



ERNEST COOK
UNIVERSITY
EXCELLENCE IS OUR GOAL



SCAN FOR WEBSITE



THE STUDENT'S HANDBOOK

8 GRADUATION
CEREMONIES

5 INTAKES IN A YEAR
JAN, MARCH, JULY, AUG, SEPT

20,000+
GRADUATES IN
ALUMNI NETWORK

2500 PLUS
STUDENTS



KEY CONTACTS

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STUDENTS FEED BACK

ECUREI welcomes student feedback to improve its programs. All students are required to complete an evaluation form on the last day of their rotation and course unit. If a student has any particular question or needs during the course or rotation study, the Course Coordinator, Academic Registrar, Dean of Students and Administrator are available to assist.

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN - UNIVERSITY COUNCIL



PROF. GEORGE KIRYA

Chairman - University
Governing Council

I take this opportunity to welcome all new students to Ernest Cook University.

At the heart of the Ernest Cook University's success lies a deep-seated commitment to research. Through groundbreaking studies and innovative investigations, the University's researchers have contributed invaluable insights into the diagnostic and

therapeutic applications of radiology, diagnostic ultrasound technology and medical imaging, pushing the boundaries of medical knowledge and transforming patient care. From exploring novel imaging techniques to investigating the role of ultrasound and the other areas in guiding minimally invasive procedures, the University's research endeavours have opened new avenues for improving healthcare outcomes and enhancing patient well-being.

Central to its mission is the belief that education is the cornerstone of progress. Through comprehensive educational programs, the University empowers a new generation of healthcare professionals with the knowledge, skills, and expertise needed to harness the full potential of ultrasound technology in clinical practice.

From training students and residents to offering continuing education opportunities for practicing physicians, the University plays a pivotal role in shaping the future of medical education in Uganda and beyond. Behind every milestone and breakthrough lies the collective effort of passionate individuals united by a shared commitment to advancing healthcare and making a difference in the lives of others. From the visionary leadership of its founders to the tireless dedication of its administrators, researchers, educators, and staff, the University stands as a testament to the transformative power of teamwork, collaboration, innovation, and compassion.

Enjoy your stay at Ernest Cook University.

MESSAGE FROM THE VICE CHANCELLOR



**PROF. MICHAEL
GRACE KAWOoya**
Vice Chancellor

AS WE CONTINUE TO EXPAND AND INNOVATE INTO ERNEST COOK UNIVERSITY, WE REMAIN STEADFAST IN OUR COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE, INTEGRITY, AND COMPASSION.

I am delighted to welcome you to Ernest Cook Ultrasound Research and Education Institute (ECUREI), located in Mengo Hospital, Kampala, Uganda which housed the first X-ray machine in Eastern and Central Africa in 1910. You are, therefore stepping in the footsteps of the first trail of imaging in Eastern and Central Africa.

To you who are coming from outside of Uganda, I welcome you to the Pearl of Africa and to the bustling City of Kampala. During your time at ECUREI, you will experience the world's most hospitable people; enjoy the culture, nature, wild life and a pleasant climate, and a conducive learning environment.

At ECUREI, we are proud of our national and international reputation for teaching, research and community involvement. We are also proud of the unique academic programs and conducive on campus atmosphere that will ingrain within you a memorable experience. While at ECUREI, I encourage you to strike a healthy balance between your academic activities and enjoyment of the rich social and cultural opportunities offered.

Our goal is to holistically educate you while we recognise that some of the important lessons you will learn will take place outside the lecture room, Library, laboratory, workshop and clinical areas. We aim to give you the opportunity to spread your wings within a safe and exciting environment. At the end of your studies, you will leave ECUREI, with not only a world-class qualification, but also friends that you will cherish for a lifetime. May God guide you as you study, and grow your skills, professionalism, ethics and character. I am certain that your time at ECUREI will be enjoyable and fruitful.

