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June NEWS LETTER



Editorial

In our June newsletter, we are thrilled to bring you the latest updates and exciting developments from our vibrant university community. This month has been marked by remarkable achievements, notable events, and the arrival of new individuals in key positions.

Firstly, we are delighted to announce that our university has signed a significant Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Non Communicable Diseases Alliance (NCDA). This collaboration aims to foster cooperation in various areas of mutual interest, such as research, innovation, and community development. We believe this partnership will open up new avenues for growth and provide enriching opportunities for our students and faculty.

Furthermore, our talented students participated in a noteworthy event at Kololo Airstrip, organized by the NCDA. Their exceptional skills and passion left a lasting impression on the audience, reflecting the high-quality education and nurturing environment we offer at our university.

In addition, we bid farewell to our outgoing guild president as the annual guild handover ceremony took place. We express our gratitude to the former president for their remarkable leadership and commendable service to the student body. Simultaneously, we extend a warm welcome to the new guild president, who brings fresh perspectives, innovative ideas, and a steadfast commitment to representing and empowering our students. Under their guidance, we are confident that the student community will continue to thrive.

Our Vice-Chancellor embarked on an extraordinary journey to Abu Dhabi, where she not only strengthened our university's global network but also had the privilege of bringing a group of exceptional students who attended her lectures. Such experiences contribute to our students' holistic development and broaden their horizons, fostering a truly global perspective.

Moreover, we are pleased to introduce our new University Librarian, whose wealth of knowledge, experience, and passion for promoting research and intellectual growth will enhance the learning environment and facilitate access to extensive knowledge resources for our students and faculty.

Additionally, we welcome the new Alumni Relations Officer, who will play a vital role in fostering strong connections between our graduates and the university. This position aims to cultivate lifelong relationships, provide networking opportunities, and offer continuous support to our esteemed alumni community.

Last but certainly not least, we are thrilled to introduce our new Network Administrator, who will lead the charge in ensuring a seamless and secure technological infrastructure. Their expertise will further our commitment to providing cutting-edge technological resources, enabling our students and faculty to excel in their academic pursuits.

As we conclude this introduction, we invite you to explore the exciting stories, achievements, and opportunities that define our university community in the following pages. We take immense pride in the accomplishments of our students, faculty, and staff, and we are committed to providing an enriching environment where individuals can thrive and make a positive impact.

Thank you for your unwavering support, and we wish you a month filled with inspiration and success.

Warm regards

Daphne Bukirwa
PR and Marketing Manager



CIU signs MOU with NCDA

Clarke International University (CIU) and the Non-Communicable Diseases Alliance (NCDA) have joined forces to combat non-communicable diseases (NCDs) in Uganda. The partnership was formalized through the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on June 12, 2023, at CIU's campus in Kampala.

The MOU outlines various areas of collaboration between CIU and NCDA. Firstly, CIU will provide training and educational opportunities to NCDA staff and volunteers to enhance their knowledge and skills in NCD prevention and control. Secondly, both institutions will collaborate on research projects aimed at understanding the causes, risk factors, and prevention of NCDs in Uganda. Lastly, CIU and NCDA will work together to raise awareness of NCDs and promote healthy lifestyles within communities across the country.

The MOU was signed by Dr. Rose Clarke Nanyonga, Vice Chancellor of CIU, and Dr. Chris Kwizera, CEO of NCDA. Both expressed their commitment to addressing the NCD epidemic in Uganda through this partnership.

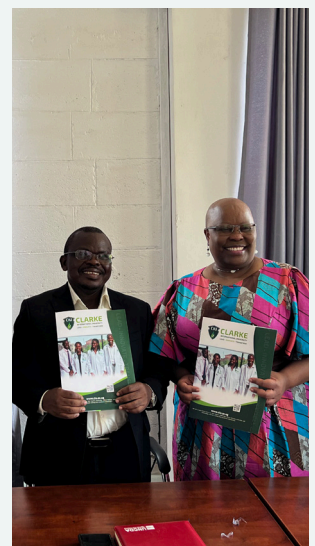
This collaboration signifies a significant milestone in CIU's dedication to public health. With a history of involvement in NCD prevention and control, the MOU further strengthens CIU's capacity to make a positive impact on the lives of Ugandans.

The MOU also identifies key challenges that need to be tackled to effectively combat NCDs in Uganda. These challenges include a lack of awareness about NCD risks and prevention, limited access to trained healthcare providers, and the high cost of NCD care.

To address these challenges, the MOU proposes several solutions. These include raising awareness through public education campaigns and community outreach programs, providing training to healthcare providers on NCD prevention and treatment, making NCD care more affordable through financial assistance and price negotiations, and developing a database and analytical tool to gain a deeper understand-

ing of the NCD landscape in Uganda and design effective interventions.

In conclusion, the MOU between CIU and NCDA is a significant stride in the fight against NCDs in Uganda. The partnership aims to raise awareness, promote healthy lifestyles, and improve access to NCD care. This collaboration holds great promise for the health of Ugandans and the country's future. The MOU provides a valuable framework for cooperation and identifies specific solutions that can be implemented to address the challenges posed by NCDs in Uganda.





