

SOKOINE UNIVERSITY OF AGRICULTURE



THE 43RD MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY WIDE WEBSITE COMMITTEE

ITEM NO. 4 OF THE AGENDA

TO RECEIVE, CONSIDER AND APPROVE UNIT WEBSITE RANKING RESULTS OF THE 2nd QUARTER, 2025

RANKING RESULTS OF UNIVERSITY UNIT WEBSITES FOR THE SECOND QUARTER OF JANUARY TO MARCH, 2025

1.1 MATTERS FOR APPROVAL

1.2 UWC is REQUESTED to RECEIVE, CONSIDER and APPROVE ranking results (Appendix I) of the Second Quarter of 2025 as follows:

1. Overall ranking results in the order of highest rank – top five
 1. College of Forestry, Wildlife and Tourism (1st)
 2. College of Natural and Applied Sciences (2nd)
 3. College of Social Sciences and Humanities (3rd)
 4. College of Agriculture (4th)
 5. College of Economics and Business Studies (5th)
2. The best Colleges, School, Directorates, Institutes and Centres in the order of highest rank – top five
 1. College of Forestry, Wildlife and Tourism (1st)
 2. College of Natural and Applied Sciences (2nd)
 3. College of Social Sciences and Humanities (3rd)
 4. College of Agriculture (4th)
 5. College of Economics and Business Studies (5th)
3. The best academic departments in the order of highest rank – top five
 1. Department of Informatic and Information Technology (1st)
 2. Department of Ecosystems and Conservation (2nd)
 3. Department of Forest and Environmental Economics (3rd)
 4. Department of Animal, Aquaculture and Range Sciences (4th)
 5. Department of Tourism and Recreation (5th)
 6. Department of Chemistry and Physics (5th)
 7. Department of Soil and Geological Sciences (5th)
4. The best administrative Units (non-academic departments) in the order of highest rank – top five
 1. Department of Communication and Marketing
 2. Directorate of Planning and Investment
 3. Directorate of Hospital and Health Services
 4. Directorate of Student Services
 5. SUA Convocation Unit
5. The best Association/ Unions website in the order of highest rank
 1. Sokoine University Students Organization (SUASO)
 2. Sokoine University of Agriculture Academic Staff Association (SUASA)
 3. RAAWU

6. The best Department in Publications in the order of highest rank – top five
 1. Department of Veterinary Microbiology, Parasitology and Biotechnology
 2. Department of Veterinary Medicine and Public Health
 3. Department of Forest Resources Assessment and Management
 4. Institute of Pest Management
 5. Department of Ecosystem and Conservation

APPENDIX I: BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND SCORING SYSTEM

1.0 Background

- 1.1 In reference to the 139th meeting of the SUA Council held on 1st October 2015; it was approved that “University-wide Website Committee (UWC) shall approve the ranking of websites of university units” (ICT Guidelines No 186-188). It was approved that website ranking should be done at least once per Quarter and the leading units will be rewarded while the units that will be losing for two consecutive years will be penalized.
- 1.2 The UWC in its 6th meeting held on 23rd November 2015, approved the scoring system, the Google webmaster Tools and other ICT measures to be used for ranking the units websites.

2.0 The scoring System

- 2.1 The 6th meeting of UWC approved the scoring system (Table 1) in which five criteria to provide the points were approved.
- 2.2 *Visibility/metadata*: This is information about data stored in a database. Normally, metadata information is used by search engine (such as Google) to index web information.
- 2.3 *The number of clicks*: These depict the importance of the website that users visit. This means that the website is visible to the users and contains the information that the users want.
- 2.4 *Incoming links/external links*: These are the number of the links in which other websites refer to SUA website. They are called referring domains. SUA website is mentioned in the collaborating institutions websites.
- 2.5 *Internal links*: These are the number of the pages in which a website possesses. A page may carry pdf, doc, pictures, normal html contents, videos and so on. The size of the website is determined by the number of the internal links
- 2.6 *Updates and responsiveness*: This is the way units-website representatives respond to the website contents uploading.

Table 1: Scoring and weightage system

SN	CRITERIA	POINTS (%)
1	Visibility/Meta data information/Appearance	10
2	Visibility/ Number of Clicks	10
3	Visibility/Importance Number of Incoming links (referring domains)/ external links	40
4	Size of the website/ Number of Internal Links	30
5	Updates and Responsiveness	10

3.0 Methodology Used

- 3.1 Data was collected from 67 units of the University based on the criteria mentioned in Table 1 above using the approved tool.
- 3.2 Data used to calculate the ranking results mentioned is shown in Table 2, Table 3, Table 4 and Table 5. Appendix
- 3.3 A threshold value was generated for each criterion, which lead to obtain the points for each criterion.
- 3.4 So, the points for each criterion were obtained by the formula:
Specific data for each criterion collected over threshold value of the specific criterion times points generated for each criterion.

