





MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
VICE CHANCELLOR'S ROUND UP FOR THE WEEK ENDING,
FRIDAY, 5TH JULY 2024

- Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST) on Monday, 1st July 2024, hosted delegates from Ball State University led by Prof. Winnie Mucherah. The team paid a courtesy call to the Registrar (Planning, Research and Innovation)- Dr. Collins Matemba to continue with discussions on joint research in Sickle Cell Anemia and establishing a Research Center for the disease at MMUST. This is part of the strategies to mitigate the devastating effects of this inherent blood disorder, which is prevalent in Western Kenya.
- MMUST has embarked on Training of Trainers (ToT) to debunk the myths and misconceptions about Sickle Cell Disease, as plans to establish a Research Center for the disease at MMUST continue. The training held on 2nd July 2024, was in collaboration with the County Government of Kakamega, Ball State University, and the International Development Boresha Jamii (UBJ) initiative. This is a significant stride towards creating awareness and dispelling the pervasive myths and misconceptions revolving around Sickle Cell Disease (SCD), a devastating illness rampant in Western Kenya.
- MMUST is once again on the world map with the recent appointment of Prof. Josephine Ngaira (Ag. DVC PRI) to the membership of a prestigious global body in disaster risk management. The International Science Council has appointed Prof. Ngaira as a member of the Scientific Committee for the Integrated Research on Disaster Risk (IRDR) for a period of 3 years with effect from June 21st, 2024. The Committee will provide scientific guidance for IRDR to deliver on its mission to mobilize science for the reduction of all types of disaster risk, building resilience and reducing vulnerability by integrating risk science with climate change adaptation and mitigation as well as sustainable development.

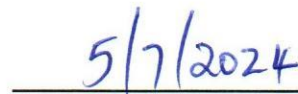
- Prof. Martin Manyonge Sibweche Wanjala has won funding from the International Development Research Centre (IDRC), Canada, to conduct a 24-month research project titled, '*Mathematics Instructional Practice Improvement Project-Kenya*'. The project runs from 1st July, 2024 to 30th September, 2026. It targets Secondary School teachers in eleven (11) Counties and is set to improve the use of data to inform and enhance instructional practice, as well as student learning outcomes in Mathematics. The Counties are Bungoma, Busia, Kakamega, Vihiga, Trans-Nzoia, West Pokot, Turkana, Uasin Gishu, Nandi, Kericho and Bomet.
- MMUST's drivers have been empowered to successfully handle emergency situations in their line of work. This was during a three-day intensive training on first aid, facilitated by representatives from the National Transport and Safety Authority (NTSA), as well as the Automobile Association of Kenya, which took place from 2nd to 4th July, 2024 at Golf Hotel-Kakamega. The training was organized by the office of the Registrar (Administration), in conjunction with the University Road Safety Mainstreaming Committee, and was officially opened by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Administration and Finance), Prof. John Kuria Thuo.

I wish you a blessed weekend!

 Prof. Charles Mutai
Ag. Vice Chancellor



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