



MAKERERE UNIVERSITY

# *At a Glance*



**2025/26**



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Makerere University at a Glance provides a brief yet comprehensive overview of Uganda's premier institution of higher learning, highlighting its heritage, academic profile, research, achievements, and strategic direction



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VISITOR OF MAKERERE UNIVERSITY



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CHANCELLOR, MAKERERE UNIVERSITY

## WELCOME MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR COUNCIL



Dr. Lorna Magara  
CHAIRPERSON MAKERERE  
UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

It is with great pleasure and honor that I welcome you to Makerere University. As the Chair of the Council, I am proud to be part of an institution dedicated to academic excellence, innovation, and the holistic development of our students.

At Makerere University, we strive to provide a nurturing environment where knowledge is acquired and applied to address real-world challenges. Our esteemed faculty and dedicated staff work tirelessly to ensure that every student has the opportunity to reach their full potential and achieve their aspirations. We are deeply committed to building strong partnerships with industries, governments, and other educational institutions locally and internationally.

To our alumni and partners, thank you for your continued support and engagement. Your contributions are invaluable in helping us uphold our mission and achieve our vision for the future. Together, we will continue to uphold the values of excellence, accountability, professionalism, integrity, respect, and inclusivity that define Makerere University



### OUR VISION

Makerere University is a thought leader of knowledge generation for societal transformation and development

## MESSAGE FROM THE VC



### OUR MISSION

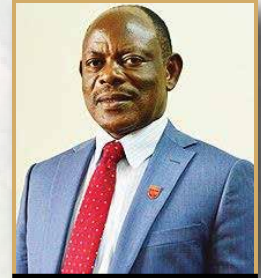
Makerere University is committed to providing transformative and innovative teaching, learning, research and services responsive to dynamic national and global needs.

It is with great pride and enthusiasm that I extend warm greetings from Makerere University, one of Africa's oldest and most prestigious institutions of higher learning. As Vice-Chancellor, I am honored to share with you our University's achievements, aspirations, and our unwavering commitment to fostering global partnerships.

Makerere University has a long-standing tradition of academic excellence, research innovation, and community service. For virtually a century, we have been at the forefront of education in Africa, nurturing leaders, innovators, and change-makers who have made significant contributions to various fields worldwide.

Our University is home to a diverse and vibrant community of scholars and students from Eastern, Central and Southern Africa, Europe and Asia as well as America and the Western Pacific. We believe that diversity enriches the academic experience and fosters a deeper understanding of global perspectives. We are dedicated to creating an inclusive environment where everyone can thrive and contribute to the advancement of knowledge and society.

As we continue to advance our mission, we invite you to join us in our journey. Whether through research partnerships, academic exchanges, or collaborative projects, there are numerous opportunities for meaningful engagement with Makerere University. Together, we can create a brighter and more sustainable future for all. We look forward to building lasting relationships and achieving great things together.



Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe  
VICE CHANCELLOR



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Chairperson Quality Assurance,  
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Students Affairs Committee**



**Dr. Edward Damulira Sengonzi  
MoFPED Rep.**



**Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe**  
**Vice Chancellor**



**Prof. Sarah Ssali**  
**Deputy Vice Chancellor**  
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**University Senate Rep.**



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**Guidance Rep.**



**Mr. John Chris Ninsiima**  
**National Union of Disabled**  
**Persons in Uganda Rep.**



**Mr. Amon Muteganda**  
**Kabahima**  
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**NUEI Rep.**



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Kampala Capital  
City Authority Rep.



**Ms. Kadondi Gracious**  
Students Guild Rep.



**Mr. John Bosco Mubiru**  
Students Guild Rep.



**Mr. George Turyamureba**  
Makerere University  
Convocation Rep.



Hon. Janet Kataaha Museveni (Centre), Hon. Monica Musenero (3rd Right), Ms. Ketty Lamaro (2nd Left) and Hon. John Chrysestom Musingo with the members of the New Makerere University Council on 2nd February 2023 at State House Nakasero, Kampala



MAKERERE UNIVERSITY

## 2025 SUMMARY

### Student Data

Number of Student Headcount Enrolments	27,300
% Female	49.8%
% Postgraduate	21.6%

### Academic Staff Data

Number of Full-Time Permanent Academic staff	1,352
% Female	32.7%

### Administrative and Support Staff Data

Number of full-time permanent administrative staff	490
% Female	54.9%
Number of full-time permanent support staff	1,001
% Female	50.4%

### Research Data

Number of research Centers and Institutes	68
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### World University Rankings (WUR)

National Ranking in Uganda	1
EducRank in East Africa	1
EducRank in Africa	12/1,104
Worldwide Rank (WUR)	801 - 1,000

### Library Data

Users seating	4,000
Electronic books accessible through MYLOFT	35,520
Journals titles	290,984

### Other Facts

Official Language	English
Number of Courses Offered	409

# COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS OF THE UNIVERSITY

## College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences

CAES



- School of Agricultural Sciences
- School of Forestry, Environmental and Geographical Sciences
- School of Food Technology, Nutrition, and Bio-engineering

## College of Business and Management Sciences

CoBAMS



- School of Economics
- School of Business
- School of Statistics and Planning

## College of Computing and Information Sciences

CoCIS



- School of Computing and Informatics Technology
- East African School of Library and Information Science

## College of Engineering, Design, Art and Technology

CEDAT



- School of Engineering
- School of the Built Environment
- The Margaret Trowell School of Industrial and Fine Art

## College of Humanities and Social Sciences

CHUSS



- The School of Liberal and Performing Arts
- The School of Languages, Literature and Communication
- School of Psychology
- The School of Social Sciences

## College of Education and External Studies

CEES



- School of Education
- School of Distance and Lifelong Learning
- East African School of Higher Education Studies and Development

## College of Health Sciences

CHS



- The School of Medicine
- The School of Biomedical Sciences
- The School of Health Sciences
- The Dental School
- The University Hospital

## College of Veterinary Medicine, Animal Resource and Bio-Security

CoVAB



- School of Bio-security, Biotechnical, and Laboratory Sciences
- School of Veterinary and Animal Resources

## School of Law

SoL



- The Department of Law and Jurisprudence
- Department of Public Law
- Department of Commercial Law
- Department of Environmental Law
- Department of Human Rights and Peace Centre

## College of Natural Sciences

CoNAS



- The School of Physical Sciences
- The School of Biosciences

## Makerere University School of Public Health

MakSPH



- The Department of Community Health and Behavioral Sciences
- Department of Disease Control and Environmental Health
- Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics
- Department of Health Policy Planning and Management.

## Makerere Institute of Social Research

MISR



## Institute of Gender and Development Studies

IGDS



- Department of Gender Studies
- Department of the Development Studies
- Centre for Communication Skills

## Infectious Diseases Institute

IDI



### Core Programs

- Prevention, Care and Treatment
- Training and Capacity Development
- Research
- Laboratory Services



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## CENTRAL MANAGEMENT



**Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe**  
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**Prof. Buyinza Mukadasi**  
Academic Registry



**Mr. Yusuf Kiranda**  
University Secretary/ Secretary to Council



**Mr. Evarist Bainomugisha**  
University Bursar



**Assoc. Prof. Ruth Nalumaga**  
University Librarian



**Dr. Winfred N. Kabumbuli**  
Dean of Students



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**Director, Directorate of Research,  
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**Director, Graduate Training**



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## STUDENT HEADCOUNT



The student enrolment data in this brochure was extracted from the Academic Management Information System (ACMIS). The system was developed by Ugandan Scientists supported by teams from the Makerere University's Directorate for ICT Support (DICTS) and the College of Computing and Information Sciences (CoCIS), funded by the government of Uganda.

STUDENT ENROLMENTS		2025		2024		2023		2022		2021	
Undergraduate	Male	17,636	55.2%	13,398	54.6%	12,576	55.6%	18,216	52.8%	15,083	48.9%
	Female	14,333	44.8%	11,134	44.5%	10,036	44.4%	16,300	47.2%	15,766	51.1%
Total		31,969	100.0%	24,532	100.0%	22,612	100.0%	34,516	100.0%	30,849	100.0%
Post Graduate	Male	2,899	63.1%	3,638	61.5%	2,925	63.2%	2,646	64.1%	2,415	64.1%
	Female	1,693	36.9%	2,276	38.5%	1,702	36.8%	1,485	35.9%	1,351	35.9%
Total		4,592	100.0%	5,914	100.0%	4,627	100.0%	4,131	100.0%	3,766	100.0%
Overall		36,561		30,446		27,239		38,647		34,615	

## GRADUATE ENROLLMENT DATA

### Number of Post-graduate Students enrollments

YEAR	CATEGORY	ACADEMIC UNITS										
		CAES	CEDAT	CEES	CHS	MakSPH	CHUSS	CoBAMS	CoCIS	CoNAS	CoVAB	SoL
2024/25	PhD	71	19	42	70	70	113	17	38	45	19	4
	Masters	245	249	112	1,391	1,391	781	689	288	201	205	130
	PGD	7	38	48	-	-	57	6	5	-	8	
2023/24	<b>Total</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>779</b>	<b>779</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>88</b>
	PhD	106	23	70	70	70	113	17	38	45	19	4
	Masters	472	548	245	1,391	1,391	781	689	288	201	205	130
	PGD	18	43	167	-	-	57	6	5	-	8	
2022/23	<b>Total</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>779</b>	<b>779</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>88</b>
	PhD	62	14	52	41	41	54	18	22	19	6	6
	Masters	338	307	146	729	729	468	323	168	83	108	84
	PGD	6	29	110	-	-	51	9	10	-	5	-
	<b>Total</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>770</b>	<b>770</b>	<b>573</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>90</b>

*Enrollment for 2024/25 as per NOVEMBER 2025*

## FULLTIME PERMANENT STAFF HEADCOUNT

The staff data in this brochure was extracted from Makerere University's Electronic Human Resource Management Information System (E-HRMS). The system was developed by a team of Scientists from Makerere University to provide end-to-end support to human resource management at the Makerere University, with anticipated spill-over benefits to other Ministries, Departments, and Agencies (MDAs) in Uganda and beyond.

