

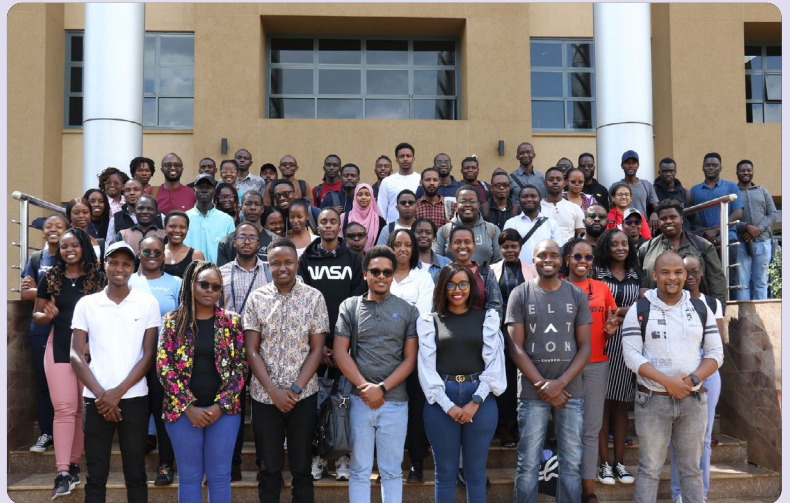
CAMPUS **THIS WEEK**

Safaricom Engineering Team facilitates second Technical Immersion Session for students from the School of Science and Technology

> By Kahiro Muturi

The Safaricom PLC engineering team was on campus on Friday, June 9 for the second technical immersion session. Their goal is to unlock the secrets of DevSecOps and to revolutionize the world of software development for our students. In an age where many people, businesses and customers spend more and more time online, Development Operations has never been more important. Creating a seamless relationship between program development and operation is the difference between the success and failure of businesses. The Accelerated by Safaricom program aims to train the next generation of DevSecOps engineers. "This program works to empower students to have the capability of being DevOps engineers at an organizational level" said Peter Kiptanui, a DevOps engineer at Safaricom. In his remarks, Mr. Kiptanui also noted that DevOps required collaborative efforts among different people to pool their strengths together and build something great.

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The Safaricom Engineering team (front row) with the students who attended the second technical immersion session last Friday. In addition to sharing with the students the expected learning outcomes of the program, the team also reiterated that collaboration is the cornerstone of DevOps. Photo: Kahiro Muturi

Mastercard Foundation Scholars Program eLearning Initiative attends various summits in West Africa

> By Evelyn Musa



Participants during the Mastercard Foundation E-learning Summit that took place in Saly, Senegal from May 22-23, 2023. Photo: Courtesy

The month of May was busy for the Mastercard Foundation Scholars Program eLearning Initiative. It started with the eLearning summit in Saly, Senegal (May 22-23), which hosted 60 partners from the Mastercard Foundation Scholars Program eLearning network who gathered to reflect on the progress the Initiative has made so far and the next steps ahead. In the next few months, participating institutions will express their interests for the next phase that seeks to implement and scale lessons learned in the last 2 years.

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USIU-Africa hosts University of Arizona to assess Disability Inclusion on campus

> By CTW Team and Jemima Oloo



Dr. Amanda Kraus and Peter Hughes during their meeting with the PWD Club where they shared insights on how to better adaptive sports on campus. Photo: Kahiro Muturi

USIU-Africa has always championed disability inclusion in all its programs. This is to integrate a wholesome holistic approach that goes beyond the learning experience but also one that transcends to extracurricular activities. Disability inclusion includes promoting equity in access to resources and services. It means including fair principles of integration for persons living with a disability.

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USIU-Africa hosts the OSAC Cybersecurity Conference in partnership with the United States Embassy in Kenya

> By Scott Bellows



Prof. Patrick Wamuyu at the event, which focused on the discussion of various facets of cybersecurity. Photo: Jemima Oloo

On Wednesday, 14 June 2023, USIU-Africa hosted the prestigious OSAC Cybersecurity Conference in partnership with the United States Embassy in Kenya. Students, faculty, and members of the East African business community enjoyed keynote speakers including Charles Perla from the U.S. State Department and Kenneth Ogwenyo of Microsoft.

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Embracing History through International Archives Week

> By Horace Okoth

Archives serve as guardians of our cultural heritage, safeguarding historical records, documents, photographs, audiovisual materials, and more. They are repositories of knowledge that provide a window into the past, enabling us to understand and learn from our history.