GET TO KNOW US



OUR VISION

A hub for transformative education, research and innovation



OUR MISSION

To nurture globally competitive professionals through transformative education, driven by technology, research and Christian values



CORE VALUES

- Christ-centered professionalism
- Honesty
- Result-oriented
- Integrity
- Stewardship
- Timeliness
- Enthusiasm

WHY ERNEST COOK UNIVERSITY?!



Mr. Fred Kirumira
Deputy Vice Chancellor,
Finance and Administration

BACKGROUND

Ernest Cook Ultrasound Research and Education Institute (ECUREI) is a private Institution for Higher Learning established in 2001 and accredited by the National Council for Higher Education in 2013 under the category of “Other Degree Awarding Institutions” It is the leading Ultrasound and Medical Imaging training Centre in Sub Saharan Africa.

ECUREI’s mission is “To provide outstanding Christ-Centered Health Care Training and Services.” In 2007 the Institute was nominated as a Center of Excellence (COE) for ultrasound training in Africa by the WHO’s World Federation for Ultrasound in Medicine and Biology (WFUMB). ECUREI has collaborated with other universities and organizations such as the University of Vermont, Washington University, Makerere University, Kampala Imaging Center (KIC), Thomas Jefferson University, and the World Federation of Ultrasound in Medicine and Biology (WFUMB.) The partnership with the Jefferson Ultrasound Research and Education Institute (JUREI) of Thomas Jefferson University in the USA was the pivotal event responsible for the founding of ECUREI. It started with 3 Radiologists, Prof Henry Stuart Kasozi, Prof Michael Grace Kawooya, and Prof. Elsie Kiguli-Malwadde, training in Ultrasound at the JUREI. This was under the mentorship of Prof Barry Goldberg, who then donated the Institute’s first ultrasound machine for training. In 2002 ECUREI was launched by His Excellency Yoweri Kagutta Museveni, The President of The Republic of Uganda, having been incorporated under private shareholding but with an MOU to manage Radiology services on behalf of Mengo Hospital. The first and only program offered was a Diploma course in Ultrasound (ODU).

MESSAGE FROM THE ACADEMIC REGISTRAR



Mrs. Martha Tusabe
Academic Registrar

Thank you for choosing ECUREI for your higher tertiary training and development. ECUREI is a unique Institution of higher learning, one of its kind in Sub-Saharan Africa, offering Medical imaging/Radiography, Biomedical Sciences, Health care, Research and other health related courses.

ECUREI is a fully registered institution of higher learning by the Uganda National Council of Higher Education (NCHE) in the category of "Other Degree Awarding Institutions." You will be provided with an un-forgettable experience of a sound theoretical and practical foundation to turn you into a skilled, creative and innovative individual able to transform health care within your country. The information in this booklet will provide guidance in regard to the courses offered and overall learning experience at ECUREI. Our website has details of each course and the Office of the Academic Registrar is open to provide more information.

I wish you a memorable stay at ECUREI

Martha Katusabe
Academic Registrar

MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN OF STUDENTS



MRS. SARAH BYAMUKAMA
Dean Of Students

Dear Students,

You are welcome to ECUREI. My responsibility as Dean of Students is to work with other ECUREI departments to establish an environment that is conducive for you throughout the period of your study. This will be achieved through but not limited to:

- Acting as a liaison between students and ECUREI administration. Coordination of students' social events including sports involvement in social responsibility activities, orientation, general assembly, students' leisure activities and career guidance. International students will have opportunity to enjoy special events organised through the Guild office. These and many more will provide them with a Ugandan memorable experience.*
- Identifying your needs and address them together with ECUREI administration. Key to note are; provision of support to both local and foreign students to secure affordable and safe housing, and support to international students to secure study visas, which is a statutory obligation. Students are, therefore, encouraged to seek this support to warrant a smooth settling into ECUREI on admission*
- Provision of free professional counselling services to support you through challenges you may experience as you pursue your studies. You are, therefore, encouraged to seek for it. ECUREI expects that when students are provided with this kind of support, they will pursue their studies with less disruption.*

The office of the Dean of Students is committed to making your stay worth your while!