**Number of fulltime permanent employees in academic [n = 2,232]**

CATEGORY	GENDER	ACADEMIC UNITS											
		CAES	CEDAT	CEES	CHS	MakSPH	CHUSS	CoBAMS	CoCIS	CoNAS	CoVAB	SoL	JINJA
Academic	Male	117	111	61	168	-	157	76	42	96	59	21	6
	Female	43	34	34	93	-	81	36	43	38	21	15	2
	<b>Total</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>8</b>
Administrative	Male	-	1	1	6	5	4	2	4	1	3	1	-
	Female	5	4	6	9	8	8	3	9	3	1	5	2
	<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>
Support	Male	42	18	10	31	17	27	13	12	30	22	9	2
	Female	42	23	31	48	43	53	15	14	24	20	12	-
	<b>Total</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Overall</b>		<b>260</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>16</b>

*Note: As per NOVEMBER 2025*

## Number of fulltime permanent academic employees by rank [n = 1,416]

RANK	COLLEGES												
	CAES	CEDAT	CEES	CHS	MakSPH	CHUSS	CoBAMS	CoCIS	CoNAS	CoVAB	SoL	JINJA	LIBRARY
Professor	17	3	4	16	12	12	1	2	5	7	4	-	-
Associate Professor	33	12	7	37	20	20	9	6	15	9	3	1	1
Senior Lecturer	36	13	18	66	44	44	20	12	29	18	5	-	1
Lecturer	59	47	38	114	85	85	34	34	57	25	7	-	11
Assistant Lecturer	23	82	29	40	77	77	52	28	39	22	15	12	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>

Note: Academic staff excludes Technicians

## Number of full-time permanent employees in administrative units [n = 787]

CATEGORY	GENDER	AR	DHR	DICTS	DOS	DRGT	ESTATES	FINANCE	GMD	LIBRARY	VC	QA	PROC	MHS	BURSOR	DLA	US	IA	SEC	PLAN
Administrative	Male	32	10	30	11	5	6	40	1	15	7	2	10	13	43	2	2	8	1	3
	Female	44	22	4	9	4	4	25	7	33	14	1	4	11	37	5	2	9	-	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>
Support	Male	11	13	5	83	4	36	10	1	27	7	1	1	10	2	3	1	-	88	2
	Female	12	20	3	83	2	5	13	-	38	3	-	1	18	5	1	2	1	29	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>3</b>
Overall		<b>94</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>7</b>

AR - Academic Registrar, DICTS - Directorate for ICT Support, DRGT - Directorate of Research and Graduate Training, DOS - Dean of Students, GMD - Gender Mainstreaming Directorate

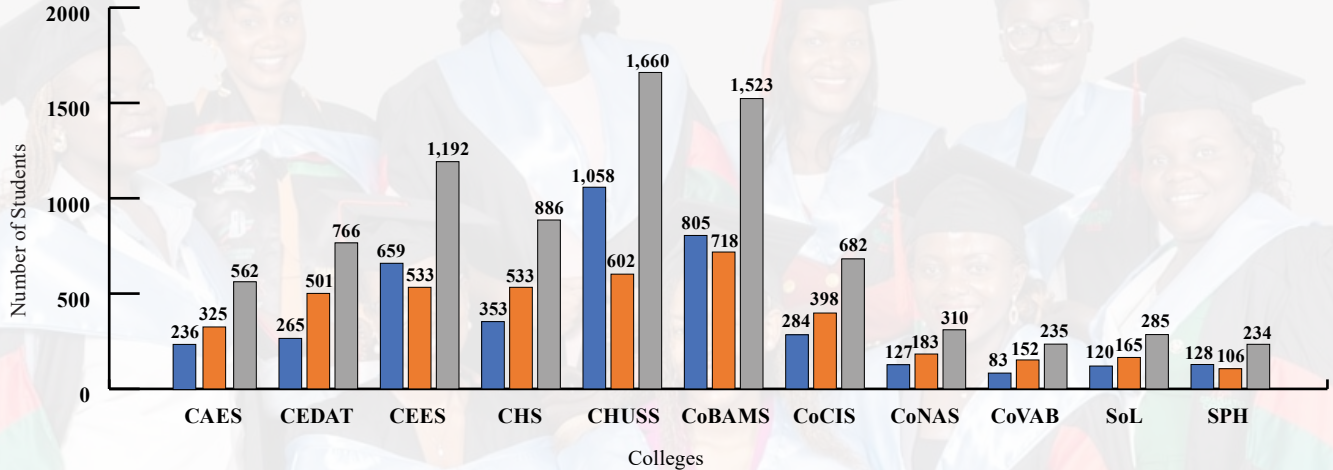
## GRADUATION STATISTICS BY COLLEGE, AND PROGRAM, 2025

	GRADUATION 2025											
	CAES	CEDAT	CEES	CHS	MAKSPH	CHUSS	CoBAMS	CoCIS	CoNAS	CoVAB	SoL	TOTAL
<b>Diploma</b>			12	1	11	11			-	-	-	<b>24</b>
<b>Bachelors</b>	511	665	881	463	1,398	1,398	1,479	632	284	212	264	<b>11,017</b>
<b>PGD</b>	3	17	81		45	45	4	1	-	5	-	<b>156</b>
<b>Masters</b>	104	125	51	349	258	258	214	35	35	58	20	<b>1,585</b>
<b>PhD</b>	20	9	7	23	30	30	7	2	12	7	1	<b>131</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>816</b>	<b>1,032</b>	<b>836</b>	<b>1,742</b>	<b>1,742</b>	<b>1,704</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>12,913</b>



## Graduation Statistics by Gender, 2025

Number of Graduands by College and Gender, January 2025

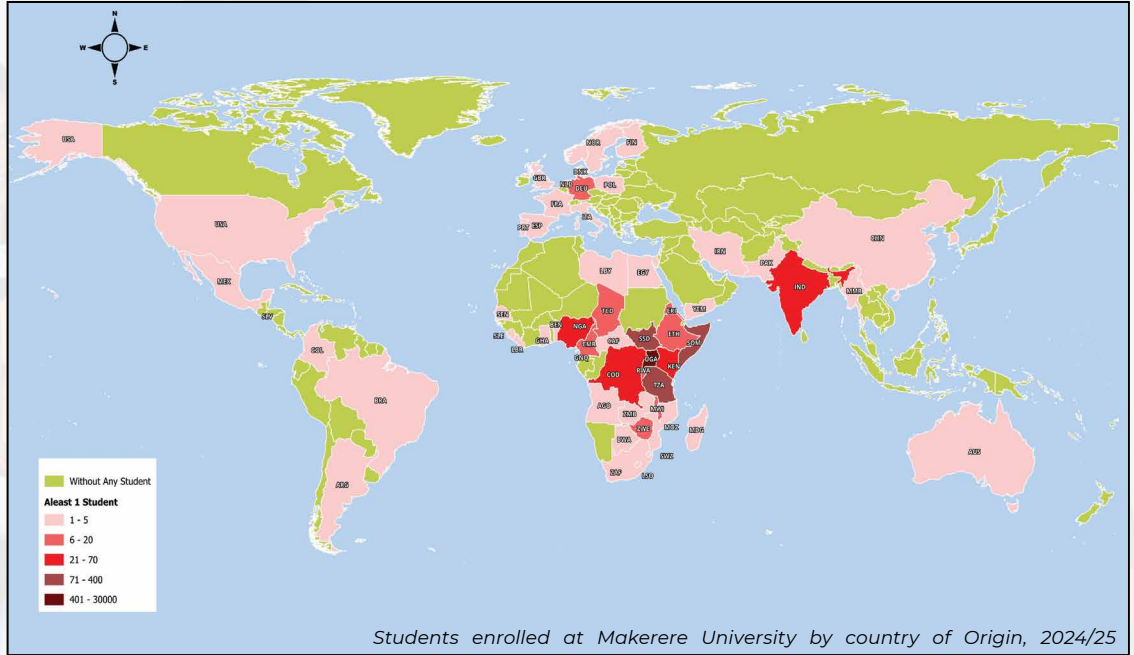


● Male - 4,516    ● Female - 3,819    ● Total - **8,335**

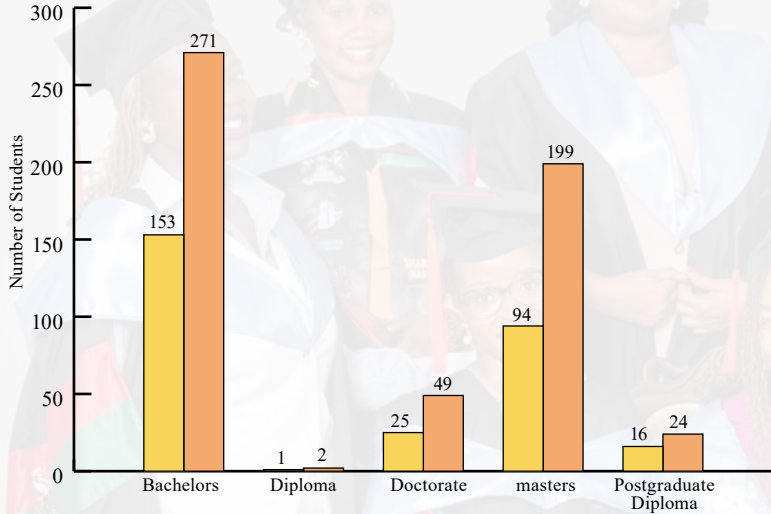
# NATIONALITY OF STUDENTS 2024/25



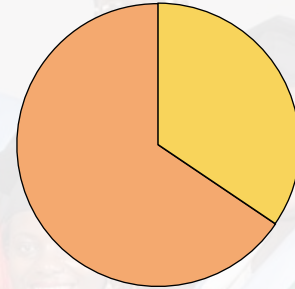
Students are from: (i) over 30 African countries mainly in Eastern, Central, and Southern Africa, (ii) Europe and Asia, (iii) North America, and (iv) the Western Pacific. The vast majority of students are from Uganda, followed by South Sudan, Somalia, Tanzania, and Kenya.