4.0 Methodology used to obtain winner in publications

Data was collected between 25th and 28th February 2025, using individual staff profiles on Google Scholar Citation index whereby the top 50 most cited profiles in SUA institutional profiles were selected and arranged according to the Department each staff comes from and their citations were added to obtain total, then the total difference of citations between December 2024 and February 2025 were obtained to find number of citations each unit gained in this quarter and unit with more citations was ranked high.

5.0 RANKING RESULTS

5.1 Overall ranking results is shown below in the order of highest rank (Table 1)

Table 1: Overall Webpage ranking results for the Second Quarter of 2025

S/N	Name of the Unit	Meta data	Number of clicks	Number of Incoming links	Number of Internal Links	Updates and responsiveness	Total	Position
1	College of Forestry, Wildlife and Tourism	10	10	23	25	10	78	1
2	College of Natural and Applied Sciences	10	9	21	27	10	77	2
3	College of Social Sciences and Humanities	10	10	18	24	10	72	3
4	College of Agriculture	10	10	20	21	8	69	4
5	College of Economics and Business Studies	10	10	17	21	10	68	5
6	National Carbon Monitoring Centre	10	10	15	22	10	67	6
7	College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences	9	10	17	20	9	65	7
8	Department of Informatic and Information Technology	10	10	16	19	10	65	7
9	Sokoine National Agricultural Library	8	9	18	21	9	65	7
10	Department of Ecosystems and Conservation	9	9	15	21	10	64	8
11	Department of Forest and Environmental Economics	9	9	16	18	10	62	9
12	Institute of Pest Management	8	10	15	21	7	61	10
13	Department of Animal, Aquaculture and Range Sciences	9	10	14	18	10	61	10
14	Directorate of Undergraduate Studies	9	10	16	18	7	60	11
15	Mizengo Pinda Campus College - Katavi	7	8	15	22	8	60	11
16	Department of Tourism and Recreation	9	7	15	20	8	59	12
17	Department of Chemistry and Physics	9	10	13	17	10	59	12
18	Department of Soil and Geological Sciences	9	10	16	14	10	59	12
19	Directorate of Postgraduate Studies, Research, Technology Transfer and Consultancy	8	7	17	19	7	58	13
20	Institute of Continuing Education	6	7	16	19	9	57	14
21	Department of Wildlife Management	9	8	15	15	9	56	15
22	Department of Forest Resources Assessment and Management	9	8	11	18	9	55	16
23	Department of Agricultural Extension and Community Development	8	7	16	18	5	54	17

S/N	Name of the Unit	Meta data	Number of clicks	Number of Incoming links	Number of Internal Links	Updates and responsiveness	Total	Position
24	Department of Crop Science and Horticulture	9	10	12	13	10	54	17
25	Department of Agricultural Engineering	7	10	12	15	9	53	18
26	Department of Civil and Water Resource Engineering	7	10	12	15	9	53	18
27	Department of Language Studies	8	10	11	14	10	53	18
28	Model Training Farm Department	7	9	16	11	6	49	19
29	Department of Forest Technology and Wood Sciences	6	7	12	17	7	49	19
30	Department of Mathematics and Statistics	7	10	12	15	5	49	19
31	Department of Business Management	6	5	8	14	10	43	20
32	Department of Veterinary Physiology, Biochemistry and Pharmacology	8	8	7	12	7	42	21
33	Department of Trade and Investment	6	6	7	14	9	42	21
34	School of Engineering Technology	6	8	9	11	6	40	22
35	Department of Food Science and Agro-processing	6	5	5	14	9	39	23
36	Department of Communication and Marketing	8	8	11	10	1	38	24
37	Sokoine University Students Organization (SUASO)	7	10	10	8	3	38	24
38	Directorate of Planning and Investment	7	10	9	10	1	37	25
39	Department of Development and Strategic Studies	6	6	8	10	7	37	25
40	Department of Veterinary Surgery and Theriogenology	7	7	5	10	7	36	26
41	Department of Policy Planning and Management	6	6	9	9	6	36	26
42	Directorate of Hospital and Health Services	8	10	10	7	0	35	27
43	Department of Human Nutrition and Consumer Studies	5	8	6	11	4	34	28
44	Department of Biosciences	6	5	4	14	5	34	28
45	Department of Geography and Environmental Studies	6	5	4	14	5	34	28
46	Department of Veterinary Microbiology, Parasitology and Biotechnology	7	5	6	7	9	34	28

