SOKOINE UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE

THE 39TH   MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY WIDE WEBSITE COMMITTEE

TO RECEIVE, CONSIDER AND APPROVE UNIT WEBSITE RANKING RESULTS OF THE 1ˢᵗ QUARTER, 2024

RANKING RESULTS OF UNIVERSITY UNIT WEBSITES FOR THE FIRST QUARTER OF JANUARY TO MARCH, 2024

1.0 MATTERS FOR APPROVAL

1.1 UWC is REQUESTED to RECEIVE, CONSIDER and APPROVE ranking results (Appendix I) of the First Quarter of 2024 as follows:

1. Overall ranking results in the order of highest rank – top five
   1. College of Natural and Applied Sciences
   2. College of Forestry, Wildlife and Tourism
   3. National Carbon Monitoring Centre
   4. College of Social Sciences and Humanities
   5. College of Agriculture
   6. Sokoine National Agricultural Library

2. The best Colleges, School, Directorates, Institutes and Centres in the order of highest rank – top five
   1. College of Natural and Applied Sciences
   2. College of Forestry, Wildlife and Tourism
   3. National Carbon Monitoring Centre
   4. College of Social Sciences and Humanities
   5. College of Agriculture
   6. Sokoine National Agricultural Library

3. The best academic departments in the order of highest rank – top five
   1. Department of Informatic and Information Technology
   2. Department of Ecosystems and Conservation
   3. Department of Agricultural Extension and Community Development
   4. Department of Tourism and Recreation
   5. Department of Animal, Aquaculture and Range Sciences

4. The best administrative Units (non-academic departments) in the order of highest rank – top five
   1. Department of Communication and Marketing
   2. Directorate of Hospital and Health Services
   3. SUA Convocation Unit
   4. Quality Assurance Unit
   5. Directorate of Human Resources and Administration

5. The best Association/ Unions website in the order of highest rank

     1. Sokoine University Students Organization (SUASO)
     2. Sokoine University of Agriculture Academic Staff Association (SUASA)
     3. RAAWU

6. The best Department in Publications in the order of highest rank – top five
   1. Department of Veterinary Medicine and Public Health
   2. Department of Veterinary Microbiology, Parasitology and Biotechnology
   3. Department of Forest Resource Assessments
   4. Institute of Pest Management
   5. Department of Ecosystem and Conservation

BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND SCORING SYSTEM

1.0 Background

1.1 In reference to the 139th Meeting of the SUA Council held on 1st October 2015, it was approved that "University-wide Website Committee (UWC) shall approve the ranking ofwebsites of university units" (ICT Guidelines No 186-188). It was approved that website ranking should be done at least once per Quarter and the leading units will be rewarded while the units that will be losing for two consecutive years will be penalized.

1.2 The UWC in its 6th meeting held on 23rd November 2015, approved the scoring system, theGoogle webmaster Tools and other ICT measures to be used for ranking the units websites.

2.0 The scoring System

2.1 The 6th meeting of UWC approved the scoring system (Table 1) in which five criteria toprovide the points were approved.

2.2 *Visibility/metadata:* This is information about data stored in a database. Normally, metadatainformation is used by search engine (such as Google) to index web information.

2.3 *The number of clicks:* These depict the importance of the website that users visit. This meansthat the website is visible to the users and contains the information that the users want.

2.4 *Incoming links/external links:* These are the number of the links in which other websites referto SUA website. They are called referring domains. SUA website is mentioned in the collaborating institutions websites.

2.5 *Internal links:* These are the number of the pages in which a website possesses. A page maycarry pdf, doc, pictures, normal html contents, videos and so on. The size of the website is determined by the number of the internal links

2.6 *Updates and responsiveness:* This is the way units-website representatives respond to thewebsite contents uploading.

