

KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

Speech by

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On the Occasion of

THE 44TH GRADUATION CEREMONY

Held on

FRIDAY 3RD AUGUST, 2018

- ✚ Chief Administrative Secretary and Principal Secretary, State Department for University Education and Research, Ministry of Education, Prof. Collette A. Suda;
- ✚ Chairman of Kenyatta University Council – Prof. Shem Migot-Adholla;
- ✚ Members of Kenyatta University Council present;
- ✚ Our Guest Speaker, Dr. Florence M. Wambugu, Founding Director and Chief Executive Officer of Africa Harvest Biotech Foundation International;
- ✚ Vice-Chancellor of Kenyatta University – Prof. Paul K. Wainaina;
- ✚ Your Excellences the Ambassadors and High Commissioners present;
- ✚ Chancellors of other Universities;

- ✚ Vice-Chancellors present;
- ✚ Members of University Senate;
- ✚ Staff and Students of Kenyatta University;
- ✚ Parents and Guardians;
- ✚ Esteemed Graduands;
- ✚ Distinguished Guests;
- ✚ Ladies and Gentlemen;

Good Morning!

It is such an honour to deliver this year's Alumni Graduation Speech to the graduating class of 2018. I am also glad to be back home to share this very special moment with you.

Let me start by saluting you the graduands, who, today, will earn a coveted Kenyatta University degree. On behalf of Kenyatta University Alumni Association, I congratulate you for this important achievement.

(Very Brief introduction about yourself - Year of graduation, course taken, highlights about student leadership, achievements in politics and entrepreneurship)

Well, I started off from a humble background. That which I have accomplished was driven by passion, focus, determination, and self-belief. I can also proudly state that KU prepared me well to face the world with confidence, and to pursue what I loved. I would like to reassure you that you too can stand tall knowing that you have gone through one of the finest teaching and research Institutions, a World Class University that provides an exciting and enriching experience for students.

You are well armed with the knowledge and skills you have acquired, and the good name and strong brand of KU that will precede you. I therefore encourage you to step out with confidence and the conviction that the real world out there must not necessarily be a scary place; it can be made awesome and exciting. Discover what it is you love to do in life and do it!

As Alumni, you now will represent all that is good and great about our Alma Mater by the way you live. The values by which you live will reflect the values of Kenyatta University. Be a good Ambassador of KU and remember her always; support and give back to her in whatever way you can.

As I finish, let me leave you with the words of Oprah Winfrey: ***“You get in life what you have the courage to ask for”***.

Have the courage, believe in yourself, and do not fear to take risks. What you need for success lies within you.

Congratulations and best wishes once more!