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Creation.*



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## EDITORIAL & LEADERSHIP

Welcome to this edition of the King Ceasor University Monthly Journal, a platform dedicated to promoting academic excellence, innovation, research and knowledge sharing within our university community.

This publication reflects the vibrant intellectual environment at King Ceasor University, where students, lecturers, researchers and partners continuously contribute ideas and solutions that address societal challenges and advance learning. Under the theme “Research and Knowledge Creation,” this edition highlights the importance of curiosity, critical thinking, collaboration and scholarly engagement in shaping the future.

We are proud to showcase articles, reflections, research insights and community initiatives that demonstrate the creativity and dedication of our university

community. Each contribution represents a step toward strengthening the culture of inquiry and academic growth that defines our institution.

We extend our sincere gratitude to all contributors, reviewers and readers for their unwavering support and commitment to this publication. Your collective involvement has played a vital role in fostering thoughtful dialogue, advancing knowledge and inspiring positive change through this journal.

As we continue to grow as a center of excellence, we encourage every member of the KCU community to actively participate in research, writing, innovation and community engagement.

Happy reading.

**Betty Uwiringiyimana**

*Office of the Public Relations*



## Vice Chancellor's Note



It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to this edition of the King Ceasor University Monthly Journal, a publication that reflects our dedication to academic excellence, research, innovation and knowledge creation.

Research is at the heart of every progressive university. It is through research that institutions generate new ideas, discover solutions to emerging challenges and contribute to social, scientific, technological and economic development. At King Ceasor University, we remain committed to nurturing a strong research culture that empowers both students and staff to become active contributors to knowledge and innovation.

Under the theme “Research and Knowledge Creation,” this journal demonstrates the importance of scholarly inquiry and intellectual engagement in shaping

the future. The articles featured in this edition showcase the creativity, analytical thinking and commitment of our university community toward addressing issues that affect society locally and globally.

We believe that universities must not only transmit knowledge but also create it. For this reason, KCU continues to promote research activities, academic publications, collaborative projects and community-centered studies that generate practical and impactful solutions. Through continuous learning and research, our students are prepared to become innovators, leaders and professionals capable of making meaningful contributions in their respective fields.

I encourage all members of the university community to embrace research as a lifelong pursuit of discovery, learning and service to humanity. Let us continue fostering a culture where curiosity is encouraged, ideas are shared openly and innovation is supported.

I commend the editorial team, contributors and researchers whose dedication has made this publication possible. Your efforts continue to strengthen the university’s mission of becoming a leading institution in higher education, research and community transformation.

Together, let us continue advancing knowledge for a better future.

**Dr. Charity Basaza Mulenga**

*Vice Chancellor.*

## FEATURE STORY

**Feature based on an interview with Prof. Peter K. Turyakira (PhD), Professor of Management Department of Management Sciences**



Research remains one of the most important pillars of academic growth and societal transformation in higher education today. According to Peter K. Turyakira, research is not simply an academic requirement, but “the systematic engine that drives knowledge creation” and advances innovation across disciplines.

Drawing from his experience teaching research methods at undergraduate, master’s and PhD levels, Prof. Turyakira explains that students’ perception of research changes as they progress academically. “Initially, undergraduate students perceive scientific research as intimidating and a mechanical task of finding information,” he notes. However, through mentorship and active participation, students gradually begin to appreciate research as “a dynamic, social and cognitive process.” He further explains that advanced scholars move beyond completing assignments to generating original ideas and contributing

meaningful insights to their disciplines. “Research changes from a structured classroom assignment to an independent, unbounded inquiry in which the student creates new theories, defends their methodology and contributes to academic literature,” he says.

Prof. Turyakira also highlights the growing influence of artificial intelligence and digital technologies in modern research. While AI is accelerating literature reviews, data analysis and knowledge sharing, he cautions that technology cannot replace human judgment and ethical reasoning. “AI should be seen as a co-pilot in the research process,” he emphasizes, “requiring careful oversight and ethical application to ensure validity and reliability.”

