



Unlocking Infinite Possibilities

ORIENTATION 2026 PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

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OFFICES

We have three offices;

- *Office of the Coordinator* – just behind university library
- *Office of Sign Language Interpreter* – 1st floor, Students Centre
- *MKUP_wDA/PWD Office* – on the right, Students Centre entrance

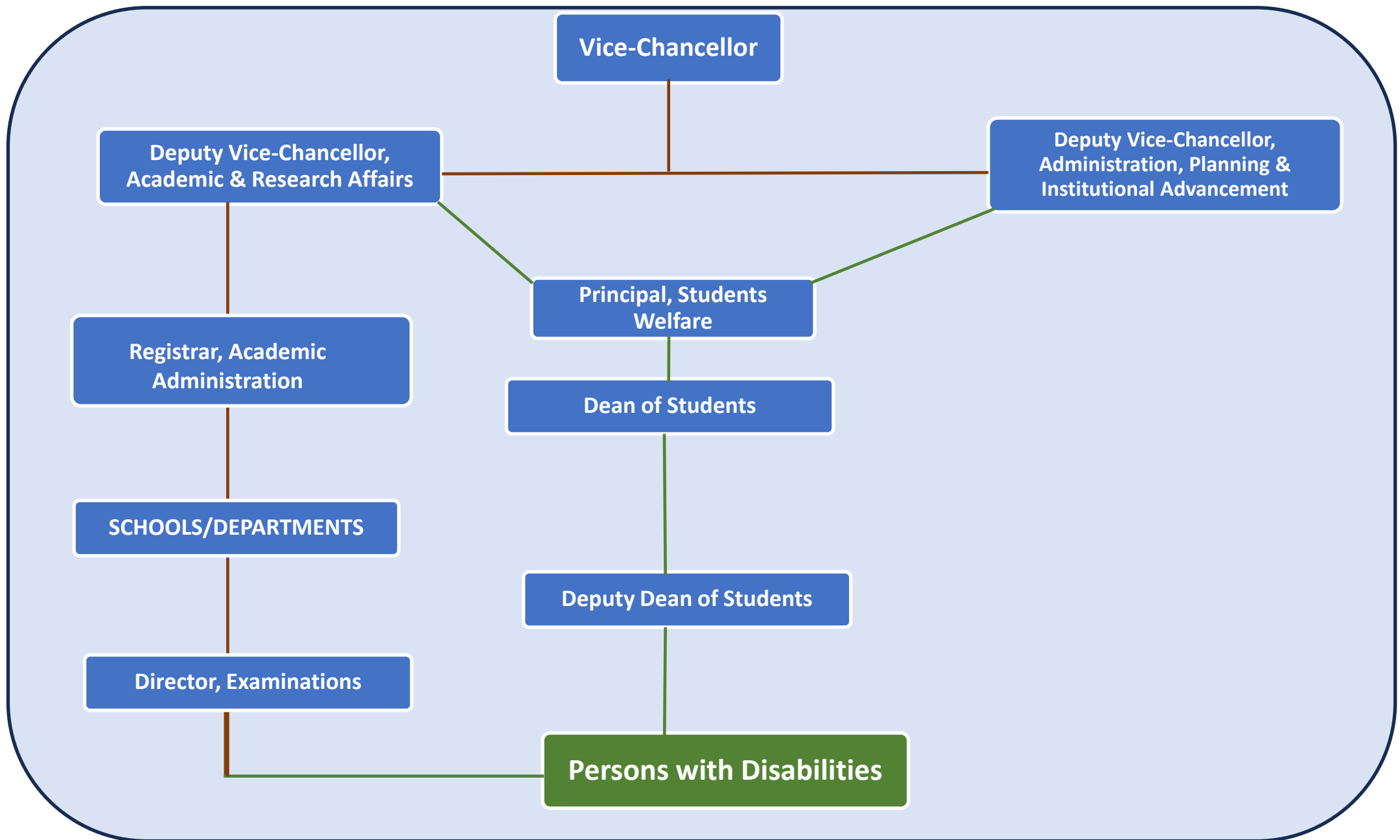
Mount Kenya University Persons with Disabilities Association (MKUPwDA)

Motto:

- Unlocking potential, embracing diversity

Vision:

- To be a leading university in disability inclusion, empowering persons with disabilities with equal opportunities to achieve their personal, professional and academic goals



