

## **Vice Chancellor Challenge students to excel in their academic pursuits.**

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The University of Nairobi Vice Chancellor has urged First Years Class of 2017/2018 to dream big and pursue their dreams because they are not children of a lesser God. He told them to spend their energy in the labs coming up with new innovations as opposed to wasting time on the streets engaging in riots and lawlessness.

Speaking during the culmination of the weeklong orientation program, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Peter Mbithi who addressed roughly 4,000 First Years at the Great Court, reminded the students that their stars are beginning to shine. They are indeed children of fortune.

He cautioned the students to use their new found freedom responsibly. He as well reminded the students of the importance of maintaining high levels of discipline and being punctual.

“Avoid drugs and substance abuse and lawlessness. Study hard. Here at the University of Nairobi, you shall sweat and you shall achieve. Laziness, crime have no place here. While in this university, you will have opportunities for leadership. Make good choices, for choices in deed have consequences”, he said.

Prof. Mbithi wished the students well in their academic endeavours as they pursue their Bachelors degree programs. He urged them to be teachable, humble and be ready to learn valuable lessons.

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To emerge victorious in their academic pursuits, students were told to make maximum use of the library resources. The library is equipped with over 2 Million online books for student research activities.

In order to develop soft skills, students were urged to join various clubs and student groups.

Students were as well urged to join the University of Nairobi transformative agenda and contribute positively to the University's brand image and competitiveness.

In his concluding remarks, the Vice-Chancellor urged students to follow their dreams, think big and not to settle for less.

All the Deputy Vice-Chancellors and the College Principals accompanied the Vice-Chancellor as he addressed First Years. Also present were Directors and Heads of Departments from Central Administration.

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