## International students Enrollment



## Enrollments International by Gender



● FEMALE - 289    ● MALE - 545  
Total International Students - **834**

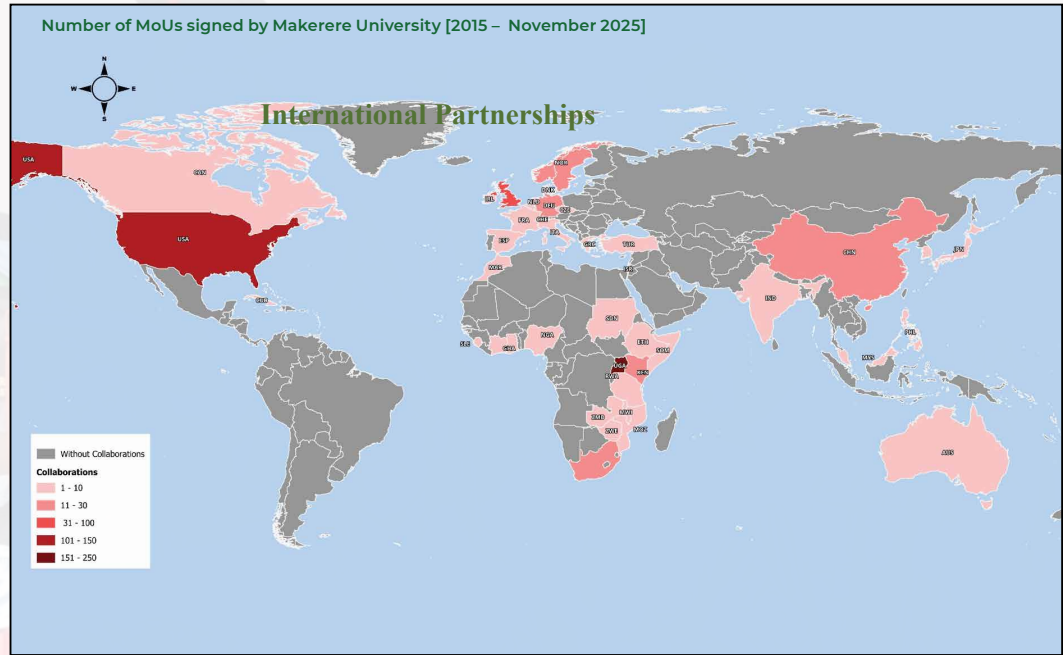
Academic Year 2024/2025



## INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

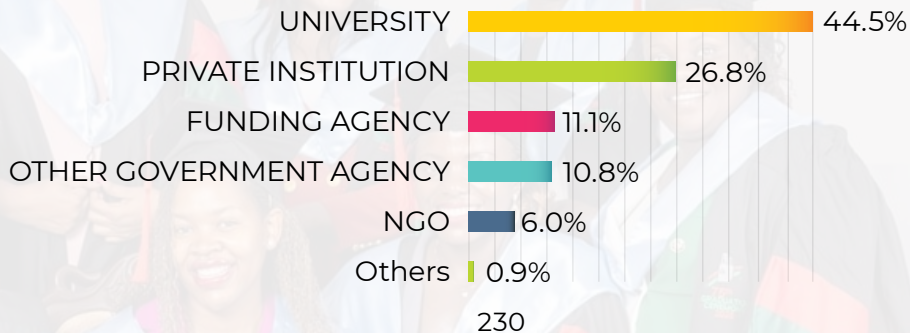
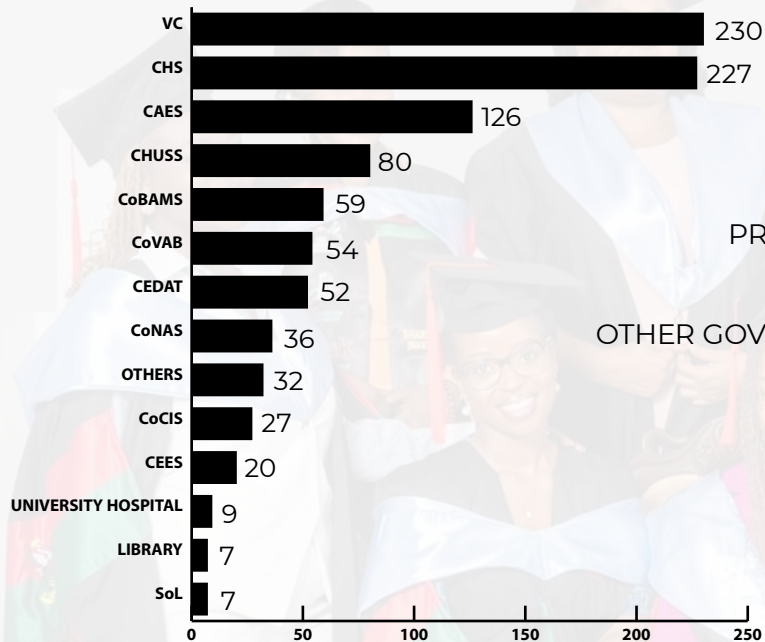
The data source for partners with the University was derived from all MoUs signed by Makerere University from 2015 to November 2025 and archived at Makerere University's Directorate of Legal Affairs (n = 669). It is important to note that some MoUs are not archived at the Legal Office after signing. Thus, the number of agreements presented may not reflect all MoUs signed by Makerere in the period.

The collaborations are with Institutions in: (i) Uganda, (ii) East, West and Southern Africa, (iii) North America (USA, Canada), (iv) East and South Asia (India and China), (v) Australia, and (vi) Western and Central Europe as well as Nordic Countries (Norway and Sweden).

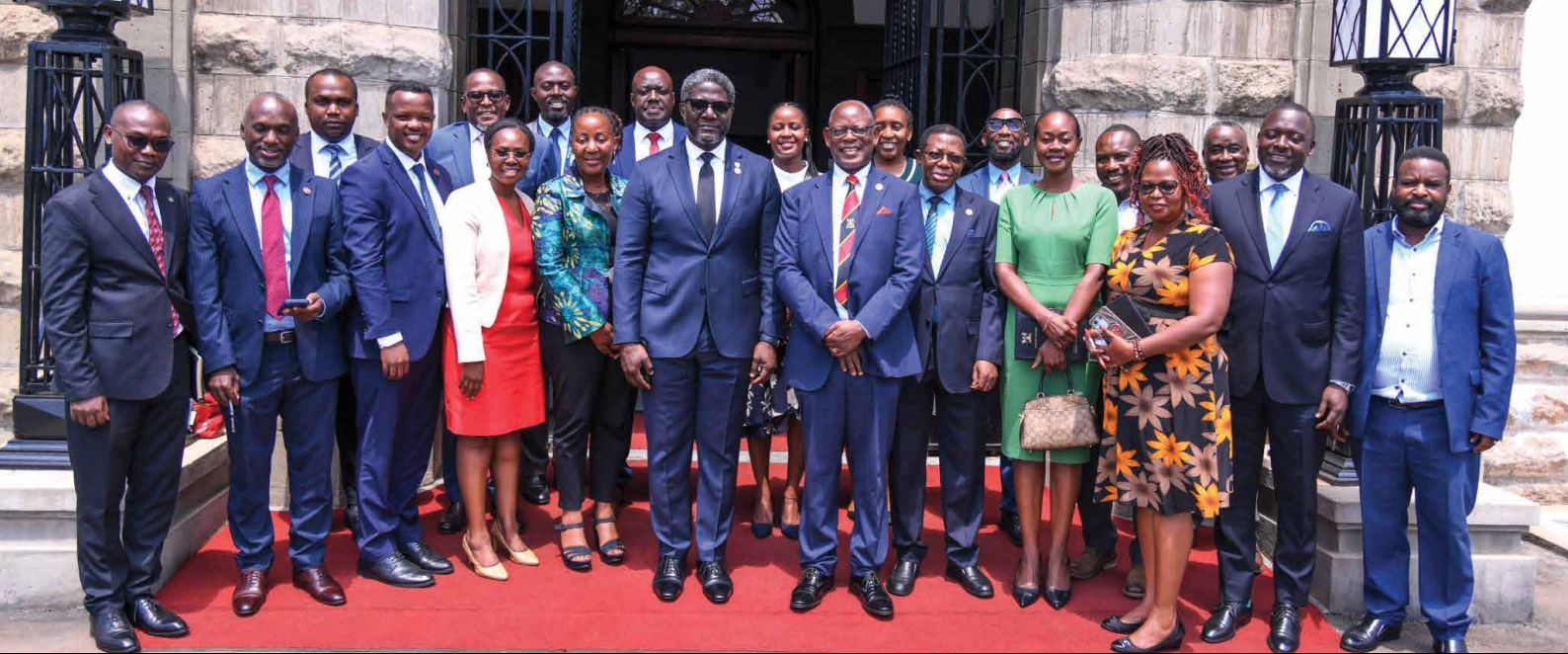


## MOU BY UNIT (n = 966)

MoUs of partnerships at Makerere University [Number of MoUs, 2015 - November 2025] The predominant units implementing MoUs at Makerere University include the Vice Chancellor (n = 230), College of Health Sciences (n = 227), College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences (n = 126), College of Humanities and Social Sciences (n = 80) and College of Engineering Design Art and Technology (n = 52).



