



# UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI

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### **VICE CHANCELLOR'S ADDRESS TO THE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY ON 21ST AUGUST 2021**

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I am most grateful to all members of staff and students of the University of Nairobi for their efforts that have seen us complete the Academic year 2020/2021 on schedule despite the challenges brought about by the COVID 19 Pandemic. The University has now embarked on preparations for the forthcoming 65th graduation and receiving the new class of 2021/2022.

The 65<sup>th</sup> Graduation is scheduled to take place virtually on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021. I implore all those who are slated to graduate on this date to clear on time and avoid last minute rush. The clearance form is available on students smis portal.

Earlier this week the cabinet Secretary for Education Prof. George Magoha released 2020/2021 placement of Students to Universities and Colleges. The University of Nairobi received a record high of 6,407 students. The Senate met and approved admissions of all students placed in the 61 undergraduate programs at University of Nairobi. The Senate observed that KUCCPS placed more students than the declared capacity in several of our programs, but it agreed to take the appropriate measures and ensure that all students are accommodated into programs of their choice.



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The students will be receiving their admission letters and joining instructions in a short while.

They can also confirm admission details in our website [www.uonbi.ac.ke](http://www.uonbi.ac.ke) from next week. The online registration portal for Freshmen will be active from 13th September 2021.

We are enthusiastically waiting to receive all registered freshmen on 20th September 2021 in our 11 campuses situated in several counties. The campus to report will be provided in the joining instructions. The Lectures will begin on 4th October 2021 after orientation and training on the use of online platforms. The training is planned to be in blended mode- both physical and virtual.

Students who would wish to switch from one program to another will be given a chance to do so with effect from 27th September 2021 for 7 days up to 4th October 2021 so long as they have qualified and there is capacity.

For those seeking inter -university transfers through KUCCPS, the KUCCPS portal will be open from 1st September 2021 to 31st September 2021.

We thank you for preferring to become members of the University of Nairobi family. Data released by KUCCPS indicate that the majority of the straight 'A' students chose to join our flagship programs – They will be able to drink from the fountain of knowledge and become the future leaders of their generation. I want to appreciate them and assure them that they have made the right decision of joining the University of Nairobi and that they will be highly rewarded in future. Joining the University of Nairobi is the beginning of a journey towards a successful career and greatness.

The University of Nairobi is the home of talents. We have produced some of the greatest talents in the country. One of our students whose talent has blossomed here at the University of Nairobi is Ferdinand Omanyala Omurwa who has attained the fastest time in the Continent of 9.86s in 100m sprint this year after representing Kenya in the Olympics. I congratulate him and want him to know that we are all very proud of him.

I would also want to bring to the attention of students who had initially been placed by KUCCPS or admitted to UoN in the last 2 years that their admissions are still valid. I encourage them to register and report on 20th September 2021.

Finally, let me also take this opportunity to announce that the resumption date for continuing students (both Undergraduate and postgraduate) is 4th October 2021. The details of those who will be reporting physically to campus have already been issued by the academic registrar.

Thank you and God bless you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a series of fluid, overlapping loops and strokes, characteristic of a cursive or semi-cursive style.

**PROF. STEPHEN KIAMA GITAHI, PhD**  
**VICE CHANCELLOR.**