

Daystar Dedicates the Semester to God



Students and faculty put their supplications to prayer

Thursday, 1st September was a special day for the Daystar fraternity as it halted all its operations to dedicate the semester to God. The event held every beginning of a new semester saw students and staff members gather both at Nairobi and Athi River Campuses to stand in the gap for the University in prayer.

In Athi River campus, the speaker of the day, Rev. Tom Otieno of Lavington United Church, drew his sermon from Numbers 25: 1-18 titled 'The Daystar Difference'. Rev. Tom illustrated that there is a need for people to rise up and defend righteousness as Phineas did in the passage. 'It is not enough for you to be angry about the evil happening around you. Get up and make them right'. He also urged the students to be different and upright as that is what makes the Daystar Difference.

The University Chaplain Rev. Stephen Nduto, encouraged those present to act on the evils around them urging them to apply the teachings of the day in their lives and make a difference. 'It is my hope

and that you will be people who act rather than just talk', he remarked.

The Nairobi campus prayer day was held at the Nairobi Baptist Church. Students and staff were encouraged by the Chaplain of Kabarak University, Rev. Justus Mutuku. He drew his message from Acts 16:16-40, pointing out that we should all realize the power of prayer in our lives and our situations. The pillar of prayer is what the early Christians practiced.

Rev. Mutuku challenged us to reflect on our lives and ask: 'In my place at Daystar, is my Christian presence felt among the believers around me?'

He encouraged the congregants to operate with a living and active prayer consciousness because prayer is an avenue for ushering divine presence, accessing divine supplies and receiving divine guidance and instruction.

Needy Students get Awarded with Scholarships



DUAA Chair Mr. Omeno Suji (left) presents a scholarship cheque from the Pioneer class of '96 to the Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Timothy Wachira

It was a moment of great joy when Daystar University awarded the new 2016 Scholarship beneficiaries. The event was held at the ICT theatre in Athi River campus on Friday, 2nd September and the chief guest was the Daystar University Alumni Association Chair Mr. Omeno Suji. In the awarding and acknowledgement ceremony, the Vice Chancellor Dr. Timothy Wachira, was accompanied by the Deputy Vice Chancellor Academic Affairs, Rev. Prof. James Kombo, Finance Manager Mrs. Phyllis Mutua, the Ag. Corporate Affairs Manager Mr. Anthony Okuku, Financial Aid Officer Mrs. Jennifer Kinoti and the Chaplaincy represented by Rev. Musili.

Mrs. Mutua thanked the Financial Aid Committee for their diligence in the work of awarding scholarships to students through the years. She recognized her colleagues' efforts and encouraged them in the same spirit with God's blessings. As a beneficiary of the scheme in her student days at Daystar, she not only encouraged the students to work hard and rise above their current situations but also to be grateful and to give thanks for these noble gesture.

Among the various addresses given to the happy and grateful students were exhortations on hard work, discipline, commitment and a note that they remember to give back to Daystar in the future to support other needy students just as they have been supported. In their addresses, the VC and DVC both reiterated the need and importance of remembering Daystar. Dr. Wachira encouraged them not to be like the biblical ungrateful lepers who were healed but only one came back to give thanks. Prof. Kombo encouraged them to also help their own when they got the opportunity and ability and not turn their back on them as they too are being helped. Mrs. Mutua encouraged the beneficiaries to give their all, giving her personal testimony of commitment and diligence to Daystar back when she was a student.

In his address, the DUAA Chair Mr. Suji reminisced on his days at Daystar University and acknowledged the benefits of the scholarship especially since he also was one of the beneficiaries of the financial aid scholarship. He explained to the students how the Pioneer of Class of 1996 came together with an initiative to raise funds aimed at sponsoring two students, this as away of them giving back and appreciating what Daystar had instilled in them. The scholarship will see two students, male and female, being awarded full scholarships including direct mentorship from the alumni. To make the effort sustainable he urged the current beneficiaries to walk in the same spirit and to band together and form a group with the intent of giving back after they graduate. "It all starts with small amounts which eventually grow" he retired. As a representative of the Class of 1996 he proceeded to hand over a cheque of over Kshs 500,000, towards the scholarship program. Mr. Suji also congratulated the students and encouraged them in the same manner, as he cited the contributions and plans of the Alumni Association towards giving to Daystar.

The Chaplaincy, in tandem, urged the students to be committed to the cause of Daystar whose foundation is in Christ and the things of God.

Mr. Okuku concluded the meeting in prayer and by offering the students opportunities to be brand ambassadors and associates of the university in marketing, branding and advertising the University. He also thanked those that had already volunteered themselves. Daystar wishes all the Scholarship beneficiaries the best in their academic journey and God's Grace and Provision in all things. We are also grateful to our sponsors and their immeasurable kindness and contributions towards helping students go through with their studies. May God bless you abundantly.

