

## STUDENT EXPERIENCE ACTIVITIES

### Tanzania

March 2022- March 2023

In Tanzania, student experience activities are managed by the Office of the Registrar. A summary of the activities is presented below.

#### 1. CULTURAL DAY: MAY 2022

This was organized under the title: Celebrating our Diversity. At IED, Dar, there are students from Tanzania, Kenya, Uganda, and Tajikistan. Students of the MEd in collaboration with the Registrar's office organized this colourful day including a fashion show, songs and dances, games, traditional foods which were prepared and sampled.



Figure 1: Food display



Figure 2: Artefacts Display Stand



Figure 3: East African Ladies for Fashion Show



Figure 4: Memorabilia Presented to Faculty from Tanzania students

## 2.AKU PROVOST SPORTS FIESTA & FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

This is Tanzania's coveted annual event and brings together the university's faculty, staff and students. The event took place at Filbert Bayi School in Kibaha. The event had indoor and outdoor games. Four (4) teams were formed from the entire university that competed against each other. Associate Regional Vice Provost, Tanzania, Dr. Eunice Siaity, officially inaugurated, emphasized the value of sports events and its goals of fostering teamwork within the AKU family.



Figure 5: Mixed Race



**Figure 6:** Balloon caterpillar



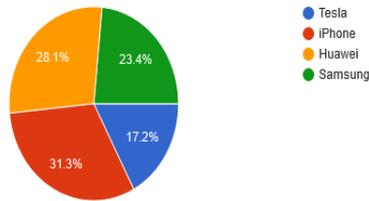
**Figure 7:** Awarding of the medals.



**Figure 8:** Football teams (Teachers VS Nurses and Doctors)

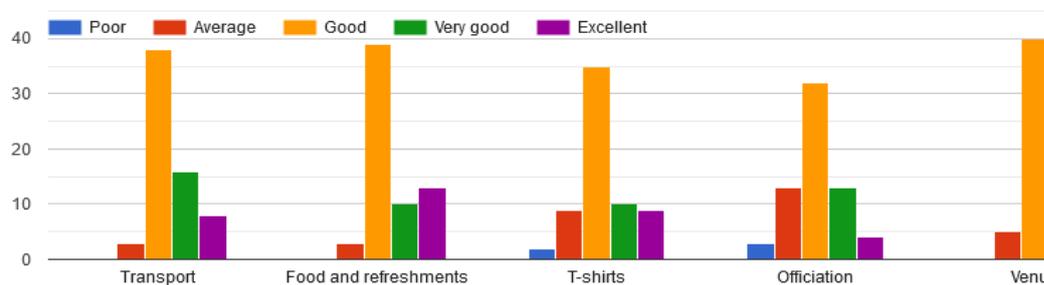
The following survey was carried out to enable all the participants to give their feedback on how the event was. The result of the survey was as follows:

Name of your team  
64 responses



How do you rate the Sports day on the following areas?

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### 3. SWIMMING GALA, WELCOME AND FAREWELL PARTY

Due to the variation of the academic calendar among the three entities in the AKU programmes in Tanzania, the three events were merged and organized on the same day. The Gala was organized on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at Shekina Garden from 3.30 pm to 7.30 pm. During the event, the students showcased the swimming skills they developed during the three-month swimming saves lives training. The University Registrar Dr. Laila Akbarali attended the event. Out of 75 who had registered for swimming saves lives training programme, 55 were awarded Lifesaving certificates. The certificate was awarded to the students who met the requirement of 80% attendance during the swimming training sessions.

The Dean IED welcomed the incoming students and bid farewell to the graduands.

At the event, letters of recognition were awarded to the student leaders and memorabilia were distributed to all outgoing students.

### 4. CLIMATE CHANGE ADVOCACY

In support of the AKU Presidential Challenge for Climate Solutions, a group of 28 students of Master of Education in Tanzania organized an environmental conservation and sensitization campaign at the BOKO primary school on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2022. With the theme “Waste Nothing”.

The campaign aimed at creating awareness of environmental conservation practices that provide solutions to climate change. 9 climate solutions were proposed where teachers and pupils were sensitized. Additionally, 30 fruit trees were donated to the school which were planted together with the teachers and learners. The IED students cleaned the school compound including washing their toilets. The students also donated teaching resources and demonstrated

their use. The teaching resources are made from recycled materials to demonstrate one of the proposed climate solutions.

## **5. STUDENT ASSOCIATION**

Preparations to initiate the AKUSA, tz is underway. In the year 2022, the medical college student leaders developed a draft constitution document for the Association. It is yet to be reviewed and implemented solely because the students do not find time. It is expected tht with the undergraduate direct programme, when the demography of the campus changes, this will become possible.

## **6. COUNSELLING AND GUIDANCE SERVICES**

Tanzania students continue to benefit from counseling services through the counsellors in Uganda and Kenya. University Registrar in collaboration with entities was able to hire, in October 2022, a part-time student counselor for Tanzania.

## **CHALLENGES**

- a. Lack of sports grounds for outdoor games and lack of indoor facilities for students for sports activities.
- b. Lack of recreation room and facilities

## **THE WAY FORWARD AND FUTURE PLANS FOR STUDENT EXPERIENCE IN TANZANIA**

- Plans to start and create a sports club and environment club. A proposal of the same is already developed.
- Organize to create awareness so students with challenges would seek guidance.
- Organise more CSR events for the community by the students.