FACULTY OF ARTS ANNUAL REPORT 2012

Introduction

The Faculty of Arts with an enrolment of 8,329 students and 202 full-time and 42 part-time academic staff is one of the largest faculties in the University. The Faculty has nine Departments of: Linguistics and Languages, Communication Skills, Literature, Geography and Environmental Studies, History and Archaeological Studies, Psychology, Sociology and Social Work, Political Science and Public Administration, and Philosophy and Religious Studies and one sub –department of French. Within the Faculty there are also the Confucius Institute and the Centre for Human Rights and Peace. In addition, the Faculty collaborates with other institutions such as Utalii College, the Kenya Institute of Administration and the University Library in offering some of its academic programs.

Academic Programs

The Faculty offers a large number of competitive, demand-driven programs ranging from diploma, bachelor, master, post-graduate diploma and Ph.D. The diploma programs include those in: Social work and social development, criminology and social order, cultural tourism, natural resource management, philosophy and psychology. Apart from the mainstream bachelor programs leading to major or minor in various departments, there are three professional programs: Psychology counseling, social work and criminology and criminal justice. At the master level programs in core disciplines of the departments are strengthened by those in specialized areas including Master in Public Administration, master in various clustered areas of sociology such as rural sociology and community development, counseling and disaster management, master in human rights and peace, master in translation, master in German studies, master in Kiswahili studies, master in armed conflict and peace studies, master in biodiversity and natural resource management and master in library studies. The Ph.D. degree program is offered by nearly all departments.

Graduands
In 2012 the Faculty graduated 11 Ph.D., 199 Masters, 23 Postgraduate Diploma, 1,372 Bachelors and 193 Diploma students.

**Enrolment- Total student population 2012/2013**

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Of the Bachelors students, 228 are distance learning (Module III) while among the Master programmes there are 143 are outreach students.

**Research activities**

**Chitere, P.O.** (2012) Paratransit Transport Mode in the City of Nairobi, Funded by the African centre for Excellence for Studies in Public and Non-motorized Transport (ACET), University of Cape Town.

**Kabira, W. M.** 2011/2012 Budget proposals by the African Women Studies Centre (AWSC) for improvement of the national food security in Kenya presented at public budget hearings of the Parliamentary Budget Committee. AWSC was allocated 81million under the SUNY-Kenya 1 year project

**Ocharo, R.M** (2012, March) Research on Seismic vulnerability for hospitals and schools

**Ocharo, R.M** (2012 January) Research on Water, Food and Nutritional Security

**Ocharo, R.M.** (2012) Scoping study in Kenya to determine the level of risks and vulnerabilities to schools and hospitals to seismicity: The case of Rift Valley Provincial Hospital Nakuru and Nakuru High School. Commissioned by the United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (UNISDR)


Zani A. (2012 September) Water harvesting project in Makueni, Kenya

Zani A. (2012) A project from KAWBO that assesses business enterprises by Kenyan women entrepreneurs


Awards

Dr. Iribe Mwangi 2012 December, Translators Without Borders (TWB) Empowerment Award - Awarded to an individual whose work has allowed TWB to increase language capacity within a critical region of the world.

Dr. Michael Ndurumo

Publications


Businge, M.S.

I. Maina,

E. Ayiemba,
P. Maingi,  
P. Nderitu &  


Ebert, R. and  


**Misaro J. &**  


Musingi, J.B.K. &


http://www.ueab.ac.ke/BIRJ/?p=1008 [2]


Owuor, S.O. &


Schroeder,H.

& Kihara, P. (2012) Relevance-theoretical analysis of Mchongoano, University of Nairobi Journal
of Languages and Linguistics, Vol 2


Papers Presented at International Conferences

Dr. Iribe Mwangi “Distance Education in Kenya: Experiences from M.A Linguistics & Kiswahili Outreach Programme”, Jilin University, Chungchun, China. June 26, 2012


Dr. Wairire, G.G. Social Work in Post Traumatic Stress Related Scenarios in Kenya. A paper presented in a guest lecture on 23rd June 2012 at Alpen Adria University - Klugenfurt, Austria


P. Nyinguro; Workshop on Post Graduate Supervision and Examination of Thesis, Moi University School of Education, Margaret Thatcher Library 19 – 20th January 2012

Dr. Helga Schroeder, Reference assignment in pronominal languages, relevance theoretical approach. Paper presented at the Intercultural, Cognitive and Social Pragmatics, 14 – 16 March 2012, Seville, Spain


Dr. Rayya Timmamy, Compilation of a Thesis Examination Report presented at a Workshop on Supervision and Examination of Theses, Moi University 19th – 20th January, 2012

