



MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
VICE CHANCELLOR'S ROUND UP FOR THE WEEK ENDING,
FRIDAY, 8TH APRIL 2022.

- A team of researchers from MMUST led by the Principal Investigator, Dr. Rose Auma, have found out that Universities in Kenya have not put in place infrastructure to support online teaching and learning of French as a foreign language. The infrastructure includes specific equipment, technologies and accessories. This was during a research dissemination workshop which took place on Wednesday, 6th April 2022, at SPD 314. The research theme was '*Utilizing ICT in teaching of French as a foreign language by Universities in Western Kenya*'.
- A workshop on 'Density Functional Theory and Molecular Dynamics' has revealed that Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST) is championing computational materials science in Kenya. The rare training workshop which took place on 7th and 8th April 2022, attracted more than ten regional Universities and close to sixty student trainees from across the country. The Universities that participated in the two-day workshop included MMUST, University of Nairobi (UON), Kaimosi Friends University College (KAFUCO), Technical University of Kenya (TUK), Maseno University, Kisii University, Kabarak University, Tom Mboya University, Catholic University, Chuka University, Presbyterian University of East Africa and Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology (JOOUST). The workshop was held at MMUST -Main Catering Unit (MCU) boardroom.
- The Department of Paramedical Sciences, led by the Dean, School of Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedics, Mr. John Arudo and Ag. COD Ms. Lydia Nyachio on 7th April 2022, hosted Ms. Phyllis Oduor from Stanford University for a capacity building project of MMUST Paramedical Science students on 'Remote responses to emergencies using Augmented Reality (AR)'. This is an advanced technological equipment that helps in remote coordination of paramedics learning. The training, whose aim is to assess the effectiveness of AR in handling of emergencies will go on for the next two weeks.

- In a bid to improve and expand its e-learning platform, Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology, through the Directorate of Open and Distance e-Learning (ODEL), yesterday, 7th April, 2022, entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with the Higher Education Partners (HEP). The signing was presided over by MMUST's Vice Chancellor, Prof. Solomon Shibairo.
- The VC Prof. Solomon Shibairo yesterday, 7th April, 2022 held a consultative meeting with the Principle Investigators (PI's) of University funded projects to deliberate on Research funds, Grants and Innovation of the financial year 2017/2018 – 2021/2022. He expressed the need to see more calls for research especially in the University's flagship programs such as Engineering, Health Sciences, Education Agriculture, Natural Sciences and Business Studies noting that the University funding through research should be increasing.

I wish you a blessed weekend ahead!

Prof. Solomon Shibairo



Vice Chancellor

Signature

08/04/2022

Date