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LAUNCH OF UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI FOUNDATION



30th JUNE 2022

5:30pm -7:30pm
Chancellor's Court

The Launch of the University of Nairobi Foundation will happen on Thursday, June 30, 2022, from 5:30 PM at the Chancellor's Court

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[Over 200 UoN students employed by Industry](#)

Every year, the Office of Career Services and the Dean of students organize a job fair that attracts industry to offer jobs and internship opportunities to UoN students. This year's fair saw over 23 Kenyan-based Chinese companies that offered over 200 employment opportunities.



[Changing the Food Security Narrative in Kenya](#)

In August 2022, 50 UoN students drawn from the Faculty of Agriculture, Veterinary Medicine and Biosystems Engineering will go to Israel for the 11-month experiential learning run by the Arava International Centre for Agricultural Training (AICAT).



[Strengthening Research Ethics Review and Oversight in Kenya](#)

The Strengthening Research Ethics Review and Oversight in Kenya (STrek) Conference was held on 24-26 May. Matters concerning decolonisation of bioethics scholarship, promotion of stakeholder engagement, taking African philosophical account in research, and creating leadership and bioethics networks in Africa were deliberated.



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[Scaling the heights of Mt. Kenya for the health and well-being of young people](#)

Nine Kenyan students are preparing for a new challenge: to scale the heights of Mount Kenya. To prepare for this challenge, they climbed the stratovolcano Mount Longonot on Saturday, May 28, 2022. This initiative is part of the Our Rights, Our Lives, Our, Our Future (O3 Plus) Programme that was launched at the University of Nairobi and at Mount Kenya University by the UNESCO Regional Office for Eastern Africa.



[Launch of Covid-19 Vaccination Accelerated Programme](#)

The campaign targets to have at least 70% of the population in Nairobi vaccinated in the next six weeks. Currently, 48.9% (1,492,877) of the population in Nairobi is fully vaccinated against a targeted population of 3,052,494 persons.



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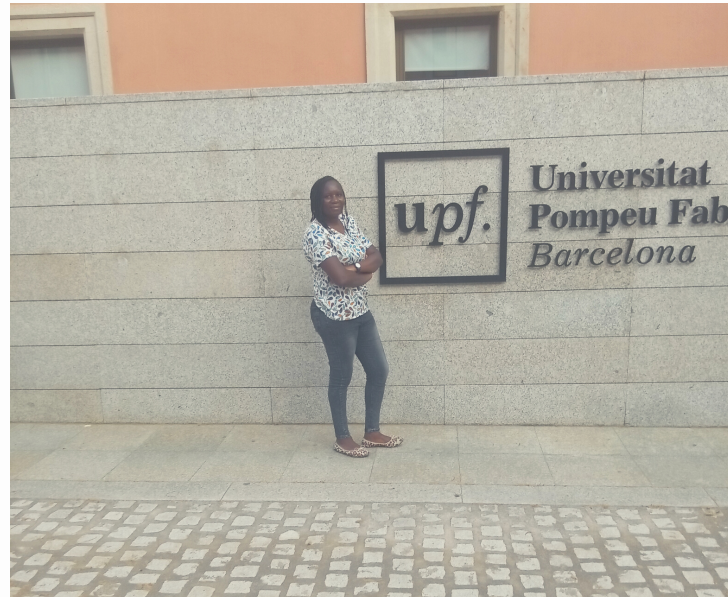
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UON POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS AT UPF ON A MOBILITY PROGRAMME

Two University of Nairobi students are on an exchange programme at the University of Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona. This was enabled by a collaborative agreement that the University has with UPF.

One of the students, Selina, had this to say in an exclusive interview with Corporate Affairs.



1. Please introduce yourself and tell us what program you enrolled in at UPF?

My name is Selina Atwani Ochukut, taking PhD in Information Systems with the [TIDE research group of Interactive and Distributed Technologies for Education](#)

2. How did you hear about this opportunity for international mobility?

I received the invitation to apply for mobility from the PhD Coordinator, Prof. Wagacha and Mobility Coordinator Dr Muchemi. The opportunity was shared through the Department of Computing and Informatics mailing list and the PhD class WhatsApp group.

3. How did you hear about this opportunity for international mobility?

For me being at UPF has provided me with an opportunity to travel and interact with people from different nationalities. The research group I am in has people from over 5 nationalities working on different projects. This has given me an opportunity to not only learn from the professors but also from my peers.

UPF has provided me with access to different academic databases that have helped me to shape and improve my research.

In terms of career, UPF has given me the experience of working and interacting with people in a research group, where people work together on projects in the same area. TIDE, the research group I joined, works on projects in the area of education and technology. It has given me a deeper appreciation of research and its impact.

Before coming to Europe, I had fears of discrimination, but during my stay at UPF, I realised that people here are welcoming, helpful and ready to interact and share knowledge.

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4. What are the highpoints of studying through a mobility program like yours?

- I get time to concentrate on my studies without interruptions
- Bi-weekly meetings with my UPF supervisor on my work
- Open and easy interactions with the supervisors
- Opportunities to create networks with people from different nationalities
- Access to datasets
- Easy access to help in case of any difficulties/issues experienced

5. When you come back to Kenya what changes would like to be effected in your country and your University?

- Stronger specialised research groups focusing on a specific research area
- Funded PhD studentship
- More opportunities for such programs accorded to staff who are also PhD students to give them time to concentrate on their studies
- Have PhD projects that are a collaboration between industry and academia
- More efficient public transport system with many modes integrated

6. What role did the University of Nairobi play in facilitating your mobility to UPF?

- The mobility was through the University of Nairobi, so without being in the University I might have not heard about it.
- Sharing the opportunity with interested students, without the collaboration with UPF, this mobility will not have been possible.
- Got recommendation from the University's Department of Computing and Informatics for the mobility application and Visa
- The university granted me a paid leave of absence for three months hence enabling me to travel for the mobility without worry about my family's sustenance back home



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