Sarah Byamukama
Dean of Students

WHAT TO DO BEFORE YOU START



A GLANCE AT YOUR CAMPUS

**ERNEST COOK
UNIVERSITY
HEAD OFFICES**

**SIR ALBERT COOK
BUILDING**





Nteyafa Building / Students lecture block



Artistic impression of the **ECUREI Research & A.I Center**



Ongoing construction of the **ECUREI Research & A.I Center**



Student's lecture Block A (along Balintuma road)



Ongoing construction of the **Campus main building**



ECUREI Imaging Diagnostic Center



Ongoing construction of the **Campus main building**



Ernest Cook university Main library

**NAVIGATE
YOUR
CAMPUS**



UNIVERSITY GOVERNING COUNCIL



**Prof. Micheal G.
Kawooya**
Vice Chancellor



Prof. Henry S. Kasozo
Vice Chancellor



**Prof. Micheal G.
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Vice Chancellor



Mr. Fred Kirumira
Deputy Vice Chancellor
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Prof. Rev. Samuel Luboga
Member



Prof. Patrick Mangen
Member



Mrs. Ethel Kyobe
Member



Prof. Moses Kanya
Member



Prof. Manson Tweheyo
Member



Mrs. Norah M. Muwanga
Member



Mr. Lawrence Ntambazi
Member



Mr. Saul Ssekadde
Member



Mrs. Martha Tusabe
Academic Registrar

UNIVERSITY MANAGEMENT

UNIVERSITY SENIOR MANAGEMENT



**Prof. Micheal C.
Kawooya**
Vice Chancellor



Mr. Ntambazi Lawrence
Director Finance



Mrs. Betty Nabuto Mulyalya
Director Human Resource



Mr. Saul Ssekadde
Director Business Development

HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS



Mrs. Alice K. Lukwata
Librarian



Mrs. Sarah Byamukama
Dean Of Students



Mr. Stephen Mutyaba
Head Humanities



Mrs. Andrew Kateregga
Head Imaging



Dr. Mbabazi Margret
Head Postgraduate Studies



Mrs. Patience J. Atukunda
Head Information Technology



Mrs. Rachael A. Kabali
Head Research



Eng. Kibirige David
Head Biomedical Engineering

STAY SAFE

COUNSELLING SERVICES

The office of Dean Of students provides counseling services. Contact the *Dean* on **+256 754 486 956**

The University Chaplaincy offers spiritual guidance to all students. Below are the retains of the University chaplains: **Reverend Bernard Bakunka** 0772486012 / 0705171618 and **Reverend Ben Tumuhairwe** 0772376955

HEALTH SERVICES

Mengo Hospital provides comprehensive Healthcare services.

International students are advised to subscribe to **AAR insurance** provider at annual fee of **\$200** payable to ECUREI.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

IMMIGRATION DOCUMENTS

International students ought to have a valid Ugandan study permit (visa) to enable them study at ECUREI. This can be obtained from the Immigration Offices at the Ministry of Internal Affairs located along Jinja road. Your offer letter and introductory letter from the Academic office will enable you get a study permit with ease.



GOOD TO KNOW

CLIMATE

Uganda's climate is largely tropical with two rainy seasons per year, March to May and September to December. The northern region, which forms one quarter of the country lies outside the tropical belt, and hence experiences only one rainy season, March to October.



FOOD

Uganda's main dishes are usually centred on a sauce or stew of simsim, groundnuts, beans or meat. The starch traditionally comes from posho (maize meal) or matooke (steamed and mashed green banana) in the central or kalo in the north, east and west. Posho or millet is cooked as a porridge for breakfast.



CULTURE

Culture of Uganda is made up of a diverse range of ethnic groups. Lake Kyoga forms the northern boundary for the Bantu-speaking people, who dominate much of East, Central, and Southern Africa. In Uganda, they include the Baganda, Banyankole and several other tribes.



