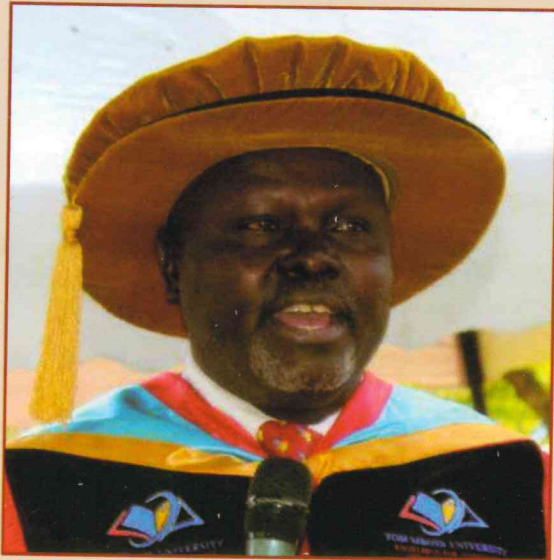




TOM MBOYA UNIVERSITY
KNOWLEDGE FOR SUSTAINABLE INNOVATION ENTERPRISE



CITATION

on installation of

PROF. CHARLES OMONDI OCHOLA, Ph.D.

as the

PIONEER VICE-CHANCELLOR

of

TOM MBOYA UNIVERSITY
on **FRIDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 2023**

Vision, Mission and Core Values



Prof. Charles Omondi Ochola, Ph.D
Vice-Chancellor Tom Mboya University

Vision

To be a premier internationally recognized University distinguished for its teaching, research, and innovation.

Mission

To transform and sustainably contribute to society through teaching, research and innovation, knowledge creation, application and outreach.

Core Values

Excellence in teaching, research and innovation

Accountability

Efficiency

Integrity

Sustainability

Programme for the installation ceremony of the inaugural Vice-Chancellor

TIME	ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBILITY
8.10-8.30am	Inauguration Ceremony	Master of ceremony and Ag. Deputy Vice Chancellor - Academic, Research and Student Affairs
	Biography	Ag. Deputy Vice-Chancellor (ARSA)
	Robing	Chairman of Council assisted by the Chair of Academic Committee of Council
	Handing over of the Instruments of Authority	The Chancellor
	Oath of Office	
	Remarks and presentation of Vice-Chancellor to the congregation	The Chancellor
	Vice-Chancellor acceptance speech	Prof. Charles O. Ochola, Ph.D
	Prayer of Dedication	Christian and Muslim

**CITATION ON
PROF. CHARLES OMONDI OCHOLA
ON HIS INSTALLATION AS THE PIONEER VICE-CHANCELLOR OF
TOM MBOYA UNIVERSITY ON FRIDAY, 22ND DECEMBER, 2023 AT
TOM MBOYA UNIVERSITY GROUNDS**

Prof. Charles Omondi Ochola (PhD, MA, BA Hons) is Professor of Social Demography, in the Department of Geography and Natural Resources Management, School of Arts and Social Sciences, Maseno University. Prof. Ochola is a specialist in the geography of population and Society

Family

Professor Charles Omondi Ochola (PhD) was born on the 8th January, 1961. He is the 10th born among 11 children of Mzee Azaria Ochola Niga and Mama Roda Owako (both deceased) of Kajimbo Village, Kakangutu East Sub Location, Wangchieng Location, Kabondo Division, Rachuonyo South District, Kabondo Kasipul Sub-County, Homabay County. Prof. Ochola is married to Dr. Lillian Adhiambo Omondi (PhD) with whom they are blessed with four lovely children.

Education Background

Prof. Ochola began his education at Othoro Primary School. He thereafter joined Wangapala Secondary School for his Secondary Education before proceeding to the Kakamaga High School (Government African School (GAS) for his Kenya Advanced Certificate of Education(A-Levels).

After A-Levels, Prof. Ochola was among the first/ pioneer university students to be taken through the National Youth Service training in 1983 before joining the university. A training he believes molded him to be who he is today. Thereafter he joined the University of Nairobi in the year of our lord 1984, to study Bachelor of Arts (Geography). Prof. Ochola completed his undergraduate studies in 1987 specializing in Geography. He then proceeded to register for a Master of Art degree (Population Studies) at the same University and successfully completed the Master degree in 1989.

In 1995, Prof. Ochola was sponsored to the prestigious University of Liverpool in the United Kingdom to pursue Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Social Demography under the World Bank Scholarship. He completed his course in record time and was awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in 1998.

Career Development, Management and Leadership Experience

Prof. Ochola, the founding Principal and CEO of Tom Mboya University College, the precursor to Tom Mboya University, of which he is the pioneer Vic-Chancellor and CEO, first life career engagement was a taste of high school teaching as an Untrained Teacher (UT) at Oywa Maraboi High School in Sondu, Kisumu/Kericho Counties boarder town before joining the Pioneer National Youth Service a precursor to being admitted to the university for his undergraduate degree study.

After joining the undergraduate course, Prof. Ochola has never had any other reasonable work experience outside the university space. After graduating with a Master degree, Prof Ochola had a short stint in Public Service in Kenya before joining the university employment where he has achieved the highest academic level-the Professor and has held a number of positions of responsibility culminating to the highest administrative position of responsibility-the Vice Chancellor.