CIU STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN NCD A EVENT

Our Students from Clarke International University attended the annual NCD Prevention Event at Kololo Independence Grounds on Sunday, June 18, 2023. The event is organized by ministry of health in partnership with USAID Obulama and UNCDA (Uganda non communicable disease Alliance) and the Minister of Health Hon Dr Jane Ruth Achenge was in attendance. The event was aimed at raising awareness about NCDs (non-communicable diseases) and teaching people how to prevent them. NCDs are the leading cause of death in Uganda, accounting for 3 out of 4 deaths. The most common NCDs are heart disease, stroke, cancer, diabetes, and chronic respiratory diseases.

The students participated in a variety of activities at the event, including: A health talk about NCDs, A screening for NCD risk factors, A physical activity session

The students also had the opportunity to speak with health professionals about NCD prevention. They learned about the importance of eating a healthy diet, exercising regularly, and not smoking.

The students were grateful for the opportunity to attend the event and learn more about NCD prevention. They said that they would share the information they learned with their families and friends.

The NCDCA thanked the students for their participation in the event. They said that the students' involvement was essential to raising awareness about NCDs and encouraging people to adopt healthy lifestyles. The event was a success and helped to raise awareness about NCDs in Uganda. The students who attended the event learned valuable information about how to prevent NCDs. They are now better equipped to make healthy choices that will improve their own health and the health of their loved ones



Students participating in the annual NCD prevention event



CIU 11TH GUILD HANDOVER

Clarke International University (CIU) held the 11th guild handover ceremony on June 9, 2023, at Hotel International Muyenga. The event was attended by the Registrar, Human Resources Manager and Dean of Students. The registrar, Ms. Evelyn Grace Ayot commended the outgoing guild president, Hannington Kangume, for his great work. She said that Kangume had made significant contributions to the university, including improving student welfare and academic standards. The new guild president, Bakyetaawo Ronald was advised to take on the mantle and continue the good work that Kangume had started. He was also urged to be a visionary leader who would represent the interests of all students. The event was also attended by the guild presidents of four other universities. The guild president of Mbarara university spoke about the importance of unity among students and the need to work together to improve the quality of education in Uganda. The handover ceremony was a vibrant and lively event. Students enjoyed the opportunity to socialize and network with each other. They also had a good time listening to music and dancing.

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MEET NEW GUILD PREIDENT

Meet H.E Bakyetaawo Ronald, a second-year, first-semester Diploma in Pharmacy student at Clarke International University, who was recently sworn in on June 9th, 2023. He has an unwavering dedication to excellence and a fervent desire to utilize his pharmaceutical expertise to positively impact and serve CIU and the community.



VC OF CIU HOSTS STUDENTS FROM NYU ABU-DHABI FOR AN EYE-OPENING EXPERIENCE IN UGANDA'S HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

The Vice Chancellor of Clarke International University, Dr. Rose Clarke Nanyonga, recently welcomed a group of students from New York University Abu Dhabi who were eager to learn about Uganda's healthcare system, with a particular focus on teenage mothers' pregnancy. This unique cultural exchange allowed the students to gain invaluable knowledge and firsthand experience in a country where healthcare challenges and teenage pregnancy play a significant role. The visit proved to be an enlightening and transformative experience for the students, who hailed from various countries around the world, including Egypt, India, Korea, and many others.

Exploring Uganda's Healthcare System:

The students' visit provided a comprehensive insight into Uganda's healthcare system, which faces a multitude of challenges, particularly in addressing teenage pregnancy and its associated health implications. Dr. Rose ensured that the students had access to relevant resources, facilities, and experts during their stay. The exchange program aimed to broaden the students' understanding of the complexities surrounding teenage pregnancies and explore the efforts made by Uganda's health organizations to tackle this issue.

Engagement with the Naguru Teenage Centre:

During their stay, the visiting students had the opportunity to visit the Naguru Teenage Centre, a prominent institution in Kampala, Uganda, dedicated to providing comprehensive support and guidance to teenage mothers. Interacting with the staff and teenage mothers at the center, the students gained insights into the challenges faced by young mothers and the importance of holistic care and education in enabling them to rebuild their lives. The visit fostered empathy and an appreciation for the critical role that such centers play in promoting the well-being of teenage mothers and their children.

A Glimpse into Namuwongo Slum: In addition to exploring the healthcare system, the students ventured into the Namuwongo slum, an impoverished community in Kampala. Witnessing the living conditions and challenges faced by residents in this area, including teenage mothers, opened their eyes to the complex social dynamics surrounding teenage pregnancy. This eye-opening experience further fueled their determination to contribute to the improvement of healthcare and social welfare systems worldwide.

Discovering Uganda's Rich Culture: Amidst their educational endeavors, the students also had the opportunity to immerse themselves in Uganda's vibrant culture and visit several iconic sites. The group visited the magnificent Gaddafi Mosque, an architectural marvel located in Kampala, and explored the Lubiri Mango, the seat of the Uganda Kingdom, where they gained insights into the rich cultural heritage of the country. These experiences helped the students appreciate the diverse and fascinating aspects of Uganda beyond its healthcare system.



INTRODUCTION OF NEW STAFF



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University Librarian

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Network Administrator

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