

Deputy Vice Chancellor, Research, Production and Extension

Key Points during Launch of Safaricom Internship Programme at

School of Computing and Informatics Monday 4 June 2012

- 1 University Mission Statement is “To provide quality university education and training and to embody the aspirations of the Kenyan people and the Global community through creation, preservation, integration, transmission and utilization of knowledge.”
- 2 To this end, the University of Nairobi is keen on fostering industry-academia collaboration in realizing this mission. We believe that partnerships with industry provide a platform to share ideas, prepare our students for the real world and develop an international reputation for quality research and innovation.
- 3 Among the key roles of the office of DVC (RPE) is to strategic alliances with Government, industry, local and international research institutes. We believe partnership with industry will provides a platform to share ideas, prepare our students for the real world, and develop an

international reputation for quality research and innovation.

- 4 Industrial Attachment is an integral part of BSc in Computer Science, and BSc Electrical and Information Engineering and is meant to give students exposure to real world experiences.
- 5 The Safaricom internship programme will therefore add great value to the quality of our graduates.
- 6 I would like to thank Safaricom for providing opportunity for our students to get real world experience. I am extending invitation to other industry partners to foster closer working relationship with the University of Nairobi in order to ensure that our students are better prepared for the industry.

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