### DID YOU KNOW?

Research is one of the three core missions of a university, alongside teaching and community engagement.

To young scholars, Prof. Turyakira encourages the development of curiosity, resilience, critical thinking, collaboration and ethical conduct. He believes students should stop viewing research as intimidating and instead embrace it as a tool for innovation, professional growth and societal impact.



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## ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE & INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

### King Ceasor University Signs MOU with HESFS to Expand Access to Student Financing



King Ceasor University has officially signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Higher Education Students' Financing Scheme (HESFS) in a landmark partnership aimed at expanding access to affordable higher education financing for students.

The signing ceremony took place on 20th May 2026 at the HESFS Offices, Lourdel Towers, 7th Floor, Kampala, Uganda.

The agreement was signed on behalf of the Ministry by **Michael O. Wanyama (CPA)** for the Permanent Secretary, in

the presence of **CPA Birungi Christopher**, Assistant Commissioner in the Department of Higher Education Students' Financing Scheme.

On behalf of King Ceasor University, the MOU was signed by **Dr. Charity Basaza Mulenga**, Vice Chancellor, witnessed by **Pape Matama Bagonza**, University Secretary.

Through this partnership, eligible students at King Ceasor University will be able to access government-supported higher education loans under HESFS. According to information shared by the scheme, the loans support tuition and functional fees for students enrolled in accredited higher education institutions, particularly in programmes critical to national development.

This collaboration reflects King Ceasor University's continued commitment to promoting inclusive, accessible and quality higher education opportunities for students across Uganda

### Petroleum Geoscience Department Pays Courtesy Call to Minister of Energy and Mineral Development

On 5 May 2026, the Petroleum Geoscience Department paid a courtesy call to the Minister of Energy and Mineral Development, Hon. Ruth Nankabirwa, to discuss the current status of Uganda's oil, gas and mining sectors.

The meeting provided an opportunity to share updates on ongoing activities, review progress across the sectors and highlight key challenges and emerging opportunities. Discussions emphasized the critical role of geoscience in supporting

informed decision-making, sustainable resource management and value addition within the extractives industry.

Both parties underscored the importance of continued collaboration between government institutions and technical departments to strengthen capacity, enhance sector performance and contribute to Uganda's socio-economic development.

The engagement reflects a shared commitment to advancing the responsible

development of Uganda's natural resources for the benefit of present and future generations.

**Matsiko Denis**

*BSc Petroleum Geoscience 2.2*



## RESEARCH, INNOVATION & GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT

### King Ceasor University Showcases Innovation and Skills Development at the 3rd Oil & Gas Skills Expo 2026

The Department of Petroleum Geoscience at King Ceasor University proudly participated in the 3rd Oil & Gas Skills Expo 2026 held at Makerere University under the theme: "From Oil and Gas to the Wider Economy: Transferable Skills Driving Sustainable Growth."

Throughout the expo, the university showcased its commitment to research, innovation, sustainability and practical learning through active student and staff participation. A key highlight was the presentation of Aqua Clean, an innovation reflecting practical and sustainable solutions for Uganda's growing energy sector and wider economy.

Another major highlight was the visit by Ms. Allen Kagina, Chairperson of the TVET

Council of Uganda, to the King Ceasor University exhibition stall. During her interaction with the university team, she commended the institution's dedication to innovation, practical learning and skills development, while emphasizing the role of the oil and gas sector in driving industrialization and creating opportunities across engineering, ICT, logistics, environmental management, manufacturing, agriculture, tourism and the digital economy.





The expo also provided an important platform for collaboration between academia, government and industry

stakeholders, while promoting workforce readiness, transferable skills, research and sustainable development. Through its participation in the Oil & Gas Skills Expo 2026, King Ceasor University continues to equip students with future-ready skills and contribute meaningfully to Uganda’s national development agenda.