Prof. V.G. Simiyu, “The Role of the State in National Cohesion and Integration”, paper presented at the various NCIC Diversity Talks and Conversations, From July 2011 to April 2012


Dr. Mary Mwiandi, Emerging Issues in the Eastern Region of Kenya. Paper presented at the People’s Conference: National Diversity Race and Ethnicity organised by NCIC at KICC, Nairobi -
March 12-13 2012

Dr. Esther Omondi, “The Role of The Teacher in Developing Critical Thinking in Early Learners”. Paper presented at the seven-day training workshop on Inside-OutSide Learning Strategies from 16th –30th August, the Inside-OutSide Education Institute, Salt Lake City, USA


Ndogoni, L.K. “Managing the health, safety and well-being of aid workers: An integrated approach”.

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PAPER PRESENTED AT THE INTER-AGENCY WORKING GROUP/PEOPLE IN AID-UK CONFERENCE. NAIROBI, KENYA, 12-14 JUNE 2012


Prof. Wanjiku M. Kabira, Mainstreaming Gender in Policies and Programmes: A Training Session For Parliamentary Research Department, Internship Programme at The Kenya National Assembly on August 30, 2012


Dr. Alex Nelungo Wanjala, “The Poetics of Genge: Jua Cali’s Niimbie.” A paper presented at the 26th annual MELUS conference and 6th conference of the United States Association for Commonwealth Literature and Language Studies (USACLALS), University of Santa Clara, California, United States of America, 20th April 2012

Dr. Alex Nelungo Wanjala, “Narrating the Trauma of the Abuse of Human Rights: Rebeka Njau’s The Sacred Seed.” Paper presented at the annual African Literature Association conference, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, United States of America, 12th April 2012

Dr. Alex Nelungo Wanjala, “Poverty in Kenya: Insights from a Critique of Selected Novels.” A paper presented at a round table discussion on global poverty, Centre for Human Rights and Peace,
University of Nairobi, 13th-14th February 2012

Dr. Alex Nelungo Wanjala, “Historiography or Imagination? The Documentation of Luo Traditional Cultural Memory in Kenyan Fiction.” A paper presented at the CHOTRO 4 conference in Vadodara-Tejgadh, India, 6th-8th January 2012


OUTREACH AND EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

- Department of Political Science and Public Administration: Four student nominees for Karamazoo College Student Exchange Programme
- The Department of Literature in collaboration with the Ministry of Education launched the Film Genre as a component in the annual Kenya National Drama Festival. The launch was held at Kakamega High School from 9th April 2012 to 19th April 2012
- The Department of Literature launched a College tour of the Free Travelling Theatre Led by its lecturers, Dr. Simon Otieno and Mr. Kimingichi Wabende. Twenty two (22) students performed a play titled VISIKI whose theme is National Cohesion and Respect our Ethnic Identities
- Department of Political Science and Public Administration organized: Public Lecture on Democracy and Development By Larry Diamond, Director, Centre for Democracy, Development and Rule of Law, Stanford University, USA. On 30th March, 2012
- Inaugural Lecture Entitled’ Herbal Medicines: Do They Really Work? By Prof. Julius W. Mwangi, on 14th March, 2012
- Dr. Iribe Mwangi Member, Board of Directors, Usalama Watch Initiative, an NGO aimed at curbing road accidents and offering support to accident victims and their families since Jan., 2012
- Dr. Iribe Mwangi Present from Jan. 2012 Secretary, Board of Directors, TWB Health Translation Center, a charitable organization that translates health materials to ease accessibility to health information
- Prof. Paul Mbatia, Department of Sociology [4] and Prof. Wesley Shrum, a Sociologist at Louisiana State University, produced a documentary movie dubbed Brother Time [5]. The movie is a Kenyan tale of violence and humanity. Brother Time is a tale of two Rift Valley neighbours, whose friendship turn to conflict as ethnic passions threaten to engulf them. The film was narrated by Kenyans who witnessed ‘the clashes.’ It is a peace building documentary film made for the 2013 general election
- Prof. J.N.K. Mugambi 2012 External Examiner, School of Mission and Theology, Savanger, Norway, 27-31 August 2012
- Prof. J.N.K. Mugambi 2012 Guest Lecturer— Africa International University, Nairobi, 30 May, 2012
• Gona, G. **February 2012**, Member of the Drafting Committee on National Race and Ethnic Policy for the Kenya National Cohesion and Integration Commission (NCIC)

• **Dr. Ocharo**, 31.01.2012: Gave a talk on **Opinion poll** - KTN
• **Dr. Mutie P.**, **October 2008 to-date**: Chair, Board of Governors, Kathonzweni Girls Secondary School, Kathonzweni District

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