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Dear Readers,

I trust this message finds you in good health and high spirits. As we step into the vibrant month of October, I'm delighted to bring you the latest edition of our newsletter, brimming with stories that underscore the spirit of innovation, collaboration, and community engagement that defines ZCAS University. Our newsletter is a reflection of the vibrant and diverse community that makes up ZCAS University, and it's always a pleasure to share the stories and achievements of our students, faculty, and staff with you.

In these pages, you'll find a wealth of inspiring tales. From our students excelling in prestigious programs like Huawei's Seeds for the Future to our heartwarming outreach at Musolekeni Community School on World Literacy Day, the impact of our university resonates beyond our campus.

We celebrate the incredible success of our students at the ICTAZ Tech Expo, where they showcased their exceptional talents, and we explore the profound partnerships forged by ZCAS University with industry leaders like Lawrence Sikutwa & Associates. These stories not only highlight our commitment to academic excellence but also our dedication to fostering practical, real-world skills that empower our students.

Furthermore, we are excited to introduce our new Brand Ambassador, Zindaba Hanzala, and the positive energy she brings to our university. Her role is a testament to our vision of continually evolving and connecting with the broader community.

In these turbulent times, our commitment to providing you with insightful, uplifting stories remains unwavering. We hope you find inspiration in these stories, just as we have in bringing them to you.

Your feedback and suggestions are invaluable to us. We welcome your thoughts on our content and any ideas for stories you'd like to see in future editions. To make a submission to the newsletter kindly contact Emmanuel Sundano at emmanuel.sundano@zcasu.edu.zm or give us a call at **0971097338**. Your contributions are what make our newsletter a dynamic reflection of the ZCAS University experience. Together, we can make this newsletter even more engaging and reflective of our university's dynamic spirit.

Thank you for being a part of our ever-growing community. We look forward to continuing this incredible journey with you.

Warm regards,
Editor



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Welcoming Freshmen

This semester, we welcomed the firstyears in a whole different style. From an enlightening orientation day to an entire week of mingling with various student associations and other student-led groups, it was a week to remember.



The event unveiled the diverse facets of our institution, ranging from the wide spectrum of clubs and associations, whether they are academic, religious, tech-focused, media-oriented, sports-driven, or socially inclined. It also showcased the various administrative departments dedicated to meeting the students' needs, including tuition payments, library services, computer labs, inquiries, and access to other school resources.



For more on this story, scan the code for more on this event on Facebook.



Our freshmen have delved deep into the heart of our university's departments, discovering the incredible opportunities that lie ahead. 📚 ✨ Moreover, they've embarked on a fascinating journey to unravel the vibrant tapestry of student associations and clubs thriving on our campus.



New Face of ZCASU

ZCAS University recently celebrated the appointment of their new Brand Ambassador, Zindaba Hanzala, in a signing ceremony held at the Vice Chancellor's office. After the signing, Zindaba joined an onboarding session with the marketing department, where association and club leaders also participated.



The event was documented with photos capturing moments shared between the ambassador, the marketing team, and the club leaders.



During this productive meeting, the group delved into various topics related to the university's branding, including content creation procedures, correct color schemes, and logo usage. The club leaders had the valuable opportunity to connect with ZCASU's fresh face, discussing potential collaborations for the university's success.



Exploring New Horizons

In the pursuit of excellence in education and innovation, ZCAS University proudly announces its continued success in forging strategic partnerships. Memorandums of Understanding (MOUs) have been the catalysts driving our university's growth and global presence.

These collaborative agreements, both locally and internationally, have fortified our commitment to delivering world-class education. Through these MOUs, we are opening doors to fresh realms of learning and collaboration, spanning diverse fields such as research, consultancy, and education, among others.

Zambia Association of Manufacturers (ZAM) MOU



On July 7th, 2023, ZCAS University and the Zambia Association of Manufacturers (ZAM) entered into a groundbreaking MOU. Their mission: harness the power of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) to digitize business operations and pioneer innovative solutions through Research and Development (R&D).

During the signing ceremony, Professor Edwin Bbenkele, Deputy Vice Chancellor for Research, Consultancy, and Innovation, conveyed that this partnership aims to empower ZAM members with critical information for business growth and enhance their government representation. By fostering IT-driven information sharing and meaningful dialogues with the government, they seek to propel Zambia's economic development.

This MOU signifies a united commitment to driving economic progress through technology and collaboration in Zambia.



INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL COMMUNICATION CENTRE OF MALAYSIA MOU

On the 9th of August, 2023 in a vibrant ceremony held at the ZCAS University Campus in Lusaka, a new chapter of global collaboration was written as ZCAS University signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the International Cultural Communication Centre of Malaysia.

Our Vice Chancellor, Professor Kunda, spoke eloquently of the significance of this moment. He emphasized how, as a leading institution in Zambia saying, "ZCAS University has always been dedicated to providing students with world-class education and opportunities for personal growth. This commitment to excellence finds a new expression through this partnership with the International Cultural Communication Centre of Malaysia."



Through this MOU, ZCAS University and the International Cultural Communication Centre of Malaysia will engage in academic exchange programs, collaborative research ventures, and cultural initiatives. These endeavors will not only enrich our students' education but also prepare them to thrive in the dynamic landscape of the 21st century.



JESUIT CENTRE FOR THEOLOGICAL REFLECTION (JCTR) MOU

We proudly announce an innovative partnership with the Jesuit Centre for Theological Reflection (JCTR)



The significant event, graced by the distinguished presence of our Vice Chancellor, Prof. Douglas Kunda, and the Executive Director of the JCTR, Fr. Alex Muyebe S.J, saw the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) yesterday.

This MoU cements our commitment to collaborative research endeavors. This partnership represents a fusion of academic brilliance and social impact, ushering in limitless possibilities for pioneering research and community engagement. Together, JCTR and ZCAS University are poised to address pressing societal challenges, spark meaningful conversations, and innovate solutions that will shape the future for ordinary Zambians.





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ZCASU Boosts LSA Efficiency

ZCAS University recently conducted executive management training for senior and middle management teams from Lawrence Sikutwa and Associates group of companies. The graduation ceremony, held on Friday, September 17, 2023, in Lusaka, marked the successful completion of this initiative.



During the ceremony, Lawrence Sikutwa, the executive chairman for Lawrence Sikutwa group of companies, highlighted that the training aimed to enhance efficiency and foster collaboration skills among management teams and their subordinates. This strategic move is expected to lead to improved service delivery and profitability for the companies under his leadership.



ZCAS University's Vice Chancellor, Prof. Douglas Kunda, proudly stated that this marks the institution's inaugural venture into executive management training, a significant milestone. As a tier-one university under the Higher Learning Education Authority, ZCAS University attracts students not only from Zambia but also from neighboring countries like the Democratic Republic of Congo, Malawi, Namibia, and Zimbabwe, as well as students from as far away as Kenya and China, spanning a wide range of faculties.

Prof. Kunda noted that the executive management training embodies the mantra "tulechita ifipya," which translates to "doing great things." He expressed optimism that the training will contribute to Lawrence Sikutwa and Associates group of companies achieving greater profitability.

First-Ever Student Union Elected!

In a momentous event driven by the passionate dedication of our students and the support of our administrative staff, ZCAS University has proudly announced the establishment of its very first Student Union. After tireless efforts, a constitution and a detailed roadmap were drafted, guiding the school through this important process.

Nomination proceedings were meticulously conducted, applications thoroughly reviewed, leading to a spirited debate day held on September 19, 2023, at the ZCAS main campus. Over 150 individuals attended this engaging event. The enthusiasm culminated in the elections, which took place on September 21, with an impressive 900+ ballots cast!

The entire journey, from the lively debates to the election announcements, was broadcast live on Facebook and Instagram, courtesy of the ZCAS Media and Information Technology Club (ZCAS-M.I.T) and The ZCAS University. Both events garnered hundreds of views, showcasing the vibrant engagement of our student body.



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A heartfelt congratulations goes to the Union Interim Committee/Election Commission for their successful efforts in establishing this vital student structure and empowering their fellow students. The elected members of the Student Union are as follows:

- 1. Lubandi Kanyika - Chairman**
- 2. Tiyamike Phiri - Vice Chairman**
- 3. Lushomo Mulunda - Secretary**
- 4. Mutembo Kababa**
- 5. Malcolm Nyirenda**
- 6. Nzoyi Lengwe**
- 7. Catherine Kilasara**
- 8. Wezi Mushingwani**

A special mention and heartfelt appreciation go to Miss Kababa and Miss Mulunda for their exceptional contributions. They not only designed essential electoral awareness material but also crafted the election banners and ballot papers used during this significant period.





