

ABOUT THE MAKERERE MARATHON

The sixth edition of the Makerere University Marathon will take place on Sunday, 27 September 2026, starting and finishing at Freedom Square, Makerere University.

Organised by Makerere University through the Makerere University Endowment Fund (MAKEF), the Marathon brings together the University community, alumni, corporate Uganda, and the public to run for a cause that directly supports students.

Running for Inclusion

The 2026 Marathon is dedicated to equipping Makerere University's Disability Support Centre, providing students with disabilities with assistive equipment that enables them to read, type, and hear university assignments and participate more fully in academic life.

The initiative reflects Makerere's commitment to ensuring that disability does not become a barrier to accessing quality university education. Every registration and every stride contribute towards creating a more inclusive University.

The Marathon will feature 5km, 10km, 21km, and 42km races, alongside a 3km wheelchair race, giving people of different abilities and fitness levels opportunities to participate.

Building a Stronger University–Community Partnership

The Makerere Marathon has grown into an important platform through which the University mobilizes resources while engaging its alumni, partners, students, staff and the wider public.

The 2026 edition is supported by a growing network of corporate partners and stakeholders who share Makerere's commitment to education, inclusion, health and community development.

The University appreciates the support of its partners, sponsors, runners and the public, whose participation continues to strengthen the Marathon as both a fundraising initiative and a flagship University event.

Join us for the #2026MakerereMarathon

We call upon students, staff, alumni, corporate organizations, government, development partners, athletes and members of the public to join us on 27 September 2026 at Freedom Square. Run the Hills for the Future. Run for inclusion.

Marathon kits are available at UGX 50,000 and can be purchased online via <https://shorturl.at/Vjovo>

A Growing Legacy of Giving

The Makerere Marathon is in its sixth edition and has consistently fundraised to equip the Disability Support Unit over the past three years. The Marathon has grown into a platform through which the Makerere University community, alumni, partners and the wider public come

together to support initiatives that directly improve the university experience for students with disabilities. The 2026 edition seeks to build on this progress by raising additional resources to further equip the Disability Support Centre with the assistive tools students need to fully participate in academic life.

Disability Support Centre

The Disability Support Centre at Makerere University is a dedicated campus facility that provides learning equipment, counsellors, and support services to help students with disabilities succeed. By investing in the Centre, the Makerere Marathon contributes to a bigger agenda of inclusion, ensuring that students with disabilities have greater access to the tools and support they need to learn, participate and thrive at university.