TRANSPORT

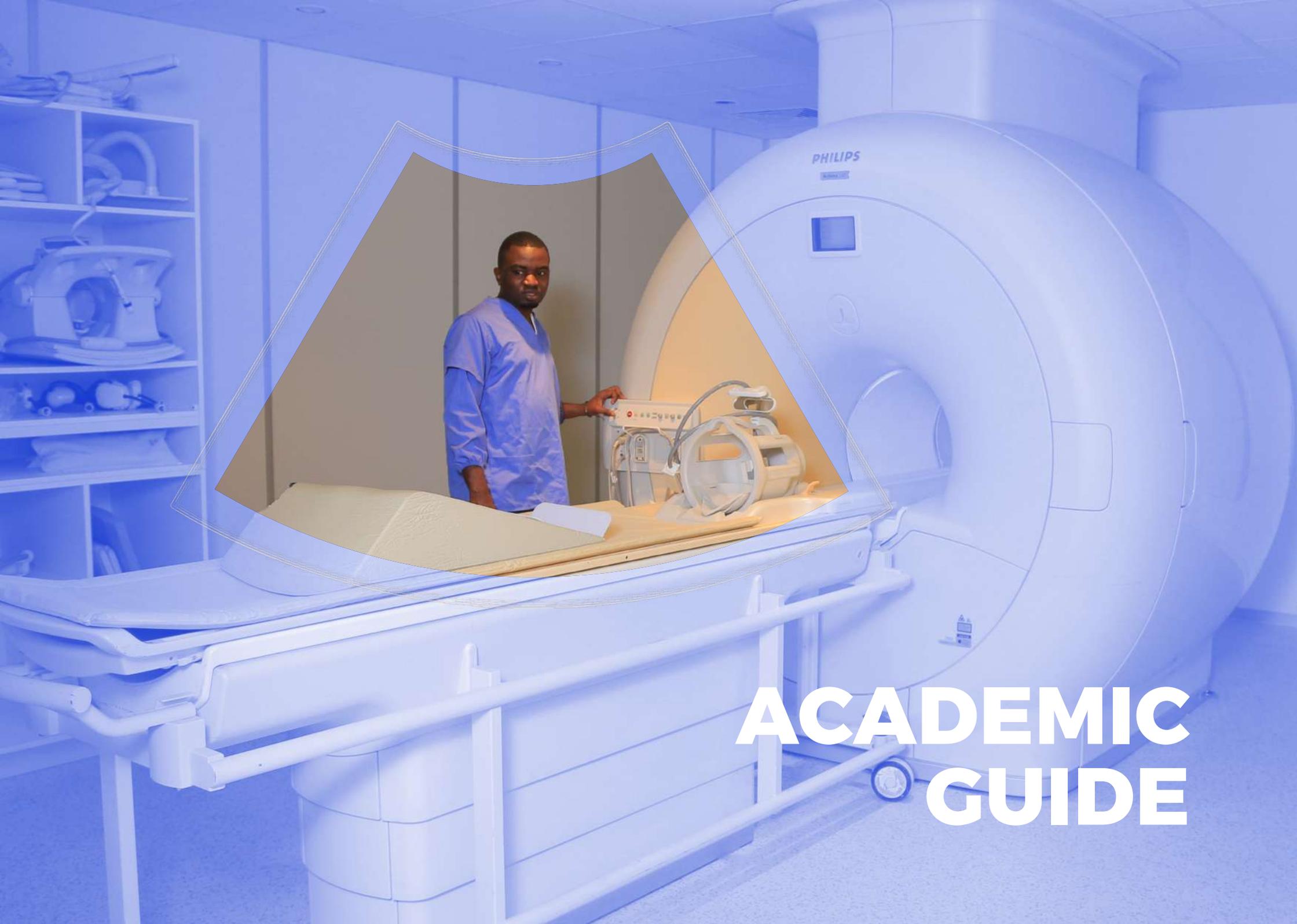
You can use a bus, minibus taxi, boda-boda, and anything in between to get anywhere within the borders. Apart from commuter rail in some parts of Kampala and ferry service, public transport in Uganda essentially boils down to buses and other forms of motorized road transport.





