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A top-down photograph showing several hands of different skin tones reaching towards the center to assemble large wooden gears on a light-colored wooden floor. The hands are wearing various sleeves, including dark blue, plaid, and white. The gears are light-colored wood with a central hole. A semi-transparent red rectangle is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing white text.

# Meet The Team

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# MksU Advances Key Infrastructure Projects

Machakos University hosted a delegation from the State Department for Public Works, led by Works Secretary Quantity Surveyor N. M. Mutua, for high-level discussions on the progress and completion of the strategic Tuition Block.

The discussions focused on assessing the current status of the project and identifying practical measures to support its completion as the University continues to expand its infrastructure in response to the needs of its growing student population.

Vice-Chancellor Prof. Joyce J. Agalo led the delegation on an inspection tour of several major infrastructure projects across the University. The tour covered the multi-storey Tuition Block, Phases I–III of the perimeter wall project, cabro paving works and the ongoing Machakos University Hotel and Conference Centre (MUHCC) gate.

The inspection provided an opportunity to review progress across the projects, appreciate work already undertaken and identify areas requiring attention to support timely completion.



*The Clerk of Works, Dr. Clement Mbatha points out the progress of some of the ongoing projects at the University*



*Vice-Chancellor Prof. Joyce J. Agalo leads the State Department for Public Works delegation, led by QS N. M. Mutua, on an inspection tour of infrastructure projects at Machakos University*

Particular focus was placed on the Tuition Block, which remains a key component of the University's infrastructure expansion programme and is expected to significantly increase the availability of modern and conducive spaces for learning and administration.

The visit also underscored the importance of collaboration between Machakos University and government agencies in delivering strategic infrastructure projects. These developments are integral to supporting quality teaching, learning, research and service delivery, while creating an environment that responds effectively to the evolving needs of the University community.

As the University's physical landscape continues to take shape, the ongoing projects reflect Machakos University's commitment to building a modern, secure and accessible institution equipped to support excellence, innovation and sustainable growth.

# MksU Showcases E-Voting Innovation Through Peer Learning



*Machakos University Hosts Kisii University Delegation for Student E-Voting Benchmarking*

Machakos University hosted a delegation of eight staff members from Kisii University, led by Dean of Students Dr. Gladys Osoro, for a benchmarking visit centred on the University's Student E-Voting system. The delegation was received by Machakos University Dean of Students, Dr. James Karau.

The visit provided a platform for the Kisii University team to gain practical insight into the e-voting system, with the service provider demonstrating its functionality and the processes underpinning secure, efficient and transparent electronic student elections.

The exchange reflected the value of institutional knowledge-sharing and peer learning in advancing innovation and strengthening student services. Machakos University remains committed to sharing proven practices while drawing from the experiences of other institutions to continually enhance the student experience.

Through such collaborations, the University continues to uphold its commitment to excellence, innovation and co-creating sustainable futures.

# Commtech and ECE Department News



*Prof. Henry Embeiywa*

*CoD- Educational Communication Technology & Early Childhood Education*

1. All Bed. Undergraduate students (Science, Arts, Special Needs and Early Childhood).
2. All PGDE students.

A new programme for Bed. (Technology) is undergoing refinement through the participation of stakeholders that would provide an opportunity for students to specialize as educators in the areas of Electrical and Electronic Technology; Civil Engineering Technology; Mechanical Engineering Technology; Computing and Information Technology; Agricultural Technology; and Home Science Technology.

There are 10 Units for MED; and 10 Units for PhD in Educational Technology with specialization options for: Math Education, Science Education (Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Computer, Technology), Social Studies Education (CRE, Geography, Business, History), Language Education (English/Literature, Kiswahili).

In the programme for Early Childhood Education, the department offers 28 Early Childhood Education units per semester for all the year groups, plus two practicum units in Second year and Teaching Practice in Third Year; while there are 8 units for Med. (ECE) and 8 units for PhD (ECE).

The rate of graduation for Masters and Doctoral students has been more than 90%.



# Alumni Spotlight: Ms. Mary Mutula



***Ms. Mary Mutula / Executive Director, Tuboreshe Pamoja /  
Forty Under 40 Africa Awards Winner 2026***

I am honoured to be recognised as a Machakos University alumna, having graduated in the year 2018 with a Bachelors degree in Education. A journey that continues to shape how I lead, serve and create change. My time at MksU was a formative chapter that strengthened my confidence, leadership, networks and understanding of the power young people hold to transform their communities.

Today, I serve as the Founder and Executive Director of Tuboreshe Pamoja, a non-profit organisation working with youth and women to build equitable, resilient and inclusive communities through locally led solutions.

My journey in youth development has included serving as Ms President Machakos, a Youth Connekt Africa Fellow and YELP Fellow with LeO Institute Africa. I am also honoured to serve as Chair of the Student Alumni Association of Machakos University, continuing my connection with an institution that played an important role in shaping my journey.

