3rd left), Acting deputy Vice-Chancellor, Administration, Finance and strategy (AF&S), Prof. James Nampushi, (4th right), Prof. Nathan Oyaro, Dean, School of Pure, Applied and Health Sciences (5th left), Prof. Francis Mburu, (right) Dean, School of Natural Resources, Tourism and Hospitality Management, Dr. Jedidah Nanakaya, Chairperson Forestry and Wildlife Management (2nd right) and Mr. Anil Kumar, Director ICT (3rd right), with visitors from University of Maryland U.S.A; Prof. Craig Beyrouthy, the Dean, (2nd left), Prof. William Bowerman, Department Chair, (5th right) and Prof. Jennifer Mullinax, (4th left).



Scholarly jig. A section of Maasai Mara University students' traditional dancers entertaining guests during the ASWEK International Conference held in the University. The conference was attended by participants from nine countries.



Promoting the University niche area. Participants from Millersville University of Pennsylvania, USA planting a tree seedling next to the physics laboratory as a symbolic effort of environmental conservation protection, preservation and management. This was during the Association of Social Work Educators in Kenya (ASWEK) International Conference held at the University on 25th to 27th May 2022.

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THE OMBUDSMAN OFFICE (PUBLIC COMPLAINTS DEPARTMENT)



Dr. Alexander Meitamei
HOD, Public Complaints
Department

Complaints handling and resolution is an important Performance Contracting requirement which aims at achieving one of the University's policy statements of **Providing customer**

friendly and market driven services by encouraging stakeholders feedback. As the MMARAU Ombudsman Office, our sole mandate is receiving and resolving customer complaints. To achieve our mandate, we have established a complaints handling infrastructure, built capacity among our staff members and created awareness among our clients. We envision leadership in provision of customer driven services by acting as an avenue for launching complaints, giving suggestions and preferences. Our customer complaints resolution score by Commission on Administrative Justice for FY 2021/2022 was

87% as per the Commission for Administrative Justice (CAJ) ranking. We are motivated by continuous improvement of our services and aim at the 100% mark in the FY 2022/2023. As the Ombudsman Office we take this opportunity to congratulate all our 2022 grandaunds for having successfully completed their studies and wish them success as they venture out into the world. We urge them to prudently make use of the competence, knowledge and skills acquired to create a niche for themselves in the society. To all our graduates, the Ombudsman Department says **Pongezi Sana!**

SENIOR PROCUREMENT OFFICER



Julius Oyamo
Senior Procurement Officer

The Procurement Department plays a significant role in supporting the University achieve its strategic objectives through efficient, effective and economical procurement of goods, works and services. In line with Article 227 of the Constitution, which anchors The Public Procurement and Disposal Act, 2015 and its Regulations of 2020 the Procurement Department

ensures that procurement of goods, works and services is expedited within realistic timelines taking into account the preparation of procurement requirements and budgetary allocation. The Department strives to help the University realise its vision which is in line with one of the government Big Four agenda on providing quality education which is a pre-requisite for manpower development, laying the foundation for skills development at later years for the youth, contributing to basic health as well as lifelong learning by preparing a wholesome population.

To ensure economical, quality and timely supplies the Department is always operating on the basic principles of transparency, integrity, economy, openness,

fairness, competition and accountability with the overriding principles being: National values & principles, Equality & freedom from discrimination, Affirmative action programmes, Principles of integrity, Principles of public finance, Values & principles of public service, Principles governing procurement profession, and Maximization of value for money. In line with the law, the unit always allocates at least 30% of the total procurement budget to the marginalized groups under the preference and reservation scheme.

Perhaps one of the most transformative socio-economic initiatives ever initiated by the Government of Kenya is the one enabling the youth, women and persons with disabilities to

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access at least 30 per cent of government procurement opportunities. Access to Government Procurement Opportunities (AGPO) is one of those programmes that should be celebrated for removing barriers, changing attitudes and reinforcing the principles

of tolerance and respect for the marginalized sections of our society, in line with the basic constitutional principles articulated in the Bill of Rights. It is with this in mind that we encourage the youth, women and persons with disability to partner with us so that they

can benefit from the 30% allocation.

