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KUSU-MMUST
Executive Committee Elections
25th January 2021
Main Campus (Multipurpose Hall)



Editor's Pen

Dear MMUST Community,

Happy New Year!

We welcome you back to the University as we start the year 2021. Despite the many challenges we faced last year due to COVID-19, we are grateful to be able to come back together, both staff and students, in order to continue with the University Vision 'To be the Premier University in Science, Technology and Innovation'.

We wish you a fruitful and productive 2021!



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NEW TVET BOARD INAUGURATED TO DRIVE TVET AGENDA AT MMUST



Ag. Vice Chancellor, Prof. Solomon Shibaïro addresses new TVET Board members in the Vice Chancellor's Boardroom

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The Directorate of Technical, Vocational Education and Training (TVET) at Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology inaugurated a new TVET Board on Tuesday, 12th January 2021 in the Vice Chancellor's Boardroom.

The Ag. Vice Chancellor, Prof. Solomon Shibaïro spoke during the commissioning ceremony emphasizing on the need to upscale progress of development of an autonomous TVET institute at MMUST.

“We want to get this TVET institute and admit the young people who have not secured chances in any Higher Education Institutions. This country needs more people who are hands-on to solve issues,” said Prof. Shibaïro.

Prof. Shibaïro urged the Board members to fully dedicate their energy into doing the job without focusing on financial rewards or allowances. He added that they are expected to drive TVET agenda in the University and beyond and advise the TVET Director accordingly.

The Ag. Deputy Vice Chancellor in charge of Academics and Student Affairs, Prof. Peter Odera remarked that TVET gives the University the tinge as a training institution in Science and Technology. He said that the Board should work as a team to ensure that the TVET Directorate puts the right programmes in place.

“Your success as a Board will be for the University because we are anchored in Science and Technology,” he said.

The TVET Director, Dr. Eng. Samuel Waweru expressed his gratitude to the University Management for its support towards full establishment of the TVET Institute. He said that he had witnessed the growth of the University and the TVET Directorate, adding that there were about forty (40) programmes and close to three thousand five hundred (3,500) students pursuing courses under TVET.

Dr. Waweru added that the Directorate worked closely with the TVET-Authority (TVETA) in 2020 to ensure accreditation of more programmes. Speaking on the newly commissioned Board, he emphasized on active participation of each Board member in promoting the TVET agenda.



TVET Director, Dr.Samuel Waweru (standing) giving his remarks during the inauguration ceremony..

The TVET Board is charged with the following duties and responsibilities;

1. Consider and approve all TVET programmes from respective departments before submission to the University Senate.
2. Formulation of policy issues in the TVET Directorate.
3. Consider and approve the academic results for the TVET Programmes at all levels before onward submission to University Senate.

4. Promote TVET activities through workshops, seminars, conferences and fairs.
5. Building linkages in TVET between University, the industry and other TVET institutions locally and internationally.
6. Build strong collaborations between TVET Directorate and MMUST Enterprises in developing new production ventures using the human and physical resources available in the Directorate.
7. Ensure high quality standards in training technologies with requisite skills for today's industry.
8. Give advice to the Director on all policy issues and implementation of programmes and promoting research and innovation in TVET subsector.

The Board members include Mr. James Sakwa, the Chairperson/Senior Medical Laboratory Technologist, Prof. Lt. Col.(Rtd) J. M. Okoth from the School of Nursing Midwifery and Paramedical Sciences, Prof. Thomas Sakwa, Ag. Registrar in charge of Academic Affairs, who is an ex-official member of the Board, Prof. Peter Bukhala, Director of Research and Postgraduate Support, Dr. Catherine Aurah, Director, DIAL, Dr. Ferdinand Nabiswa, Chairperson of Department of EMS, Dr. Francis Muyekho, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Agriculture and Land Use Management(ALUM) and Dr. Beatrice Barasa, Senior Assistant Registrar (Examinations).

This is the 3rd TVET Board to be commissioned since the inception of the Directorate.



From left; Prof. Lt. Col.(Rtd) J. M. Okoth, Dr. Ferdinand Nabiswa and Dr. Beatrice Barasa discuss after the ceremony.



