

## **Vice-Chancellor launches Centre for Pedagogy and Andragogy and Institute of Climate Change and Dry lands**

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The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Peter M. F. Mbithi launched the Centre for Pedagogy and Andragogy, CEPA together with the African Dryland Institute for Sustainability, ADIS, at the Vice-Chancellor's Parlour, today, September 15, 2015.

Speaking during the launch, the Vice-Chancellor noted that centre is critical to the training of quality graduates and it is in line with the mandate of the University of producing quality graduates.

According to the Director of CEPA, Prof. Digolo the centre was established to train the academic staff on better ways of teaching and delivery of lectures, tutorials. Lecturers will also be trained on assessment of students as well as on mentorship of students. A lecturer who shall have been trained under CEPA will be able to detect sensitive issues among the students and help in correcting them.

Prof. Isaac Jumba the Principal of the College of Education and External Studies noted that the centre will give the University a competitive advantage.

Also launched was the African Dryland Institute for Sustainability which has been established to help in the management resilient dry lands ecosystem. The institute is headed by Prof. Njoka.

With support from partners like ; USAID, Higher Education for Development (HED) initiative, Colorado State University, USA, research stations like Kibwezi shall be revitalised. The centre will now take in take in researchers and help in food production.