On my behalf and that of the Procurement Department, I wish all the graduands well and prosperity in their next course of action.

SECURITY AND SAFETY



Peter M. Muiruri
Chief Security Officer

Security and Safety is a service department that provides the best

security and safety services to our clients by demonstrating the responsiveness, diligence, judgment, teamwork, professionalism, transparency, accountability, equality, social, justice, and building our culture of excellence.

The department has a police post, police officers, seconded from other government security agencies and internal security guards who are

trained on emergency response skills in fire drill, first aid and terrorism also on how to deter crimes within the institution.

The department further has a patrol vehicle that provides 24hrs surveillance within the university perimeter and also cordial relationship with the external security agencies.

I wish all graduands God's blessings in their future endeavours.

ESTATE MANAGER



Paul Sankale Loonturot
Estate Manager

The Estates Department is among key departments of the University under Administration, Finance and Strategy division entrusted to manage the construction of all capital projects and maintaining university

buildings, roads, drainages and other physical infrastructure to support the core mandate of the University. The department endeavors to achieve this cost-effectively while complying with statutory requirements and general good practice.

The Department provides a diverse range of services to the University. Among its many functions, the department is responsible for:

i. Maintaining and regularly reviewing a maintenance programme which takes account of short, medium

and long-term needs of all physical infrastructure.

ii. Implementing works identified and funded within various maintenance programmes and operating a system of dealing with day-to-day requirements. This includes continued provision of out-of-hours emergency service.

iii. Providing professional and technical service to the University for design, construction and procurement of new buildings.

iv. Identifying and recording use of space and advising

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on ways of optimizing space.

- v. Attending to repairs of University departments on a day-to-day basis.
- vi. Procuring and managing utilities and technical services.

INFRASTRUCTURAL DEVELOPMENT

In the Financial Year 2020/2021 the department managed to complete the construction of Proposed Tuition Block Phases 1,2 and

3. The goal of the project was to contribute in achieving Strategic Development Goal 4 in the Kenya's vision 2030 third Medium Term Plan (MTP III) 2018-2022 to Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all by providing spaces where learning, research and consultancy services are carried out.

The department is also preparing to undertake the construction of the Proposed Library beginning July 2023. The library have been designed with revitalized spaces specialized and well oriented with an aim of inspiring and providing a world-class, 21st century library unit that inspires creativity, study, and learning for current and future students.

TRANSPORT & GARAGE DEPARTMENT



Denson Cheserem
Ag. Transport & Garage
Manager

Transport Department's core mandate is provision of transport services to students and staff members as they fulfill their duties and responsibilities. We are committed to providing world-class transport which is safe, reliable, efficient, and satisfying to users.

Our other responsibilities include management of University vehicles, maintenance and repairs, implementation of transport policies, assessment of University transport needs and advise on required motor

vehicles, facilitating procurement of new vehicles and disposal of old ones among other transport related duties.

Let me congratulate the graduating class of 2022, on behalf of the staff at the Transport Department and on my own behalf, on their well-deserved achievement. I know it has not been easy. It has taken hard work and perseverance to reach where you are today. Kudos!

Graduation is always an emotional time, reflecting a significant moment in your lives and for your families, friends, and everyone who has supported and nurtured you throughout your educational journey. The degree you have earned speaks volumes about your character, aspirations, resilience, stamina, and determination; it also signifies the knowledge you have mastered.

There is more to achieving a degree than just the degree

itself. It is also the culmination of a period in your life when you have developed in so many other ways. Through your experience, you have gained a greater appreciation for community, humanity, and camaraderie. You have a sense of common purpose and not least by gains in your confidence and abilities. You have also made the kinds of friendships that last a lifetime - it is indeed an invaluable gift.

Follow your passion regardless



of what you pursue, even if the path sometimes appears circuitous. Work hard, have fun, but remain sharply aware of the inevitable and perpetual changes in the world around you and the new opportunities

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they create. Always remain open to new possibilities.