In 2026, my work in Community Development and Youth Empowerment was recognised through the Forty Under 40 Africa Awards. For me, however, recognition is not the destination, impact is. I encourage MksU students to use their university years intentionally: learn beyond their courses, build relationships, volunteer, lead and embrace opportunities to create positive change.

Machakos University remains central to my story, with the knowledge, relationships and opportunities I gained there becoming building blocks for the work I do today.

“Education becomes most powerful when it moves beyond the classroom and becomes a tool for service and transformation.

## **Alumni, Let's Build Together**

Reconnect with MksU, renew your MKSUAA membership, and support key initiatives, including the Machakos University Convention Centre. Join the upcoming fundraising walk and help create meaningful opportunities and a stronger future for our University community.

***Ms. Mary Mutula Chair, Student Alumni Association,  
Machakos University***



# Machakos University

## SEPTEMBER IS SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH

University life can be exciting, but it can also be overwhelming. If you are struggling, you are not alone. Reaching out is a sign of strength, not weakness.



### Warning signs to Look out For

For yourself or a friend:

- Persistent sadness, hopelessness, or feeling trapped
- Withdrawing from friends, family, classes, or activities
- Noticeable changes in sleep or eating habits
- Increased use of alcohol or other substances
- Extreme mood swings or irritability
- Loss of interest in things once enjoyed
- Talking about being a burden or feeling worthless
- Giving away personal belongings or saying goodbye unexpectedly
- Expressing thoughts about death, self-harm, or not wanting to live

**You Matter** ✓

**Your Life Matters** ✓

**Help is Available** ✓



### How you can help

- Check in on friends and classmates
- Listen without judgment
- Encourage professional support
- Stay connected and show you care
- Take concerns seriously and seek help immediately if someone may be in danger



**Remember:**

**It's okay not to be okay. It's okay to ask for help. You do not have to face difficult times alone.**

## Be Kind. Be Aware. Be There.

If you or someone you know is in immediate danger, **contact the wellness centre on 0110509895** right away.





# Machakos University

## School of Engineering and Technology

### Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Electronics Engineering

#### REQUIREMENTS

**C+ in KCSE or equivalent examination at the grades in:**

- Mathematics B
- Physics (or Physical Sciences) C+
- Chemistry (or Physical Sciences) C+
- English C+

**C+ will have an added advantage in the following subjects:**

- Geography
- Metal work
- Power mechanics

Have a principal pass in both Physics and Mathematics plus a subsidiary in the Kenya Advanced Certificate of Education (KACE), and at least a credit in Chemistry and Biology or Geography in the Kenya Certificate of Education (KCE)

or

Have a Diploma of at least a pass in Electrical engineering or relevant field from an Institution recognized by the University Senate (second year admission)

Have a Higher National Diploma in Electrical engineering or relevant field from an institution recognized by the University Senate (Third year admission)

or

Have any other qualifications acceptable by the University Senate as equivalent to sections above

#### EVENING CLASSES

**ENROL NOW**

Students doing Bachelor of science in Electrical and Electronic Engineering will now have evening classes. Those with Diploma in Electronics Engineering or Diploma Electrical Engineering (Power option) or Diploma in Instrumentation and Control or Diploma in Telecommunication Engineering from KNEC or CBET or a recognised university will start from second year of study. Those with Higher Diploma from KNEC or recognised university will start from third year.

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# DIDN'T MANAGE TO REPORT DURING THE NORMAL REPORTING PERIOD?

*You still have an opportunity!*



Machakos University is **STILL ADMITTING LATECOMERS** for the 2026/2027 academic year. If you did not manage to join us last week, this is your chance. Don't miss out!

**DON'T  
MISS OUT!**



Kindly visit the Machakos University **ADMISSIONS OFFICE** for assistance with your late admission and registration.



Please **share this message widely** with anyone who may have missed the normal reporting period.



## **LATE ADMISSIONS STILL ONGOING!**

Machakos University is still admitting latecomers for the **2026/2027** academic year.

If you did not manage to report during the normal reporting period, do not worry—you still have an opportunity to join us!



Kindly visit the Machakos University Admissions Office for assistance with your late admission and registration.



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**Your journey at Machakos University can still begin!**



Do not postpone your academic journey, we care, we listen.  
**Join us ASAP**

Together, let us work towards 100% admissions rate.



Join the 2026 Admissions  
WhatsApp Channel



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# Machakos University



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## 11<sup>th</sup> Graduation Ceremony

The Chancellor, the University Council, Senate and Management cordially invite you to the 11<sup>th</sup> Graduation Ceremony for the conferment of Degrees and award of Diplomas on **Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2026 at 8:00 a.m.** at the University Sports Ground.

The ceremony will be presided over by the University Chancellor, Dr. James Mworia, LL.B (Nairobi), Tutu Fellow, D. Bus.Hon (MksU).

**Theme: Celebrating Excellence, Inspiring Innovation and Transforming Lives**

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