**Eng James Harera**  
*HOD Petroleum Geoscience*

### King Ceasor University Staff Participate in Erasmus Teaching Mobility Exchange in Poland

Staff from the School of Law and Management Sciences, Department of Management Sciences at King Ceasor University participated in the Erasmus Teaching Staff Mobility Exchange Programme at Powiślański University from 20th to 24th May 2026.

The university was represented by Dr. Richard Wemesa and Mr. Ivan Bakaki, who actively engaged in a series of academic and professional exchange activities alongside colleagues and students from different countries.

During the international conference sessions, Dr. Richard Wemesa presented a paper titled “Innovation and Its Role in Shaping Prosperity Across the Economic, Social, Technological and Institutional Dimensions in Uganda’s Business Sector.” Mr. Ivan Bakaki also presented a paper titled “The Effect of Information

and Communication Technology on Environmental Performance in Kampala City.”

In addition to teaching and research presentations, the exchange programme provided an opportunity for academic collaboration through the sharing of different teaching experiences, methodologies and approaches with lecturers from various international universities.

The Erasmus mobility programme strengthened international academic cooperation, promoted research visibility and enhanced global learning experiences for staff and students of King Ceasor University.



## TEACHING, LEARNING & ACADEMIC OUTREACH

### Relevance of research in academic programs for undergraduate students

Education prepares students for employment and self-employment by developing knowledge and practical skills. Undergraduate research is important because it helps learners gain competencies that employers value in today's workplace. Research connects classroom learning with practical experience, making students more employable.

Firstly, research develops critical thinking and problem-solving skills. Students learn how to identify problems, analyze evidence, evaluate solutions and draw conclusions. These skills are essential in fields such as business, healthcare,

### INNOVATION INSIGHT

Every research project begins with a question, but its greatest value lies in the solutions and knowledge it creates

engineering, education and technology.

Secondly, research improves communication skills. Learners write reports and proposals, present findings and defend arguments using evidence. This strengthens both written and oral communication, which are highly valued

by employers.

Research also enhances technical and digital skills. Students use data analysis tools, academic databases, referencing software and digital platforms. These experiences prepare them for modern workplaces that rely on technology and data management.

In addition, research promotes teamwork and collaboration. Students work with supervisors, peers and communities, often in multidisciplinary teams. Through this process, they learn cooperation, reflection and professional interaction.

Research further develops time management, discipline, adaptability and independent learning. Students learn to meet deadlines, organize tasks and adjust when challenges arise. Employers value workers who can continuously learn and adapt to changing environments.

Finally, research encourages creativity and innovation. By identifying gaps and exploring new ideas, students develop the ability to provide fresh solutions to organizational and societal challenges. Therefore, undergraduate research is essential in preparing competent, innovative and employable graduates.

