

UNIVERSITY OF NAIROBI

BOARD OF COMMON UNDEGRADUATE COURSES

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Introduction

The Board of Common Undergraduate Courses (BCUC) is a multidisciplinary department whose mandate in the University is to administer the regulations, organize the teaching and arrange the examination of Common Undergraduate Courses. Common Undergraduate Courses are unique courses in the University as they are offered to all undergraduate students across the board regardless of the degree programme that a student is enrolled in.

The Courses

In 2014, BCUC offered 10 (Ten) Senate approved courses from which students were expected to select their three courses for study as required by the Statutes. The ten courses on offer were:

CCS 001: Communication Skills

CCS 002: Fundamentals of Development and their applications in Kenya

CCS 003: Human Health

CCS 004: Law in Society

CCS 005: Environmental Science

CCS 006: Chemistry and its applications

CCS 007: Science and Technology in Development

CCS 008: Elements of Philosophy

CCS 009: Elements of Economics

CCS 010: HIV & AIDS

Out of the ten courses, those which were preferred and therefore selected by students as guided by their (students') department were CCS 001, CCS 002, CCS 005, CCS 007, CCS 008, CCS 009 and CCS 010. The rest were not preferred by any department and therefore were dormant.

Events

In the month of April, BCUC participated in the Commission for Universities' Education (CUE) Exhibition that was held in Eldoret at the POA Place. We also had a stand in the University Open Day exhibition that was held in the University's Great court that month.

Examinations were successfully administered in respect of common courses that had been selected and taught in the months of April and August. The scripts were marked and results forwarded to respective faculties, schools and institutes.

Staff matters

In December 2014 our secretary to the Director, Mrs. Jane Mugure Mugwe received a letter transferring her to the office of the Dean of students on promotion after she had successfully applied for the position as Assistant Executive secretary. As a department we were happy for Jane securing a promotion but frankly we were not happy that she was leaving us. None of us had worked in BCUC without her and we just thought that the department would collapse. And so we ended the year 2014 with the sad news and waited for what would follow next.