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CONGRATULATIONS!!! 7TH GRADUATION CEREMONY FRIDAY 24TH NOVEMBER, 2023. At Government Complex - Lusaka

The ZCAS University 7th Graduation Ceremony will be held on Friday 24th November 2023. Under the theme 'Stimulating Economic Growth through a Skilled Workforce'. Graduands from the following programmes are expected to participate:

- ZCAS University Postgraduate Degrees
- ZCAS University Undergraduate Degrees
- University of Greenwich Postgraduate Degrees
- University of Greenwich Undergraduate Degrees
- National Computing Centre (NCC) Level 5

FEES

Mandatory Certification Fee: **ZMW550.00** (to be paid by all graduands regardless of whether they will graduate in person or in absentia).

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To confirm participation and secure your gown, please present your deposit slip to:

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ZCASU Shines at ICTAZ Tech Expo

In the vibrant setting of the ICTAZ Tech Expo in Lusaka, an extraordinary team of ZCAS students rose to glory in the Capture the Flag Finals competition, hosted by Degisafe. The stellar squad, consisting of Shihab Mirza, Chisha Rajah Musonda, Chileshe Jake Muliokela, Thomas Mayaya, and led by Simon Mtonga as Team Captain, showcased their exceptional skills and unwavering dedication. Their eyes were set on the coveted grand prize, and they emerged victorious, claiming the championship.



Meanwhile, another group of talented students from ZCAS University's ICTAZ chapter delved into the world of system development at the same event. With fearless enthusiasm, they tackled complex algorithms and pseudocode simulations, and their efforts were handsomely rewarded with fantastic prizes.

Mustafa Ashek Mahmud, Chief Information Officer at IHM, summed up the event perfectly: "When innovation meets education, it's an absolute blast!" as he extended his heartfelt congratulations to the students.



But ZCAS University's presence didn't end there. The university's marketing team took center stage at the expo, shining a spotlight on the diverse array of programs the institution has to offer.

This remarkable showcase of talent and innovation underscores ZCAS University's unwavering commitment to excellence in technology and education.





Mwansa Samba

President elect.

Commercial law (3rd 2nd)

I studied CIMA from Zcas from 2018-2021 and got my certificate, diploma and advanced diploma.

I'm passionate about entrepreneurship I believe it's our way out of poverty.

I believe two of the most deadly killers in society is poverty and illiteracy, we all have to contribute towards the fight against them.

I've got a big personality, very opinionated and I'm always looking for the next challenge

Favorite sports are football, tennis and golf.

I used to laugh at golf until my uncles put me on and now we play often.

I've been debating and public speaking in school and competitions from 12 years old.



Katendi Kalwizhi

Prime Minister elect.

Economics and Finance

3rd year second semester

Bio: I am 21 years old and was born and raised in Lusaka. I completed my grade 12 at David Kaunda tech. School in 2019.

Fun fact: I'm actually an athlete



Vida Muzya Musokotwane

Vice president elect.

Commercial law

3rd 2nd year

Bio: Meet Vida Musokotwane, a dedicated law school student with a passion for writing and reading. Known for her determination and ambition, she not only excels academically but also possesses a knack for digital marketing. Vida's leadership shines as the Treasurer of her school's Law Association. An ambivert at heart, she finds joy in lending a listening ear and offering a helping hand to those around her.

Fun fact: I play video games! My favorites are Uncharted (all collections) and Sims4



Towela Chakulunta

Minister of Academic Affairs elect.

Program: bachelor of accounting and finance

Year of study: 2nd year second semester

Bio: My name is Towela Chakulunta. I am the first born of three, and I leave in Meanwood kwamwena Valley. I completed my grade 12 in 2019 at Chilenje South Secondary School. I was a prefect from grade 11 to 12. I am a Christian, and I go to Winners Chapel.

Fun fact about me: I am a makeup artist.



Muma Bwalya Mucheleka

minister of sports and health elect.

Financial Services (BFS)

Final year

I am a finance student at ZCAS University.

In addition, I am an ambitious professional football coach licensed by the Football Association of Zambia. Football is a team sport, and being a successful coach requires one to be an effective leader. My favourite thing about leadership is being able to contribute to someone achieving their best potential.

I would be proud to be able to contribute to the education at the university by ensuring that the university creates a holistic education environment by taking up a leadership position in the ZCAS University student union.

Fun Fact: I don't have any fun facts



Rhoda Makaliki

Minister of finance elect

I have always enjoyed accounting but ever since I came to university, I have been particularly drawn to finance. I am well versed in budgeting and taxation because I work as a part time accountant at a design school.

