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EDITORIAL

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FROM THE EDITOR

Dear MMUST Community,

We are glad to bring you this 2nd Edition of Know Your Campus magazine!

This Edition aims to acquaint the 2021/2022 Academic Year fresh students with the University. As a student-centered University, we take keen interest in our students' welfare and purpose to provide a holistic and fulfilling experience for them.

We hope that this easy-reference Campus Guide will provide the necessary information to the new members of MMUST fraternity.

We welcome the fresh students to Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST).

Thank you for Choosing MMUST-The University of Choice!

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Dean of Students

I take this opportunity to welcome all our fresh students to Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST). We are glad to receive you. Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology is ready to provide equal opportunities for holistic growth and quality service delivery to its students despite their diversified backgrounds and cultures, race, physical abilities, place of origin and political affiliation.

The Student Affairs Department cherishes our students' academic and personal development. The Department is composed of the Guidance and Counseling section, Games and Sports, Chaplaincy, Students' Accommodation and Students Catering. These are important components that will add value to our new students' learning experience at the University. We assure our students that the Department is committed towards ensuring that they become allrounded individuals who will make an impact in our society.

I, therefore, encourage all students to make use of services and resources availed to them by the University to become the best versions of themselves and make meaningful interactions with their peers. We wish you a wonderful stay at MMUST!



Prof. Peter Odera

Ag. Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic and Students Affairs)

I am happy to welcome you all to Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST). We are grateful to you for choosing MMUST and congratulate you for earning a slot in this great institution.

In this University, we are a family and just like a family, we are dedicated to building and supporting each other because we believe that unity is the foundation of success. We have highly qualified academic staff at your disposal ready to share their expertise and give you any assistance you may require.

We advise you to make good use of our facilities in order to beef up your learning experience while you develop and improve yourself. These amenities include a library complete with books and internet connectivity, labs, a student center, lecture halls, hostels, a gym among others.

We shall be very content to see you leave this place better than you came. Our aim is to have graduates filled with knowledge and skills ready to serve the nation and beyond.

We wish you a fruitful and happy stay at MMUST. Welcome to the family!

VICE CHANCELLOR'S MESSAGE



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We Empower Students with Knowledge and Skills for the Market

I take this opportunity, on behalf of the entire Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology community, to welcome you all to this prestigious institution. I congratulate you on your exemplary performance, amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, that earned you a spot at MMUST. We are glad that you made MMUST your University of Choice. MMUST

fraternity has grown bigger and richer by your presence. We assure you that you have joined an institution which has the interest of the students at heart and is ready to walk with you in this leg of your academic journey.

It is important that we are all aware of our mandate as a University and our Vision which is 'To be the Premier University in Science, Technology and Innovation'. I want to encourage you to familiarize yourselves with these as well as the University Mission and Core Values because all aspects of organized student life must be aligned to these tenets. Together, we shall build a world class and student-centered University in our niche areas of science, technology, education, engineering, medicine, disaster management among others.

At MMUST, we believe in empowering our students with knowledge and skills required to become change-makers as well as with those needed for high-level jobs. All our courses have been designed to produce students with impressive portfolios ready to be absorbed into local and international job markets. Even with the COVID-19 pandemic, MMUST guarantees to offer seamless teaching and learning. We have adapted very well to eLearning with our virtual platform ranking as one of the best in the country. We are also concerned about your safety while at the University. To this end, we have put in place various measures to ensure safety of all students. Just to mention a few, we have incorporated social-distancing standards in our lecture halls and hostels, installed various handwashing points, mass produced face masks and sanitizers, and our COVID-19 response team is always on alert in case of any emergencies.

On your academic and welfare matters, I wish to encourage you to consult and work closely with the relevant offices and structures of leadership. Through such consultations, you shall be actively involved in decision making on matters concerning your academic journey and welfare. We know that you may face many challenges as you pursue your education. However, the University is ready and available to offer you any kind of help you may require. I urge you to refrain from any harmful activities or practices which may jeopardize your stay at this University or taint the name of the University. We urge you to relentlessly pursue your dreams and when you feel demotivated, keep going. Never give up. Create a social life but remember to maintain balance with your academics.

