

# CAMPUS THIS WEEK

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Members of the Institutional Quality Audit Site Visit team from the Commission for University Education pose for a group photo with members of the Board of Trustees, University Council, the Legal Counsel and Quality Assurance team following their meeting on Wednesday, April 13.

## ACCREDITING BODY MAKES ASSESSMENT VISIT

A team from the Commission for University Education (CUE) undertook an Institutional Quality Audit Site Visit from Tuesday, April 12 - Thursday, April 14 to validate the information contained in the USIU-Africa Self-Assessment Report submitted in February 2016.

The panel of reviewers composed of professors from accredited universities and CUE officials, reviewed presentations highlighting aspects of the reports representing quality of academic activities, physical and human resources among other themes.

The panel also carried out physical inspection of all university facilities such as classrooms, lecture halls, laboratories, as well as staff and faculty offices. Groups of faculty, staff, students, alumni, management, council and trustees also got a chance to hold discussions with the team during the visit.



Prof. Paul Zeleza receives the final report from the Chair of the panel from the Commission for University Education Prof. James Tuitoek (former Egerton University Vice Chancellor) on Thursday, April 14, 2016.



Members of the CUE team during the final meeting with members of the Board of Trustees, and the University Council at the conclusion of their site visit on Wednesday, April 13.

## PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND FUNDRAISING CLASSES HOSTS ALUMNI

Management and Organizational Development (MOD) Project Management and Fundraising classes hosted alumni John-Allan Namu (Journalism alumnus and CEO - Africa Uncensored), Angela Angwenyi (Communication Strategist and Corporate MC), Paul Oyier (Founder and Chairman Sterling Quality Group), Sylvia Tonui (CEO - Festival for African Fashion & Arts) and Dr. Elijah Munyi (economist and Assistant Professor in International Relations) for a panel discussion on self, community and leadership.

During the event held off-campus on Saturday, April 9, panelists spoke on the value of building and utilizing networks to raise funds and run projects, well as how to manage personal and professional relationships that arise from those activities. Speakers emphasized the need for their audience to follow their passion wherever it may lead.

On the panel as well was Jane Sengwa (Human Rights lawyer and entrepreneur) and moderator Dr. David Mwambari (an International Relations alumnus and Assistant Professor of International Relations) who is the class lecturer.



Major General (Rtd) Charles Mwanzia (M.A. International Relations '03) was a guest speaker at the undergraduate International Business Operations class on Saturday, 9 April 2016. He spoke on "The Impact of Security on International Business Operations - The Case of Horn of Africa".

## FINANCE OFFICE UPDATES

Students can now pay their fees through any branch of Kenya's largest bank by assets. KCB branches are open between 8.30am and 4pm on weekdays, and between 8.30am and 12pm on weekends. Account details are available on our website.

The Finance office also reminds clients that cash amounts larger than KES 1000 must be deposited through a bank, and that cheques can be directly deposited at the cashier's till provided student details are indicated at the back of the cheque.

Details on other payment options such as mobile money transfer and mail order are available on our website: [www.usiu.ac.ke/finance](http://www.usiu.ac.ke/finance)

## STUDENTS TO ACCESS LEARNING SOFTWARE OUTSIDE THE CLASS

Students taking research classes will no longer be limited to the number of available workstations in each lab. IT staff will provide Wi-Fi access and learning software to last for the duration of the semester, to increase the capacity of students to learn outside the class, and provide them with the freedom to expand their research projects.

## DELOITTE APPLICATIONS DUE

Monday, April 25 is the last day for Deloitte East Africa to accept applications from senior students or graduates for its Entry-level Associates or Analysts positions as part of its Graduate Recruitment Drive.

Deloitte East Africa is a professional services firm providing seamless cross-border services to multinationals, large national enterprises, small and medium sized enterprises and the public sector, across Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Ethiopia, Rwanda and Burundi.

Those interested are invited to apply on the Deloitte website ([deloitte.com/careers](http://deloitte.com/careers)).

## INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH CONDUCTS INTERNAL SURVEYS

The institutional research office is currently conducting surveys covering internal communications and sexual harassment. The exercise, which began on April 6 and is expected run over one month, will spotlight internal community needs and Awareness, as part of office's mandate to collect data useful for university decision-making and planning.

## MEDIA SPOTLIGHT

11 April - The People Daily, The Standard and Business Daily reported that Prof Paul T. Zeleza replaced Prof. Freida Brown as USIU-Africa Vice Chancellor.

13 April - Ms. Robi Koki appearance on KTN's morning show "Pressroom" to review the stories that were making headlines this week.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, April 17  
Monday, April 18-22  
Monday, May 2  
Monday, May 3  
Monday, May 9

Spring Break Begins  
Innovation Camp  
Labor Day celebrated: university offices closed.  
Summer 2016 Undergraduate Orientation Begins  
Summer 2016 Semester Begins