PLACES TO VISIT

Uganda has a rich tourist attraction menu. Within ECUREI's reach is Buganda kingdom, the Uganda Museum, and many others



ACADEMIC GUIDE

STUDY MODES

1. Online studies
2. Campus-based program
3. Hybrid (both physical and online learning)

CLASS PREPARATION

Course time tables are obtainable before the start of the semester from the Course Coordinator at Nteyafa building.

- Each student is required to get one.
- Students will be required to carry their timetables along with them during the first 2 weeks of the semester to enable them identify the different lecture rooms where different lectures take place.
- During this first week, as well, lecturers will issue students with course outlines, requirements and reference books.
- The course coordinator will be available to provide the needed support.. It is important to attend lectures right from the first week of the semester to get accustomed to different lecture venues as well as Lecturers.

ATTENDANCE

- Students are required to attend all lectures, tutorials and practical sessions as scheduled.
- Any student who fails to attend ATLEAST 75% will not be allowed to sit for the final exams. However, special circumstances or emergencies may necessitate that a student be absent or late from his/her studies.
- In that case, the student ought to notify the Program Director.
- Attendance is required for each student during lectures, tutorials, practical training, clinical rotations and academic presentations.
- Students are however encouraged to seek Professional counselling from either the Dean of Students or Academic Registrar should they be challenged in anyway.
- Any absence should be reported to the Program Heads, Coordinator, or Dean of students.



LIBRARY

The Library is located along Balintuma Road opposite Nteyafa building (see map). It will be open between 8am to 8pm from Monday to Friday. The Library is equipped with reference books, e-books, and shelved books that are all available to students. You are obliged to register with the Library in order to obtain Library cards to attain access to library resources. All guidelines and procedures pertaining to use of the Library will be communicated to you to enable maximum utilisation. The Library staff will be available to assist students.

LOG BOOK

The log book provides evidence and a means of monitoring the scope and diversity of your learning experience. Periodically, you will be required to submit it to review your patient experience. It is a requirement of the Institute that each student completes a log book throughout the period of their course.

The log book contributes a percentage of the final mark and students should therefore endeavour to acquire log books and adhere to its guidelines.



CLINICAL ROTATIONS AND TRAINING SITES

A formal affiliation agreement between ECUREI and its affiliated clinical center exist for the purpose of establishing a clinical training opportunity for students.

Clinical centres and hospitals often take on students who have completed their courses for an Internship practical experience. The Clinical Centre and its staff



where the student will be attached take on the role of supervision and assessment of each student's progress during their period of stay. ECUREI, however, has the sole and final right and responsibility to evaluate students' academic accomplishments including clinical practice and award appropriately. ECUREI partners with hospitals like Kawempe RRH Kiruddu Referral Hospital, Rubaga, and Mengo among others.



EXAMINATION AND ASSESSMENT

Each course is assessed at 100% total marks. Formative (progressive) and summative (final) assessments will be used. Progressive assessment is forty per cent (40%) and summative sixty per cent (60%). Exams will entail Multiple choice questions, essays,

short questions, oral questions, oral exams, logbook and portfolio. An assessment session will be conducted for every student at the end of every tutorial followed by a quick feedback. The tutorial mark contributes 40% of the formative assessment and the logbook and portfolio contribute 10% to the formative mark. The rest of the formative mark is obtained from tests.

The theory component comprises sixty per cent (60%) of the summative exam while the practical/oral comprises

forty per cent (40%). Students who have only passed the formative exam and failed the practical examination component of the summative exam will be considered as having failed. Such students will be required to retake the entire course.

FORMATIVE / PROGRESSIVE ASSESSMENT

Formative assessments consist of tests both theoretical and/or practical including scores from the portfolio and the log book.

SUMMATIVE / FINAL EXAMINATIONS

Students are required to present a certificate of due performance issued by the Academic office before they can be allowed to sit for their summative examinations. This certificate implies that the student has satisfied ECUREI requirements of attendance and has attended all lectures, tutorials, practical, clinical, , field work sessions and has met the stipulated requirements for the portfolio and the logbook. Students will sit for the Summative Examinations at the end of each semester. The total mark for each course unit will cover all course work covered during the semester. Examining of students at every stage shall be in conformity to the ECUREI regulations.