Once again, I would like to congratulate the class of 2022, as well as your family and friends who have supported you throughout your journey. We wish you every success. God bless you and God bless

Maasai Mara University.



CATERING DEPARTMENT



Caren Goro
Catering Officer

Catering department is a unit under Administration, Finance and Strategy Division. It plays a significant role in providing affordable and quality meals to students, University guests and also caters for seminars and workshops (both internal and external). For students our services enable them have stress free environment to attend to lectures on time and have enough time to study.

Our main focus as a service unit is on customer

satisfaction. To achieve this, we provide quality nutritious meals and a favorable dining experience. The department is committed to ethical standards in operations and boasts of a professional and dedicated team who are always willing to ensure students' and University wide hospitality needs are catered for.

The department has the ability to cater for important seminars or international conferences i.e ASWEK International Conference successfully, among others. The department has also embraced technology by moving from cash collection at the point of sale to use of Pay bill.

To our graduating class of 2022, I and on behalf of the catering staff congratulate you on this special day as you transit to another level in your life. We challenge you to take the knowledge and skills

that you have acquired with a driven determination to use it and make a difference in the country and world at large. As a department it is our belief that we had a positive impact on your stay in the university. Let this graduation serve as a launching point, projecting you to wherever the future is meant to take you.

As a department we wish you well in your future endeavours. God bless you, God bless Maasai Mara.



Dedicated staff from catering department are always offering exemplary services in all events in the University.

LABOUR RELATIONS

UNIVERSITIES ACADEMIC STAFF UNION (UASU) - MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY CHAPTER



Bonface Isalambo Khadohi
UASU Chapter Secretary

On behalf of the Universities Academic Staff Union (UASU), I congratulate all our graduands during the 10th Graduation ceremony. The 174 lecturers spread across the five schools have

worked tirelessly to develop the curricula, undertake research, teach and examine graduands. We are now celebrating the final product fully prepared and ready for the job market.

UASU performs a representational and negotiation role with University Management and University Council on behalf of its membership on terms and conditions of service. This helps to regulate the relationship between its membership and all the stakeholders. The Union will continue engaging the employer on staff welfare issues with

objective of raising their motivation and improve productivity at the workplace.

UASU appeals to the graduands - the new global citizens- to take up their roles both locally, nationally and internationally. Graduands should take local initiatives that have a global impact by playing transformational roles in the society.

God bless all Graduands of Maasai Mara University.

Solidarity Forever!

KENYA UNIVERSITIES STAFF UNION (KUSU) - MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY CHAPTER



Galfen Omuse, MBA, AKIM
Branch Secretary
KUSU-MMU

The Kenya Universities Staff Union (KUSU) is a national labour movement that represents

University workers from the level of Grade 5 up to 15. These are middle and senior administrative staff members of all universities in the Republic of Kenya.

Kenya Universities Staff Union (KUSU) Maasai Mara University Branch, is set up of a strong and formidable team of nine leaders who regulate relations between workers and employer. Trade unions fight for better working conditions and

remuneration for its members. It advocates sound relations between employers and workers through the promotion and protection of freedom of association, collective bargaining agreements and dispute resolution. More specifically, trade unions negotiate for wages, work rules, complaint procedures, rules governing hiring, firing and promotion of workers,

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benefits, workplace safety and policies.

I am happy to identify with you on the successful completion of your programmes of study at Maasai Mara University. Congratulations on your noble achievement. This occasion calls for immense gratitude to God and your appreciation of the strategies put in place by the University Management and the Senate to ensure that you graduate as scheduled.

During your stay in the University, I have no doubt that you acquired knowledge, imbibed morals,

and now, you are proud Alumni of Maasai Mara University, with great hope that you will remain attached to the goals of this great institution.

True education makes us humble. Humility and good character will open doors for you and take you where brilliance cannot sustain you. Make the most of your achieved quality education from MMU by fully engaging positively and substantively with your community, and services to your country. Always remember, like those that graduated before you, MMU trained you to go

anywhere in life and be successful. And, I do hope you remember that it is only through integrity that success counts. Always remember the diversity of individuals who came together to make your life perfect and your journey peaceful, as well as the quality education you received.