Nurturing Budding Entrepreneurs



From right, Ray Barreth, CEO Agora, Mr Evans Amata, Dean School of Business and Economics, Eric Rosell, Agora Team leader, and Gideon Hamman a business student, during the Venture Village program forum

Venture Village, a dynamic new 10 week faith-based entrepreneurship accelerator program designed to provide “best-in-class” preparation and funding for entrepreneurs was recently launched by the School of Business and Economics.

Five Daystar University students drawn from across various disciplines and from both campuses got a chance to share their business ideas before the Dean, School of Business and Economics Mr. Evans Amata and Chief Executive Officer of Agora Enterprises Ray Barreth. The event which was the first in a series of forums to follow was organized by the school in partnership with Agora Enterprises, NaVenture and Ash Maurya’s LEANSTACK Inc. to nurture budding entrepreneurs and recruit them into the incubation program.

The Venture Village cohort will receive a robust assessment program of their business ideas, training on lean start up strategies, mentorship with business men, funding and ongoing support after the program ends. The program will be running from the 6th of October to 10th of December 2016 at the Daystar Valley Road Campus at the cost of \$1200 per participant. After the 10 weeks the entrepreneurs will pitch their refined business ideas to international investors, with the top three walking away with \$15,000 prize money.

All interested parties, including faculty, can write to the Dean of the School of Business and Economics Mr. Evans Amata at eamata@daystar.ac.ke or Senior Lecturer Commerce Department Dr. Samuel Muriithi at smuriithi@daystar.ac.ke for a chance to be part of the venture village cohort.

SCLPA Educational Trip To China



Some of Daystar students at the Great Wall of China, Beijing

The School of Communication, Languages and Performing Arts organized an educational trip to China (Beijing and Shanghai) from 21st to 30th May 2016. 15 members of the Daystar community joined in the trip.

The trip was able to introduce the participants to a comparative media analysis of commercial and corporate structure, expose them to international media experience and give the university exposure and publicity. The students had the opportunity to observe not only operations but the coming together of news, data and financial services provision. Students appreciated the political economy of the news business and interrogated the environment that has allowed China to flourish in the international media arena.

Tour highlights included a visit to CCTV, the Communication University of China, the International Department of the Communist Party of China Central Committee, The Great Wall, Temple of Heaven and Oriental Tower among others. This provided students not only an opportunity to experience communication, business and politics in one of the fastest growing economies in the world, but also provided an avenue to learn about the rich Chinese culture.

The School of Communication, Languages and Performing Arts is currently planning their next trip which will be to Thailand, Singapore and Malaysia. Anyone interested can contact emwangale@daystar.ac.ke



Dean, SCLPA, Prof. Levi Obonyo donning a traditional Chinese hat

UPCOMING EVENTS...

SOCIAL EVENT 4th November

The University will hold a social event to bring together students, staff, faculty and all friends of Daystar University including Alumni and parents to a day of bonding and fun. Please mark this date.

DECEMBER GRADUATION, 2016

There shall be a special December Graduation this year for those who completed their course work requirements by the end of May 2016 semester and did not make it for the June Graduation. Note that degree audits for the eligible students will be ready after the University Grades Senate meeting on September 23rd, 2016. More information will be communicated in due time.



DIAGNOSTIC & STATISTICAL MANUAL OF MENTAL DISORDERS - 5TH EDITION (DSM-V SEMINAR)

This is an annual seminar that targets psychology students and those in the psychological field. Registration is ongoing. The deadline is on 9th September 2016.



ICA REGIONAL CONFERENCE

**Growing Communication
Scholarship**

**Nairobi Kenya
19-21 October 2016**

Visit website to Register

Visit the Website to register: <http://www.daystar.ac.ke/icafrica/index.php/en/>

EAMARC3

EASTERN AFRICAN MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPLIED RESEARCH CONFERENCE

**THEME: Sustainable Development Goals
Role of Research Innovation and Capacity Building**

CONFERENCE SUB-THEMES:

1. End poverty in all its forms everywhere
2. End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition, and promote sustainable agriculture
3. Ensure healthy lives and promote wellbeing for all at all ages
4. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all
5. Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls
6. Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all
7. Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all
8. Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment, and decent work for all
9. Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization, and foster innovation
10. Reduce inequality within and among countries
11. Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable
12. Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns
13. Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts
14. Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development
15. Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification and halt and reverse land degradation, and halt biodiversity loss
16. Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels
17. Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development

DATE: 15TH, 16TH & 17TH NOVEMBER 2016

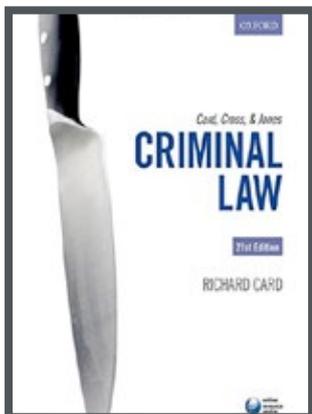
VENUE: United States International University - Africa