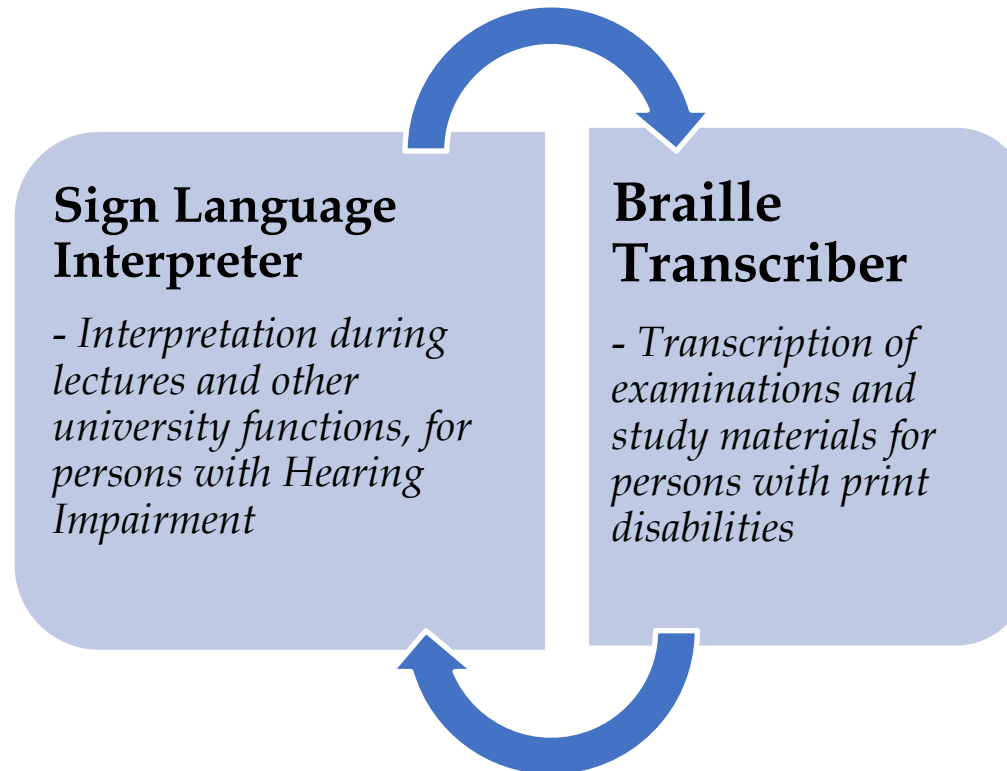
MKUSNA Leadership

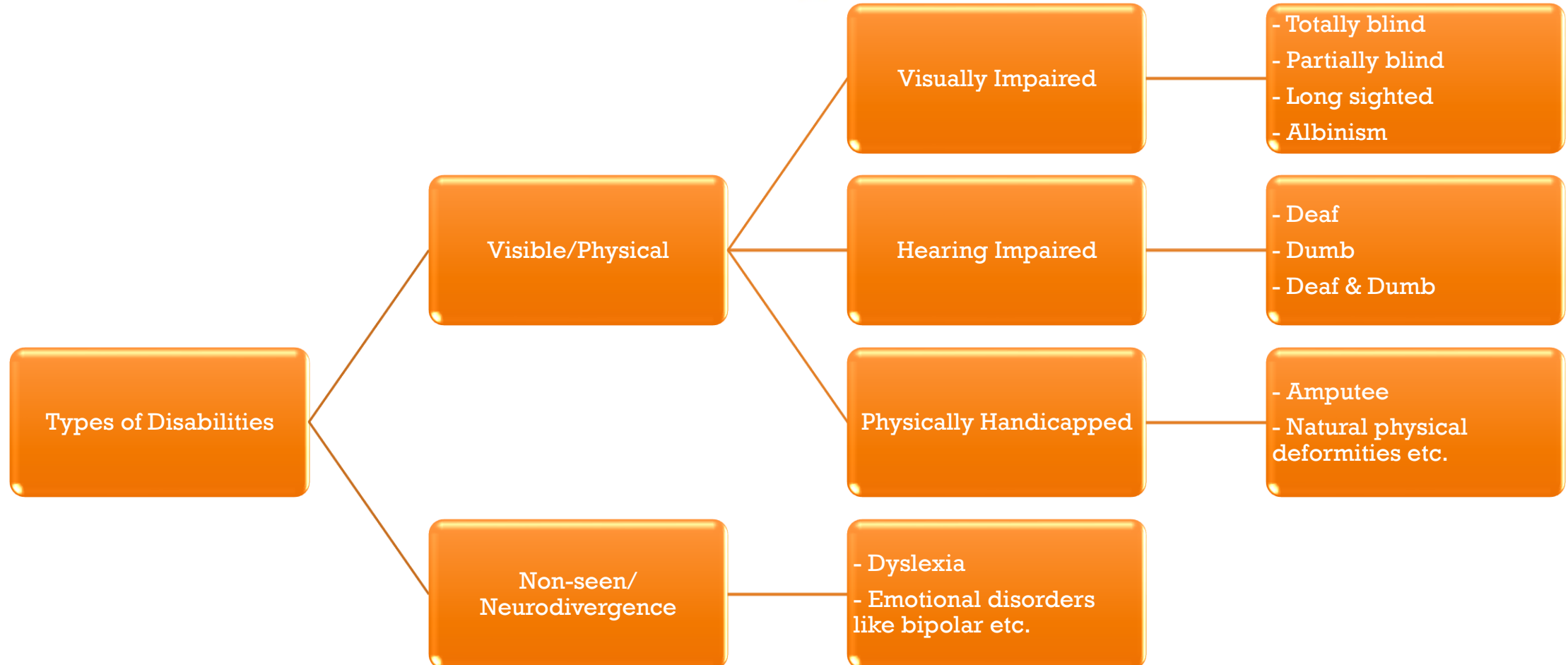
1. Chairperson
2. Vice-Chair
3. Treasurer
4. Secretary
5. Games & Sports
6. Publicity