On my behalf, and that of the entire Branch Executive Committee, I wish you all the best on your graduation.

KENYA UNION OF DOMESTIC, HOTEL, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, HOSPITALS & ALLIED WORKERS (KUDHEHIA)



Elijah Kutingala
Shop Steward

Hardwork and commitment pays! Let me take this opportunity to congratulate the Class of 2022 on your graduation. You all planted a seed and the time has come for you to reap the fruits. I

wish you all the best in all your endeavors especially as you are now going to the job market to execute what you have learnt at Maasai Mara University. Congratulations once more. I am very proud of you all.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

THE CHAIRPERSON, MMUSA



Jerry Rawlings Ayieko
The Chairperson, MMUSA

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the 2022 graduates on this special occasion - the 10th Graduation Ceremony. Your hard work, resilient and enthusiastic spirit in pursuit of academic goals has yielded fruit. We are very proud of you.

I would like to pass my profound gratitude to the University Council, the Vice Chancellor, the staff, the entire student body, and the university at large for contributing to the success of this special occasion.

To your parents, guardians, and families, I thank them for the support they have shown from the day you started your academic journey until this far you have reached. Without forgetting your lecturers who were committed and through their efforts, you were able to undergo the whole process.

As you go to the outside world, I know you are

equipped with skills required in various fields and you are able to survive in the competitive markets. The fact that you have reached this far means that you are book-smart and this is a clear indication that you can contribute to the development of this country economically. Be good ambassadors of this great institution and be the teachers of high morality and always show civilization.

We wish you all the best and always make us proud as you are out there.

THE SECRETARY GENERAL, MMUSA



Fred Murimi.
Secretary General,
MMUSA

“Cherish your visions and your dreams as they are the children of your soul, the blueprints of your

ULTIMATE

ACHIEVEMENTS.” You have walked a tough race and you have proved your resilience towards achievement of your goals and your academic excellence in Maasai Mara University. Just as our university anthem says that “Maasai Mara University is the Epitome of Academic Excellence Research and Innovative Teaching Promoting Equity and Social Justice,” today you have proved this right to everyone

and the whole world at large. Kudos!

Let me congratulate the class of 2022 in a special way for your endless efforts towards the achievement of your 8-4-4 studies. Today you celebrate your graduation that ushers you to the outside world, well equipped and fully moulded to face the struggles, the challenges and ladders life offers. I know and I am quite certain that today we produce the best of best

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practioners of different fields. Go and make the world feel your impact and weight. Change the world to a better place for you, for us and the generations to come. There are great opportunities out there for you to make yourselves better, go win and go make you productive in the

society. Maasai Mara university has equipped and prepared you with the necessary skills for the same, therefore be an asset to the entire field, country and the society.

I thank God He has been grateful to you all up to this level and you finally have made it. You have walked a

tough race, fought and you've conquered, you have finally become successful, therefore you are equal to the task out there. Make networks, think big and win. God bless you, God bless Maasai Mara University and God bless Kenya.

SECRETARY ACADEMIC AFFAIRS & EDITORIAL, MMUSA



William Derickson
Academics & Editing
General, MMUSA

Jubilations to the 2022 graduating class. It is my delight and sincere submission, that this is a monumental milestone in your academic journey, to extol the fantastic achievements you either independently or collectively achieved. My brothers and sisters, this graduation is never the blind

end of the road for you, on the basis that we do not know what the world has for us in store out there. Let us go out with a flexible mind, to face the world from whichever the dimensions it would present us. Having excelled in the realm of academia from this great citadel of knowledge, it is our hope that you will always apply the same efforts in building yourself, people around you and our nation.

May you always have new opportunities come your way, making you always successful in life. All you have to do is believe in yourself, not forgetting those who pushed you up the

ladder. We are proud of you, be proud of yourself. What we know, you did your best, so shall we keep hoping for the best for you.

As I go, I quote, "The future is always uncertain, but we who celebrate what you have done, who celebrate all your achievements, we're certain of one thing on this day; You'll not let us down." Kamala Haris.