Table 1: Scoring and weightage system

SN	CRITERIA	POINTS (%)
1	Visibility/Meta data information/Appearance	10
2	Visibility/ Number of Clicks	10
3	Visibility/Importance Number of Incoming links (referring domains)/external links	40
4	Size of the website/ Number of Internal Links	30
5	Updates and Responsiveness	10

3.0 Methodology Used

3.1   Data was collected from 67 units of the University based on the criteria mentioned in Table 1above using the approved tool.

3.2   Data used to calculate the ranking results mentioned is shown in Table 2, Table 3, Table 4and Table 5. Appendix

3.3   A threshold value was generated for each criterion, which lead to obtain the points for eachcriterion.

3.4   So, the points for each criterion were obtained by the formula:

Specific data for each criterion collected over threshold value of the specific criterion timespoints generated for each criterion.

4.0 Methodology used to obtain winner in publications

Data was collected between 17th and 24th January 2024, using individual staff profiles on Google Scholar Citation index whereby the top 50 most cited profiles in SUA institutional profiles were selected and arranged according to the Department each staff comes from and their citations wereadded to obtain total, then the total difference of citations between November 2023 and March 2024 were obtained to find number of citations each unit gained in this quarter and unit with more citations was ranked high.

S/N	Name of the Unit	Meta data	Number of clicks	Number of Incoming links	Number of Internal Links	Updates and responsiveness	Total	Position
1	College of Natural and Applied Sciences	10	10	20	25	10	75	1
2	College of Forestry, Wildlife and Tourism	10	10	18	23	9	70	2
3	National Carbon Monitoring Centre	10	10	16	22	10	68	3
4	College of Social Sciences and Humanities	10	10	17	20	10	67	4
5	College of Agriculture	10	10	17	21	8	66	5
6	Sokoine National Agricultural Library	8	9	18	23	8	66	5
7	College of Economics and Business Studies	10	10	17	19	9	65	6
8	Department of Informatic and Information Technology	10	10	16	18	10	64	7
9	Department of Ecosystems and Conservation	8	10	15	20	10	63	8
10	Department of Agricultural Extension and Community Development	10	9	16	17	10	62	9
11	Institute of Pest Management	8	10	14	21	8	61	10
12	Directorate of Postgraduate Studies, Research, Technology Transfer and Consultancy	8	7	17	21	8	61	10
13	Department of Tourism and Recreation	9	9	15	17	10	60	11
14	Directorate of Undergraduate Studies	9	10	14	17	10	60	11
15	Mizengo Pinda Campus College - Katavi	7	8	15	21	8	59	12
16	Department of Animal, Aquaculture and Range Sciences	9	10	14	16	10	59	12
17	Department of Forest and Environmental Economics	9	8	14	17	10	58	13
18	Model Training Farm Department	9	11	16	11	10	57	14
19	Department of Chemistry and Physics	9	10	13	14	10	56	15
20	Institute of Continuing Education	6	7	16	18	8	55	16
21	Department of Wildlife Management	8	8	15	14	9	54	17
22	Department of Agricultural Engineering	7	10	12	15	9	53	18
23	Department of Civil and Water Resource Engineering	7	10	12	15	9	53	18
24	Department of Crop Science and Horticulture	9	10	12	12	9	52	19