Key Responsibilities

- Bring together persons with disabilities enrolled at the university
- Organize awareness campaigns to sensitize inclusion of persons with disabilities at the university and its environs
- Advise university management on better ways to accommodate persons with disabilities at the university

Human Resource





- ✓ Currently, Mount Kenya University has over one hundred registered Students with Disabilities. Majority at the main campus.
- ✓ We have a [Google-form link](#) to help capture more persons with disabilities in all the campuses.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Academic

- *Alumni:* Over 50 with Certificate, Diploma and Bachelors. Some started with certificate and advanced to bachelors.
- *Enrollment:* currently, three students in masters programmes; 1 deaf, 1 blind and 1 with physical impairment

Co-curricular

- Participated in 2024 and 2025 Kenya University Sports Federation (KUSF). Won a trophy in goalball and dart and several medals in athletics
- Hosted Kenya Sports for Visually Impaired (KESSAVI) goalball tournaments in March 2025
- Planning inclusion games and sports like weight-lifting and athletics at the university
- Planning adapted special needs games like blind archery

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MKUPWDA ACTIVITIES

DISABILITY AWARENESS

- Traditionally, the Association hosts internal disability awareness and sensitization day, on every 1st Friday of the month of July (at the main campus).
- This is aim to;
 - Sensitize the university community on the needs of persons with disabilities
 - Campaign for the inclusion of persons with disabilities at the university
 - Highlighting the steps taken by the university management towards accommodation of the persons with disabilities and special needs

5th Disability Awareness & Sensitization - 2025



3RD DISABILITY AWARENESS & SENSITIZATION DAY



INTERNATIONAL WHITE CANE DAY

- In collaboration with Kenya Society for the Blind, National Council for Persons with Disabilities and other well wishers, the university hosted the 2024 and 2025 international White Cane Day(s).
- The drive is to create awareness on the use of a white cane by the persons with visual impairment and blindness
- During the celebrations, a good number of (individual) students and locals with visual impairment benefited from the donation of the white canes





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GAMES AND SPORTS

Kenya University Sports Federation (KUSF)

Courtesy of Kenya University Sports Federation (KUSF), MKU students with disabilities participated in the 2024 and 2025 championships.

In 2025, MKU hosted the championships, at Thika (main) Campus.

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KUSF games at Kenyatta University - 2024



MKUSNA team showing off trophies and medals worn



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Kenya Sports for the Visually Impaired (KESAVI),

MKU students with disabilities in collaboration with Kenya Sports for the Visually Impaired (KESAVI), organized Goalball tournaments in March, 2025.

In January, 2026, the University will host other Showdown and Goalball tournaments

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CHARITY EVENTS



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The association organizes charity events, at least every semester.

- ❖ In 2023, MKU Persons with Disabilities, in collaboration with MC Jessy and other well wishers, visited Thika School for the Blind, donated some personal effect, foodstuffs.
- ❖ The university takes part in the Kenya Society for the Blind annual charity event, driven towards raising money to support vulnerable learners with visual impairments.



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MKU Team at Mt. Longonot Hike and Charity Event organized by Kenya Society for the Blind



CAREER GUIDANCE

The association plans a career day for students with disabilities, at least twice a year.

By inviting a successful person with disability, as guest speaker to share success stories and a role model to the students,.



Future Projections

- To bring together all (persons with disabilities) alumni for social and career progression/ connections. We already have social platforms : [Facebook @ mkuspecialneeds](#) and a [MKUSNA WhatsApp group](#)
- Partner with Schools/Departments and clubs to foster inclusion of persons with disabilities at the university
- Hold a forum for (persons with disabilities) alumni and the rest of MKU alumni to support disability projects and career projection



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