Institutions collaborating with Makerere University [2015 - November 2025] are mainly Universities (44.5%), followed by private Institutions (26.8%) and funding Agencies (11.1%)



Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe (6th Right) and Mr. Samuel Mwogeza (6th Left) with members of their respective teams after the meeting on 26th August 2025.

# CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE AT MAKERERE UNIVERSITY



## COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES CAES

- Makerere University Regional Center for Crop Improvement (MaRCCI)
- Makerere University Centre for Climate Change Research and Innovations (MUCCRI)
- Makerere University Centre for Excellence in Waste Management
- Makerere University Centre for Soyabean improvement and development (MakCSID)
- Makerere University Agricultural Research Institute Kabanyolo (MUARIK)
- The Makerere University Biological Field Station (MUBFS)
- Food Technology and Business Incubation Centre (MUBFS)
- The National Biodiversity Data Bank (NBDB) - Uganda
- Continuing Agricultural Education Centre (CAEC)
- Agricultural Policy Research Centre
- A consortium for enhancing university responsiveness to agribusiness development (CURAD)
- Uganda Forestry Resources and Institutions Centre (UFRIC), Makerere University
- Makerere University Tissue Culture Laboratory (MAKTCLAB)
- Centre for mountain resources and Disaster Management
- Centre for Environment and Development

## COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT SCIENCES CoBAMS



- Economic Policy Research Centre (EPRC) Initiative
- Centre for Population and Applied statistics
- Makerere Entrepreneurship and Outreach Centre
- Public Investment Management (PIM) Centre of Excellence
- Environment for Development Initiative



## COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND EXTRAMURAL STUDIES CEES

- Centre for life long learning (CLL)
- Centre for teaching & learning (CTL)
- Makerere Institute of Education Research
- Institute of Open Distance and E-Learning

## COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES CHS



- Makerere University Walter Reed Project
- Makerere University Biomedical Research Centre (MakBRC)
- Child Health Development Centre (CHDC)
- Infectious Diseases Institute (IDI), Makerere University
- Makerere University Centre for Health and Population Research (MUHAP)
- Makerere University Lung Institute (MLI)
- Makerere Joint Aids Program (MJAP)



## COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES CHUSS

- Makerere Institute of Social Research
- Centre for languages and communication services
- Makerere University Rotary Peace Centre
- The Confucius institute is the only established institute in Uganda to handle the teaching and learning of Chinese
- Centre for Research, Teaching and Learning



## COLLEGE OF COMPUTING AND INFORMATION SCIENCES CoCIS

- Center for Innovations and Professional Skills Development (CiPSD)
- Makerere Innovation and Incubation Centre (MIIC)
- The Center of Excellency in Software Engineering and Software Systems
- Huawei ICT Academy
- WIMEA - ICT
- Internet of Things
- Testing Centre
- The Makerere University Centre for Artificial Intelligence and Data Science (Mak-CAID)
- Health Informatics Research Group
- EvBAB Centre
- The Smart classroom
- Cisco Academy Support Centre
- Wireless Networks and System Security
- Informatics and visualization research group
- Air quality monitoring (AIRQO)
- Geospatial and Computational

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING,  
DESIGN, ART AND  
TECHNOLOGY  
**CEDAT**



- Centre for Research in Energy and Energy Conservation
- Centre for Geographical Information Systems (GIS)
- Institute of Heritage Conservation and Restoration
- Centre for Research in Transportation Technologies
- The East African Centre of Excellence in Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (EACREEE)
- Centre for Technology Development and Transfer
- The Africa Centre of Excellence for Materials, Product Development and Nano Technology (MAPRONANO)



SCHOOL OF LAW  
**SoL**

- Human Rights Peace Centre (HURIPEC)
- The Public Interest Law Clinic (PILAC)

COLLEGE OF VETERINARY  
MEDICINE, ANIMAL RESOURCES  
AND BIOSECURITY  
**CoVAB**



- Africa Institute for Strategic Resource Services and Development (AFRISA)
- Joint National Animal Diagnostics Centre (J-NADIC)
- Buyana stock Farm
- Ruth Keesing Wildlife Health Extension, Research and Education
- Walter Reed Project Laboratories for Emerging Infectious Diseases
- Centre for Biosecurity, zoonoses and Food Safety.
- Nakyeesasa Incubation Centre for Industrial Livestock Research and Business Innovations



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## SOME OF THE MAKERERE UNIVERSITY RESEARCH LABS

### Infectious Disease Institute - IDI

IDI was established in 2002 by the Academic Alliance for AIDS Care and Prevention in Africa. The Academic Alliance was founded by a group of infectious diseases experts from Uganda and North America with a vision and perseverance for an Africa free from the burden of infectious disease. IDI conducts programmes in:

1. Prevention, Care and Treatment
2. Research
3. Health Systems Strengthening, Training
4. Laboratory Services
5. Global Health.



IDI's laboratory services capacity is distinctive in Uganda combining an internationally accredited laboratory, a wide laboratory health system strengthening programme covering both urban and rural areas, and a well-established training programme coupled with systematic ongoing support to ensure that capacity is maintained.



## Makerere University Biomedical Research Centre

MakBRC is a center of excellence at Makerere University's College of Health Sciences. The Center was set up to enhance student training, improve research and facilities, offer clinical support and health innovation management by the University and community. Some of the facilities at MakBRC include, but not limited to the following: IBRH3AU Biorepository, Genomics and Bioinformatics Laboratory, Immunology Laboratory, Microbiology Laboratory, Mycobacteriology Laboratory, Molecular Biology Laboratory, Pathology Laboratory, and Chemistry Laboratory.



## Commissioning the newly refurbished CoVAB Based Research Centre for Tropical Diseases and Vector Control (RTC) Laboratory

On Friday, 1st August 2025, Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe, Vice Chancellor of Makerere University, officially inaugurated the newly upgraded Research Centre for Tropical Diseases and Vector Control (RTC Lab) at the College of Veterinary Medicine, Animal Resources and Biosecurity (CoVAB).

The event brought together a wide range of stakeholders, including representatives from the Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Industry and Fisheries (MAAIF), the funding partner GLAVnet, the Uganda Veterinary Association (UVA), and the Uganda Animal Health Laboratory Network, staff and students of the college.

A once-outdated research lab in Uganda as recently as 2015 has undergone a remarkable transformation, emerging as a multi-unit scientific powerhouse that now plays a pivotal role in advancing national health priorities and training students across diverse disciplines. This revitalization was fueled by strategic partnerships, the most recent being the MoTAR project, Monitoring of Ticks and Acaricide Resistance in Uganda implemented by CoVAB. With support from the Global Alliance for Livestock Veterinary Medicines (GALVmed), the initiative will establish a total network of nine technically equipped laboratories across the country.

The labs, three of which have been commissioned including RTC, Gulu and Kumi labs will be central to diagnosing tick-borne diseases, tracking acaricide resistance, and generating data to inform national policy and improve livestock productivity.



*Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe officially inaugurated the newly upgraded Research Centre for Tropical Diseases and Vector Control (RTC Lab) at CoVAB*



## Selected Equipments Procured Through the STI-OP Project at Makerere University

- A. *College of Veterinary Medicine, Animal Resources, and Biosecurity*  
**LC-MS/MS Zenotof 7600 Sciex System**



*The system identifies and elucidates the unknown new structure of molecules in Proteomics, Metabolomics, Food safety, Toxicology, Drug development, Biotherapeutic, etc.*

- B. *College of Engineering, Design, Art & Technology (CEDAT):*

*Materials Laboratory, Department of Mechanical Engineering*



**VP sigma 300 Scanning Electron Microscope** Materials characterisation and Nanotechnology research (High resolution microscopy up to the nanoscale level).

- C. *College of Natural Sciences (CoNAS)*

**Weinmann medical ventilator.**



Mechanical ventilation on participants who may be unable to breathe on their own or whose breathing is insufficient.

## MAKERERE UNIVERSITY TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION CENTRE [MUTIC]

**M**akUnipod a multi-disciplinary state-of-the-art facility, was established on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2022 and launched on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2024, as an autonomous unit mandated by the Office of the University Vice Chancellor, with the aim of fostering a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship within the university community and beyond.

MakUnipod serves as a dynamic physical space and cultural melting pot, fostering innovation among students, faculty, and external individuals alike, irrespective of their academic backgrounds. It offers a nurturing environment where individuals can unleash their inherent design prowess to craft solutions.

### Marker spaces

MakUniPod is committed to providing essential infrastructure and facilities to nurture a community-focused innovation ecosystem. It was crucial to consider key factors during the planning phase to ensure the space is fair, inclusive, engaging, and safe.

Critical provisions tackled included: designing spaces for safety and functionality, creating collaborative workspaces, facilitating meeting and training locations, ensuring accessibility for individuals with disabilities, offering dependable internet access, and upholding clean restroom facilities.



