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DATE: 26TH - 28TH APRIL 2022
VENUE: GREAT COURT
 HYSLOP PARKING
 AT THE UON - MAIN CAMPUS
THEME: "INNOVATION FOR TRANSFORMATION AND
 IMPACT IN THE SOCIETY"

Newsletter Highlights

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RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

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UN honours Wangari Maathai with Stamp

The United Nations Postal Administration (UNPA) is issuing a definitive stamp to mark the birthday of Wangari Maathai, who was born on 1 April 1940.

The German quote on the stamp reads “When we plant trees, we plant the seeds of peace and hope”.

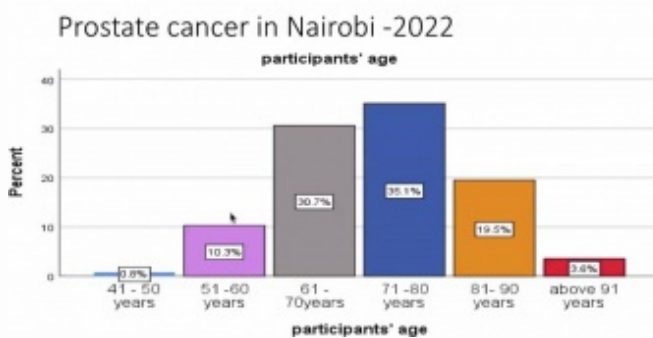
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First Cohort of Interns at Elgon-Kenya Flagged off

The first cohort of 20 interns from the Faculty of Agriculture was flagged off by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Nairobi, Prof. Kiama Gitahi and the CEO of Elgon Kenya Ltd Dr. Bimal Kantaria.

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Prostate and Breast Cancer: Prevention and Management

‘1 in 9 men in Africa has a probability of getting prostate cancer and men of African origin have the highest incidence of prostate cancer.

While in Kenya, breast cancer is the most common cancer and the third cause of cancer death after prostate and cervical cancer.

Screening of breast cancer has reduced mortality by 25-39% in the last 10 years

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Impact Farm, a UoN Innovation wins USD 1000

The team which comprised Charles Oyamo, Iyvie Mboya, Kairu Karega and Jecinta Mwangi all Journalism and Mass communication students were among other innovators who formed 10 teams that underwent a rigorous week boot camp at the Strathmore University.

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University of Nairobi Team Participates at FSNET-Africa Research Symposium

The 6 researchers comprised 2 fellows and 4 mentors,

the fellows are;

Dr. Juliana Cheboi from the Department of Plant Science and Crop Protection

Dr. Phyllis Machio from the Department of Economics and Development Studies.

The 4 mentors are;

Prof. Cecilia Onyango, from the Department of Plant Science and Crop Protection;

Prof. Joyce Maina from the Department of Animal Production;

Dr. Stella Mikalitsa from the Department of Geography & Environmental Studies

Prof. Jane Ambuko FSNET Mentor & FSNET Institutional Champion (Department of Plant Science and Crop Protection).

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ERASMUS STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

The University of Nairobi through its collaborative agreements with partner universities promotes quality assurance through the Student Exchange Programme which includes consortium sponsored programmes, Semester Abroad Programme (SAP) and Students' Exchange.

An exchange involves a formal agreement between the University of Nairobi and an international university that allows us to exchange students each year.

In 2019, the university sent students through the programme to the University of Hradec Králové in the Czech Republic. Here is a narration of the students, Monica Osuka-Religious Studies student, and Purity Wanjiku- Psychology who were beneficiaries of the exchange.

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One of the most amazing experiences was the great opportunity to teach at an elementary school. It was unique to have young minds try and learn the Swahili language and play games that they had not played in the past.

They got to see Kenya: especially the wildlife, forestry, food, sportsmen and women among other items.

"Living abroad has its challenges for example there is culture shock when you arrive, the food is different as well as the language is spoken. The major problem I faced, however, was financial assistance. If you do not manage your finances well you will be in deep trouble," says Purity.

There are principles that you learn from such experiences for example punctuality, which is an important aspect here - lateness will cause you to miss the bus hence you will be behind schedule.

In addition, education is student-oriented and it makes one hone their presentation skills, analytical skills as well as critical thinking.

I would recommend the office to be given an opportunity to hold a public awareness of the same in the institution, use the social media Platforms- Twitter, Facebook, Instagram the main university website because this is where information can really reach a good number of the students and in future have an `EXCHANGE ALUMNI` forum to discuss on how to make international improvements on the same.

For other students who are beneficiaries of the exchange programme from the University of Nairobi elsewhere please represent the university as the world-class university that it is and for those who get a chance to come to this side of the world, please do not hesitate.



Purity

