ASSOCIATION OF MUSLIMS IN UNIVERSITIES & COLLEGES IN KENYA

AMUCK'S PROFILE WELCOME TO OUR ASSOCIATION



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HISTORY

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WHAT IS AMUCK?

AMUCK is an umbrella association bringing together Muslim student Associations (MSAs) from across the country. Our goal is to provide a point of confluence for Muslim students allowing them to share ideas and solve key challenges facing the Muslim student.

BACKGROUND

The foundation for the association was laid in 2021. Proposed by the then chair of Muslim student associations of The Technical University of Kenya Br. Muhammad A. Salim. His proposal was adopted by his counterparts from other institutions including UON, MKU, KU, JKUAT, Masai Mara University, Moi University, CUEA, Garissa University. The chairs agreed to form the association and register it with the registrar of societies. Alhamdulillahi after a year AMUCK was officially registered and launched in March 2023 at Jamia Multipurpose hall.

ADVISORS

During the formation and registration process AMUCK benefited immensely from advice from leaders in our community. These include:

1. Salim Jeizan - CEO Zakat Kenya

- 2.Umar Sakwa
- 3.Sh. Jamaludin Osman- Deputy imam Jamia mosque
- 4. Ukhty Balqheis Mentor
- 5. Abdulatif Abdulkarim- Senior Councellor Family Resource Centre Jamia Mosque, Nairobi.



LEADERSHIP STRUCTURE



Leadership Structure

AMUCK is a student Led association. As per our aspiration all the officials should be continuing students at any of the registered member associations. The leadership of AMUCK is governed by the association's constitution. The constitution provides for the establishment of an Executive committee and shura committee. The executive committee is charged with all the administrative duties whereas the shuraa committee serves as advisors to the executive. Chairs of member MSAs represent their association and are regularly consulted by the chair of the executive committee.

The current officials of the council were selected via an interview based selection process. Any student from a member association can apply for any advertised post.



GOALS & OBJECTIVES 03

To truly understand the spirit behind Amuck look at it from the viewpoint of your Muslim Student Association(MSA). The same factors that necessitated the formation of your MSA are pretty similar to what sparked Amuck into being , albeit at a national level.

In a nutshell we hope to get to a point where Tamsya is (Tanzanian Muslim students and youth association University). If we reach this level we will be able to do many things including advocacy for Muslim student rights. Case in point advocacy for the rights of Muslims in high school. I am not referring to ordinary stuff. We are talking about Practical steps like data collection. Mapping out cases of student mistreatment. Approaching the schools from a diplomatic stand point and resulting in legal measures if need be. Our intentions go beyond this together with the help of Allah we will achieve and supers them.

Here is a list of our goals and objectives

- Advocacy for Muslim students e.g. right to wear hijab, pray etc.
- Capacity building of Muslim student leaders.
- Linking with professionals to secure internships and attachment .
- Support the establishment of MSAs in institutions with non
- Host a variety of activities aimed at bringing MSAs together.
- Among others

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MEMBERSHIP

WHAT ARE THE CONDITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP?

A MSA must meet two conditions to become members of AMUCK:

- Have at least 20 active members.
- Pay a registration fee of sh2000 with an annual renewal of sh 2000.

Our Members

REGISTERED AMUCK INSTITUTIONS

- 1.Kenya Institute of Mass Communication (KIMC)
- 2.Zetech University
- 3. Technical University of Kenya (TUK)
- 4.Mt. Kenya University (Main Campus)
- 5.Garissa University
- 6.Masai Mara university
- 7. Masinde Muliro university
- 8.Murang'a University
- 9. University Of Nairobi (Main Campus)
- 10. Jomo Kenyatta University
- 11. Kenyatta university
- 12. Islamic society of Multimedia University (ISMU)
- 13 Kisii University
- 14. Mt. Kenya University (Nairobi Campus)
- 15. Catholic University of East Africa
- 16. Maseno University
- 17. KCA University
- 18. Moi University
- 19. University Of Nairobi (Lower Kabete Campus)
- 20. Daystar University
- 21. Laikipia University
- 22. Riara University
- 23. The Presbyterian University

METHOD OF ENGAGEMENT WITH MEMBERS.

Initially it was agreed that AMUCK will engage Member associations through their chairs. As aforementioned chairs are actively engaged by the Executive . Furthermore each MSA was to have three representatives in the general WhatsApp group. The hope was that the representatives would serve as a link between AMUCK and other associations. Although beneficial this model has its shortcomings. It has been noted that once transitions happen in an association the incoming officials might not be briefed about AMUCK. To offset this the association is developing a more interactive way that's not solely hinged personal connections. This includes the collection of a on comprehensive database of all member associations.

The Database

The data will allow the executive committee to better engage with their members. For example information on tenureship of officials will be used to plan orientation meetings for new officials. Another benefit is the establishment of multiple links to a member association

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CONCERNS

Understandably some might feel this association is nothing but *a smoke screen* to syphon funds from donors in the name of muslims.

As officials we can easily relate to the fallacy of this statement. MSAs are accused out there of many things . From our personal experiences we were introduced to this criticism before joining this association, but when we became officials we realised officials at times dig deep into their pockets to make the associations run. The same thing applies for the AMUCK. *There are no perks* . There is no benefit. It's just service for the sake of Allah. Just like any MSA the more you engage us. The more apparent the truth of these statements will become.

Secondly, AMUCK has no intention to interfere with the autonomy of member associations. We can't and won't force anyone to do anything. Everything from our side are suggestions and requests. ma'-al-asaf, this misunderstanding might be due to poor communication. Good communication for a leader is not just a necessity, it's a life line.



