



**TOWARDS A RESEARCH-LED UNIVERSITY: STRENGTHENING MAKERERE UNIVERSITY'S RESEARCH,
GRANT WRITING AND PUBLICATION CAPACITY**

MSU-Mak Partnership Project

2022-2023

Introduction

The United States Department of State / US Mission is funding a number of projects at Makerere University. This project titled “*Towards a Research-led University: Strengthening Makerere University’s Research, Grant Writing and Publication Capacity*” is the latest one to be funded. It is a partnership project between Makerere University researchers and counterparts from the MSU, that is, Michigan State University’s Writing Centre (WC) and the Alliance for African Partnerships (AAP).

The overall goal of this project is to enhance capacity for research, grant writing, and publication among early career researchers (ECRs) at Makerere University (MAK) through establishment of a Writing Center (WC) based on US models such as the one at Michigan State University (MSU).

The direct beneficiaries of the project are Early Career Researchers (ECRs) and Research Managers (RMs) at Makerere University. ECRs refers to postgraduates and doctorates currently engaging in the core university roles of teaching, research and outreach or technology transfer.

Objective of Mentorship

- i) To enhance the professional skills and research independence needed by Early Career Researchers and Research Managers to enable them pursue their chosen career path successfully.
- ii) To engage the mentees in research activities that will enhance teaching, knowledge transfer, partnerships and networking
- iii) To facilitate learning by mentees about the research processes.

Sample Deliverables

- I. A manuscript for submission to a publisher/ reputable journal
- II. A project proposal for submission/ submitted for funding

The project team is pleased to have you as a mentee on the project and to know how the process is fairing. Kindly answer these few questions below and send back a signed copy;

1. How often do you meet with your mentor?

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

2. What are the deliverables that you are working on?

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

3. Are there any challenges you have encountered? If yes, kindly mention then.

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

4. You are expected to submit a deliverable by 31st July, 2023. By the look of things, will you be able to submit by that time?

.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....
.....

NAME OF YOUR MENTOR

NAME OF MENTEE.....

SIGNATURE OF MENTEE.....

DATE.....