S/N	Name of the Unit	Meta data	Number of clicks	Number of Incoming links	Number of Internal Links	Updates and responsiveness	Total	Position
47	School of Education	6	6	5	10	6	33	29
48	Directorate of Student Services	6	7	6	9	5	33	29
49	Department of Veterinary Anatomy and Pathology	4	7	8	8	6	33	29
50	SUA Convocation Unit	5	7	9	8	1	30	30
51	Department of Education Psychology, and Counseling	3	8	7	5	7	30	30
52	Department of Veterinary Medicine and Public Health	5	3	3	7	6	24	31
53	Quality Assurance Unit	5	5	5	8	0	23	32
54	Directorate of Human Resources and Administration	7	6	3	3	2	21	33
55	Department of Sociology and Anthropology	4	3	2	6	5	20	34
56	Sokoine University of Agriculture Academic Staff Association (SUASA)	4	3	5	2	4	18	35
57	Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness	4	4	2	3	4	17	36
58	Department of Finance and Accounting	3	2	2	4	4	15	37
59	SUA Internal Auditing Unit	4	4	2	4	0	14	38
60	Department of Curriculum Development and Assessment	1	3	2	2	5	13	39
61	Department of Education Foundation and Management	1	2	3	2	5	13	39
62	Centre for Gender Studies	2	3	1	2	3	11	40
63	Legal Services Unit	3	2	2	3	0	10	41
64	RAAWU	3	3	1	2	1	10	41
65	Directorate of Estates and Works	2	2	3	2	0	9	42
66	Directorate of Finance	3	2	2	1	0	8	43
67	Procurement Management Unit	1	2	2	2	0	7	44

5.2 The ranking results for Colleges, School, Directorates, Institutes and Centres is shown below in the order of highest rank (Table 2)

Table 2: Webpage ranking results for Colleges, Schools, Directorates, Institutes and Centres for the Second Quarter of 2025

S/N	Name of the Unit	Meta data	Number of clicks	Number of Incoming links	Number of Internal Links	Updates and responsiveness	Total	Position
1	College of Forestry, Wildlife and Tourism	10	10	23	25	10	78	1
2	College of Natural and Applied Sciences	10	9	21	27	10	77	2
3	College of Social Sciences and Humanities	10	10	18	24	10	72	3
4	College of Agriculture	10	10	20	21	8	69	4
5	College of Economics and Business Studies	10	10	17	21	10	68	5
6	National Carbon Monitoring Centre	10	10	15	22	10	67	6
7	College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences	9	10	17	20	9	65	7
8	Sokoine National Agricultural Library	8	9	18	21	9	65	7
9	Institute of Pest Management	8	10	15	21	7	61	8
10	Directorate of Undergraduate Studies	9	10	16	18	7	60	9
11	Mizengo Pinda Campus College - Katavi	7	8	15	22	8	60	9
12	Directorate of Postgraduate Studies, Research, Technology Transfer and Consultancy	8	7	17	19	7	58	10
13	Institute of Continuing Education	6	7	16	19	9	57	11
14	School of Engineering Technology	6	8	9	11	6	40	12
15	School of Education	6	6	5	10	6	33	13
16	Centre for Gender Studies	2	3	1	2	3	11	14

The ranking results for Academic Departments are shown below in the order of highest rank (Table 3)

Table 3: Webpage ranking results for Academic Department for the Second Quarter of 2025

S/N	Name of the Unit	Meta data	Number of clicks	Number of Incoming links	Number of Internal Links	Updates and responsiveness	Total	Position
1	Department of Informatics and Information Technology	10	10	16	19	10	65	1
2	Department of Ecosystems and Conservation	9	9	15	21	10	64	2
3	Department of Forest and Environmental Economics	9	9	16	18	10	62	3
4	Department of Animal, Aquaculture and Range Sciences	9	10	14	18	10	61	4
5	Department of Tourism and Recreation	9	7	15	20	8	59	5
6	Department of Chemistry and Physics	9	10	13	17	10	59	5
7	Department of Soil and Geological Sciences	9	10	16	14	10	59	5
8	Department of Wildlife Management	9	8	15	15	9	56	6
9	Department of Forest Resources Assessment and Management	9	8	11	18	9	55	7
10	Department of Agricultural Extension and Community Development	8	7	16	18	5	54	8
11	Department of Crop Science and Horticulture	9	10	12	13	10	54	8
12	Department of Agricultural Engineering	7	10	12	15	9	53	9
13	Department of Civil and Water Resource Engineering	7	10	12	15	9	53	9
14	Department of Language Studies	8	10	11	14	10	53	9
15	Model Training Farm Department	7	9	16	11	6	49	10
16	Department of Forest Technology and Wood Sciences	6	7	12	17	7	49	10

