

South University of Medicine, Science and Technology

A new university with a modern outlook is established in South Sudan

The South University of Medicine, Science and Technology (SUMST) in Juba, South Sudan, is a newly established privately funded University with a modern ethos.

It is located at the compound of the Juba Medical Complex (JMC) in the old part of Juba in a purpose built complex. It boasts modern laboratories, a well-stocked library, lecture theatres, office blocks for staff, dining room and kitchen. It opened its doors to its first intake of undergraduates on the 6th of June 2021.

The main campus will be located about three miles from the current location and will have all the amenities befitting of its status including recreational facilities, and student and staff accommodation. The current facility does not have recreational amenities but has an understanding with nearby recreational facilities.

The flagship courses are in Medicine, Nursing and Midwifery, but a range of other courses are being developed in other areas such as Medical Laboratory Sciences, Radiography and Radiotherapy, Pharmacology, and Human Nutrition and Dietetics. One of the programmes planned is Public Health studies.

The ethos of the University is the development of independent and critical thinking, community cohesion through service without prejudice, problem-based learning to improve understanding of taught material, and rigorous prospective assessments. Objective Structured Clinical Examination skills (OSCE) will be employed to ensure a good grasp of Medical, Nursing and Midwifery skills.

An active staff development programme in various specialties in Medicine, Nursing, Midwifery and Health Sciences is being developed starting with recruitment of Graduate Assistants who will become Lecturers after postgraduate training in universities in the region - followed by further studies in the United Kingdom, Scandinavia, or North America.

Any interested person in the developed world who relishes the challenge of being part of the South University of Medicine, Science and

Technology are welcome to apply for Lecturer posts on a short- or long-term basis. We offer modest remuneration and accommodation and encourage involvement with research at the JMC (which is the University Teaching Hospital with plenty of data awaiting analysis).

The JMC has a Computerised Axial Tomographic scan (CAT scan) and will soon install a Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) machine, the only one in South Sudan.

The image of the new university was taken by Mr Charles Rubena, University Administrator.

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