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# CONSTITUTION OF VU NEXUS DEVOPS CLUB VICTORIA UNIVERSITY KAMPALA

## PREAMBLE

We, the members of Victoria University Kampala, recognizing the need to foster innovation, teamwork, and technological advancement, hereby establish the **VU Nexus DevOps Club** to create a supportive environment for students interested in DevOps, software development, and digital transformation. Through this club, we aim to build practical skills, foster industry connections, and work on impactful projects benefiting both the university and the broader community.

## ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this organization shall be the **VU Nexus DevOps Club** at Victoria University Kampala, hereinafter referred to as 'the Club'.

## ARTICLE II: OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Club shall include, but are not limited to:

* **Fostering Collaboration:** Encourage teamwork and a collaborative environment where members can share knowledge, experiences, and resources related to technology and DevOps practices.
* **Building Real-World Skills:** Create opportunities for members to engage in hands-on projects, hackathons, and competitions that simulate real-world DevOps and software development environments.
* **Professional Development:** Host workshops, coding boot camps, and peer-learning sessions to help members improve technical and professional skills.
* **Industry Engagement:** Organize events, invite guest speakers, and form partnerships with technology experts, alumni, and industry professionals to educate and expose students to emerging trends.
* **Community Impact:** Undertake projects that benefit the community, contributing to Uganda’s digital transformation and establishing Victoria University as a forward-thinking institution.
* **University Recognition**: Promote the university’s reputation in technology and innovation by nurturing a dedicated student tech community that demonstrates leadership and problem-solving skills.

## ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

**3.a)Eligibility**:

Open to all enrolled students of Victoria University Kampala with a keen interest in technology, DevOps, and software development. Faculty members and alumni may join as associate members, with participation rights but no voting privileges.

**3.b)Types of Membership**:

1. **Active Member:** Students who regularly attend and participate in Club meetings, events, and projects.
2. **Associate Member:** Alumni, faculty members, or special invited guests who contribute to the Club’s objectives and may attend events but do not have voting rights.

**3.c)Admission**:

Interested students must complete a membership application form. New members are required to attend an introductory meeting where they will be briefed on the Club’s rules and expectations.

**3.d)Membership Fees:**

Members may be required to contribute a nominal fee towards the Club’s activities, subject to approval by the Executive Committee.

## ARTICLE IV: LEADERSHIP AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

**4. a)Executive Committee:**

The Club shall be managed by an Executive Committee, which consist of the following officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Project Coordinator.

**4. b)Role of Dean of Faculty of Science and Technology:**

An advisor from the Faculty of Science and Technology, appointed by the university, shall provide guidance and support to ensure the Club aligns with university values and objectives.

**4. c)Election and Term:**

Elections for the Executive Committee shall be held annually, with each term lasting one academic year. Nominations shall be open to all active members, and voting shall be conducted by a simple majority vote.

**4. d)Removal and Replacement:**

Officers may be removed for dereliction of duty, misconduct, or by a two-thirds vote of active members. In case of vacancy, a by-election shall be held within 30 days to fill the position.

## ARTICLE V: MEETINGS

**5. a)Regular Meetings:** The Club shall hold bi-weekly meetings for planning, discussions, and knowledge-sharing sessions.

**5. b)Special Meetings:** The Executive Committee may call special meetings as needed, with a minimum of 48 hours’ notice provided.

**5. c)Quorum:**

A quorum shall be 50% of active members to make binding decisions during meetings.

**5. f)Decision-Making Process:**

Decisions shall be made by a simple majority vote among active members.

## ARTICLE VI: RULES, CONDUCT, AND DISCIPLINE

**Respect and Professionalism**: Members must maintain a professional demeanor.

**Collaboration and Mentorship:** Skilled members offer mentorship to others.

**Attendance and Participation:** Members must actively participate; three unexcused absences may affect membership status.

**Code of Conduct:** All members must adhere to a Code of Conduct.

## ARTICLE VII: EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Educational Events: Organize workshops, hackathons, and guest lectures.

Industry Collaboration: Seek partnerships for events and sponsorship.

Project Development: Undertake projects benefiting the university and community.

## ARTICLE VIII: FINANCES

- Funding: Club funding may include contributions, fundraising, and university support.

- Budgeting: Treasurer prepares an annual budget with approval.

- Financial Reporting: Treasurer provides term-based financial reports.

## ARTICLE IX: AMENDMENTS

- Proposing Amendments: Members may propose amendments in writing.

- Approval: Amendments require a two-thirds vote of active members and Dean’s approval.

## ARTICLE X: CLUB REGISTRATION AND ANNUAL REVIEW

- Registration Process: The Club submits a registration request annually.

- Annual Review: Conducted by Dean to ensure alignment with goals.

## ARTICLE XI: DISSOLUTION

- Dissolution: Requires a two-thirds majority vote.

- Disposition of Assets: Remaining assets returned to Victoria University.

## ARTICLE XII: RATIFICATION

- This constitution shall be valid upon approval by the founding members and the Dean.

## FOUNDING MEMBERS

1. **Joel Jewels Mulungi**
2. **Albert Abaasa**
3. **Mugabi Benjamin**
4. **Masaba Marvin**
5. **Odong Emmanuel**
6. **Kanyoro Samuel**
7. **Okullo David**

**Date**: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Club Secretary:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**DEAN, FACULTY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**DEAN OF STUDENTS :**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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