25	Department of Forest Technology and Wood Sciences	6	7	12	17	10	52	19
26	Department of Language Studies	8	10	11	13	9	51	20
27	Department of Forest Resources Assessment and Management	8	8	11	16	8	51	20
28	Department of Mathematics and Statistics	7	10	12	15	5	49	20
29	Department of Soil and Geological Sciences	6	10	12	9	8	45	21
30	Department of Business Management	6	5	8	14	9	42	22
31	College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences	6	9	10	12	5	42	22
32	Department of Trade and Investment	6	5	7	14	9	41	23
33	Department of Food Science and Agro-processing	6	5	5	14	9	39	24
34	Directorate of Planning and Development	7	10	9	10	1	37	25
35	Department of Communication and Marketing	8	8	11	10	0	37	25
36	Sokoine University Students Organization (SUASO)	7	10	10	8	0	35	26
37	Directorate of Hospital and Health Services	8	10	10	7	0	35	26
38	Department of Biosciences	6	5	4	14	5	34	27
39	Department of Geography and Environmental Studies	6	5	4	14	5	34	27
40	School of Engineering Technology	6	8	9	9	1	33	28
41	School of Education	6	6	5	10	6	33	28
42	Directorate of Student Services	6	7	6	9	5	33	28
43	Department of Policy Planning and Management	5	6	9	8	5	33	28
44	Department of Development and Strategic Studies	5	6	8	8	5	32	29
45	Department of Veterinary Physiology, Biochemistry and Pharmacology	7	8	7	8	0	30	30
46	SUA Convocation Unit	5	7	9	8	0	29	31
47	Department of Education Psychology, and Counseling	3	8	7	4	7	29	31
48	Department of Veterinary Anatomy and Pathology	4	7	8	8	0	27	32
49	Department of Human Nutrition and Consumer Studies	6	7	3	4	5	25	33
50	Quality Assurance Unit	5	5	5	8	0	23	34
51	Department of Veterinary Microbiology, Parasitology and Biotechnology	5	5	6	2	5	23	34
52	Directorate of Human Resources and Administration	7	6	3	3	0	19	35
53	Department of Veterinary Surgery and Theriogenology	5	7	4	3	0	19	35

54	Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness	3	4	2	3	5	17	36
55	Sokoine University of Agriculture Academic Staff Association (SUASA)	4	3	5	2	0	14	37
56	SUA Internal Auditing Unit	4	4	2	4	0	14	37
57	Department of Curriculum Development and Assessment	1	3	2	2	5	13	38
58	Department of Education Foundation and Management	1	2	3	2	5	13	38
59	Legal Services Unit	3	2	2	3	0	10	39
60	RAAWU	3	3	1	2	1	10	39
61	Directorate of Estates and Works	2	2	3	2	0	9	40
62	Directorate of Finance	3	2	2	1	0	8	41
63	Department of Finance and Accounting	1	2	2	2	1	8	41
64	Department of Veterinary Medicine and Public Health	1	1	2	1	3	8	41
65	Procurement Management Unit	1	2	2	2	0	7	42
66	Department of Sociology and Anthropology	1	1	2	1	0	5	43
67	Centre for Gender Studies	1	1	1	1	0	4	44

5.0   The ranking results for Colleges, School, Directorates, Institutes and Centres is shown below in theorder of highest rank (Table 2)

Table 2: Webpage ranking results for Colleges, Schools, Directorates, Institutes and Centres for the First Quarter of 2024

S/N	Name of the Unit	Meta data	Number of clicks	Number of Incoming links	Number of Internal Links	Updates and responsiveness	Total	Position
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10	Directorate of Undergraduate Studies	9	10	14	17	10	60	8
11	Mizengo Pinda Campus College - Katavi	7	8	15	21	8	59	9
12	Institute of Continuing Education	6	7	16	18	8	55	10
13	College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences	6	9	10	12	5	42	11
14	Directorate of Planning and Development	7	10	9	10	1	37	12
15	School of Engineering Technology	6	8	9	9	1	33	13
16	School of Education	6	6	5	10	6	33	13
17	Centre for Gender Studies	1	1	1	1	0	4	14