Once again, welcome to Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology, the University of choice!

Thank you.

ADVICE TO FRESHMEN



Prof. Egara Kabaji
WELCOME TO THE UNIVERSITY,
BUT LEARN TO PRESERVE
YOURSELF

Dear fresh students, welcome to Muliro University Masinde Science and Technology. You may be asking yourself how you can navigate life through University without falling in the trap that has made many to perish. You may have arrived at the University having very limited understanding of what a University is and the challenges you are bound to face. While at high school, you may have been babied and directed at every stage. The bell is there to signal what you should be doing at every hour. At home, you may have had strict parents who monitored and policed you closely. But the University is a totally different cup of tea.

Once you step at the University, the only thing that can save you is heightened sense of self preservation. With this and some discipline, you can make it through the turmoil of University life. The University comes with degree of freedom that requires to be managed. Failure to manage it leads to big trouble. You have come from different backgrounds; there are those who are naïve, trusting and dignified while we have those who have had exposure to drugs and all manner of undignified behaviour.

A good number of you arrive at the university without having had any experience in intimate relationships. Unaware of dangers involved, a number of you end up getting pregnant in first year or contracting HIV/AIDS. excitement that comes with these relationships sometimes sweeps you off the ground and you forget why you are at the University. I advise you not to fall in love, but to steadily walk through it.

It is also important to know that there are many hyenas ready to destroy your lives. These predators hover around Universities like hawks ready to pounce on a hen. There are those who want to recruit you into all manner of things including drug abuse, lesbianism, homosexuality and other unnatural things. barons target you because you are vulnerable due to your age. Sponsors are also on the loose at Universities and are ready to spend thousands to attract University ladies. Do not fall prey to these.

Some students come from rich and others from poor families. But the worst is to pretend to be what you are not. If your pocket money can only cater for porridge for lunch and githeri for supper, you have to learn to live within your means. It is also important to remember that those who succeed the at University are those who set goals. In fact, that is what distinguishes successful students from unsuccessful Successful ones. students set specific goals then

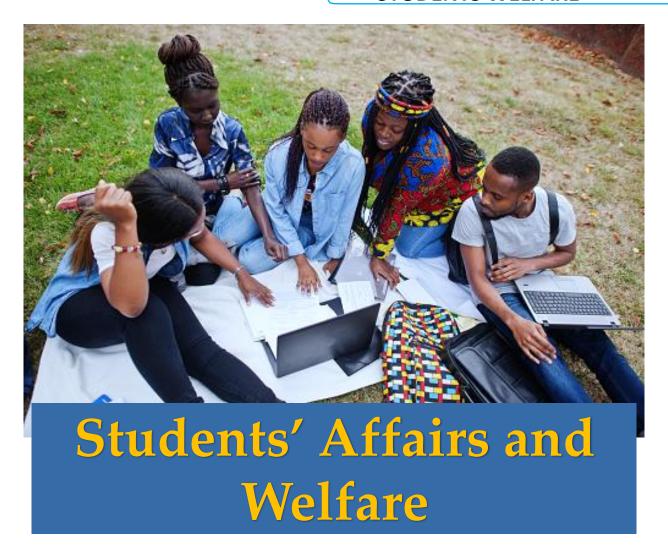
devise a plan of achieving those goals. They also decide on the price they are willing to pay. You must think of achieving your goal every day. Not one day should pass before you dream and think about the goal you set. You have to desire and crave to succeed. This desire must become an obsession. This will make you take calculated risks.

It is valuable to know that your life does not just "happen." Whether you know it or not, it is carefully designed by you. The choices you make determine the kind of life you will lead. In your decisions, you are unconsciously choosing happiness, sadness. poverty, success or failure. You have to step into the University with courage and a desire to learn more. Just remember that every moment, every situation, provides a new possibility. And in realizing this, you get a perfect opportunity to do things differently and produce a better you.

