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Special points of interest:

- Students to adhere to SOPs set in place to contain COVID-19 pandemic.
- Students urged to focus on completing successfully while protecting each other.

HESFB signs contracts with students admitted under the loan scheme

A total of 8 Successful loan scheme beneficiaries who will be studying at Muni University beginning 2021/2022 academic year have signed contracts with the Higher Education Students Financing

Board (HESFB).

HESFB's Peterson Mhanguzi, the Loans Officer in charge of Northern Uganda and Bob Muwagira, the Senior Communication Officer were at Muni University on 28th January 2021, and sensitised the loan beneficiaries on how they will access and use their packages.

HESFB is a body corporate established by an act of Parliament, number 2 of 2014, to provide loans and scholarships to Ugandan students to pursue higher education.

The scheme provides loans and scholarships to Ugandan

students who have qualified for higher education in recognised Higher Education Institutions but are unable to support themselves.

The loans are intended to increase equitable access to Technical and Higher education and support highly qualified Ugandan students who may not afford Higher Education



Some of the Loan Scheme Beneficiaries took off their face masks for a few minutes after signing into the Scheme at the University main campus



Sensitization of Students on SOPs and COVID-19

The University department of Students affairs has urged continuing students to observe strict adherence to the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) set by the Ministry of Health so as to stop contracting COVID 19.

During a sensitisation meeting for the

students organised by the office of the Dean of Students at the Nursing Science Lecture Hall on Jan 20th, the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Associate Professor Simon Anguma Katrini urged the students to wear their masks, wash their hands regularly and keep reasonable social distance.

“The way to manage this COVID is to always assume that everybody else has the virus except me. With this principle you will be able to protect yourself and your loved ones,” he said.

During meeting, Mr Peter Nyakuni a clinical nurse specialist from the Department of Nursing and

Midwifery made a presentation on prevention and management of COVID 19 including a practical demonstration of the correct way of disinfecting the hands with a hand rub.

He caused a lot of laughter when he revealed that more germs exist on cell phone or key board than on a toilet seat.

Presentations were also made on psychological support and briefs on Safety and Security around campus.

The Dean of Students, Ms. Amandru Stella Wawa urged the students to remain disciplined throughout their academic cycle at the university.



Sensitization of Students on COVID-19



Word from Nyanzi Shafick

WINNER, HUAWEI ICT COMPETITIONS, 2019/2020

My involvement in the Huawei ICT competition started In 2018 when a team from Huawei Technologies came to our University and Introduced the Huawei ICT Competition and its stages for the first time. I got the interest and attempted the preliminary exam. Being my first time to interface with such a diverse exam I failed to raise the required pass mark of 600 to proceed to the National level, but this opened my eyes to what was really required in terms of knowledge and effort. So I did more reading and practice and waited for the next competition. When Huawei ICT competition 2019-2020 was announced I was determined to do whatever it takes to proceed to the next level, so having been a DSC Lead I teamed up with my core team member in charge of networks and a number of other Information Technology and Information system students. As a team we did a lot of practice and reading for the different mocks and the preliminary exam, after a number of failed attempts a good number of us passed it to the National finals where we were given a lab exam and among the best 10 students two teams Team 1 and Team2 with 3 students per team and on one team, 2 MUNI University students and a Lady from Lira University were selected to be part, and these teams were to represent Uganda at the Regional Finals. At this stage of the competition we underwent a very intense training that really showed us what the whole competition was about, teamwork and ability and willingness to learn very fast and most importantly, ability to work under pressure. All this was made very clear to us

by an amazing Huawei Academy instructor Mr. Olinga John Peter. So in September 2020 we did the regional final exam and with the grace of the Almighty our team Team 2 obtained First prize which included 800 USD for each team member, Professional certifications to mention but a few. This qualified us for the final stage which is the Global Finals. This stage was even more challenging than any other stage in a way that it composed of both a practical lab team exam as well as an individual written exam catering for Routing and Switching, Security and Wireless in addition to doing the professional certifications in the different fields.

So in November 2020 when the D day arrived, we did the exam and we managed to obtain First prize as one of the teams representing the Southern African region.

From this experience and involvement in this competition I have been able to obtain a lot of things which range from Knowledge, professional skills and experience in networks, Huawei professional certifications, lots of gifts at the different stages of the competition ranging from electronic devices like phones to hard cash, and most important of all I've been able to meet a lot of talented and skilled people.

We were offered paid internships and currently working with Huawei.

