# Roles and Expectations of the Champions

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#### What are the roles of the Constitution Champions within the University of Nairobi?

- •Ensure that the vision and ideal of the University are carried through.
- •Sensitized others who have not had the opportunity, on the constitution, at our place of work and within our communities.
- •Ensure that the constitution is implemented, because we are the custodians of it.
- •Understand the constitution clearly before we go out there. Internalize it completely.

- Be responsible for protecting the constitution.
- Influence in terms of policies
- •Report the progress of the implementation
- •Give the champions a title: Suggested name be Constitution and Integrity champions.
- •Be change agents in terms of ensuring that the constitution is implemented.

- Be role models
- Point out any inconsistencies in the implementation of the constitution
- ·Lead from the front.
- •The UoN policies be in tandem with the Constitution.
- •Ensure that the Constitution is part of our agenda in all University meetings.
- •Appoint Thematic Heads in the sections to be trained in the implementation.

- •Provide feedback on the areas that we feel the University management need to address.
- •Plan period sensitization campaigns based on the constitution and pass it to the team members/champions so as to demystify some of the notions.

# What do we expect of the Constitution Champions as they play these roles?

- Passion, interest, vigour, boldness, transparency, knowledge, courage, self control and teamplayer.
- •Need to be role models to the rest of the community.
- •We should be non-partisan in the implementation.
- •Commitment of time and sacrifice of self.
- •Indepth knowledge of the constitution.

#### What do the Constitution Champions expect of the University of Nairobi?

- Providing adequate copies of the constitution to staff and students.
- •University to give the mandate to the champions to cascade what has been learnt to all staff and students.
- •University should give support so that the process is successful.
- Protection, facilitation from the University management.
- •UoN to take action on the recommendation of the champions.

- Forums for sensitization and continuous process of sensitization.
- •University to align its policies with that of the constitution.
- •The tenure of the championship to be defined.
- •Funding of other workshops and seminars as a follow up of the implementation.

### What do we monitor and evaluate the performance of the roles and of the expectations on both sides?

- •University to define the role of the champions.
- Co-ordination of the UoN in terms of calendar events.
- UoN should anchor the implementation as a core unit under common course.
- Appreciation and recognition of the champions.
- Creation of the resources to carry out.
- •Policies to ensure that the implementation process gets to all university community for students, introduce it at a course.

- Policies on disability has not been carried out
- •Representation of the disabled is lacking among the student bodies.
- •Provision of materials, e.g. The blind cannot use the materials supplied in this workshop.
- •In the halls, there is no provision for disability.
- Devolution of funds has not been done in SONU to take care of the disabled.
- •Article 54 of the Constitution has not been carried out in the University.

- Terms of Reference for the champions to be given.
- UoN Management and community should walk the talk.
- •Management to ensure irregularities are reduced like exam cheating in terms of addition of Lecture/student ratio.
- •Set targets that are measureable.
- Do a survey on the process, success and failures.
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- Open a website for the champions to be in touch.
- Feedback framework and timelines.
- •Quality and standards should be established.
- •Forum of champions to get feedbacks.

- Student disciplinary cases to be looked into afresh and changing it to be in tandem with the constitution.
  - •Students with disability be given an better vehicle because the vehicle they have is in bad condition, so that the role of the champion who have disability are not disadvantaged.
  - •The process be captured in the strategic plan and PCs.
  - •Formation of technical groups that shall sustain the RRI constitution champion team.