May God take control, thank you all, see you outside world.



Group Photo for the MMUSA Leadership

Name	Leadership Position	Sitting/Standing position
Jerry Rawlings Ayieko	MMUSA Chairperson	2 nd from left
Anne Nduku Kanu	Vice- chairperson	3 rd from left
Fred Murimi Lucy	Secretary general	1 st from left
Rotich Timothy	Secretary finance	2 nd from right
William Derrickson	Secretary academics and editorial	Standing at the back
Anne Wangui Gachiri	Secretary health, catering and special needs	3 rd from right
Abiud Kimutai Choge	Secretary sports and entertainment	1 st from right



The acting Vice-Chancellor Prof. Joseph S. Chacha, (seated 4th left), Dean of Students Mr. Mohamed Abdullahi Adan, (seated 2nd left) and Assistant Dean, Dr. Alice Sambu, (standing right) with the newly elected Maasai Mara University Students Association (MMUSA) leaders, 2022/2023 and the outgoing MMUSA leaders 2021/2022 in a group photo after the 2022 swearing in ceremony.

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MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY ALUMNI

THE OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES.



Dr. Patrick Gudda
Section Head, Office
of Career Services
(Centre)

The office of career services was established in 2019 tasked with the following responsibilities:

- Linkages between industry and students;
- Facilitate intra-institution exchange;
- Facilitating alumni network;
- Facilitate linkages between industry and students;
- Academic advising;
- Career counseling;
- Undertake graduate tracer studies among others.

DELIVERABLES

In the second quarter of the 2022/2023 FY, the OCS has so far achieved several milestones. Under the aegis of the County Youth Affairs Office, YUNITOK & YOMI programs were launched where students participated in various short courses. So far 70 students – 39 gentlemen and 31 ladies – have completed the fundamentals of digital marketing course.

A professional career day – with the theme Navigating the World of the 21st Century Careers and the Future World - was held on the 12th November, 2022 wherein over 800 students were taken through a number of themes regarding various career paths in the emerging world. These included: How to navigate the whole recruiting process; Professionals Certifications beyond CPA; Employment through Innovations; Choosing a Career path; Future of work; Careers in Statistics and Machine Learning; Short presentation and Specialization and Career Interest specific discussions. Now that you are well equipped with information and knowledge Quote: *BEWARE of enormous opportunities that abound in your environment. BELIEVE in your natural abilities. BEGIN to chart your career path. BECOME the professionals hat your desire-* Dr. Patrick Gudda. ALUMNI.

The OCS has initiated several activities for alumni: on Saturday 5th November, 2022 alumni basketball team visited the university and had matches at Ole Ntimama Stadium.

The need to maintain networks and collaborations among the alumni was emphasized for purposes of seizing attachment, internship, training, mentorship and job

placement opportunities for students. The basketball alumni mooted the idea of renovating the university court and initiating academic support programs.

on Saturday 19th November, 2022, a 1-day alumni sports day was held. Matches were played between Masimba and Mara Legend football/volleyball teams. Skills exhibition matches were on the cards for both hockey and rugby.

On the said occasion, the Maasai Mara University Alumni Association – MMUAA- was launched and the constitution registered with the registrar of societies (certificate No. SOC/76836) was handed to the alumni interim officials.

MENTORSHIP

Our mentorship program is up and running with the 2022 cohort having been assigned mentors.

During this 10th convocation, on behalf of the OCS, I would like to congratulate the 2022 graduating class and encourage them to register their alumni membership at the OCS office or through the alumni webpage on the MMU website, join MMU Alumni WhatsApp group, as well as follow the official alumni Facebook account by clicking the following link <http://www.facebook.com/alumnimu.mmu.7>.

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Dr. Patrick Gudda, Section Head, Office of Career Services (Centre) and Dr. Justus Wesonga, Director Quality Assurance, (right) being introduced to team members of Maasai Mara University football during an Alumni Sports Day.

MESSAGES FROM ALUMNI.



