



## **UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI DEPARTMENT OF SPORTS AND GAMES**

### **1. Name and Brief Introduction of the Department**

The name of the Department is Sports and Games. This Department is as old as the University itself; dating back in the 1960s. The Department of Sports and Games is located in Hall three (3) behind the students' clinic, off State House Road.

The Department has fifteen (15) members of staff( i.e 4 Games Tutors,1 coach,5 lifeguards,3 office assistants/1 messenger/storekeeper and 1 Groundsman)

### **Updates**

During the last calendar year 2019/2020 the Department undertook the following activities:

- Participated in the annual inter universities Women Games championship held at Africa Nazarene University in the month of March,2020
- Participated in the National leagues and strategic tournaments in Rugby, Volleyball, and Basketball, Hockey, Handball, Athletics and swimming.
- Participated in the KBF and NBA –Universities Basketball Leagues
- Participated in the KUSA –Nairobi South league in Handball, Basketball, Hockey, Volleyball and Netball and indoors
- Participated in online chess and soccer inter Universities.
- University Management recognition and award ceremony to excelling male and female students on 26/6/2020

### **2. The Department of Sports and Games is currently focused on the following strategic issues:**

- To maintain and sustain 'states of the art' sport facilities at both colleges/campuses and the university level.
- To continually procure and maintain standardized sports equipment and kits for University teams.
- To continually establish close linkages with local universities, foreign institutions and the corporate world.
- To continually communicate the departmental activities within the university and the outside world through the departmental website and other methods.
- To continually build staff capacity through seminars, conferences, workshops and related training.
- To continually and competitively expand the department through recruitment and promotions and offering short courses.
- To continually engage UON Alumni in terms of voluntary team coaching services, sponsorship and mentorship.
- To continually and consistently increase the number of students participation in Sports and Games.

### **3. Achievements**

- Enrolled and sustained most of the University teams in the National leagues and tournaments (i.e Rugby, Basketball, Volleyball, Soccer, Hockey, Swimming, and Handball among others).
- Successfully identified talent among our students.
- Nutured the talent.
- Achieved elitism in a number of students
- Realized wellness programme in a large number of students.
- Through the existing sports programmes, the students have been networked to the corporate world for employment.
- During the 9<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Universities women sports day of March, 2020 UON was third overall.
- Visibility of University of Nairobi through hosting events highlights as KUSA Games (Nairobi South Conference), National Leagues and Inter-Universities.
- Continual development and management of sport facilities at College, campus and University level.

### **4. Challenges**

- Lack of enough office space.
- Inadequate allocations of financial resources to run students' sport fixtures, buy equipment and kits, develop, maintain and or repair sport facilities.
- The ratio of existing Technical staff overstretched for the required services (i.e about 50,000 students against four Games Tutors)
- Lack of adequate support staff at both college and university level.
- Inadequate sport facilities and equipment to cater for the ever increasing student population.
- Lack of centralized departmental transport facility to coordinate students' sport training programmes.
- Lack of a University gymnasium facility for both students and staff.

### **5. Future Projections/Way Forward**

- Request and follow-up approval of extra technical staff.
- Continual follow-ups with University Management the establishment of a gymnasium complex within the main campus.
- Expand sport facilities at both College and University level.
- Follow-up with corporate world the award of scholarships to excelling student athletes.

### **6. Number of staff**

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|----------------------------|---|---|
| ➤ Director of Sports       | - | 1 |
| ➤ Games Tutors             | - | 3 |
| ➤ Administrative Assistant | - | 0 |

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|---------------------|---|------------------|
| ➤ Secretaries       | - | 0                |
| ➤ Coaches           | - | 1                |
| ➤ Office Assistant  | - | 3                |
| ➤ Clerk/storekeeper | - | 1                |
| ➤ Lifeguards        | - | 5                |
| ➤ Grounds man       | - | <u>1</u>         |
| <b>Total</b>        |   | <b><u>15</u></b> |

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