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MksU Hosts Inaugural Creative Arts Conference



Machakos University hosted its first inaugural International Conference on Creative Arts in Higher Education from 20th–21st August 2026 at the Luban Workshop, bringing together scholars, researchers, educators and practitioners to explore the role of creative arts in education, innovation, culture and sustainable development.

The conference was officially opened by Prof. James Muola, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Academic and Student Affairs, who represented Vice-Chancellor Prof. Joyce J. Agalo. In his remarks, Prof. Muola highlighted the conference as an important platform for strengthening the University's academic profile, research visibility and global engagement.

In his keynote address, Dr. Joel Ongoto, Director Secretary General – Research and Resource Mobilization at the Kenya National Commission for UNESCO, highlighted the growing importance of creative arts within the knowledge economy. He emphasized the need to bridge creative arts with science and technology, particularly in an era shaped by artificial intelligence, digital transformation, automation and climate change.

The conference explores diverse themes including creative arts education, practice-led learning, AI, digital technologies, creative writing, entrepreneurship, gender and inclusivity, providing participants with an opportunity to examine emerging trends and innovative approaches in the creative sector.

The inaugural conference marks another milestone in Machakos University's commitment to interdisciplinary scholarship, innovation, cultural expression and global knowledge exchange, positioning the University as a growing hub for creative and academic inquiry.

The University of the Future will be a creative, digital and entrepreneurial university where knowledge is not only taught but imagined, designed, created, produced and transformed into solutions, enterprises and cultural products."

For a university such as Machakos University, this could provide a strong basis for developing a Creative Arts and Digital Media Innovation Hub, linking ODeL, ICT, media production and Creative Arts. -

Deputy Secretary General, UNESCO (KNATCOM),



MksU's First Creative Arts Pictorial





Building Bonds, Strengthening Teams



SBEHTM staff coming together after a day of fun-filled team-building activities



SBEHTM staff share a spirited moment during a team-building activity

The School of Business, Economics, Hospitality and Tourism Management (SBEHTM) held a team-building retreat at Fanela Gardens, Machakos, on 14th August 2026, bringing staff together for a day of connection, collaboration and shared experiences.

Facilitated by Mr. Albert Kitaka, Dr. Stella Mwawaza and Dr. Ruth Muinga, the activities focused on strengthening trust, communication, teamwork and workplace relationships while providing staff with an opportunity to unwind and connect beyond their professional roles.

The retreat reaffirmed SBEHTM's commitment to staff wellbeing, people-centred leadership and a culture of excellence, recognizing that strong teams are essential to building a stronger School and University.

MksU Mathematician Joins Global AI Climate Resilience Project



Machakos University has strengthened its global research footprint following the inclusion of Prof. Mark Kimathi, an Applied Mathematician from the Department of Mathematics and Statistics, in a Kenyan research team awarded KSh 18 million (€120,000) under the Horizon Europe programme funded by the European Commission.

Prof. Kimathi serves as Co-Principal Investigator (Co-PI) in the 36-month TWIN4READY – Urban Digital Twins for Flood Readiness project, a €5.96 million global initiative bringing together 22 leading institutions from Europe and Kenya to advance AI-driven disaster preparedness and flood resilience.

The project will develop an innovative digital twin framework combining satellite data, IoT sensors, mathematical and physics-based modelling, machine learning, and a natural-language interface to generate high-resolution flood impact maps and support faster, more informed decision-making during disasters.

Prof. Kimathi brings expertise in differential equations and mathematical modelling, contributing to the project's development of practical solutions for flood prediction and climate resilience.

His involvement highlights Machakos University's growing contribution to cutting-edge STEM research and reinforces the University's commitment to using mathematics, innovation and technology to address pressing societal and environmental challenges.

From Kenya to the world, MksU research is making an impact.

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START YOUR MksU JOURNEY EARLY!



Take advantage of the early reporting and document verification exercise! You do not have to wait until 24th August 2026. Report early and have your documents verified in advance for a smooth and hassle-free registration process.



Admission letters for all transfer students and late applicants are now ready and available on the Machakos University website: www.mksu.ac.ke.



Complete, scan, and submit your admission documents through the link provided in your admission letter.

Reporting early will help you avoid long queues, last-minute rush, and unnecessary delays

Start your Machakos University journey smoothly!

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WARNING!

BEWARE OF FAKE INFORMATION

ATTENTION TO NEWLY ADMITTED STUDENTS!

It has come to our attention that fake Google Forms and false payment instructions are being circulated, claiming to be from Machakos University.

✗ THESE ARE FAKE:

- Fake Google Forms claiming to be from Machakos University.
- Payment instructions requesting payments via Lipa Na M-Pesa to:
- Business Number: **516600**
- Account Number: **5677633001**
- Links circulating on social media such as:

<https://forms.gle/HYHvNBxr2XRSobFa8>



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Report suspicious and fake links/ information to:



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PUBLIC NOTICE: CAUTION ON FAKE HOSTEL INFORMATION!

Machakos University wishes to caution all newly admitted students, parents, guardians, and members of the public that information circulating online regarding University hostels is FAKE.

All University hostels are currently fully booked . Do not pay money to anyone purporting to secure hostel accommodation for you.

A list of private hostel providers who have signed MOUs with the University will be available during the Admission Week, 24th-28th August 2026 . The approved private hostel providers will also be available during this period.

Kindly confirm with the University Admission Desk before making any payment to any hostel provider or individual. Your safety and security remain our priority. Please stay vigilant and beware of fraudsters.

For official admission information and verification, visit:
<https://mksu.ac.ke/admissions/>



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT



MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY **ADMISSION UPDATE!**

Admissions for the **New Students** will be held
on **Monday, 24th August to Friday, 28th August**
2026, from **7:00 a.m.** daily.



Join us at Machakos University and take
the next step towards your future.

Your journey starts here.



In Loving Memory Of



Sharon Chemutai

It is with deep sorrow that Machakos University announces the untimely passing of Ms. Sharon Chemutai (E35-0937-2022), a student pursuing a Bachelor of Education (Arts) in the School of Education.

The University community mourns the loss of a valued member and extends its heartfelt condolences to Sharon's family, friends, classmates and loved ones during this difficult time. Members of the Machakos University fraternity are encouraged to stand with and support the family as they navigate this period of bereavement.

May her soul rest in eternal peace.



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