S/N	Name of the Unit	Meta data	Number of clicks	Number of Incoming links	Number of Internal Links	Updates and responsiveness	Total	Position
17	Department of Mathematics and Statistics	7	10	12	15	5	49	10
18	Department of Business Management	6	5	8	14	10	43	11
19	Department of Veterinary Physiology, Biochemistry and Pharmacology	8	8	7	12	7	42	12
20	Department of Trade and Investment	6	6	7	14	9	42	12
21	Department of Food Science and Agro-processing	6	5	5	14	9	39	13
22	Department of Development and Strategic Studies	6	6	8	10	7	37	14
23	Department of Veterinary Surgery and Theriogenology	7	7	5	10	7	36	15
24	Department of Policy Planning and Management	6	6	9	9	6	36	15
25	Department of Human Nutrition and Consumer Studies	5	8	6	11	4	34	16
26	Department of Biosciences	6	5	4	14	5	34	16
27	Department of Geography and Environmental Studies	6	5	4	14	5	34	16
28	Department of Veterinary Microbiology, Parasitology and Biotechnology	7	5	6	7	9	34	16
29	Department of Veterinary Anatomy and Pathology	4	7	8	8	6	33	17
30	Department of Education Psychology, and Counseling	3	8	7	5	7	30	18
31	Department of Veterinary Medicine and Public Health	5	3	3	7	6	24	19
32	Department of Sociology and Anthropology	4	3	2	6	5	20	20
33	Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness	4	4	2	3	4	17	21
34	Department of Finance and Accounting	3	2	2	4	4	15	22
35	Department of Curriculum Development and Assessment	1	3	2	2	5	13	23
36	Department of Education Foundation and Management	1	2	3	2	5	13	23

5.3 The ranking results for Administrative Units are shown below in the order of highest rank (Table 4):

Table 4: Webpage ranking results for administrative Units for the Second Quarter of 2025

S/N	Name of the Unit	Meta data	Number of clicks	Number of Incoming links	Number of Internal Links	Updates and responsiveness	Total	Position
1	Department of Communication and Marketing	8	8	11	10	1	38	1
2	Directorate of Planning and Investment	7	10	9	10	1	37	2
3	Directorate of Hospital and Health Services	8	10	10	7	0	35	3
4	Directorate of Student Services	6	7	6	9	5	33	4
5	SUA Convocation Unit	5	7	9	8	1	30	5
6	Quality Assurance Unit	5	5	5	8	0	23	6
7	Directorate of Human Resources and Administration	7	6	3	3	2	21	7
8	SUA Internal Auditing Unit	4	4	2	4	0	14	8
9	Legal Services Unit	3	2	2	3	0	10	9
10	Directorate of Estates and Works	2	2	3	2	0	9	10
11	Directorate of Finance	3	2	2	1	0	8	11
12	Procurement Management Unit	1	2	2	2	0	7	12

5.4 The ranking results for Union/Associations are shown below in the order of highest rank (Table 5):

Table 5: Webpage ranking results for Union and Associations for the Second Quarter of 2025

S/N	Name of the Unit	Meta data	Number of clicks	Number of Incoming links	Number of Internal Links	Updates and responsiveness	Total	Position
1	Sokoine University Students Organization (SUASO)	7	10	10	8	3	38	1
2	Sokoine University of Agriculture Academic Staff Association (SUASA)	4	3	5	2	1	15	2
3	RAAWU	3	3	1	2	1	10	3

5.5 The ranking results for Best Units in Publication Rankings is shown below in the order of highestrank (Table 6)

S/N	DEPARTMENT	TOTAL - NOVEMBER	TOTAL - JANUARY	TOTAL - DIFFERENCE	POSITION
1.	Department of Veterinary Microbiology, Parasitology and Biotechnology	17100	18276	1176	1
2.	Department of Veterinary Medicine and Public Health	29893	30710	817	2
3.	Department of Forest Resources Assessment and Management	17021	17598	577	3
4.	Institute of Pest Management	14408	14751	343	4
5.	Department of Ecosystem and Conservation	9198	9430	232	5
6.	Department of Informatics and Information Technology	4765	4947	182	6
7.	Department of Civil and Water Resources Engineering	8167	8301	134	7
8.	Department of Food Technology, Nutrition and Consumer Sciences	4900	5020	120	8
9.	Department of Crop Science and Horticulture	5743	5831	88	9
10.	Department of Trade and Investment	3342	3427	85	10
11.	Department of Agricultural Engineering	3319	3393	74	11
12.	Department of Forest and Environment Economics	2331	2398	67	12
13.	Department of Wildlife Management	5328	5392	64	13
14.	Department of Department of Veterinary Anatomy and Pathology	2902	2961	59	14
15.	Department of Veterinary Physiology, Biochemistry and Pharmacology	2172	2199	27	15
16.	Department Of Soil and Geological Sciences	1593	1612	19	16
17.	Department of Agricultural Extension and Community Development	2576	2594	18	17
18.	Department of Animal, Aquaculture and Range Sciences	5098	5115	17	18
19.	Department of Food and Resource Economics	1748	1764	16	19
20.	Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness (DAEA)	3709	3689	-20	20