Finally, you need to learn how to listen. In my experience as a teacher for many years, I have learnt that students only listen with the intent to reply, not to understand. You listen to yourself as you prepare in your mind what you are going to say and the questions you are going to ask. Consequently, you decide prematurely what the other person means before he/she finishes communicating. It is no wonder most of you claim that your parents and lecturers do not understand you! Learn to listen to wise counsel.

Note: This article featured on the 1st Edition of Know Your Campus Magazine.

STUDENTS WELFARE



We envision to be a world class student-centered University, placing its students at the forefront of decision making in matters concerning their learning and well-being. We have embraced this vision over the past years and tremendously improved our quality of services. We pride ourselves of a vibrant student community.

Ensuring that the personal, social and learning needs of the students are met is a key priority at MMUST. We have created a safe environment in which students are nurtured as they pursue their studies. The University has invested in infrastructure along with sufficient facilities to make the institution a perfect choice for quality education. These facilities range from adequate lecture halls, a well-resourced library to scientific and computer labs with internet connectivity. Our lecture halls and administrative buildings have ramps and an elevator to ease access by disabled students.



Vibrant Co-Curricular Activities

We encourage our students to actively take part in the wide range of co-curricular activities available in Sports, Societies, Clubs, Music and Performing Arts. Our sportsmen and women in rugby, handball, football, and scrabble have secured top positions in previous competitions both locally and internationally. The University aspires to mold students' sporting activities by having well maintained playing grounds, game coaches and fully equipped gymnasium to support its players.

In recognition of the role of sports, the University established a Talent Scholarship Programme which seeks to identify and offer exceptionally talented students opportunities to nurture their talents in Soccer, Rugby, Handball, Volleyball, Hockey, Basketball and Netball through partial scholarships as they pursue their academic goals.

We take pride in our Rugby team for the great milestones they have achieved through the years, not forgetting the team's recent entry into the Kenya Cup after a match against University of Nairobi on 13th February 2021. The team has also secured a spot in the 2021 Champion's League. We are also the most prolific University in drama and music.





MMUST'S MMASI EARNS CALL UP TO PLAY FOR SHUJAA



MMUST Rugby center Timothy Mmasi has promised to give his all for the national men's sevens team after earning call up to play for Shujaa on Friday.

Speaking to the Standard Sports, Mmasi said he is happy he will be achieving his dream of playing for the Kenya Sevens at the World Seven Series.

"I am the happiest man on Earth today. It has been my dream ever since I started playing rugby. God has really been faithful," said the former Kabras Sugar academy player.

Shujaa head coach Innocent Simiyu named five new faces in his squad that will travel to Canada for the opening rounds of the 2021 World 7s Series opener slated for September 18.Mmasi will be joined by Mark Kwemoi, Levy Amiga, Alvin Marube and Derrick Keyoga for their maiden World 7s Series appearance.

"I have come close to being named in the final squad twice but I never gave up. Now that I am here, I promise to give everything for Kenya and help the team win," said Mmasi.

STUDENTS CORNER

Simiyu named Nelson Oyoo as captain while Willy Ambaka, Herman Humwa, Alvin Otieno, Daniel Taabu, Jeff Oluoch and Billy Odhiambo all have maintained their places in the team.

KCB trio of Jacob Ojee, Vincent Onyala and Johnstone Olindi are some of the notable absentees in the team alongside Dan Sikuta of Kabras Sugar.

"Trust the process and keep working hard. It will finally pay," Mmasi advised fellow aspiring players and youngsters wishing to play for Kenya in future.

