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# Makerere, Busitema improve in world university rankings

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## IN SUMMARY

Research, Innovations, teamwork credited for Buitema's meteoric rise

Makerere and Busitema universities have improved their best performance rankings in Sub-Saharan Africa easing one position up for Makerere from 10th to 9th while the eastern Uganda based Busitema University, jumped at least 39 positions to move from 100th to 61st among top Universities in Africa according to the February Webometrix rankings.

The January rankings had placed Busitema in 100th position in Africa but the institution has had an accelerated improvement in the month of February to 61st.

Makerere, Uganda's oldest institution of higher learning, now ranked 9th in Africa has been placed in 1,177 position in the World while Busitema placed 61st in Africa has been placed in 7,139th position in the world ranking according to the February rankings.

Makerere University Business School (MUBS) is placed 3rd best in Uganda, 73rd in Africa and 8,706 in the world. Fort Portal based Mountains of the Moon University is ranked fourth in Uganda, 77th in Africa and 9022 in the world while Uganda Christian University is ranked fifth in Uganda, 81st in Africa and 9,262 in the world.

Busitema University Academic Registrar, Mr. Elisha Obella told Daily Monitor that the accelerated improvement of the institution in its continental and world ranking was a result of the commitment to research and innovations which the academic staff and the students are involved in.

"The new ranking is very encouraging and motivating to us. It is no surprise because, there is really a lot of commitment to research, innovations and teamwork by the staff at different levels as well as students," Mr Obella said

Top universities in Sub-saharan Africa

## Rank World rank

1. University of Cape Town (South Africa) 387
2. Stellenbosh University (South Africa) 455
3. University of the Witwatersrand (South Africa) 473
4. University of Pretoria (South Africa) 646
5. Rhodes University (South Africa) 651
6. University of South Africa (South Africa) 729
7. University of Kwazul Natal (South Africa) 778
8. University of the Western Cape (South Africa) 992
9. Makerere University (Uganda) 1,177
10. University of Johannesburg (South Africa) 1,287
61. Busitema University( Uganda) 7,139
73. Makerere University Business School (Uganda) 8,706
77. Mountains of the Moon University (Uganda) 9,022
81. Uganda Christian University (Uganda) 9,262.

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