

## **MUNI UNIVERSITY**

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### Special points of interest:

- Studies resumed October 15th, date announced by government.
- Students to adhere to SOPs set in place to contain COVID-19 pandemic.
- Students urged to focus on completing successfully while protecting each other.

## Final Year Students Resume Studies

Final year students of Muni University reported to the university on 15th October 2020. They underwent a two days' orientation to acquaint them with the SOPS in place and also received training on how to get the facts and learn from them, cultivate and increase compassion

resilience, how to stay safe, promote public health and return safe and healthy.

The finalists were officially welcomed by the Dean of Students, Ms. Amandru Stella Wawa who said learning institutions have been guided to have in place measures to stop the spread of COVID 19, Muni University responded positively to the guidance by Ministry of Education, Ministry Health and World Health Organisation guidelines and was issued a certificate of clearance to open to its learners.

Professor Christine Dranzoa, cautioned the students against reckless living that can lead to the spread of COVID 19 which she emphasised is a very serious pandemic and has already claimed lives in Uganda. She urged the students to be aggressive about compliance to SOPS because once one is infected with the disease, their life never remains the same.

She advised the Students to focus on completing their studies successfully and protect each other and the community if they are to achieve their goals.



VC addresses Finalists during Orientation

The V.C Muni University, Prof. Christine Dranzoa together with 3 other Staff namely Isaac Abiriga, Maxwell Abok and Geoffrey Avayo donated 4 handwashing foot- peddled soap and water

dispensers of 70litres and 100litres to the university, to enhance the fight against COVID as campus resumes.

The tanks are well designed with 2 ped-

dles each, one for tapping the liquid soap and the other for splashing the water without having to touch with hands.

According to one of the proprietors of Ojukua High Hill investments, the company responsible for the production of these modern high tech washing facilities, the

tanks come in different sizes ranging from 20litres which is the smallest size to 200liters the biggest at the moment to suit the interest of various customers ranging from families/homes, schools, institutions etc.

Professor Christine, who donated two of the four items appreciated Mr. Abiriga Isaac the proprietor of the company fabricating the hand washing facilities and also donating one to the University. She thanked Mr. Maxwell Abok and Mr. Godffrey Avayo for combining efforts to buy the remaining one. She said the tanks will be kept in strategic places so that the university community is kept as safe as possible.



VC demonstrates how the hand-washing tap is used







# Donations from Seed Global Health

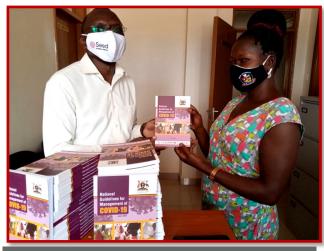
To enhance the level of preparedness of the university to reopen its gates for final year students to resume studies, the Seed Global Health, an ardent partner of Muni University donated 50 branded face masks and 50 copies of the updated National Guidelines for management of COVID 19 to Muni University.

The items were delivered to the university by Seeds Program and Monitoring and Evaluation and

Learning Manager Mr. Allan Nsubuga on Thursday 8th October 2020.

He said this was a positive response to a request made by the Vice Chancellor to Seed Global Health.

The Vice Chancellor expressed gratitude to Seed Global Health for the much support they have rendered to the university ever since a partnership was established.



Allan Nsubuga of Seed Global Health handing over the copies to Miss Stella Angucia, the Personal Assistant to the VC.

"NCHE officials excited about Muni University's level of compliance with and adherence to the COVID-19 SOPs as studies resume."

# MU Verified by NCHE

A team from National Council for Higher Education (NCHE) were in Muni Uni-

> versity on Wednesday 28th Oct 2020, to establish the readiness of the university in reopening students. They checked whether the SOPs were adhered to and were very happy about the compliance level of the university to the SOPs.

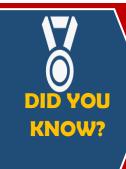
The team was led by Dr. Robert Aine of NCHE and they were received by the Deputy Vice Chancellor Academic Affairs Associate Professor Anguma Simon Katrini

Muni University COVID task force Committee has put in place a number of measures to avert any possible occurrence or spread of COVID 19 at the university.

DVC (Right) interacts with the Team from NCHE in front of the University Library.

Muni University is currently ranked 09th **University** out of 47 Ugandan Higher Education Institutions, in the uniRank of the most popular universities in Uganda.

source https://www.4icu.org/ug/









**MUNI University** 







My name is Asiimwe Desire, a Muni University Alumnus of 2019, B. Information Systems

When I was admitted to Muni University in 2016, I had mixed feelings of excitement and uncertainty. Excited because given my kind of family background, I knew paying tuition would be a struggle for my parents, so had always prayed and used my imaginative power to attract a Government scholarship and here I was. On the other hand, I was uncertain about what the journey in West Nile would be like and what the future would bring. The first impression I got at the university was the opposite of what I initially imagined it would be. The students were so welcoming and hospitable, and this made settling in an effortless process. For my three years at the University we all lived as one big family, The Muni University family.

I will forever be grateful for the commendable effort of Muni University Staff, both teaching and non-teaching. The level of commitment portrayed by the Lecturers is matchless, they are not only teachers but also mentors, coaches and role models. I am proud to say that I was privileged to learnt from the best.

Muni University did not only prepare me for Academic excellence, it nurtured me holistically and made me a better person I am today. I am not afraid to say that going to Muni University is one of the best things that has ever happened to me.