S/N	Name of the Unit	Meta data	Number of clicks	Number of Incoming links	Number of Internal Links	Updates and responsiveness	Total	Position
1	Department of Informatic and Information Technology	10	10	16	18	10	64	1
2	Department of Ecosystems and Conservation	8	10	15	20	10	63	2
3	Department of Agricultural Extension and Community Development	10	9	16	17	10	62	3
4	Department of Tourism and Recreation	9	9	15	17	10	60	4
5	Department of Animal, Aquaculture and Range Sciences	9	10	14	16	10	59	5
6	Department of Forest and Environmental Economics	9	8	14	17	10	58	6
7	Department of Chemistry and Physics	9	10	13	14	10	56	7
8	Department of Wildlife Management	8	8	15	14	9	54	8
9	Department of Agricultural Engineering	7	10	12	15	9	53	9
10	Department of Civil and Water Resource Engineering	7	10	12	15	9	53	9
11	Department of Crop Science and Horticulture	9	10	12	12	9	52	10
12	Department of Forest Technology and Wood Sciences	6	7	12	17	10	52	10
13	Department of Language Studies	8	10	11	13	9	51	11
14	Department of Forest Resources Assessment and Management	8	8	11	16	8	51	11
15	Department of Mathematics and Statistics	7	10	12	15	5	49	12
16	Department of Soil and Geological Sciences	6	10	12	9	8	45	13
17	Department of Business Management	6	5	8	14	9	42	14
18	Department of Trade and Investment	6	5	7	14	9	41	15
19	Department of Food Science and Agro-processing	6	5	5	14	9	39	16
20	Department of Biosciences	6	5	4	14	5	34	17
21	Department of Geography and Environmental Studies	6	5	4	14	5	34	17
22	School of Engineering Technology	6	8	9	9	1	33	18
23	Department of Policy Planning and Management	5	6	9	8	5	33	18
24	Department of Development and Strategic Studies	5	6	8	8	5	32	19
25	Department of Veterinary Physiology, Biochemistry and Pharmacology	7	8	7	8	0	30	20

26	Department of Education Psychology, and Counseling	3	8	7	4	7	29	21
27	Department of Veterinary Anatomy and Pathology	4	7	8	8	0	27	22
28	Department of Human Nutrition and Consumer Studies	6	7	3	4	5	25	23
29	Department of Veterinary Microbiology, Parasitology and Biotechnology	5	5	6	2	5	23	24
30	Department of Veterinary Surgery and Theriogenology	5	7	4	3	0	19	25
31	Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness	3	4	2	3	5	17	26
32	Department of Curriculum Development and Assessment	1	3	2	2	5	13	27
33	Department of Education Foundation and Management	1	2	3	2	5	13	27
34	Department of Finance and Accounting	1	2	2	2	1	8	28
35	Department of Veterinary Medicine and Public Health	1	1	2	1	3	8	28
36	Department of Sociology and Anthropology	1	1	2	1	0	5	29

The ranking results for Academic Departments are shown below in the order of highest rank (Table 3)

Table 3: Webpage ranking results for Academic Department for the First Quarter of 2024

5.1   The ranking results for Administrative Units are shown below in the order of highest rank (Table 4):

Table 4: Webpage ranking results for administrative Units for the First Quarter of 2024

S/N	Name of the Unit	Meta data	Number of clicks	Number of Incoming links	Number of Internal Links	Updates and responsiveness	Total	Position
1	Department of Communication and Marketing	8	8	11	10	0	37	1
2	Directorate of Hospital and Health Services	8	10	10	7	0	35	2
3	SUA Convocation Unit	5	7	9	8	0	29	3
4	Quality Assurance Unit	5	5	5	8	0	23	4
5	Directorate of Human Resources and Administration	7	6	3	3	0	19	5
6	SUA Internal Auditing Unit	4	4	2	4	0	14	6
7	Legal Services Unit	3	2	2	3	0	10	7
8	RAAWU	3	3	1	2	1	10	7
9	Directorate of Estates and Works	2	2	3	2	0	9	8
10	Directorate of Finance	3	2	2	1	0	8	9
11	Procurement Management Unit	1	2	2	2	0	7	10

5.2   The ranking results for Union/Associations are shown below in the order of highest rank (Table 5):

Table 5: Webpage ranking results for Union and Associations for the First Quarter of 2024