Full Name: Chesseto Cheminy Stella
Program: Master of Business Management
Year of Graduation: 2019
Currently Doing: Procurement Officer at Maasai Mara University
Benefits to me and Maasai Mara University: I enhanced skills necessary to

perform procurement operations effectively and efficiently; a procurement process that is aligned with the emerging trends and issues; a process that calls for diversity, equity and inclusion.

The department has made great strides in developing effective procurement strategies managing relationships with all their interested parties, embrace technology, minimize procurement costs and reduce risks within the procurement cycle.

I wish to leave you with a quote by George Henry Hubbard, author & religious leader “We cannot determine

whether our faces shall be beautiful or ugly, our bodies graceful or deformed. But the shaping of our life is in our own hands. We make that great or small, noble or mean, as we will.

To our graduands I congratulate you all for job well done.

I wish to invite you to join MMU University Alumni to expand your professional network

KUDOS!



Full Name: Kiboi Kipkorir Walter
Program: Political Science and Public Administration
Year of Graduation: 2020
Currently Doing: Masters in Public Policy and Administration
Message:

Maasai Mara university has built in me a professional Political Scientist as well as a professional Public Administrator full of skills in governance knowledge and world political dynamics. In Maasai Mara University

excellence is what I have received and wish to implore others to take same faith in this great institution.

PRIVATELY SPONSORED STUDENTS' PROGRAMMES (PSSP)

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for admission into the following programmes offered at the Maasai Mara University.

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION**Ph.D Programmes**

- Ph.D in Educational Administration
- Ph.D in Educational Curriculum Instruction and Media
- Ph.D in Educational Psychology
- Ph.D in Guidance and Counseling
- Ph.D in Early Childhood Development Education
- Ph.D in Educational Curriculum Studies

Masters Degree Programmes

- Master of Education (Guidance & Counseling)
- Master of Education (Educational Administration)
- Master of Education (Early Childhood Development)
- Master of Education (Special Needs Education)
- Master of Education (Educational Psychology)
- Master of Education (Curriculum Instruction & Media)

Undergraduate Degree Programmes

- Bachelor of Education (Arts)
- Bachelor of Education (Science)
- Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood Development Education)
- Bachelor of Education (Arts/Science) with Special Needs Education
- Bachelor of Education (Arts/Science) with Guidance and Counseling

Diploma Programmes

- Diploma in Early Childhood Development
- Diploma in Education (Arts/Sciences)

SCHOOL OF PURE, APPLIED & HEALTH SCIENCES**Ph.D Programmes**

- Ph.D in Chemistry
- Ph.D in Pure Mathematics
- Ph.D in Physics
- Ph.D in Applied Mathematics
- Ph.D in Applied Statistics

Masters Degree Programmes

- Master of Science in Chemistry
- Master of Science in Pure Mathematics
- Master of Science in Physics
- Master of Science in Applied Statistics
- Master of Science in Applied Mathematics
- Master of Science in Information Science
- Master of Science in Computer Science
- Master of Science in Applied Entomology

Undergraduate Degree Programmes

- Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
- Bachelor of Science in Information Science
- Bachelor of Science in Applied Statistics with Computing
- Bachelor of Science in Botany
- Bachelor of Science in Chemistry
- Bachelor of Science in Zoology
- Bachelor of Science in Physics
- Bachelor of Science in Mathematics
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing
- Bachelor of Science in Microbiology

Diploma and Certificate Programmes

- Diploma in Information Technology
- Diploma in Computer Science
- Diploma in Nutrition and Dietetics
- Certificate in Information Technology

SCHOOL OF ARTS, HUMANITIES & CREATIVE INDUSTRIES**Ph.D Programmes**

- Ph.D in Kiswahili
- Ph.D in Linguistics
- Ph.D in Literature

Masters Degree Programmes

- Master of Arts (Kiswahili)
- Master of Arts (Public Policy and Administration)
- Master of Arts (Linguistics)
- Master of Arts (Literature)
- Master of Arts in Philosophy
- Master of Social Work