PASS MARK

The pass mark for each course unit is fifty per cent (50%). Results slips will indicate actual marks and the grade of passing. The ODU course, which is offered in affiliation with Thomas Jefferson University, on the other hand has a pass mark of 70%.

RESEARCH

Students eligible to do research can select from a variety of research projects and begin a unique mentored experience in clinical research. Students are encouraged not to commit Plagiarism. ECUREI strictly adheres to international research procedures and guidelines and this may be a dismissible offence. The qualifying research must also be hypothesis driven and related to a medical topic.

PROFESSIONAL BODIES

dents are encouraged to obtain Professional acts from the Allied Health Professional Council at the Ministry of Health to acquire information regarding the code of conduct. The council does not allow practice until one is certified and Students are strongly advised to distance themselves from this vice.



OUR PROGRAMS

Master of Medicine in Radiology (M.Med Rad.)	4 Years
Bachelor in Diagnostic Ultrasound (BDU)	3 Years
Bachelor of Medical Imaging (BMI)	4 Years
Bachelor of Biomedical Engineering (BBE)	4 Years
Bachelor of Physiotherapy (BPT)	4 Years
Bachelor of Early Childhood Health and Development (BECHD)	3 Years
Bachelor of Health Administration and Management (BHAM)	3 Years
Bachelors of Science in Human Nutrition (BHN)	3 Years
Bachelors of Science in Health Informatics (BHI)	3 Years
Diploma in Medical Radiography (DMR)	3 Years
Diploma in Medical Records and Informatics (DMRI)	2 Years
Diploma in Biomedical Engineering (DBE)	2 Years
Diploma in X-ray pattern Recognition (DPR)	9 Months
Diploma in Computer Science (DCS)	2 Years
Diploma in Human Nutrition (DHN)	2 Years
Diploma in Health Management and Administration (DHAM)	2 Years
Diploma in Early Childhood Health and Education (DECHD)	2 Years
Diploma in Cold Chain Storage and Instrumentation (DCC)	3 Years

THE STUDENTS' GUILD

The guild office, under the Dean's office is available to address a wide variety of students' issues while studying at ECUREI. Students are encouraged to inquire and utilize the services at the Guild Office which is located at Nteyaffa teaching block. Students are also encouraged to participate in all Guild-initiated activities e.g. sports, career guidance, community work, etc. There is a fee that each student contributes to enable the running of activities.



YOUR PROFESSIONAL NOTE

DRESS CODE



In order to promote a professional training environment, ECUREI expects students to be attired in a professional manner while on clinical rotations or on hospital grounds. Students will be expected to wear clinical coats with visible name tags. A Professional medical practice dress code is expected to be maintained by each student during regularly scheduled practice times and this will be communicated to you during orientation

CONFIDENTIALITY

You are required to respect the confidential nature of all information that you have access to including but not limited to Patients' Personal Health Information available to you orally contained in the patient medical records, or maintained on the ECUREI's electronic systems.



COMMUNICATION CHANNELS

Students are advised to use the following lines of communication, in the order listed to communicate clinical, security and administrative needs;

- 1. Dean of Students**
- 2. Guild president**
- 3. Courses Coordinator**
- 4. Program Heads**
- 5. Academic Registrar**
- 6. Administrator**
- 7. Quality Assurance Officer or Publicity**

TUITION AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

The accounts office which is located at the main Administration block at Sir Albert Cook building in Mengo Hospital manages all ECUREI financial transactions and addresses all manner of financial issues pertaining to students' study throughout their stay at ECUREI. Questions about students' accounts and billing will be handled at the Account's office.

ECUREI policy provides that every new student is expected to have paid 50% of their tuition on reporting, clear 75% by mid-semester and 100% before sitting their end of semester exams. All Institutional dues should be made through **Housing Finance Bank - Account No. 1500121503**

Note: Students will not be allowed to sit for tests and exams if they still owe the institution monies.



OUR PARTNERS



Buganda Kingdom





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