

School of Health Sciences Orientation Presentation to First Years on 27th August 2020

Introduction

1. Introduction: Name, Office, Contact Addresses

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a) Welcoming Remarks:

- i. Welcome the students to Meru University and School of Health Sciences
- ii. Family of MUST and SHS – 4 years and beyond.
- iii. Proud you chose MUST and SHS to develop your future career

b) Brief of School of Health Sciences

SHS is one of the eight (8) schools of Meru University of Science and Technology with the mandate of providing quality training in Health Science Programmes to produce competitive health professionals to meet the growing demand of health care staff and in support of health system in Kenya and globally.

2) Introduction of Chairmen of Departments and contact information

The Chairmen to introduce themselves by Name, location of the office and contact information.

The school has three (3) Departments namely;

i) Department of Public Health

CoD - Mr. Gervase Miriti, Contact: Mobile Telephone; 0724 515 447, Email Address; codpublichealth@must.ac.ke or gmiriti@must.ac.ke

ii) Department of Clinical Medicine and Community Health

CoD - Mr. Charles Masese, Contact: Mobile Telephone; 0722 579 211, Email Address; codclinicalmed@must.ac.ke or cmasese@must.ac.ke

iii) Department of Medical Laboratory Sciences

CoD - Mr. Patrick Mutharia, Contact: Mobile Telephone; 0722 272 048, Email Address: pmutharia@must.ac.ke

3) Programmes in the School:

- i. A general introduction of the programmes in the school; BSc, Masters and PhD
- ii. CODs: The chairman in each Department to give short but necessary details of the programmes in respective Departments; the office location etc

4) Virtual walk of the School

- i) Pictures of offices in the school and Board room
- ii) Pictures of classes in the Engineering Complex
- iii) Pictures of Laboratories, skills laboratory, practical laboratories (Biological Food Science, Nursing Multispecialty Laboratory, Public Health; Technical & Drawing workshops in Engineering Department and Molecular and microbiology Laboratory at School).
- iv) Pictures of School of health Sciences and University Clinic grounds.

5) Tools Required in the programmes.

- i) Curriculum – Time table in University website, school and department boards.
- ii) Course units contents, course outlines for timely syllabus coverage, and Adherence to time tables for lectures
- iii) Requirement of a Laptop Computer for online Learning
- iv) Availability of a Smart phone for access of University websites, Library, and online lecturers notes, assignments, and possible online examinations.

6. Regulated Programmes and unique requirements

- i. Some of our programmes are regulated by Professional bodies and there are specific regulations and code of conduct
- ii. Roles of behaviour, ethics, decency and discipline in Health sciences programmes
- iii. Social acceptability and norms by customers during services, community and society expectations
- iv. CODs to details requirements for each programmes and specific codes of conduct, code of dressing and behaviour in each programme CODs; Unique situations and teaching and delivery methods in programmes (3 semesters in a year for clinical medicine students, clinical clerkships, Attachments and Research projects).

7) Any other Relevant Information.

- i) The university accords students extensive human and academic freedoms
- ii) The university has a student representative body (SAMU) a democratically elected student government with representative from each school.
- iii) The SAMU chairmen, Secretary General, Organizing Secretary and schools representative – to champion student matters.
- iv) The school encourages selection of Class representative per each programme who work closely with COD and Lecturers and Dean occasionally.
- v) The School has professional interactive Association in the name of Public Health Club for social responsibilities activities.
- vi) The Community –University Relations and expectations.

Objective of School of Health Sciences

To train and produce competitive and skilled health professionals in various disciplines of health sciences.

Staff of School of Health Sciences

The school of Health Sciences has varied skills, expertise, experience and capabilities of academicians, professionals and practitioners in medical and health fields to enrich the school different programmes.

Currently the school has 20 Lecturers (from Full Professors to Assistant Lecturers) and Administrative staff.

This staff is geared to providing Lectures

Strategic Objectives

1. Play a leading role in the development and expansion of opportunities for higher education and research
2. To provide high –level training and research in health sciences and preventive medicine and constantly adapt new scientific advances
3. To contribute in development of applications for use in health and preventive medicine through targeted research
4. To contribute to industrial and technological development through innovations and technology transfer
5. To establish and strengthen national and international scientific partnerships



