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# CAMPUS This Week

USIU-Africa Library acquires trial access to two more academic databases

By Azenath Ateka

The Library has recently acquired trial access to two new academic databases, following negotiations with two academic publishers, Taylor & Francis and Adam Matthew.

**Taylor & Francis eBooks** – This is a digital resource that includes over 125,000 e-books and over 2 million book chapters, cutting across all disciplines. The trial has been negotiated by the Kenya Libraries and Information Services Consortium (KLISC) and ends on Monday, May 31, 2021.

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## #WhereLeadersAreMade: Geoffrey Odundo, CEO, Nairobi Securities Exchange

By the Alumni Department



Mr. Odundo holds a Master's degree in Strategic Management from USIU-Africa. He has been the CEO of the Nairobi Securities Exchange for the past six years.

Geoffrey Odundo is the Chief Executive of the Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE), a position he has held for the past 6 years. He is an accomplished Investment Banker having been in the financial services sector for the last 28 years, 22 of which have been in Capital Markets.

Prior to his appointment, Mr. Odundo was the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Kingdom Securities Limited. He was instrumental in the setting up of Co-op Trust Investment Services, Co-op Consultancy Services Limited, and Kingdom Securities Limited, all subsidiaries of the Co-operative Bank of Kenya Limited.

Mr. Odundo has also held advisory roles on several corporate finance mandates in both the public and private sectors, in addition to managing key mandates in the asset management industry. He has contributed to the growth of the Capital Markets in his previous role as a Director/Board Secretary - Kenya Association of Stock Brokers and Investment Banks, Chairman of the Financial Standards Committee - Kenya Bureau of Standards as well as the Board Director of the Nairobi Securities Exchange PLC. Mr. Odundo serves as a Director of the Central Depository and Settlement Corporation (CDSC) Limited, Director of the NSE Clear Limited; and a trustee of the NSE Fidelity Funds.

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### COLLOQUIUM

Topic: Trauma Load in Diagnosis and Post Diagnosis Phases of Breast Cancer amongst Women in Nairobi County, Kenya

**Presenters:**  
• **Dr. Margaret Njoroge** - Assistant Professor of Psychology (USIU Africa)  
• **Dr. Stephen Asatsa** - Lecturer and PhD Psychology (CUEA)  
• **Philip Odoyo** - Patient Support Manager, Fanga Cancer Support and Director of International Psycho-oncology Society (IPSO)

**Time:** 17th March, 2021  
From 12:30pm-2:30pm

**Registration Link:**  
<https://tinyurl.com/22dneevd>

### Upcoming events

#### Innovation and Incubation Centre Guest Speaker Series

• Wednesday, March 17, at 5:30pm: Stephen Ngigi, Founder and CEO of Matteh Limited.

**Topic:** *An Entrepreneur's Journey: Pivot or Persevere.*

#### School of Graduate Studies, Research and Extension Colloquium

• Wednesday, March 17, from 12:30pm - 2:30pm: Dr. Margaret Njoroge and Dr. Stephen Asatsa  
**Topic:** *Trauma and Pathways to post-traumatic growth in female survivors of breast cancer in Nairobi*

## How to make online learning bearable for both students and lecturers

By the Counselling Department

The coronavirus pandemic has been experienced around the world for more than a year and has had a major effect on economies of countries, families, people's health ranging from physical to mental among other effects. Several countries put various measures in place to avert the spread of the novel virus among them; lockdown, wearing of masks, washing of hands or sanitizing, banned or controlled social gatherings, social distancing among other measures.

Online learning has become one of the new normal situations that students have had to adjust to during this period in the bid to mitigate the spread of the novel COVID-19 virus worldwide. This has been a big challenge to the learning process. Additionally, studies show that mental health related issues among them but not limited to; Anxiety, depression, post-traumatic stress disorder, prolonged loss and grief related issues, alcohol and substance abuse and acute stress disorder are on the rise given the already frail mental health status of many people. Besides mental health related issues, there are also other challenges like; technology, internet connectivity and family related issues among others.



### What to do as a student

- For a good plan of different activities in your life, plan and manage your time well, self-control/discipline is very critical.
- To actively participate and be engaged in online learning, interact with the topic for the week by reading before class. This will also help with focus and motivation for your class.
- Ensure you have done all the assignments before class begins.
- Attitude towards learning is a strong driver for academic achievement. If you have any reservations about online classes, discuss and clear them for you to exude positive attitude towards online learning.

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