



**COMMISSION FOR UNIVERSITY EDUCATION**  
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**Quality: Our Agenda**

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**PRESS RELEASE**

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**CUE CAUTIONS THE PUBLIC OVER PURPORTED ISSUANCE OF DEGREES BY UNACCREDITED NORTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY.**

The Commission for University Education (CUE), established by the Universities Act, CAP 210 Laws of Kenya, is mandated to ensure standards, quality, and relevance in all facets of university education, training, and research in Kenya. The Commission has taken note of widely circulating media reports on purported issuance of honorary doctorates in Kenya by an entity going by the name Northwestern Christian University.

The Commission wishes to inform the public that the entity operating in Kenya by the name Northwestern Christian University is unaccredited institution. This fact was brought to the attention of the public by the Commission in a newspaper advert published in **June 2023**. It was made explicitly clear that the institution was not accredited to offer any university education in Kenya and that any purported credentials issued would not be recognized in Kenya.

CUE is the sole regulator of university education in the country, as mandated by the Universities Act, CAP 210 Laws of Kenya. Kenyans are hereby informed that awarding of academic qualifications by unaccredited institutions is a direct violation of the **Universities Act, CAP 210** which prohibits the provision of university education without accreditation. Further, while Sections 69 and 69A empower the Commission to pursue legal action against any individuals or entities operating illegally.

The Commission is currently investigating the circumstances surrounding the purported award of degrees by Northwestern Christian University. The Commission shall thereafter take appropriate legal measures where applicable against Northwestern Christian University. Following this, the Commission advises members of the public that the list of accredited Universities and the programmes on offer can be accessed through <https://cue.or.ke/index.php/status-of-universities> or through direct consultation.

**Our Commitment:** CUE remains steadfast in its mission to uphold the credibility and quality of university education in Kenya, ensuring that all academic programs and credentials meet global standards.

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