### Prof. Dan Kabonge Kaye

*Director, Postgraduate Studies and Research*

### Scholarly inquiry and knowledge production: contributions to academic progress

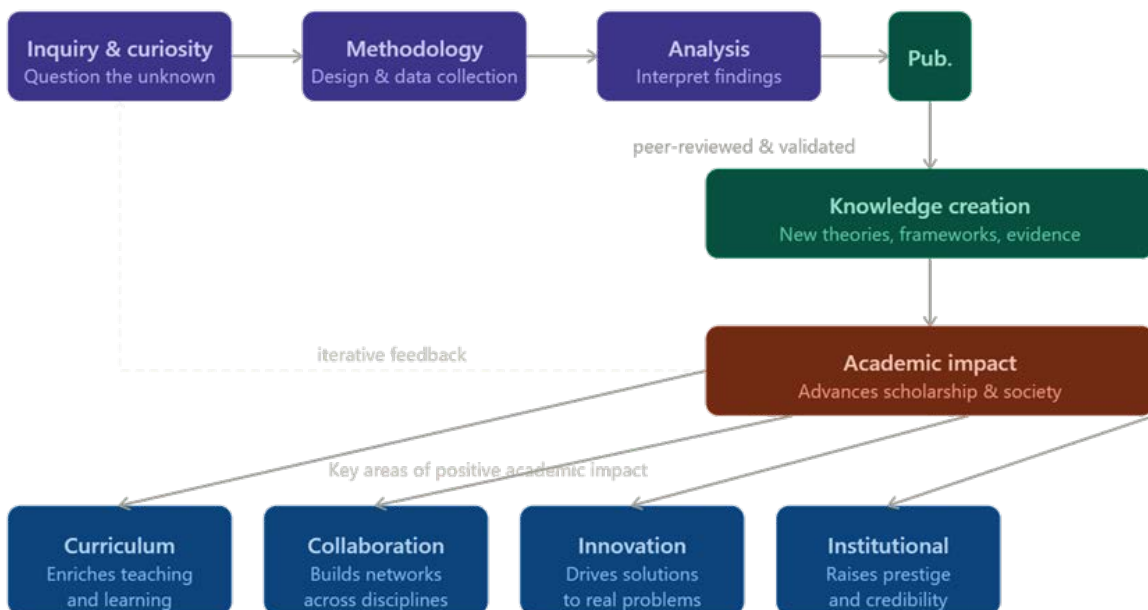
Academic research is a structured, self-correcting engine that converts curiosity into validated knowledge moving through inquiry, methodology, analysis, and peer-reviewed publication, with each stage sharpening the last. Unlike mere information gathering, it thrives on scrutiny, replication, and critique, perpetually refining existing understanding while opening new lines of investigation. Its influence spreads across five interconnected dimensions of academic life. Most immediately, it vitalizes teaching: faculty immersed in active inquiry carry live debates, current methodologies, and unresolved questions directly into the classroom shifting students from passive recipients of settled knowledge into co-participants in its ongoing creation.

Research simultaneously produces

and accelerates cross-disciplinary collaboration. Intractable challenges pandemics, climate change, algorithmic bias, demand perspectives beyond any single field, drawing scholars from diverse traditions into partnerships that yield hybrid frameworks and intellectual networks far more enduring than the projects that sparked them.

Its reach extends well beyond campus boundaries. Foundational inquiry, rarely commercial in intent, has seeded the science underlying modern medicine, computing, and engineering. Where research carries explicit applied ambition, this public value deepens further, positioning the academy not as an insular institution but as an active contributor to societal progress.

Internally, research productivity compounds institutional strength. Publications, citations, and grant income draw talented faculty and graduate



students, whose presence elevates the quality of future inquiry, a self-reinforcing cycle of intellectual and material investment. Most consequentially, graduate training through research apprenticeship cultivates capacities critical reasoning, ethical judgment, and the communication of complexity that transcend disciplinary boundaries and distribute an intellectual dividend across every sector of society.

Ultimately, research and knowledge creation are not additions to what academia does; they are the very foundation upon which all its ambitions rest.

**Dr. Habiba N Ngugi**

*Head of Department Computing, AI and Data Science, School of Science, Computing and Engineering*

**King Ceasor University Hosts Public Lecture on Universal Jurisdiction and Transnational Litigation**

The Department of Law at King Ceasor University on 26th May 2026 hosted an insightful public lecture on Universal Jurisdiction and Transnational Litigation in an engaging discussion on contemporary international legal issues.

The lecture was delivered by Ms. Drusilla Bret Robertson, an international lawyer based in Paris who specializes in international law, criminal law and human rights advocacy. Her presentation provided a practical and thought-provoking exploration of how universal jurisdiction is increasingly shaping accountability for

international crimes across borders.

Drawing from case studies and legal developments in Uganda and neighboring countries, Ms. Robertson highlighted the growing importance of transnational litigation in advancing justice, strengthening international legal cooperation and promoting the protection of human rights.

Participants greatly appreciated the depth of the discussion and the practical insights shared on international criminal justice and emerging legal challenges. The session also offered students a valuable opportunity to engage with global legal perspectives while reflecting on the realities of the East African region.