Shujaa squad: Nelson Oyoo (Nakuru, captain), Jeff Oluoch, Alvin Otieno, Timothy Mmasi, Herman Humwa, Harold Anduvati, Willy Ambaka (Narvskaya Zastava Rugby Club, Russia), Daniel Taabu (Mwamba), Mark Kwemoi (Menengai Oilers), Levi Amunga (KCB), Billy Odhiambo (Mwamba), Derrick Keyoga (Menengai Oilers), Alvin Marube (Impala Saracens).

Note: This article first featured on Standard Digital- Sports

on 10th September 2021. By Washington Onyango-Standard

About Mmasi;

High School Attended: Malava Boys

University: Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology(MMUST).

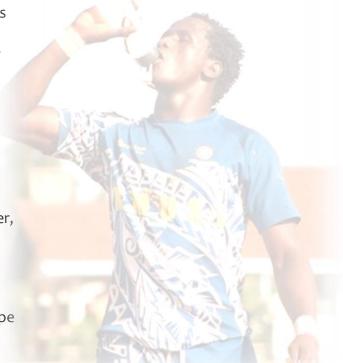
Course: Business Management

Current club: MMUST Rugby

Honours: National 7s Circuit winner, Sepetuka Dream Team, DeKUT 7s winner, TUM and Kaimosi 7s first runners up.

Position: Centre, Back-rower.

Looks up to: Nick Baraza, Ngani Laumape



COVID-19 and Students' Safety on Campus



Despite the current COVID-19 pandemic, Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology continues to provide excellent learning and teaching experience to its students through approved blended models.

On Campus Safety Measures:

In order to ensure that our Campus is a safe environment for everyone, MMUST has set in place different mitigation measures such as;

- Handwashing and sanitization points across the University
- Screening at entry points within the University.
- COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing for both Staff and Students.
- Reduced Occupancy of Lecture Halls and Students' Accommodation Units.

We are encouraging students to take up personal responsibility for their health by wearing facemasks and observing 1.5M physical distance during their interactions within the Campus and without.



Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology's Annual Tamasha Cultural Festivals 2021-Phase 1 kicked off on a high note with a culturally diverse and decorated official opening ceremony at the University's Graduation Square on Wednesday, 21st July 2021. This year's theme for the Tamasha Festival was 'Leveraging Our Cultural Diversity and Resilience in COVID-19.'

Tamasha Cultural Festival is a celebration and appreciation of our cultural diversity, national and international cohesion through food, attire, music, dance and lifestyle.

TAMASHA CULTURAL FESTIVAL 2021 IN PICTURES





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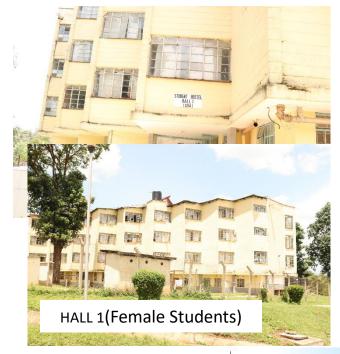




HOSTELS;









OTHER FACILITIES;













A PEEK OFF-CAMPUS;

This University is in close proximity to Kakamega Town and is surrounded by a favorable environment. Shops, hotels, houses ,transport facilities, among others, are easily accessible.



ALFA CAFÉ Located opposite Silverhut Guest House







Some shopping malls in Kakamega town contain facilities that include; restaurants, movie shops, hospitals, cosmetic stalls, bookshops, boutiques, among others.





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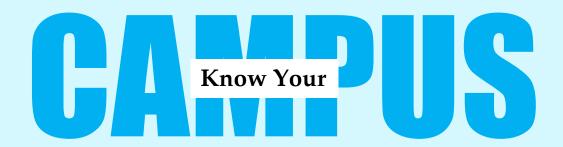
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The University of Choice

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To be the Premier University in Science, Technology and Innovation

Mission

To provide excellent university education, training and research through integrating Science, Technology and Innovation into quality programs to suit the needs of a dynamic world.

Core Values

Customer focus

Collegiality

Excellence

Professionalism

Equity

Accountability

Innovativeness

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