*A group photo during the MakUnipod Launch*



## Launching the MUTIC Board



*The inauguration of the Board of the Makerere University Technology and Innovation Centre (MUTIC) on 24th July, 2025 by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe.*

*The Board which will be chaired by Prof. Ireeta Winston Tumps will steer the strategy to commercialize the research findings at @Makerere and help to create thousands of jobs.*

*We congratulate the pioneer Board of MUTIC.*



**CAD room1 (22.79m<sup>2</sup>) and CAD room2 (30m<sup>2</sup>)**

*Furnished with Computers and software to facilitate learning and innovation. Provides opportunity to utilize computer-aided design (CAD) software to develop solutions and subsequently proceed to bring their ideas to life by*



**Design Lab/ Collaborative space (48m<sup>2</sup>)**

*Meticulously set up, configured, and furnished to serve as an optimal environment for design thinking processes. Serves as a meeting room, training room, for mentorship and coaching sessions, workshops, seminars, conferences, pitching, and peer collaborations, ensuring a conducive environment for focused work and discussion*

## Highlights on activities at MakUnipod

### Visit to Kiira Motors



Under the one year E-Mobility Skilling program that was launched in October 2024 to equip 25 students with cutting-edge skills in electric vehicle technologies in partnership with Makerere University, Kiira Motors Cooperation and UNDP.

On March 4<sup>th</sup> 2025 these students had an industrial visit to Kiira Motors Cooperation Plant in Jinja to further their knowledge through out the program. Currently the students are under an internship program in Jinja as part of the last phase of the 1<sup>st</sup> Cohort, the 2<sup>nd</sup> cohort is expected to launch this year in september.



*Students training at the Emgrand EV450 Power Battery management System Training Table at MakUniPod*

## Launch of the Industry 4.0 Training Program 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025



**Makerere University Innovation Pod**, in partnership with **Lwera Electronics & Semiconductors** and development partner **UNDP Uganda**, officially launched the **Industry 4.0 Skilling Program**. The program aims to foster a vibrant Industry 4.0 ecosystem at **Makerere University** by equipping young innovators with hands-on skills in electronics, automation, and smart manufacturing. A cohort of 15 students and 5 graduates was selected to take part in this intensive training initiative. The program is designed not only to nurture professionals in the Industry 4.0 space but also to support the development of market-ready electronic products. The launch was officiated by the Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation, **Hon. Dr. Monica Musenero**, who commended the initiative for its role in shaping Uganda's future-ready workforce.



*Hon. Dr. Monica Musenero,  
Minister of Science,  
Technology and Innovation  
at the Launch of the Industry  
4.0 Training Program on  
30<sup>th</sup> May 2025*



## Launch of Redvers, May 16<sup>th</sup> 2025



The Vice Chancellor of **Makerere University**, Prof. **Barnabas Nawangwe**, officially launched Redvers, the first commercialization project from the **Makerere University Innovation Pod**. Redvers is a groundbreaking innovation that converts gas-powered motorcycles into electric ones—offering a sustainable, eco-friendly alternative for urban mobility. This marks a significant step toward clean energy solutions and the commercialization of university-driven innovations.

Redvers e-mobility International Ltd, founded by Mr. Daniel Senkungu. The company supported by **Makerere University Innovation Pod** is among the 15 projects that received MakRIF commercialization fund. Redvers is supported by Prof. Hillary Kassedde and Prof. JB Kilabira from **Makerere University, School Of Engineering** as Principal Investigators.





*Innovation Pod Textile Laboratory*

This has been made possible through the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)



*Innovation Hub*

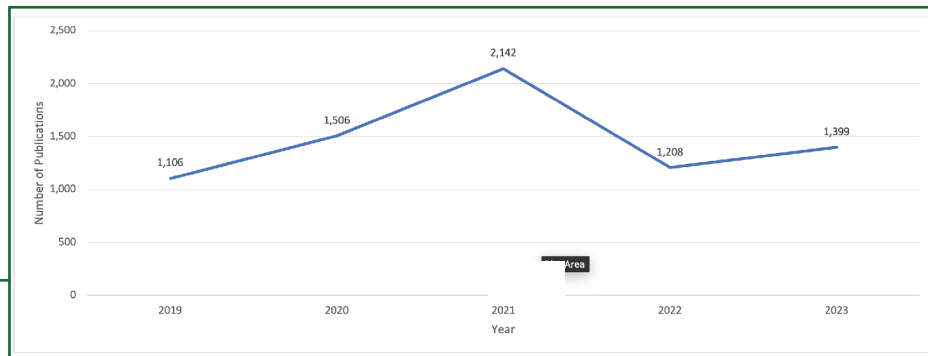


*H.E, The Ambassador of German to Uganda, Matthias Schauer on a tour of MakUnipod*

## Scholarly Publications of Staff at Makerere University by Units

YEAR	CAES	CEDAT	CEES	CHS	MakSPH	CHUSS	CoBAMS	COCIS	CONAS	COVAB	SoL	IDI	ADMIN	TOTAL
2019	250	38	38	281	107	107	34	43	77	103	20	111	4	<b>1,106</b>
2020	274	56	60	408	140	140	84	74	129	108	24	140	9	<b>1,506</b>
2021	393	105	77	654	198	198	114	88	187	150	34	134	8	<b>2,142</b>
2022	203	28	11	392	131	131	47	56	144	53	10	125	8	<b>1,208</b>
2023	268	60	28	392	154	154	49	76	150	58	18	146		<b>1,399</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,138</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>1,846</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>623</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>656</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>6,366</b>

### STAFF PUBLICATIONS 2018 - 2025





## LIBRARY RESOURCES

The Makerere University Library, which started from a small Tutor's Library in 1949, grew to become one of the biggest and best Libraries in Uganda and Africa. It has a seating capacity of over 4,000 users. It acts as a National Reference Library, Legal and United Nations Deposit Centre



The library collection consists of:

over 35,968 electronic books accessible through MYLOFT (My Library on Finger Tips) remote access system

299,841 titles (481, 413 copies) of print monographs, and 11,395 print journals that are accessible through an online catalogue referred to as MAKULA.

An institutional Repository where staff and students' research output are maintained. This has improved the institution's online visibility

An archive with a rich collection of newspapers (since 1900), photograms, and traditional music

A mothers' space for expectant and breastfeeding library users

A wall of fame

## STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

All people have disabilities; however, there are those who have more pronounced disabilities. Makerere University admits students with special needs and/or disabilities under government sponsorship. All candidates including those with disability meet the minimum requirements for admission into the University. The University enrolls the highest number of students with disabilities out of the 64 slots allocated to all Public universities in Uganda. **The number of students with a disability admitted to Makerere University for government sponsorship are**

CATEGORY	2024/25		2023/24		2022/23		2021/22	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Visual Impairment	10	8	2	5	3	1	6	4
Hearing Impairment	4	3	3	2	1	-	2	2
Chronic Health Problems	1	-	3	4	2	2	3	2
Motor/Physical Impairment	2	5	8	1	3	1	6	8
Total	17	16	16	12	9	4	17	16



### Library Services for Users with Disabilities/Special needs

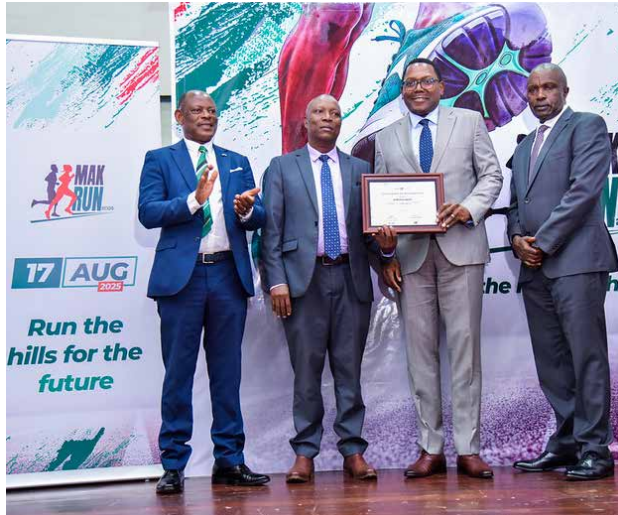
- 1.Fusion Camera: Takes a snapshot of the printed material and converts it into digital form in real time
- 2.Braille Keyboard: Assistive technology which allows blind or visually impaired library users to do common tasks such as writing and browsing the Internet.
- 3.Pearl Reading Scanner: Used by library users who are partially blind/very short sighted.
- 4.Braille Embosser: It prints braille output from a computer by punching dots onto paper and this makes written documents readable by the blind

## MakRun 2025 Launch



*Left to Right: NCBA Bank CEO-Mr. Mark Muyobo, MakeEF Board Chairperson-Dr. Maggie Kigozi and the Vice Chancellor-Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe hold the dummy cheque unveiling the UGX 1.45 billion sponsorship for the Makerere Run for the next five years.*

NCBA Bank Uganda's CEO, Mark Muyobo, emphasized the bank's dedication to education and nation-building, stating, "We are proud to partner with Makerere University because the MakRun champions access to education, health, and opportunity for all students with special needs. This sponsorship reflects NCBA's commitment to creating lasting impact through meaningful partnerships."



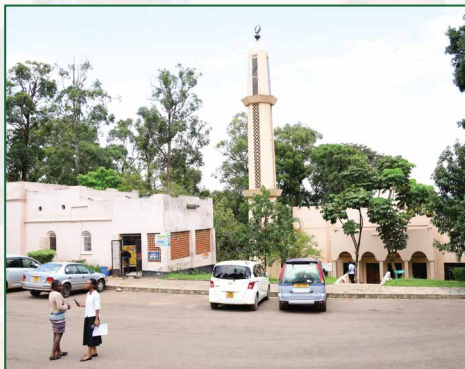
*Runners get flagged off for an evening run after the unveiling ceremony.*

## MakRun - 2025

The Makerere Run 2025, hosted by the Makerere University Endowment Fund (MAKEF) on 17th August 2025, returns for its fifth edition as Kampala's premier charity marathon, uniting 8,000+ runners—students, alumni, corporate teams, and elite athletes under the theme “Run the Hills for the Future.”