The lecture reaffirmed King Ceasor University's commitment to academic excellence and its dedication to exposing students to distinguished international experts and contemporary global legal discourse.

**Tuyisenge Claver**

*School of law Department of Public and Comparative Law*



## OPINION & THOUGHT LEADERSHIP (FACULTY VOICES)

### Research and knowledge creation: building the future beyond the University.

Education is one of the greatest investments a person can make because it prepares individuals for leadership, innovation, and service to society.

At university, students are not only studying for examinations and graduation, but also preparing for future careers and responsibilities. This makes research and knowledge creation essential in academic life.

Research is more than academic writing; it is a process of discovering solutions, developing ideas and creating opportunities for a better future. Through research, students develop critical thinking, creativity, discipline, communication and problem-solving skills that are highly

valued in today's competitive world. Learners who actively engage in research become more confident in analysing issues, expressing ideas and providing practical solutions.

At King Ceasor University, every lecture, book and research activity should be viewed as preparation for life beyond campus. Research also builds resilience, patience and adaptability, qualities necessary for overcoming future challenges. By embracing research and continuous learning, students become professionals, innovators and responsible citizens capable of transforming their communities and shaping a better future for society.

### **Busingye Keith (Advocate)**

*(H.O.D) Head of Public and comparative law, lecturer and Moots Coordinator, School of law and management Sciences.*

## STUDENT LIFE & CAMPUS EXPERIENCE

### Rotaract Club of KCU Attends 10th Presidential Installation of Rotary Club of Muyenga Sunset

Members of the Rotaract Club of King Ceasor University proudly joined the Rotary Club of Muyenga Sunset in celebrating its 10th Presidential Installation, marking the beginning of the 2026-2027 Rotary Year. The memorable event, held at Metric Suites Nsambya, brought together Rotarians, Rotaractors and distinguished guests in a spirit of fellowship, leadership and service

above self.

The installation ceremony ushered in a new chapter of leadership under the inspiring Rotary theme, "Engage with Impact." The event highlighted Rotary's continued commitment to community transformation, mentorship and sustainable service initiatives.

As the mother club to the Rotaract Club of King Ceasor University, the Rotary Club of Muyenga Sunset continues to play a vital role in guiding and supporting young

leaders. The university's Rotaractors expressed gratitude for the mentorship and opportunities provided through the

Rotary family, reaffirming their dedication to impactful community service and professional growth.



The evening was filled with celebration, networking and renewed commitment to making a difference in society. The Rotaract Club of King Ceasor University looks forward to another Rotary year of collaboration, leadership and meaningful impact alongside their mother club.

**Mpirirwe Laurent**

*LLB 3.2*

### **New Guild Leadership Sworn In at King Ceasor University**



remain resilient, stay focused, bridge communication gaps, support student associations and clubs and continue promoting research among students. The event also marked the launch of the Guild Chronicles Magazine, highlighting the guild's journey, achievements and challenges.

On 15th May 2026, King Ceasor University officially held the swearing-in ceremony for the newly elected guild leadership at the KCU Rooftop.

Guild President-Elect Mr. Muhoozi Daniel promised to remain humble and committed while serving the student community.

Outgoing Guild President Mr. Ainebyona Adonia reflected on the achievements of his administration, noting that they were about 75% successful despite the challenges faced during their term. He encouraged the incoming leaders to

Vice Chancellor Dr. Charity Basaza Mulenga appreciated the outgoing guild cabinet for maintaining a positive working relationship with management and responding to student concerns responsibly.

She further urged students to stay focused on academics, avoid examination malpractice, remain mindful of their security and use the available university channels to address student issues. She

also assured the new guild leadership that management remains open to dialogue and collaboration in solving challenges affecting students.

The university reaffirmed its commitment to working together with student leaders to improve student welfare and campus life.



## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & SOCIAL IMPACT

### King Ceasor University Conducts Community Outreach at Kigo Prisons



On 7th May 2026, the School of Law and Management Sciences at King Ceasor University carried out a community outreach initiative at Kigo Prisons aimed at supporting inmate welfare, promoting legal awareness and strengthening community partnerships.