Fun fact about me is that I am also a designer and a part of the tennis team that got gold at the inter university sports (ZUSA)



O'Brian Dumolezwe Mabandla

minister of Foreign affairs

Economics and Finance

2nd year

My name is O'Brian Mabandla and I am currently a financial analyst in training for Mafadi Properties. I am a self driven and hard-working young man who is keen to offer my skills. I achieved an award for being the best junior member of Parliament while I was in high school.

One fact about me is I love being around people and helping people in every way that I can. Also enjoy travelling and learning different cultures around the globe.



Tanatswa Mathew Paswani

Minister of social culture religion and mobilizations elect.

Program of Study: Bachelor in Economics and Finance

Year of Study: Second Year, Second Semester

Short Bio: Tanatswa Mathew Paswani is a dedicated and motivated student at Zcas University. With a passion for fostering unity, inclusivity, and positive change within the university community, Tanatswa has a proven track record of leadership and service. He is known for his commitment to promoting diversity and celebrating differences among students. Tanatswa's goal is to make every student feel heard, valued, and included in the vibrant tapestry of Zcas University.

Fun Fact: I can cook amazing food

Empowering the Young Minds

In a heartwarming celebration of World Literacy Day, ZCAS University, accompanied by the esteemed Miss Zambia 2022, Zindaba Hanzala, as the brand ambassador, embarked on a meaningful journey to Musolekeni Community School, nestled in the outskirts of Lusaka. Their mission was to generously donate a collection of books to the school.



Leading the team was Professor Ed Bbenkele, and they also had the privilege of engaging with eager pupils in grades 5 and 6. The focus of their interaction was to emphasize the significance of reading, highlighting how it opens young minds to new ideas, cultures, and information that they might not have easy access to.



Mr. Lushinga, the school's headmaster, expressed his heartfelt gratitude to the team for taking precious time from their busy schedules to visit the school and connect with the pupils.

Capturing the joyous occasion, the team took photographs with the students and teachers in attendance before heading back. The team included notable members such as Professor Edwin Bbenkele (Deputy Vice Chancellor - Research, Consultancy, and Innovation), Ms. Janis Nduli (Marketing Manager), Ms. Zindaba Hanzala (ZCAS University Brand Ambassador), Ms. Bumba Dubeka (Chief Librarian), Mr. Thomas Besa (Librarian), Mr. Emmanuel Sundano (Social Media Content Officer), and Mr. Kanjanga Mukwena (Community Engagement Officer).

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Exploring New Horizons

This year, ZCAS University had the distinct pleasure of showcasing our institution's essence to the wider public by participating and exhibiting at two prestigious events: the International Trade Fair in Ndola and the Agriculture and Commercial Show in Lusaka. These exhibitions provided us with invaluable opportunities to not only display our academic prowess but also to demonstrate how we are actively engaged in making a positive impact on our communities.



One compelling story we shared highlighted our commitment to community development. It revolves around Cynthia, a remarkable individual and a member of the ZAMEP Multipurpose Cooperative. Cynthia and her fellow members recently received a presidential pardon from His Excellency, President Hichilema, and have benefited directly from one of our community engagement initiatives.



During our exhibitions, Cynthia graciously joined us at our stand, where she shared her inspiring journey of transformation and her aspirations for the future. Her presence and her story serve as a living testament to the profound impact education and community engagement can have on individual lives and the broader society.

As we continue to engage with our communities and nurture future leaders, these exhibitions exemplify our commitment to shaping brighter futures and building bridges between education and real-world impact. Together, we are making a meaningful difference.



Follow Cynthia and other's story to learn more of how ZCAS University has touched and transformed they loves. Scan the code below



Huawei's Seeds

ZCAS University continues to shine as a hub for exceptional talent and innovation. Five outstanding students - Raymond Banda, Geoffrey Zulu, Thom Lungu, Emmanuel Chilombo, and Sumili Halubanza - were selected to participate in Huawei's prestigious Seeds for the Future program, highlighting our commitment to producing not just job-ready graduates but solution-driven thinkers.



This immersive 7-day program delved deep into cutting-edge technologies like Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Big Data, and 5G. Our students absorbed knowledge that positions them at the forefront of technological innovation.



What set this program apart was its hands-on approach. After intensive training, our students took their expertise into the real world, tackling pressing problems and crafting practical solutions. These solutions weren't just ideas; they evolved into real software, making a tangible impact in the world.



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