## PLACES OF WORSHIP



The spiritual needs of students and staff are provided for in three gazetted places of worship; St. Augustine Chapel, the Mosque and St. Francis Chapel.



## SPORTS AND RECREATION



Makerere University offers a variety of sports and recreation activities with students, including; Football, Basketball, Netball and Volleyball, Athletics Rugby, Table tennis, to mention but a few.



## MAKERERE UNIVERSITY RESEARCH AND INNOVATIONS FUND, MaK-RIF

Mak-RIF has since 2019 awarded grants for research projects, forged collaboration with ministries, departments and agencies as well as promoting dissemination of research findings to the community and policy makers and this is made possible with funding from the government of the Republic of Uganda.



*Prof. Fred Masagazi Masaazi,  
Mak-RIF Chairman*



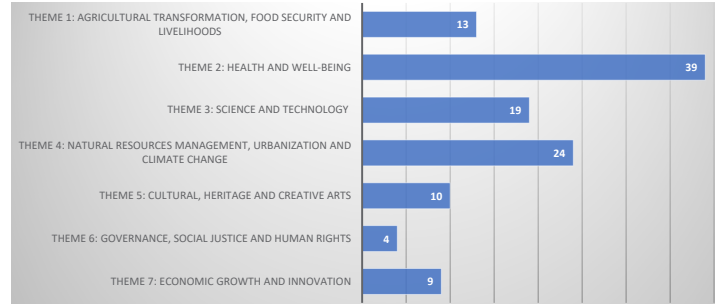
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## Grant awards to researchers

In the Financial year, 2024/2025, the RIF awarded a total of 138 grants to the RIF 6, of which 119 Research Agenda Based on national priorities while 19 were needs based projects. These are based on the needs identified under the Vice Chancellor for the University. The number of awards has now increased to 1456 projects as at the end of the FY 2024/25. The RIF also held a launch of the award and an induction ceremony for the PhD Candidates from the second round of PhD research grants. The First year of the PhD Grant awarded in the financial year 2022/23 had 115 grants given out of which 50 completed their studies in the first year for which they were funded while the second year has offered 120 awards. The Grant amounts range from UGX. 20,000,000 up to UGX 30,000,000. The figure below gives a snapshot of the projects funded by thematic area under the new Research Agenda for RIF 6 grants, 2024/2025.

Number of projects awarded for Mak-RIF, Round 6



Thematic areas	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	Total
Sustainable health	162	79	68	31	79	79	419
Transforming the agricultural sector	56	44	20	12	34	34	166
Re-imagining Education	32	21	20	22	34	34	129
Catalyzing business and enterprise	16	25	11	2	16	16	70
Water, sanitation, and environmental sustainability	16	15	15	3	9	9	58
Harnessing the social sector to drive development	13	5	9	2	12	12	41
Energy and Minerals as drivers of rapid economic development	10	11	10	0	9	9	40
Leveraging public service and local administration for efficient services	11	9	6	2	9	9	37
Harnessing ICT to drive development	7	11	5	3	27	27	33
Harnessing tourism, wildlife, and heritage to drive Development	9	4	7	3	7	7	30
Sustainable Planning, finance, and monitoring	1	3	8	5	6	6	23
Manufacturing, science, and technology as tools to accelerate the development	9	5	0	0	10	10	24
Strengthening law, governance, human rights, and international cooperation	3	5	2	1	4	4	15
Defense and security: Achieving sustainable peace and stability	4	2	1	1	3	3	11
Needs Based Track							14
Scaling and Commercialization Grants							15
<b>Total</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>1,125</b>

Previous Mak-RIF competitive awards by theme

*The number of projects that closed out in the FY 2024/25*

Round	Grant Cohort	No. of awardees	Total no of projects completed in FY2024/25	Overall completed
Round 1	RIF round 1 - National priorities	224	7	218 (97.3%)
	Special COVID-19 Grants	114	0	109 (97.3%)
	RIF round 1 Needs Responsive	3	0	3 (100%)
	COVID-19 Needs Responsive	15	0	15 (100%)
Round 2	RIF round 2 (Resubmission)	67	5	60 (89.5%)
	RIF round 2 National Priorities	160	25	145 (90.6%)
	RIF round 2 Needs Responsive	15	0	7 (90%)
Round 3	RIF round 3 -National Priorities	127	28	115 (90.5%)
	RIF round 3- Needs Responsive	17	0	2(14.3%)
	RIF round 3 -Multi-Year RIF-1	51	4	11(22%)
Round 4	RIF round 4-National Priorities	81	22	22(27.2%)
	RIF round 4- Needs Responsive	20	0	N/A
	RIF round 4-Multi-Year RIF-2	49	5	5 (10.2%)
	RIF round 4- commercialization	15	0	N/A
Round 5	RIF round 4 –PhD Research	116	11	61(52.5%)
	RIF round 5-National Priorities	142	10	10(7.3%)
	RIF round 5- Needs Responsive	7	0	0
	RIF round 5 –PhD Research	119	0	0
Round 6	RIF round 6-National Priorities	119	0	0
	RIF round 6- Needs Responsive	19	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>1480</b>	<b>117 (15.0%)</b>	<b>783 (53.0%)</b>

# MAKERERE UNIVERSITY'S RESEARCH AND INNOVATIONS WEEK 2025

Launched by His Excellency the President of the Republic of Uganda, Yoweri Kaguta Museveni



*President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni inspecting the research exhibitions at Makerere University*

On 8<sup>th</sup> April 2025, H.E President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni launched the three-day Research and Innovations Week at Makerere University. The event, which was held at the University's Freedom Square and Main Administration Building, offered a dynamic exploration of research breakthroughs and innovative projects in fields such as health care, critical infrastructure, behavioral science research and emerging technologies among others. On his tour of the exhibition of multi-disciplinary projects, President Museveni was joined by Hon. Dr. Joyce Moriku Kaducu who was representing the Minister of Education and Sports, Hon. Dr. Monica Musenero, Minister for Science, Technology and Innovation, Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe, Vice Chancellor Makerere University, Mrs. Lorna Magara, Chairperson of the Makerere University Council, and other dignitaries. In his keynote address, President Museveni congratulated Makerere on achieving such a milestone, praising the University community for the impressive innovations showcased. Expressing his satisfaction with the diverse innovations displayed, President Museveni also thanked the university administration for responding to societal needs. He noted, "The money we are allocating for research and innovations is merely 'endozo' (jaribu, a sip, a taste); we shall provide more in the future." While delivering remarks by the First Lady and Minister for Education and Sports, Hon. Janet Kataaha Museveni, Hon. Dr. Joyce Moriku Kaducu conveyed warm regards from the Minister to the Makerere University fraternity, and emphasized the Minister's unwavering commitment to advancing education and research in Uganda.



*A congregation during Makerere University's Research and Innovation week 2025.*



*A group photo of Mak-RIF Secretariat GMC and top University Management with H.E the President of the Republic of Uganda, Yoweri Kaguta Museveni.*



Some of the panelists during the Research and Innovation week 2025 Discussions and Pitching



some of the University Students and Studets' Guild Leadership, in a group photo with H.E the President of the Republic of Uganda, Yoweri Kaguta Museveni.



## THE UNIVERSITY RESEARCH AGENDA 2025/26 - 2029/30

The Makerere University Research Agenda 2025/26 - 2029/30 was formulated in lieu of the national, regional and global context. Nationally, the plan is reflective of the range of current legal and policy frameworks including Vision 2040 and the Fourth National Development Plan (NDP IV). On the other hand, the plan is globally anchored – among other



*President Yoweri Kaguta Museveni launches the Research Agenda 2025/26 - 2029/30. with him in the group photo from left is Dr. Crispus Walter Kiyonga - Chancellor, Makerere University, Dr. Monica Musenero - Minister of Science, Technology, and Innovation,*

frameworks - to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) (2015) and Africa Agenda 2063. These contexts not only highlight the role of the University in national and global development but also influence the thinking behind the strategic direction.



*Hon Dr. Joyce Moriku Kaducu representing the First Lady and Minister for Education and Sports, Hon. Janet Kataaha Museveni, Mrs. Lorna Magara, Chairperson of Makerere Council, Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe, Vice Chancellor - Makerere University, Assoc. Prof. Robert Wamala, Director DRIP*

## The six research agenda strategic objectives.

The Research Agenda has six strategic objectives that the University aims to achieve through its research activities. These have been aligned with the University's Strategic Plan and the overall mission, vision and values of the University.



1. To create an enabling, harmonious, transparent, and efficient environment for research and innovation



2. Cultivate strategic partnerships with other research institutions, industry partners, government agencies, and non-profit organizations to enhance research capabilities and address complex challenges collaboratively;



3. Enhance communication and outreach efforts to disseminate research findings to diverse audiences, including the public, policymakers, and industry stakeholders;



4. Facilitate the transfer of research findings and technologies from the University to industry, contributing to economic development and technological progress



5. Promote ethical research practices and responsible conduct of research, ensuring that the University's research activities align with high ethical standards;



6. Improve funding and resources to support research initiatives, infrastructure development, and the expansion of research programs

## The research agenda priorities.

These objectives collectively guide the development and implementation of the University's research agenda, providing a framework for prioritizing resources, fostering a culture of research excellence, and maximizing the impact of research activities on both academic and societal fronts. The University research agenda covers the following research priority areas:



Health and  
Health Systems



Agricultural  
Transformation, Food  
Security and  
Livelihoods



Natural  
Resources  
Management and  
Climate Change



Sustainable  
Urbanization  
and Housing



Education and  
Education  
Systems



Cultural  
Heritage and  
Preservation



Governance,  
Social Justice,  
and Equity



Economic  
Growth,  
Business and  
Innovation



Science,  
Engineering and  
Technology

To execute this University research agenda and drive innovation across diverse disciplines, a well-defined and robust funding strategy is imperative. The University is working hard to secure sustainable funding from a variety of sources (within

and outside the country) to support the research initiatives, foster collaboration, and elevate the reputation of Makerere University as a leading research institution.