S/N	Name of the Unit	Meta data	Number of clicks	Number of Incoming links	Number of Internal Links	Updates and responsiveness	Total	Position
1	Sokoine University Students Organization (SUASO)	7	10	10	8	0	35	1
2	Sokoine University of Agriculture Academic Staff Association (SUASA)	4	3	5	2	0	14	2
3	RAAWU	3	3	1	2	1	10	3

5.3 The ranking results for Best Units in Publication Rankings is shown below in the order of highestrank (Table 6)

Table 7: Best Unit in Publications First Quarter 2024

S/N	DEPARTMENT	CITATION NOVEMBER	CITATION MARCH	CITATION DIFFERENCE	POSITION
1.	Department of Veterinary Medicine and **Public Health**	25940	27420	1480	1
2.	**Department** of Veterinary **Microbiology**, Parasitology and Biotechnology	14879	15619	740	2
3.	**Department of** Forest Resources **Assessment** and Management	15027	15727	700	3
4.	Institute of **Pest Management**	12537	13077	540	4
5.	Department of Ecosystem and Conservation	8024	8555	531	5
6.	**Department of** Food Technology, **Nutrition** and Consumer Sciences	2733	3086	353	6
7.	Department of Informatics and Information Technology	3800	4127	327	7
8.	Department of Civil and Water Resources Engineering	7282	7589	307	8
9.	**Department of Crop Science** and Horticulture	5062	5292	230	9
10.	**Department of Animal**, Aquaculture and Range Sciences	5005	5215	210	10
11.	Department of Trade and Investment	2890	3040	150	11
12.	Department of Wildlife Management	4827	4975	148	12
13.	Department of Agricultural Engineering	2972	3089	117	13
14.	Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness (DAEA)	3376	3478	102	14

15.	**Department Of Soil** and Geological Sciences	1380	1466	86	15
16.	Department of Forest and Environment Economics	2150	2226	76	16
17.	**Department of** Agricultural **Extension** and Community Development	2349	2424	75	17
18.	**Department of** Veterinary **Anatomy** and Pathology	2656	2724	68	18
19.	Department of Food and Resource Economics	1550	1611	61	19
20.	**Department of Veterinary Physiology**, Biochemistry and Pharmacology	2048	2088	40	20

ITEM NO. 5 OF THE AGENDA

TO RECEIVE, CONSIDER AND APPROVE QUARTERLY REPORT AND MATTERS ARISING FROM UNIT WEBSITE CONTENT COMMITTEES

SOKOINE UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE

UNIVERSITY WEBSITE COMMITTEE (UWC) QUARTELY WEBSITE ACTIVITIES PROGRESS REPORT FROM JANUARY TO MARCH 2024

MATTERS FOR NOTING

1.   UPDATING OF WEBSITE CONTENTS

The UWC is **REQUESTED** to **NOTE** that the websites for Colleges, Schools, Directorates and departments have been updated. This quarter thirty (30) units out of sixty-seven (67) have updated their websites which is equivalent to forty-four point eight (44.8%).

2.   JANUARY UNIVERSITY RANKING

2.1 Webometrics, January, 2024 Ranking results shows that, Sokoine University of Agriculture is ranked **87th** in Africa, **49th** in Sub-Saharan Africa, **2nd** in Tanzania, and 2657th globally. The University has climbed four (4), eight (8) and fifty-two (52) positions for the category of Africa, Su-Saharan Africa and the world respectively.

2.2 In January 2024, Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA) was ranked **1st** in Tanzania, **40th** in Africa, and **1,306th** in the world, having received a total of **168,912** citations on Google Scholar citation index.

2.3 AD Scientific Index, In January 2024, Sokoine University of Agriculture was ranked **2nd** in Tanzania, **48th** in Africa, and **2,488th** in the world.

2.4 UniRank, Sokoine University of Agriculture was ranked **79th** in Africa, **2nd** in Tanzania.

MATTERS FOR APPROVAL

There are no matters for approval

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