As a word of advice to my fellow students, IT is a practical field and If your passion is to have a carrier in the IT field, find your area of interest in IT (programming and software design,



Nyanzi
SHAFICK

B. Information Systems
2017–2020

Winner
HUAWEI ICT
COMPETITIONS
2019/2020

Cloud computing, networks, Graphics Designing etc) and seek its practical knowledge and improve your skill, get professional certifications. The journey won't be easy but it will be worth it. Involve yourself with on campus clubs that improve your professional skills like DSC, ISACA. This will be your key in the world outside campus. Special thanks goes to the Muni University Administration, students and the Entire community for their support through this journey. All in all it was worth it (Alhamdulillah)



Training on Helping Babies Breathe (HBB)

Muni University, Department of Nursing Science organised a two-day training for Arua Regional Referral hospital midwives working in Neonatal unit, labour wards and labour suits

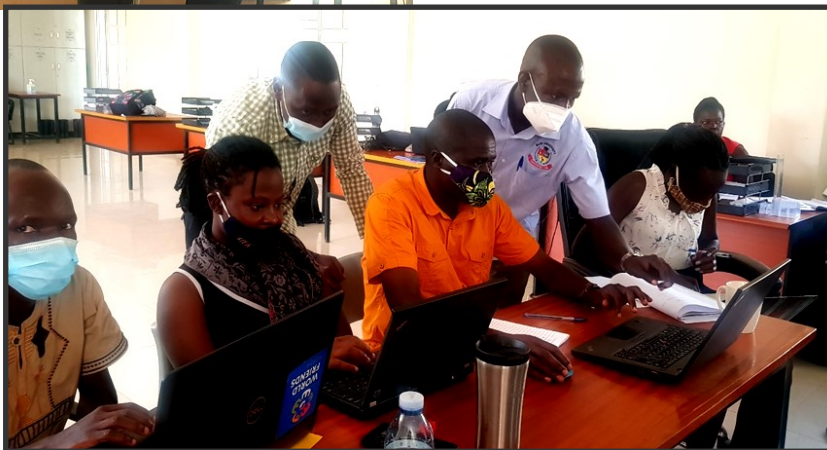
The training that took place on 22nd and 23rd January 2021 at the Desert Breeze Hotel Annex at Muni University, was sponsored by Seed Global Health and facilitated by Dr. Lucy Lot, a Paediatrician and adolescent

medicine physician with Seed Global Health supporting Busitema University, Mbale Regional Referral Hospital and college of Health Sciences at Mbale.



In-house Library training in Faculty of Agriculture

The university Library team conducted a one-day training for staff of faculty of agriculture on how to access online agricultural resources that muni university subscribes to like eBooks, e-journals etc. The in-house training according to the team is planned for all faculties and will be conducted one at a time.



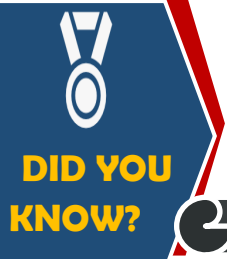
Above: Library's Samanya Moses (standing and in checked shirt) and Bosco Buruga (standing and in blue shirt) guiding the participants during the training session being facilitated by their colleague Osamai Moses (not in photo).

OUR PROGRAMMES

- ⇒ Bachelor of Science in Information Technology
- ⇒ Bachelor of Information Systems
- ⇒ Bachelor of Science with Education (Biological & Physical)
- ⇒ Bachelor of Nursing Science
- ⇒ Bachelor of Education Primary
- ⇒ Bachelor of Business Administration and Management
- ⇒ Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Management
- ⇒ Postgraduate Diploma in Education - PGDE

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/>



Eulogy for Dr. Fredrick N. Mukungu

FIRST UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN, MUNI UNIVERSITY | 2015—2020

In the words of the Vice Chancellor Prof. Christine Dranzoa, “In late Dr. Mugungu, we are all reminded of humility, all the core values of the University packed into that man, Our friend and colleague ...we are but flowers”.

Those words undoubtedly summarize the recollections of the entire University community of the person of late Dr. Frederick Nathaniel Mukungu, the first ever Muni University Librarian. He succumbed to Covid 19 on 1st January 2021 at Mulago hospital.

Born on 24th September 1952, Dr. Mukungu joined Muni University in 2015 and handed over office on 3rd November 2020 after the end of the five-year contract. He opted not to apply for a contract renewal. He wished to re-engage into a new career of Church Services that he always desired to do.

The University community remembers him for the great achievements he registered while at the University and for being an honest and committed staff who played a fatherly role to all. He lived a down to earth life with no airs.

“He kept ethical and professional standards, he was a counsellor, he brought many partners to Muni University through his various networks for which we are grateful.” says Professor Dranzoa

The Muni University Secretary who is also the Accounting officer, Rev Fr. Professor Odubuker Picho Epiphany, MIDM, describes the late Dr. Mukungu as a calm and gentle person dedicated to his work. “He was a very

sincere and honest person. He didn't have anything with being overly ambitious. He would be very humble and apologise whenever he realised he made a mistake”

He says the late Mukungu brought in a lot of experience in his field and was able to network with his contacts to develop not only the University but the whole region ...he donated books to secondary schools around the University and in the refugee camps.

He says the late Dr. Mukungu was also a very religious person who participated a lot in the church affairs especially in the Madi and West Nile diocese.

The late Doctor Mukungu obtained a PhD in Information Science from Makerere University, a Master of Arts in Library and Information Science and a Bachelor of Library Studies, all from Loughborough University in the United Kingdom.

Before joining Muni University, he worked at Uganda Christian University as a librarian for 23 years.

Till we meet again, May His Soul Rest in Peace, AMEN



Dr. Fredrick
MUKUNGU

Born: 24th September 1952

Died: 01st January, 2021

First University Librarian
MUNI UNIVERSITY
2015—2020



OUR VISION

A model university for transformation and development

OUR MISSION

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

