Moi University installs Integrated Online Graduate Mentorship and Supervision System

Postgraduate Students of Moi University after attending a workshop (File Picture)

Moi University has installed the Integrated Online Graduate Mentorship and Supervision System (i-OGMSS), an online technology that will revolutionize the way graduate students and their lecturers interact during the course of their studies.

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It is an interactive online technology platform for supervision, mentoring and tracking of graduate students and alumni.

The new system will keep track of the academic progress of graduate students from their time of entry to graduation.

"The system will help in monitoring students' coursework, defence of research proposal and their entire progress in terms of supervision to submission of theses and graduation. It also provides an ample environment for communication between students and their supervisors," said Moi University ICT Acting Director, Dr. John Tarus.

Dr. Tarus added that using the technology, the supervisor monitors the student online making the process of supervision more efficient.

"As a result, it can accelerate the period of completion of studies so that students can graduate in stipulated time. The supervisor can give students timelines to finish different activities. And since it is open-source, it has no financial implications hence no need for software licenses," said Dr. Tarus.

The European Union-funded technology has been donated to a number of African Universities including Moi University to support them improve and deliver quality market-driven graduate curricula.

The system was developed by Futuristic, a Nairobi-based IT solutions company dedicated to providing innovative, cost effective and result oriented IT solutions to organizations in Kenya and all over the African continent.

Futuristic specializes in software development, product driven consulting services, training, eLearning and IT security services.