Just to mention a few: Prof. Ochola served as Planning officer in the defunct Nairobi City Commission (NCC) and as Population Officer at the National Council for Population and Development (NCPD). A Graduate Assistantship, Tutorial Fellow at the UoN, in 1989 thereafter transiting to the then Maseno University College in 1990 as pioneering academic staff as a lecturer of geography, geography department as employee number 34 (PF-0034).

Prof. Ochola worked for 27 years in Maseno University from the position of Lecturer to Full Professor of Social Demography in the School of Earth and Environmental Sciences before being appointed as the acting Principal, Tom Mboya university college in April, 2016.

During the period Prof. Ochola was in Maseno University he served in many positions of responsibilities in Senior University Administrative Structures. Such include: Pioneer Chair, Department of Sociology; Member IGA Committee; University Senate; Deans Committee; Student Disciplinary Committee and Board of Postgraduate; Pioneer Coordinator Evening/Parallel Programs; Maseno University Supervisor in charge-Initial construction of City Campus; Maseno University Schools/Faculty restructuring committee; Member Maseno University Budget Committee; Member of Maseno University Council and Director Student Welfare Services.

It is worth noting that due to Prof. Ochola wealth of experience and exemplary undertaking and result oriented approach in the above accomplishments, Prof. Ochola was identified by Maseno University Council and recommended to the Ministry of Education to be appointed as the Pioneer Acting Principal, Tom Mboya University College (May, 2016-July, 2018). Thereafter appointed Pioneer Principal, Tom Mboya University College by the Pioneer Tom Mboya University College Council (July, 2018-July, 2022); Member, Vice-Chancellors HR sub-Committee (May, 2016 to April, 2023); Acting Vice-Chancellor (August, 2022-August 2023) and Vice-Chancellor (September 2023 to date) among other accomplishments.

Students Supervision and Examination, Research, Consultancy and Publications

Apart from University teaching, academic programs development and administrative activities spanning

over thirty years, Prof. Ochola has initiated and engaged in numerous collaborative Research activities and initiatives; Consultancy services, publications and postgraduate supervision activities. Key among them include Research Collaborative services with Centre for Health Research and Development, university of Copenhagen and Maseno University; Cotton Victoria Project: a technical regional project to strengthen Cotton sector in the Lake Victoria Basin supported by the Federal Republic of Brazil through Brazillian Cooperation Agency (ABC) and Federal University of Lavras (UFLA); TMUC-ICEMR: International Centre of Excellence in Malaria Research Project; Integrated Agricultural Research for Development- IARD Project; African Population and Health Research Centre, TMU-RGU (Robert Gordon University). TMU-ERASMUS PLUS Program; IPA; Donghua University and Yangtze River Delta Carbon Fiber and Composites Innovation Center among others.

Prof. Ochola has engaged in a number of Consultancy projects in the areas of Child Survival and Maternal Health for Urban projects and Population and Environmental Management and Planning.

Research, Projects, Supervisions and Publications

In the area of Research Publications, Projects, Postgraduate Supervisions and examinations, Prof. Ochola has over Twenty (20) Publications in referred journals, Two (2) University level books and other upcoming books and journals; Eleven (11) Research Projects; 27 Postgraduate Supervisions and several postgraduate examinations. Prof. Ochola examines both locally and internationally including attending Conferences and Workshops

Professional Associations and Community Services

Prof. Ochola is a member of various professional organizations both local and International and

engages in a number of community services. Some of these organizations include: Distance, Open and E-Learning Practitioners Association of Kenya; Association of Pension Trustees and Administrators Kenya; Kenya Association of Geographers (KAG); Union for African Population Studies (UAPS); Population Associations of Kenya (PAK) and Member Local Professional Groups among others.

Recognitions and Awards for Tom Mboya University

Prof. Ochola tenure at Tom Mboya University has witnessed tremendous and unprecedented academic progress both in student numbers and programs. Furthermore, one need not be told to the progress made in infrastructural development. Notwithstanding, these. Prof. Ochola has studiously and prudently managed the little resources under his custody leading the University to being awarded A Certificate of RECOGNITION FOR OBTAINING

UNQUALIFIED AUDIT OPINION-AWARD-2022, since inception AND declared the FiRE WINNER, AWARDS-2023 in the Public University Category by the promoters of the FiRe Award.

Conclusion

Ladies and Gentlemen, it is in recognition of the above that the Government of the Republic of Kenya and the esteemed and highly professional Council of Tom Mboya University appointed Prof. Charles Omondi Ochola the pioneer Vice-Chancellor of the Tom Mboya University of which I have the pleasure and Honour to CITE for Installation today Friday, December 22nd, 2023

**GOD BLESS YOU ALL AND
GOD BLESS PROF CHARLES OMONDI OCHOLA,
THE PIONEER VICE-CHACELLOR, TOM MBOYA UNIVERSITY.
HAVE A HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR**



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Tom Mboya University awarded a trophy in the FiRe Award 2023 in East Africa for emerging the winner in Financial Reporting under Public Universities category.



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AWARDED TO

TOM MBOYA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

By the promoters of the FiRe Award for obtaining an unqualified audit opinion under the Public Universities category.

Chair of the FiRe Award Executive Committee

