



## MMUST Welcomes Inaugural BSc. Biosafety & Biosecurity Student Cohort

In January 2024, the [Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology's \(MMUST\)](#) launched its inaugural [Bachelor of Science in Biosafety & Biosecurity](#) and welcomed the first cohort of 21 students. This unique degree program, available to youth from around the world interested in pursuing a career in biosafety and biosecurity, represents a major milestone towards global health security. The program delivers theoretical with practical learning covering diverse topics including biological risk assessment & mitigation, laboratory design & biocontainment, biological non-proliferation, diversity/equity/inclusion, one health, outbreak response, modern biotreats and cyberbiosecurity. Throughout their academic years, students will also have the opportunity to learn from a partnership of international experts who have committed their time and resources to assist MMUST's leadership in developing biosafety & biosecurity professionals of the future.



Fidelis Mambo, Chairman Dept. Medical Laboratory Sciences, with 1<sup>st</sup> student cohort from Kenya and Tanzania

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