Archives Week is a unique event that celebrates the invaluable role played by archives in preserving our collective heritage and promoting historical knowledge. It seeks to emphasize the critical role that archives play in preserving these invaluable resources, ensuring they are accessible for research, education, and public enjoyment. June 9 was chosen to commemorate the date the International Council on Archives (ICA) was created under the auspices of UNESCO in 1948. This was decided at the 2007 ICA Annual General Meeting, but it wasn't until 2019 that the ICA expanded the event to an entire week. This year marked the fifth International Archives Week (#IAW2023) as well as ICA's 75th anniversary, which was celebrated from Monday 5 to Friday, 9 June 2023, marking 75 years of ICA's work in promoting the importance of records and archives. This annual observance, held during the first week of June, brings together archivists, historians, educators, and the public to highlight the importance of archives in our society.

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The Mastercard Foundation Scholars Program hosts alumni mentorship session

> By Cynthia Achola



Douglas Owino (front row centre) during the event, where he shared with the Scholars about how they could make the most from scholarship opportunities. Photo: Alumni Relations Office

The Mastercard Foundation Scholars Program Transitions Office, in partnership with the Alumni Relations Office, hosted Mr. Douglas Owino on Wednesday, May 31, 2023 for an alumni mentorship session with the Mastercard Foundation Scholars at USIU-Africa. A total of 25 Mastercard Foundation Scholars from the various cohorts attended the session, which was on how to spot and seize opportunities.

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Pictorial: Student Council hosts the Annual General Assembly

> By CTW Team



(L to R): Anold Nyato – International Representative, Bernard Kaut – Chairperson, Sarafina Saru – Vice Chair, Grace Waihuini – Secretary General, Kesuma Laizer – Social Welfare Representative, and Vraj Patel – Treasurer during the Annual General Assembly where they engaged the student body regarding their time in office as well as answering questions from the students concerning their term. Photo: Kahirot Muturi

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Engaging with Future Scholars: Admissions and Marketing Team's Success at Alliance Girls High School Career Fair

> By Jemima Oloo

Admissions and Marketing team attended a career fair at Alliance Girls High School on, Saturday 10th, 2023- represented by Katherine Nyambok, Nicole Ottaro and Arantra Mutinda.

The event provided a platform for interaction and engagement with students on our different programs, admissions requirements and extra curricular activities. In attendance was Kathiani High School, Nakuru High, Langalanga Secondary, St. Ann Suresh Girls High School, Caing Hearts Girls High School, Uthiru Girls High School, Compuera Mangu Girls, Mission of Hope Girls High School, Kitengela International High School, Apex High School, Ogande High School, Light Academy, Nginda Girls, Hearts of Light, Mbitini Girls Kitui and St Albert the Great, Siakago.



Kate from our Admissions team at the Alliance Girls High School Career Fair talking about our programs, admission requirements and extra-curricular activities. Photo: Jemima Oloo

Successful Clubs Week promotes extracurricular activities on campus

> By Grace Waihuini

Clubs Week, organized by the Student Council Secretary General with the assistance of the Clubs' Week Committee, proved to be a resounding success. The three-day event held from Wednesday, June 7 to Friday, June 9, showcased the wide range of extracurricular clubs and societies available on campus while promoting student engagement and celebrating diversity.



The Criminal Justice Club at their booth during the Clubs Week events held last week. Photo: Kahirot Muturi

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SPORTS UPDATES

> By Shyat Lemoshira



Ariel Ortega, (KBF) Division 1 Men's MVP 2022/2023, in the Kenya National Basketball League (KNBL) playoff finals. Photo: Emelda Wanza

BASKETBALL

As Kenya prepares to compete in the AfroCan championships, which will take place in Luanda, Angola from July 8 to July 16, Ariel Ortega of the USIU-Africa Tigers and the Kenya Basketball Federation's (KBF) Division 1 Men's Most Valuable Player (MVP) 2022/2023 squad has been chosen.

HOCKEY

On Sunday, June 11, at City Park Stadium, Parklands, the USIU-Africa men's hockey team, Team Mashujaa, competed against

Kenya College of Accountancy University (KCAU) in a premier league match for the Kenya Hockey Union (KHU). Danstone Wabwire, Lawrence Makhatsa, and Joseph Baraka Masinde scored goals for Team Mashujaa in the game, which concluded in a 3-3 draw. Team Mashujaa will face off against Kenya Police on Sunday, June 25 while the ladies' hockey team, Team Spartans will play the Strathmore Scorpions on the same day at 2pm.

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