For the purposes of this publication, allow me share just one aspect of my life (Leadership) while at the University. In our orientation week in August 2016, I was elected female chief fresher and this was the genesis of my leadership journey at the university. The position laid a strong foundation for me, I was later voted GRC for my class ISM 1 and appointed Deputy General Secretary for the Guild Government 2017/2018.

My interest and passion to serve and the desire to influence positively grew with each task I accomplished and each challenge I overcame. In 2018 I was elected Female GRC for Government Sponsored Students and appointed as a students' representative to Senate.

It was during my time of active Guild service at the university that I developed a passion for community impact through the various Guild outreaches to the community.

I vividly remember how the marathon organized by the Guild leadership of 2017/2018 changed my life. That year we ran for a cause of buying scholastic materials and teaching aids like text-

books for 3 primary schools in Arua Municipality. I was privileged to be a part of the Team that organized and executed the activity end to end and it was through this activity that I got to learn about the numerous challenges that children in West Nile go through while at school.

I became interested in finding out more about this challenge and started thinking of how I could be of help and that is how the idea of Unaweza Initiative was birthed.

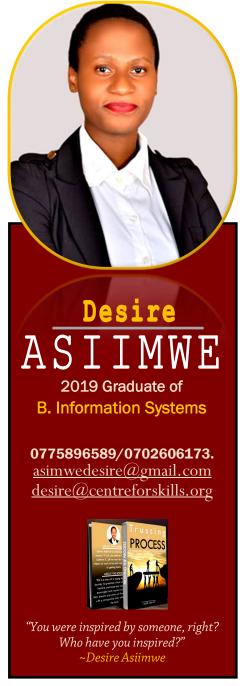
Together with Norman Acidiri, a class mate, Unaweza Initiative was started with a mission of helping young people realize the best version of themselves through mentorship, motivation and inspiration right from a young age so that they grow into citizens of integrity. We envision a society where children and youth lead a purposeful life. We value integrity, accountability, inclusiveness, empathy, servant leadership and sharing. I strongly believe with these values in place, there will be no more corruption, abuse of office, violation of human rights and other vices that are eating up Uganda and we shall together as a region and country come to realization of sustainable development. The project now runs in areas of Arua and Lira with a committed team of 4 members, we are hopeful and positive that with time we shall reach other parts of the country. Please visit us at www.unawezainitiative.org and be part of this great project to positively impact a life.

In May 2019, I was awarded a technical skills study tour to China under Huawei Seeds for the Future Scholarship program having emerged among the best 10 students whose ideas on how to solve community problems using IT were ranked the best in Uganda. Three of the 10 were from our great Muni University

In June 2019, I was honored to be one of 3 young women leaders from Uganda, 20 from Africa and 80 from across the world to take part in the Study of the United States Institute (SUSI) for women leadership at the University of Delaware, USA.

To the student reading this, do not think that I am blessed more that you are. No, I am just a girl from Sheema! There is a lot of resources in form of information, knowledge, moral and spiritual support that are availed to us while at the university. With these used effectively, you can achieve anything you ever dreamed of and be the person you want to be.

After University, in August 2019, I joined Huawei Technologies Uganda (Uganda) Co., Ltd as a Quality Control Engineer Internee on the



Uganda Safe City Project and I am currently working as Service Desk Engineer at MTN Uganda. The sky is no longer the limit and I believe that the future is bright.

I also serve as a Programme and Gender advisor at Centre for Skills and Innovation, a non-profit organization that uses ICT to empower young people to succeed in education and work in Northern Uganda.

Over time I have learnt that as a leader, storytelling is a powerful tool for inspiration. For this reason, I decided to document and share my life story in a book titled, "Trusting the Process". Please contact me through the contacts shared in just below my picture above and get yourself a







# Muni University at Huawei Awards

Huawei Uganda awarded three students who represented Uganda in the Huawei ICT global competition Africa stage.

These students took first position and are to represent Africa at the global stage next year.

Under the theme "Connection, Glory, Future", the four-day competitions that kicked off on 10th September 2020 covered over 14 countries in the African region and attracted over 50,000 students.

Team Uganda is believed to have been represented by two network teams each comprising of three students, of which one took first position toppling other African countries. This winning team comprises of two students from Muni University-Shaffick Nyanzi and Emmanuel Kiguli and one student from Lira University. These shall now proceed to the global finals in China to compete at global level in November.

### **Full Story at:**

https:// www.pmldaily.com/news/ education/2020/10/teamuganda-take-first-position -in-sub-saharan-africahuawei-global-ictcompetition.html

### Special points of interest:

- Muni University students repre-
- Team Uganda emerged winners, now to represent Africa at global
- Team Uganda comprises of 2 MU students and 1 Lira University student.



### OUR MISSION

To provide quality education, promote innovation and community empowerment for transformation

OUR VISION

A model university for transformation and development

OUR MOTTO

**Transforming Lives** 

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## **OUR PROGRAMMES**

- ⇒ Bachelor of Science in Information Technology
- ⇒ Bachelor of Information **Systems**
- ⇒ Bachelor of Science with Education
- ⇒ Bachelor of Nursing Science
- ⇒ Bachelor of Education Primary
- ⇒ Bachelor of Business Administration and Management
- ⇒ Bachelor of Science in Agriculture
- ⇒ Postgraduate Diploma in Education - PGDE