During the outreach, the university donated several essential items to both the male and female prison sections to support the wellbeing of inmates. The initiative reflected the university's commitment to compassion, service and

social responsibility.

The team also conducted an interactive legal Question and Answer session with inmates. Many participants sought legal advice and assistance regarding their case files, highlighting the need for continued legal awareness and support within correctional facilities.

As part of the event, a tree planting ceremony was held to commemorate the occasion and symbolize the growing partnership between King Ceasor University and Kigo Prisons. The activity emphasized sustainability, growth and long-term collaboration.



The outreach particularly drew attention to the challenges faced by women and children living in prison environments. The university community expressed its commitment to continuing efforts that bring hope, dignity and support to vulnerable groups within society.

King Ceasor University remains dedicated

to using education, leadership and community engagement to create positive social impact.

**Busingye Keith (Advocate)**

*(H.O.D) Head of Public and comparative law, lecturer and Moots Coordinator, School of law and management Sciences.*

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## COMPETITIONS, ACHIEVEMENTS & RECOGNITION

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### Immense Gratitude for The Four-Year Sponsorship and Academic Milestone

Dear Your Majesty Mulenga.

I am writing this letter with a heart full of joy, humility and profound gratitude to formally inform you that I have successfully completed my law school journey, a milestone that was made entirely possible by your generous financial sponsorship over the last four years.

Your support has not just funded an education; it has fundamentally shaped my life's trajectory. Looking back at my academic journey, this law degree marks the third major degree I have attained. Thanks to your benevolence, I have been able to build upon my foundation, which includes a Bachelor's degree in Psychotherapy, a Post Graduate Diploma in Human Resources, a Master's in Management Sciences and a Diploma in Secondary Education.

With the completion of this law degree, I now possess a diverse, rich and

multidisciplinary wealth of knowledge. This robust foundation has uniquely positioned me to fearlessly pursue the ultimate academic milestone: my PhD.

In the Gospel of Luke, we read about the ten lepers whom Jesus healed. Out of all ten who received that life-changing blessing, only one returned to fall at His feet and give thanks. Jesus asked, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine?" I refused to be among the nine who walked away silently taking blessings for granted. I knew I had to return to you, look back and say a resounding thank you.

Furthermore, my gratitude extends beyond my personal success. I look around our community and see the immense impact of your kindness. I cannot underrate or overlook the numerous scholarships you have continuously awarded to my fellow constituents. By educating us, you are actively transforming our entire society.

May the Almighty God, who sees your secret sacrifices, reward you openly. May He bless your life, multiply your resources,

grant you good health and fulfill the desires of your heart.

Thank you for believing in me, and thank

you for investing in our future.

Yours faithfully,

**Mbwatekamwa Gaffa**

### Vice Chancellor Recognizes Law Students and Coaches for Regional Achievements

On Friday 29th May 2026, King Ceasor University's Vice Chancellor Dr. Charity Basaza Mulenga hosted outstanding Law students and their coach in recognition of their recent achievements in regional moot court and legal debate competitions.

During the courtesy visit, the students formally presented the certificates, awards and books they received in recognition of their exceptional performances. The occasion served as a celebration of academic excellence, advocacy skills and the growing reputation of the university's School of Law.



Dr. Charity applauded the students for demonstrating commitment, professionalism and excellence while representing the university at regional platforms. She further acknowledged

the contribution of the coaching team, whose mentorship continues to empower students to compete successfully at the highest levels.

The students recognized included Ahura Precious and Ayebazibwe Hillary,



mentored by Moot Coach Keith Busingye, together with debate team members Kyoshabire Macklean, Nuwamanya Ignatius and Nyamwija Connie, trained by Malisa Samson and Keith Busingye.

King Ceasor University remains committed to fostering practical legal education and preparing graduates to excel in advocacy, leadership and professional practice.

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