## MAKERERE RESEARCH EXCELLENCE AWARDS - 2025

In alignment with the Makerere University vision of becoming a research-led university, the Vice Chancellor introduced excellence awards as a mechanism of motivating university staff to conduct competitive, impactful, and cutting-edge research.

During the 74th graduation ceremony in January 2025, several faculty members from different colleges were awarded the Vice-Chancellor's Excellence Awards.

The Vice Chancellor found it important to streamline the process of identifying the best researchers and best teachers in the different Colleges in the University. This is in line with the Excellence Awards that are now a worldwide phenomenon, though they exist in different forms.

He therefore set up a Senate Committee with the overall objective of reviewing the Vice-Chancellor's Excellence Award.

The Categorization of research excellence awards was made according to the Colleges, academic ranks, and academic disciplines. Categorization by Seniority is intended to encourage recognition of the young upcoming researchers; otherwise, they might be obscured by the senior researchers. For the year 2024, the Committee considered four categories of awards out of the six award categories for each college in the university:

1. Early career Award,
2. Mid-career Award,
3. Senior Researchers Award and
4. The Best Teacher Award.

The remaining two categories, i.e, the Creative Works Award and the Best Supervisor Award, are to be considered in the future.



*The Chancellor, Members of the University Management, and the recipients of the Vice-Chancellor's Excellence Awards at the 75<sup>th</sup> Gradation Ceremony on 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2025.*



*Dr. Denis Nsubuga, Ass. Lecturer from CAES receiving the VC excellency award from Hon. Dr. Monica Musenero, Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation.*



*Dr. Hasifah Namatovu Kasujja, Lecturer from CoCIS receiving the VC excellency award from Hon. Dr. Crispus Walter Kiyonga, Chancellor Makerere University*



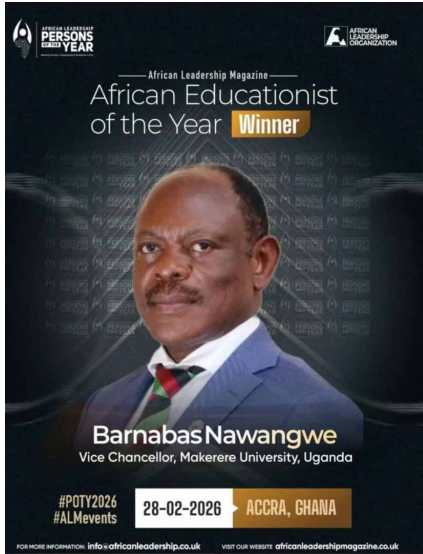
*Ggaliwango Marvin, Ass. Lecturer from CoCIS exchanging a handshake with Hon. Dr. Crispus Walter Kiyonga, Chancellor Makerere University after receiving the VC excellency award.*



*Prof. Frank Mwine, the Principal of CoVAB exchanging a handshake with Hon. Dr. Crispus Walter Kiyonga, Chancellor Makerere University as he receives the VC excellency award.*

## SELECTED INSTITUTIONAL AND STUDENTS AWARDS

### African Educationist of the Year Award



Makerere University Vice Chancellor **Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe** has been honoured as the African Educationist of the Year, a prestigious continental award presented by the African Leadership Magazine.

The announcement places Prof. Nawangwe among Africa’s most influential figures in the education sector, celebrating his leadership at Uganda’s oldest and most prominent institution of higher learning. The award will be formally conferred on **28 February 2026** in Accra, Ghana, during the African Leadership Magazine’s Persons of the Year ceremony.

This was announced by the African Leadership Magazine. On Monday 1st December, 2025 evening, an elated Prof. Nawangwe said he was humbled by the recognition. “I am humbled by the recognition of my efforts by the African Leadership Magazine. This gives me more energy to serve my continent better,” Nawangwe said. Last year’s winner of the award was Prof. Samuel Edoumiekumo, vice-chancellor, Niger Delta University in Nigeria.

Under his stewardship, Makerere University has strengthened its research output, expanded international collaborations, and increased its visibility on the global academic stage. His tenure has also seen major strides in digital transformation, innovation ecosystems, and efforts to make the university a hub of excellence on the continent.

The African Educationist of the Year award recognises individuals who have demonstrated exceptional commitment to reshaping Africa’s educational landscape, improving quality, and inspiring transformative learning across the continent.

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Best Innovation-Led Higher Education Institution  
2025 - East Africa

Makerere University has successfully automated approximately 90% of all her business processes in-house. This has positioned Makerere as a Digital Transformation Leader in the region which has attracted several African Universities to benchmark Makerere's in-house digital automation success. I am therefore, pleased that Makerere has been awarded the Global Excellence Award-2025 in the category of "Best Innovation-Led Higher Education Institution 2025 - East Africa" for Digital Leadership.



## Mak Computer Science Student Wins Africa Innovation Fellowship Award in South Africa



Christine Kikome, a finalist in the Bachelor of Science in Computer Science program at Makerere University's College of Computing and Information Sciences (CoCIS), has emerged as the Best Pitch Winner at the prestigious Africa Innovation Fellowship (AIF) bootcamp in Johannesburg, South Africa. Kikome walked away with a prize of R10,000 (South African Rands) for her pioneering project, FloralIntel – a digital health and education platform that uses artificial intelligence to identify medicinal plants and preserve indigenous knowledge

## Software Engineering Students Win Award for Innovative Youth Entrepreneurship Platform

A team of three Year Two Software Engineering students from Makerere University's College of Computing and Information Sciences (CoCIS) has won an award for developing a web-based platform aimed at boosting youth entrepreneurship in West Nile and surrounding areas.

Mentored by Dr. Joab Ezra Agaba, the students developed an interactive platform designed to empower youth through features such as a TikTok-style skills showcase, interest-based guilds, accessibility tools for persons with disabilities, mentorship connections, job postings, and a credit-based leaderboard system.



## Mak-CoCIS Students Win Africa 2024 Marketplace Simulation Award



Undergraduate students from Makerere University's College of Computing and Information Sciences (CoCIS) have emerged as the best performers in the 2024 Marketplace Simulations Awards held during the AFRIC2024 Conference in Alexandria, Egypt, from November 4-15, 2024. The winning team, consisting of fourth-year Software Engineering students Fortunate Tusiime Agnes and Nampwera Elisha, alongside third-year Computer Science student Atuhaire Ronnie, was led by Dr. Swaibu Kyanda Kaawaase, the Head of the Department of Networks.

## 2025 UNHCR Student Challenge Award



A team of students from Makerere University has emerged victorious in the prestigious 2025 CIEE UNHCR Student Challenge, held at the 13th Annual Global Internship Conference (GIC) in Singapore.

The student-led competition, organised in partnership with the UN Refugee Agency (UNHCR), spotlighted innovative ideas to expand education and livelihood opportunities for forcibly displaced youth around the world.

## Honoring Mak School of Law Students for winning the 2024 National Rounds of Jessup Moot Court Competitions

Jessup is the world's largest and oldest Moot Court Competition dedicated to International Law, with participants from over 550 law schools in more than 80 countries. Mak Law School was represented by: Harry Mwesigwa, Nayiga Tracy Hilda, Birungi Primah Elizabeth, Ankunda Mellissa and Kalinda Jamada Musa. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition, was held on 1st August, 2024, in Washington DC, United States of America.



# HIGHLIGHT OF SELECTED CONFERENCES AT MAKERERE UNIVERSITY

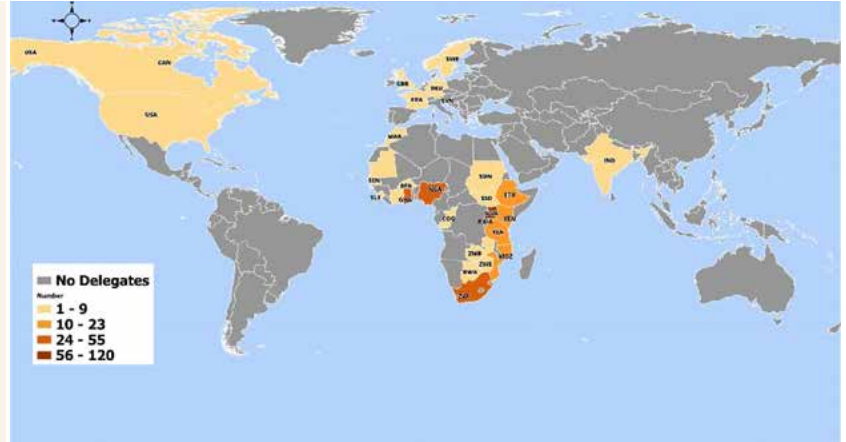
## African Research Universities Alliance (ARUA) Conference, 2025



### FIFTH BIENNIAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

### RESEARCH, INNOVATION & ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOR AFRICA'S TRANSFORMATION

📅 29 - 31 October 2025 📍 Host: **Makerere University**



The 5th African Research Universities Alliance (ARUA) Biennial International Conference held on October, 29 to 31, 2025. Hosted by Makerere University, was officially opened by **Hon. Dr. Monica Musenero Masanza** the Minister for Science, Technology and Innovation Information. Total Registered Participants: 432, number of Breakaway sessions: 34, Presentations Made: 111, Session Chairs: 34

### Nationality of Delegates

International delegates were mainly from Nigeria (N= 52), Ghana (N= 39), Kenya (N=23), South Africa (37), Tanzania (N = 15), Mozambique (N = 12) and Ethiopian (N = 13).