USD 150	International Rates	Early bird registration	15-Jul-16	IMPORTANT DATES Abstract Submission Deadline: August 30, 2016 Notification of Decision: September 30, 2016 Submission of full papers with revised abstracts: October 15, 2016 Conference: November 15 – 17, 2016
USD 200		Advance registration	28-Aug-16	
USD 250		Late or on-site registration	30-Sep-16	
Kshs. 5000	East African Rates	Early bird registration	15-Jul-16	
Kshs. 8000		Advance registration	28-Aug-16	
Kshs. 10000		Late or on-site registration	30-Sep-16	
Kshs. 3000	Students	Early bird registration	15-Jul-16	
Kshs. 4500		Advance registration	28-Aug-16	
Kshs. 5000		Late or on-site registration	30-Sep-16	
Organized Groups		Negotiated Rates		

For more information visit www.usiu.ac.ke/eamarc
Tel: +254 730 116 441 / 609 / 406 / 621 / 606, Email: eamarc@usiu.ac.ke

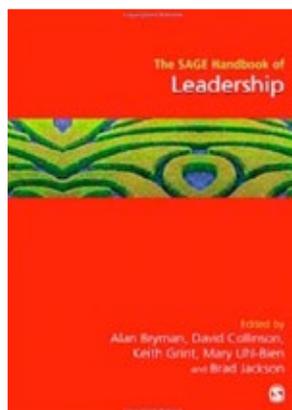
LIBRARY UPDATES

NEWLY ACQUIRED BOOKS



Card, Cross & Jones Criminal Law by Richard Card

With a reputation for being one of the very best introductory texts on the substantive criminal law in England and Wales, Card, Cross & Jones Criminal Law remains a firm favourite with lecturers and students alike. Carefully developed coverage ensures that this textbook will support you throughout your study helping you to advance your understanding of the key principles governing criminal law. Designed for use on undergraduate courses and diplomas in law, discussion of case law as well as hypothetical examples and key point summaries guide you through the technicalities of this fascinating aspect of law.



The SAGE Handbook of Leadership by Alan Bryman et al

Leadership pervades every aspect of organizational and social life, and its study has never been more diverse, nor more fertile.

With contributions from those who have defined that territory, this volume is not only a key point of reference for researchers, students and practitioners, but also an agenda-setting prospective and retrospective look at the state of leadership in the twenty-first century.

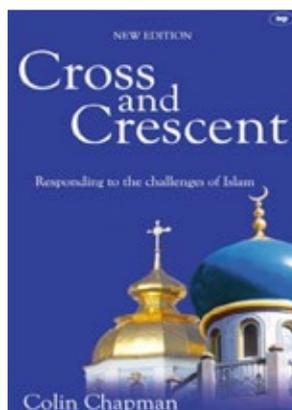
It evaluates the domain and stretches it further by considering leadership scholarship from every angle, concluding with an optimistic look at the future of leaders, followers and their place in organizations and society at large.



Gender and Development: Second Edition by Janet Momsen

Global financial problems, rising food prices, climate change, international migration – increasingly by women – conflict situations in many poor countries, the spread of tropical diseases such as malaria and dengue fever and the increased incidence of HIV/AIDS and TB, and changing patterns of trade have all added new dimensions to gender issues in developing countries.

These problems are frequently being brought to public attention in the media and through long-haul tourism. Consequently students' interest in gender and development has grown considerably in the last few years.



Cross and Crescent: Responding to the Challenges of Islam - New Edition Paperback – 21 Sep 2007 by Colin Chapman

Islam presents new challenges and new questions to Christians and to the West in a post-9/11 context. However, in many situations in the world, where Christians and Muslims live peacefully side-by-side as neighbors, political considerations are not uppermost. Challenging us to examine our own attitudes, Colin Chapman considers the issues involved in Christian engagement with Muslims and Islam. He explores, ultimately, how Christians can effectively bear witness to Jesus.

This revised and updated edition incorporates brand new material on 'Islamic Terrorism', 'What is Islam?', 'The Qur'anic View of Christians' and 'Explaining Christian Beliefs About Jesus'. It will equip Christians to better understand Muslims and Islam in a rapidly changing world.



Weekly Inspiration

*Sometimes you have to be like a city built on a hilltop,
hard to be hidden! Shine on...*

Anonymous

Chapel Diary

SEMESTER THEME:
A University with a Difference
(2 Pet 1:19)

Athi River Campus

Tuesday, 6th September 2016
"Committing our ALL to Jesus"
Ukarimu Chapel by Dr. Chip Kingsbury

Thursday, 8th September 2016
"How to Lead a Bible Study Group"
Special Training Chapel by FOCUS

Sunday, 10th September 2016
"Moral excellence" by Rev Ken Aringo

Nairobi Campus

Tuesday, 6th September 2016
"We're Changed to Change"
DCF Chapel by Rev. Ken Bahati

Thursday, 8th September 2016
"How to Lead a Bible Study Group"
Special Training Chapel by FOCUS

Friday, 9th September 2016
"We're Changed to Change"
DCF Chapel by Rev. Ken Bahati

