

# SCHOOL OF CONTINUING AND DISTANCE EDUCATION



University of Nairobi

## *N e w s l e t t e r*

*January to June 2013*

News and Activities in the School since January 2013:

### **1. University Charter**

Preparations for institutional Quality Audit by the Commission for University Education from 9th January to 1st February, 2013

The inspection of the School done by CUE on 2nd February, 2013

Award of the University's Service Charter on March 1, 2013

### **2. Central Marking**

The Department of Educational Studies invited tutors for a centralized marking session of Exams done in December, 2012. The chairman and other Departmental Staff including examiners participated between 21<sup>st</sup> January to 4<sup>th</sup> February 2013 at the CCU in Main Campus.

### **3. Conference on utilization of open and distance learning in addressing education challenges in**

### **Kenya towards fulfillment of the Vision 2030**

The School organized an academic conference on 18th April 2013. The staff who presented papers included Prof. David Macharia, Prof. Christopher Gakuu, Dr. Harriet Kidombo, Dr. Omondi Bowa, Dr. Charles Rambo, Mr. Jeckoniah Odumbe, Dr. Guantai Mboroki, and Dr. Joyce Mbwesa.

### **4. Curriculum Workshop on Open and Distance Learning by the School of Public Health**

The Dean, SCDE Dr. Harriet Kidombo attended the conference at the Rift Valley Lodge on 2nd to 4th May 2013

### **5. Training of E-Learning Tutors workshop**

There was training of e-learning tutors at Multimedia University 24th February to 1st March 2013. The trainers were Prof. Christopher Gakuu, Dr. Harriet Kidombo and Dr. Omondi Bowa, Dr. Charles Rambo,

Dr. Moses Otieno, and Mr. Jeckoniah Odumbe.

#### **6. Masters in Peace Education (MAPE) writers Workshop in Naivasha for material development**

The above workshop was held at KWSTI in Naivasha from 12th to 17th May 2013. Among those who attended was Dr. Harriet Kidombo, Dr. Omondi Bowa, Dr. Joyce Mbwesa, Dr. Peter Nzuki, Mr. Christopher Mutunga, Prof. David Macharia, Prof. Christopher Gakuu, Mr. Jeckoniah Odumbe, Dr. Anne Assey, Mr. Joseph Mungai, M/s Florida Keru.

#### **7. Conversion of materials into E-content for B. Ed (Arts)**

A workshop was held at the Multimedia University from 15th to 19th April 2013 to convert materials into e-content for B. Ed (Arts) where 41 modules were converted. The facilitators were Miss Jerusha Kimani, Miss Angela Mbula, Miss Winnie Codawa, Mr. Francis Chege, Mr. Jeckoniah Odumbe.

#### **8. Teaching Practice**

Academic staff in the Department of Educational Studies are currently involved in the supervision of Bachelor of Education (Arts) and Postgraduate Diploma in Education

students numbering 800 who are currently on Teaching Practice in secondary schools across the country from. The exercise started on 1st May and is expected to go up to 31st July 2013.

#### **9. Community Outreach**

Staff in the School have been involved in various community outreach activities such as:

- Dr. Anne Asey attended the award of the University's Service Charter in March 1st 2013.
- She also went to Raila Odinga Secondary School in Kibera for Teaching Practice and had a mentorship session with the students while there in February 2013.
- Dr. Asey also attended and participated at the Sarit Centre Open Day and CUE Exhibition from 2nd to 5th February, 2013
- Prof. David Macharia attended a Pastoral Educational Conference on 18th February, 2013.
- Dr. Guantai Mboroki Attended prize giving day for Muniko Girls Secondary School on 9th June 2013 - Outreach.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### 1. Dr. Mbwesa and Dr. Peter Keiyoro

- ICT for development education and training conference at Windhoek Memorial from 29th – 31st May 2013
- Learner participation of interaction experience theories. Case study of University of Nairobi B. Ed Science programme April 18th at Kikuyu Campus
- Launching of two journals in collaboration with Coventry University in U.K 29th July 2013.
- Launch of a committee to look at community cohesion in Kenya July 2013 (School)

### 2. Dr. Harriet Kidombo

1st Africa Conference organized by Ministry of Education at Safari Park Hotel Nairobi from 29th – 31st May 2013.

### 3. Dr. Guantai Mboroki

DETA paper conference with the South Africa University of Pretoria (End of July).

### 4. Dr. Anne Aseeey

One day Conference and four days training with Association of commonwealth Universities ACU/UON Centenary 26th – 30th August 2013.

Conference Meeting in Mombasa to attend and market the School's Programmes 17th – 21st June, 2013

Nairobi International Trade Fair at Jamhuri Park from 30th Sept. – 6th Oct. 2013.

Attended workshop on Scientific Research Publishing at Central Catering Unit at the University of Nairobi.

### 5. Dr. Charles Rambo

Global conference for business and finance research in costarica (Central America) from 28<sup>th</sup> May to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2013 and present papers.

Research writing Seminar by Harare Institution of Technology School of Business and Management Sciences Zimbabwe in Collaboration with the British Council 27<sup>th</sup> June to 29<sup>th</sup> June 2013.

**6. Delivery of computers to Regional Centres to enhance learning**

No. of Centres in Kenya - 10 Extra Mural Centres

No. of Computers to be delivered - 100 Computers

The computers will be delivered between 31<sup>st</sup> May and 30<sup>th</sup> June 2013.

**7. Dr. Dorothy Kyalo**

Machakos County Developers Conference held from 18<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup> May 2013 at Maanzoni Hotel, Machakos.