AIDS CONTROL, GENDER AND DISABILITY MAINSTREAMING UNIT CARRIES OUT DISABILITY AUDIT DISSEMINATION WORKSHOP

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A Disability Audit Dissemination Workshop was held on Tuesday, 12th January, 2021 at Bishop Stam to share findings of the recent *Built Environment Accessibility Audit* funded by Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology. This audit involved all buildings, roads, pathways and teaching facilities of the University (Main Campus, Webuye and Bungoma Campuses).

The Workshop was spearheaded by the Coordinator AIDS Control, Gender and Disability Mainstreaming Unit, Dr. Gladys Mengich, together with the C.O.D Pure and Applied Chemistry Department, School of Natural Sciences, Dr. Danstone Lilechi.

During the Workshop, participants were taken through the accessibility audit process and thereafter, an intensive review of the Unit's Policies was undertaken. The Policies are: HIV & AIDS Workplace Policy, Gender Policy and Disability Mainstreaming Policy.

Other members of the University present during the Workshop included; Dr. Francis Orata, Dr. Selline Ooko, Dr. Lucy Mandillah, Dr. Alice Ndiema, Dr. Lydia Anyonje, Mr. Aggrey Musi Makokha, Mr. Paul Rotich, Mr. Daniel Korir, Ms. Elizabeth Simiyu, Ms. Garvin Nyarotso, Mr. Clevin Aswani Ms. Wangari Wambugu and Mr. Juma Gabriel.

Kenya Universities Staff Union (KUSU) MMUST Branch Set to hold Elections

The KUSU MMUST Branch will be holding its Executive Committee elections on 25th January 2021 at the Multipurpose Hall.

This follows a circular from the Registrar of Trade Unions, Ref: ML&SP/TU/Elections/2021 dated 25th September 2020 which advised trade unions to hold their Branch elections between 4th January and 31st March 2021.

MMUST Successfully Holds 15th Graduation Ceremony

The Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST) successfully held its hybrid 15th Graduation Ceremony on **Friday, 18th December 2020** at the Graduation Square. A total of two thousand three hundred and fifty- seven (**2357**) students graduated from MMUST (**1996**), Kaimosi Friends University College (**307**) and Turkana University College (**54**). Notably of these, thirty- two (**32**) were in PhD, sixty four (**64**) in Masters, one thousand eight hundred and seventy nine (**1879**) in Undergraduate, two (**2**) in Postgraduate Diploma, two hundred and six (**206**) in Diploma while one hundred and seventy two (**172**) were in Certificate.

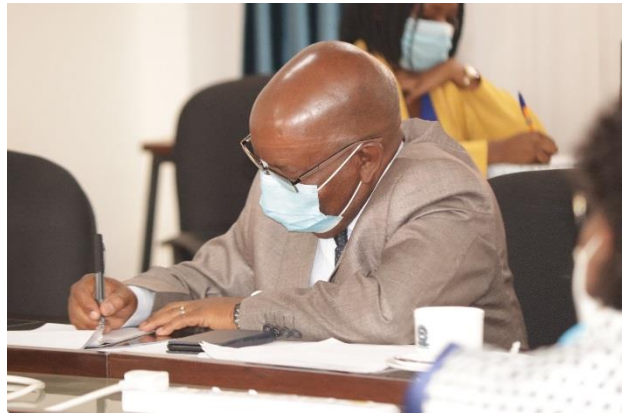
Schedule for Issuance of Certificates

From the Office of the Registrar (Academic Affairs), here below is the issuing schedule of certificates for the graduates of the 15th Graduation Ceremony held on Friday, 18th December 2020.

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15TH GRADUATION CEREMONY

SN	Category	Date of Collection
1.	Doctorate	18 th December 2020
1.	Masters	11 th January - 15 th January 2021
1.	School of Education (SEDU)	18 th January - 29 th January 2021
1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School of Business and Economics (SOBE) School of Computing and Informatics (SCI) School of Natural Sciences (SONAS) 	1 st February – 13 th February 2021
1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School of Arts and Social Sciences (SASS) School of Agriculture and Veterinary Sciences and Technology (SAVET) School of Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance (SDMHA) 	15 th February – 27 th February 2021
1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School of Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedic Sciences (SONMAPS) School of Public Health, Biomedical Sciences and Technology (SPHBS&T). School of Engineering and Built Environment (SEBE) 	1 st March – 13 th March 2021
1.	Subsequent issuance of Certificates	Every Tuesdays and Thursdays.





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