Undergraduate Degree Programmes

- Bachelor of Arts in Community Development
- Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Public Administration
- Bachelor of Arts in Criminology and Penology
- Bachelor of Arts in Sociology
- Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies
- Bachelor of Arts in History
- Bachelor of Arts in Social Work
- Bachelor of Arts in Language and Communication
- Bachelor of Arts in Kiswahili and Journalism
- Bachelor of Arts in Communication and Journalism
- Bachelor of Arts in Communication and Public Relations.
- Bachelor of Arts in Literature, Theatre and Film
- Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy

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Diploma Programmes

- Diploma in Social Work & Community development

Certificate Programmes

- Certificate in Social Work

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS & ECONOMICS**Ph.D Programmes**

- Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration

Masters Degree Programmes

- Master of Business Administration
- Master of Philosophy in Human Resource Management
- Master of Science in Econometrics and Statistics
- Master of Science in Financial Economics
- Master of Science in Economic Policy Analysis and Management
- Master of Science in Agricultural Economics & Resource Management

Undergraduate Degree Programmes

- Bachelor of Commerce
- Bachelor of Science in Economics
- Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics & Resource Management
- Bachelor of Science in Agribusiness Management
- Bachelor of Science in Human Resource Management
- Bachelor of Science in Financial Economics
- Bachelor of Science in Economics and Statistics
- Bachelor of Science in Entrepreneurship
- Bachelor of Science in Project Planning and Management

Diploma Programmes

- Diploma in Business Management
- Diploma in Human Resource Management

Certificate Programmes

- Certificate in Business Management

- Certificate in Human Resource Management
- SCHOOL OF NATURAL RESOURCES, TOURISM & HOSPITALITY**

Ph.D Programmes

- Ph. D in Land Resource Management
- Ph.D in Environmental Planning and Management
- Ph.D in Environmental Studies

Masters Degree Programmes

- Master of Science (Environmental Studies)
- Master of Arts (Geography)
- Master of Environmental Planning and Management
- Master of Science in Land Resource Management

Undergraduate Degree Programmes

- Bachelor of Science in Wildlife Management
- Bachelor of Science in Forest Ecosystems Management
- Bachelor of Science in Animal Health & Production
- Bachelor of Arts in Geography
- Bachelor of Environmental studies (Biology and Health)
- Bachelor of Environmental studies (Earth Sciences)
- Bachelor of Urban and Regional Planning
- Bachelor of Tourism Management
- Bachelor of Science in Parks, Recreation and Leisure Management
- Bachelor of Hotel and Hospitality Management
- Bachelor of Environmental Management

Diploma Programmes

- Diploma in Wildlife & Tourism Management.
- Diploma in Hotels & Hospitality Management
- Diploma in Animal Health and Production

Certificate Programmes

- Certificate in Wildlife & Tourism Management

MINIMUM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**• PhD programmes:**

A Masters degree in the relevant field from a recognized University.

• Masters programmes:

2nd Class Honours (Upper Division) from a recognized university OR 2nd Class Honours (Lower Division), with two years' post qualification relevant work experience.

• Undergraduate programmes:

*Mean Grade of C+ in KCSE
or a C/C- with a relevant Diploma*

• Diploma programmes:

KCSE Mean Grade of C/C- and above

or *a Mean Grade of D+ with a Certificate from a recognized institution.*

• Diploma in Education (Secondary Option):

KCSE Mean Grade of C+ and a C+ in two teaching subjects.

• Diploma in Education (Primary Option):

Mean Grade of C+ or a Mean Grade of C (plain) with a P1 certificate.

• Certificate programmes:

KCSE Mean Grade of D+ and above.

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INTAKES

- Full time and Evening modes of study: January, May and September
- School based/Part time modes of study: April, August and December

HOW TO APPLY

Official application forms are available at the Admissions office or can be downloaded from our website **www.mmarau.ac.ke**.

Duly completed application forms should be accompanied by a non-refundable application fee of **Kshs. 500/=** for Certificate and Diploma programmes, **Kshs. 1000/=** for Undergraduate programmes and **Kshs. 2000/=** for postgraduate programmes. Payments should be deposited into any of the following University accounts: Co-operative Bank ltd, Narok Branch (**01129337192600**) or Equity Bank, Narok branch (**0360292999764**).

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