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DeKUT collaborates with the Centre for International Migration (CIM) to tap the potential for the Kenya diaspora

DeKUT has collaborated with the Centre for International Migration (CIM) to tap the potential of the Kenya's diaspora graduates in order to support the use of the expertise gained abroad in their home country.

The Centre for International Migration (CIM) runs a program that ensures returning students and experts have a soft landing upon returning to their country of origin.

The program is jointly run by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH and the German Federal Employment Agency.

It sources and places experts from the EU – and other experts from outside Europe who have settled in Germany, in developing countries and emerging economies.





Dr. Kuria Thiong'o , a lecturer at the Institute of Geomatics, GIS and Remote Sensing (IGGReS) was privileged to be among the few who benefited from this program. Having pursued his PhD in Germany, he was fortunate enough to learn about the Centre for International Migration (CIM) through various international networks

Upon learning about it, he went ahead and applied for the equipment support and won a grant of 1,500 Euros.With this money, he was able to purchase a server, printer, projector and projection screen for IGGReS which was presented to the University by the Kenyan Coordinator of CIM, Cynthia Kamau, on 8th July 2021. The equipment will assist both the postgraduate and undergraduate students with their research and also support trainings and meetings. In addition, the server will enable the students and staff in the institute to launch as many applications as possible and host them. All students studying either within or outside the country will have a chance to access the server, host their work and support their research.



Courtesy visit by the Board of Directors from the Kenya Film Commission to the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ndirangu Kioni, to discuss various matters arising from the DeKUT Film, Animation and Gaming Hub



The DeKUT Film, Animation and Gaming Hub is one of the operational film hubs in the country and is anchored on Kenya's Vision 2030 dream to transform Kenya into a newly industrialized, middle-income country.

The film, animation and gaming industry is coming up as one that provides employment to a lot of young people and where one can achieve a lot with very little investment. DeKUT – Kenya Commission Film Hub provides such an opportunity.



On 2nd July 2021, the Board of Directors from the Kenya Film Commission paid a courtesy visit to the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ndirangu Kioni, to discuss various matters arising from the DeKUT Film, Animation and Gaming Hub. In addition to accessing the growth and impact of the hub, they discussed multiple ways to spur growth in the country's creative economy by providing a platform where young people and interested parties in creative art can use technology in filmmaking.



First Year Students take the win in the Internal Football League Tournament



Sports and games activities have continued to increase as the University continues to develop her sports facilities. These co-curricular activities have continued to play a crucial part in nurturing talents amongst students and staff; and in promoting wellbeing. In line with this, different departments and schools from the University participated in the semi-finals and finals for the internal football league tournament, which started in May 2021 to June 2021.

The first years from the School of Computer Science and Information Technology (IT) emerged as the winners after thrashing mechanical, civil and mathematics students. To celebrate their achievement, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ndirangu Kioni awarded them a goat as a prize.

Congratulations to the first years from School of Computer Science and IT.

Students Recognition Award Ceremony

Every year, as part of our culture, we celebrate various achievements from our students through students' recognition award ceremonies. The awards are usually in various categories such as: academic awards, best all-rounded students' awards, sports awards, talent awards, leadership/organizational awards, ambassador's awards, entrepreneurial awards, and extra mile awards. These awards reflect our commitment towards the academic, social, physical, moral and ethical development of our students.



We congratulate all the students who performed well both academically and in co-curricular activities during this season of recognition.



DeKUT athletics team participate in the KUSA Central athletics championships held at the University of Embu

As the University continues to build sports capacity and competitiveness locally through friendly and interfaculty levels, we also participate in games and sports at National and Regional levels. The major competitions include Kenya University National Sports Association (KUSA) Championships, the Annual East African Games Competitions and other organized tournaments.

On 12th July 2021, DeKUT athletics team participated in the KUSA Central athletics championships which were held at the University of Embu. In overall performance, the team emerged position two; men toping with 94 points and ladies with 50 points.



Fashion Show and Interior Decoration Exhibition by the Final Year Students of the Diploma in Fashion Design & Interior Decoration Programme



At DeKUT we provide an academically stimulating, culturally diverse and quality learning environment that fosters research, innovation and technology development towards producing relevant technical and managerial human resources and leaders to contribute to the attainment of national development goals. While doing this, we keep in mind the holistic development of our students and hands - on skills development.

When it comes to some courses, hands – on experience involves putting the students to task to come up with actual products; in the case of a programme such as fashion design and interior decoration, the final product is dependent on the students' creativity, attention to detail and their 'eye'; taste.

On 1st July 2021, the diploma final year students from the Institute of Technical and Professional Studies, Fashion Design and Interior Decoration Programme, held their fashion runway event to showcase their creative ideas both visually and verbally. This is designed to fulfil the needs of the formal and informal sector producing marketable items in apparel and soft furnishings.



DeKUT Counseling Department trains 40 Peer Counselors

The COVID-19 pandemic has brought about a sense of fear and anxiety around the globe. This phenomenon has led to short-term and long-term psychological and mental health implications for the youth and the general population. One of the mandates of the University's Counseling Department is to help promote good lifestyle, welfare and wellness of the staff and students and the personnel in the department have been on the forefront to address mental health issues and creating awareness especially during this pandemic.

A student is more likely to first approach, share and ask a friend for help when faced with a difficulty. This is because they feel that a friend is closer, safer and can better understand his or her situation than anyone else. With this in mind, the counseling department runs a supervised student peer-counseling program. Students undergo recruitment and vetting process before undergoing training as student Peer Counselors. The peer counselors then assist their fellow students by clarifying thoughts, feelings, exploring options, or providing the needed information.





To build capacity for counseling, on 15th July 2021, the counseling department organized a training for 40 peer counselors to teach and impact in them positive values that will enable them influence the rest of the university positively and, therefore, bring about behavior change and improved mental health. The peer counselors were trained on a number of areas including Mental Health, Basic Counseling Skills, Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Stress and Stress Management, Self-Esteem and Self-Awareness, Conflict Management, Sexuality, Communication Skills, Life Skills, Loss and Grief Counseling among others.

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