

Saint Augustine University Foundation

“Developing Education in Tanzania”

About Us

Saint Augustine University Foundation supports the development of Saint Augustine University, Tanzania (SAUT).

Established in 1998 by the Conference of Catholic Bishops, the University’s main campus is in Mwanza in the north-west of the country on the shores of Lake Victoria. From its beginnings it has targeted the poorer populations and less developed regions outside of the principal city, Dar es Salaam.

Recent expansion has led to the development of a number of constituent colleges across Tanzania, a country which has traditionally very low rates of access to university-level education. The student body (10.000 approx.) is drawn from all ethnic and religious groups and the University augments its professional education programmes with civic and social educational opportunities including helping their students explore national identity, culture, politics, and responsible citizenship. SAUT’s six faculties (Medicine, Law, Engineering, Education, Social Sciences and Media Studies) provide seven graduate and seven undergraduate programmes.

SAUT receives no government funding and most of its €4 million annual revenue is generated from student fees augmented by support from a small number of international donors.

Saint Augustine University Foundation was established in 2010 as a registered charity in Ireland to support the development of the university. The Foundation is managed by a board of directors who meet at least three times yearly. A Strategic Plan for the foundation is currently being developed and additional directors are being appointed. The immediate goals of the Foundation include:

- Providing assistance to a number of developmental, educational, and facilities-related projects at SAUT
- Assisting SAUT to increase its connections in third level education internationally
- Helping the authorities at SAUT tackle pressing local developmental needs

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