## OPENING CEREMONY

### Speakers



**Prof. Robert Wamala,**  
(Chair, Local Organising  
Committee)



**Prof. Barnabas Nawangwe**  
(VC, Makerere University)



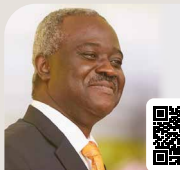
**Prof. Sizwe Mabizela**  
(VC, Rhodes University)



**Dr. Lorna Magara**  
(Makerere University Council  
Chair)



**Hon. Dr. Musenero Monica  
Masanza** (Minister of Science,  
Technology & Innovation, STI,  
in the Office of the President of  
Uganda)



**Prof. John Owusu Gyapong** (ARUA  
Secretary-General)



**Prof. Tshilidzi Marwala**  
(Rector, United Nations University)



**Prof. Patrick Okori**  
(Executive Director, Regional  
Universities Forum for Capacity  
Building in Agriculture-RUFORUM)



**Prof. Vukosi Marivate**  
ABSA UP Chair of Data Science,  
University of Pretoria



**Adama Ibrahim**  
Vice-Chair, Science for Africa  
Foundation



**Darlington Akogo**  
Founder, CEO, minoHealth AI Labs



**Samantha Carter**  
Senior AI Policy Manager,  
J-PAL Global

## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

## 5th African Research Universities Alliance (ARUA) Biennial International Conference in Pictorial



## The 2nd AI in Health Africa Conference



The 2nd AI in Health Africa Conference was hosted by the Makerere University AI Health Lab from 6th to 7th November, 2025. where experts, policymakers, researchers, and healthcare innovators explored AI-driven solutions tailored to Africa's unique healthcare landscape. Building on the success of the inaugural event, this year's conference highlighted South-to-South collaboration, knowledge exchange, and the localization of AI in African healthcare systems. Key discussions will focus on integrating AI with indigenous knowledge systems, addressing linguistic and cultural diversity, and ensuring AI enhances existing healthcare tools rather than creating siloed solutions. The role of Generative AI in healthcare innovation and sustainable business models will also take center stage.

Government of Uganda reaffirms commitment to AI-Driven Innovation in Health and Development



*Hon. Dr. Monica Musenero (Centre) flanked by Left to Right: Dr. Andrew Kambugu, Mr. Ambrose Ruyooka, Dr. Stella Kivila and Dr. Rose Nakasi takes part in the plenary session on "The Future of AI in Africa's Healthcare" on 6th November 2025*



*Hon. Dr. Musenero interacts with officials and exhibitors.*



*Prof. Buyinza Mukadasi (Right) receives a SHEDS gift pack from Dr. Andrew Kambugu (Left)*



*Hon. Dr. Monica Musenero (3rd Right) flanked by Left to Right: Mr. Ambrose Ruyooka, Dr. Rose Nakasi, Dr. Stella Kivira, Prof. Buyinza Mukadasi and Dr. Andrew Kambugu at the Conference Opening Ceremony on 6th November 2025.*

## First Annual National Communicable and Non-communicable Disease Conference



First Annual National Communicable and Non-communicable Disease Conference was jointly organized by the Ministry of Health and Makerere University hosted at Speke Resort Munyonyo. The conference was officially opened by the Minister of Health – Dr. Jane Ruth Aceng Ocerro and had over 500 participants. Among the delegates were, Permanent Secretary in the MoH(Diana Kanzira Atwine), representatives from CDC, WHO, VCs and DVCs from public institutions in Uganda, Principle of the CHS, Director IDI, colleagues from academic, CSOs,

researchers as well as students and early career researchers. The keynote address was delivered by Dr. Queen Dude who currently serves as the Newborn Health Program Lead at WHO Headquarters in Switzerland. In particular, Makerere University School of Public Health was honored to co-organize the conference under the stewardship of Prof. Rhoda Wanyenze. The School has not only coordinated the conference but also been instrumental in conceptualizing this inaugural unified national platform.



## SUBSCRIPTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION



## PLUS ALLIANCE



## PRINCIPALS OF COLLEGES



**Prof. Tony J. Oyana**  
**Principal, College of Computing  
and Information Sciences**



**Prof. Bruce Kirenga**  
**Principal, College of  
Health Sciences**



**Prof. Anthony Muwagga Mugagga**  
**Principal - College of Education  
& External Studies**



**Prof. Winston Tumps Ireeta**  
**Principal - College of  
Natural Sciences**



**Assoc. Prof. Gorette Nabanoga**  
**Principal- College of Agricultural  
and Environmental Sciences**



**Prof. Frank Nobert Mwine**  
**Principal - College of Veterinary  
Medicine, Animal Resources  
and Bio-security**



**Assoc. Prof. Ronald Naluwairo**  
**Dean - School of Law**



**Prof. Edward Bbaale**  
**Principal - College of Business  
and Management Sciences**



**Prof. Moses Musinguzi**  
**Principal - College of  
Engineering Design Art and  
Technology**



**Assoc. Prof. Helen Nambalirwa Nkabala**  
**Principal - College of Humanities  
and Social Sciences**



Prof. Rhoda Wanyenze  
Dean, School of Public Health



Prof. Ronald  
Kakungulu-Mayambala  
Director, Jinja Campus



Dr. Victoria Flavia Namuggala  
Director institute of Gender  
and Development studies



Dr. Andrew Kambugu  
Executive Director of the  
Infectious Diseases Institute



Prof. Lyn Ossome  
Director of the Makerere  
Institute of Social Research



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## 91<sup>ST</sup> STUDENTS GUILD LEADERSHIP



H. E. Kadondi Gracious  
GUILD PRESIDENT



H.E. John Bosco Mubiru  
Vice Guild President



Rt. Hon. Ndwula Kimera Fahad  
Prime Minister



Rt. Hon. Mutesi Patricia  
Deputy Prime Minister

## MAKERERE UNIVERSITY PRESS

The Makerere University Council approved the establishment of the Makerere University Press (MakPress) in December 1995. It was subsequently launched by the President of Uganda,

H.E. Yoweri K. Museveni, on 24<sup>th</sup> January 1997. The MakPress receives funding from the Government of Uganda through the Scholarship Vote.

The MakPress is administered under the Directorate of Research, Innovation and Partnerships (DRIP). Its core mandate is the production and dissemination of knowledge and research outputs, mostly for academic purposes. The MakPress publications are in all disciplines of the university.



*Dr. William Tayeabwa,  
Managing Editor (ME), MakPress*

### Books on Sale during Fiscal Year 2024/2025





Mugenyi Flats

## STUDENT ACCOMMODATION FACILITIES

HALL	FOUNDING YEAR	LOCATION	AFFILIATION	ROOMS	STUDENTS CAPACITY
<b>Undergraduate</b>					
Complex (CCE)	1971	Tennis Court Road	Female	155	310
Mary Stuart	1945	Mary Stuart Road	Female	208	625
Lumumba	1971	Mary Stuart Road	Male	344	700
Nkrumah	1954	Pool Road	Male	213	426
Nsibirwa	1952	Northcote	Male	210	420
Livingstone	1959	Livingstone Road	Male	281	498
Africa	1971	Livingstone Road	Female	135	270
Mitchell	1963	Pool Road	Male	240	480
University Hall	1958	Cassia Hill	Male	210	420
Galloway House	1962	Upper Mulago	Mixed	64	97
Kabanyolo Hostel	1960	Quadrangle	Mixed	89	96
<b>Graduate</b>					
Dag	1972	Cassia Hill	Mixed	101	118
<b>Fellow's Space</b>					
Mugenyi Flats	1972	Cassia Hill	Mixed	18	18
<b>Total</b>				<b>2,268</b>	<b>4,478</b>

Source: Dean of Students, 2025



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## HEALTH SERVICES



**Prof. Byamugisha Josaphat Kayogoza**  
Director, Makerere University  
Health Services

Makerere University Health Services refers to services offered by Makerere University Hospital, the Dental School, and Satellite clinics at the Kabanyolo and Jinja campuses. Makerere University Hospital has existed since 1978 and has served not only as a center for providing healthcare services but also as a center for training and research. The Hospital is managed by the College of Health Sciences (CHS); all CHS departments are reflected at the Hospital and highly supported by professionals from the College.

### The hospital provides the following services to students, staffs and the general community:

1. General outpatient services
2. Inpatient care services
3. Consultant-driven outpatient clinics
4. Pharmacy services
5. HIV care services
6. Immunization services
7. Dental services
8. Ear Nose and Throat (ENT)
9. Optometry
10. Ophthalmology services
11. Sports Medicine & Physiotherapy
12. Clinical nurse specialists
13. Surgical services
14. Diagnostic Radiological services
15. Laboratory services
16. Ambulance & Evacuation services



Dental Hospital and Dental School

Temporal bone Laboratory, for training ENT Department graduate students





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# Mak@ A Glance

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As we present Makerere University at a Glance, I extend my sincere appreciation to all our partners, researchers, staff, students, and stakeholders whose contributions continue to elevate Makerere's standing as a premier centre of academic excellence. This publication reflects not only our achievements, but also our collective commitment to advancing knowledge, fostering innovation, and driving impactful partnerships across Africa and the world. Together, we remain dedicated to shaping a vibrant future for Makerere University and the communities we serve.



In the heart of Uganda, nestled within the vibrant campus of Makerere University, a remarkable journey began in 2008. It was a journey fueled by innovation, ambition, and the relentless pursuit of a dream—the dream of pioneering an automotive revolution on the African continent. Zero-emissions city buses with a range of 300 km under the Kayoola EVS brand name, two premium ultra-luxury executive long-distance buses under the Kayoola Coach brand name and five state of the art city buses for the off taker Tondeka Metro Company

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