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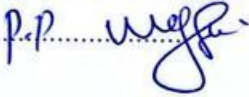
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## **DEDICATION**

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**ABSTRACT.**

The recess term covers duration of two months activities carried out at UWA in mountain Elgon national park. Chapter one talks about the introduction of internship program, historical back ground of MENP, management of UWA and its organizational structures, departments, uniqueness, accommodation facilities, maps showing size and location of the park as well as the activities carried out in MENP. Chapter two covers materials and methods used in the field to achieve my internship objectives while at MENP, presentation of results and discussion of internship (tours and travel/hospitality) issues and presentation of a proposed tourism issue at the internship place. Chapter three presents a clear description of materials and methods used at the work place, a clear presentation of results and discussion of findings basing on the internship objectives, activities carried out during my recess term, presentation of well detailed areas of improvement and a proposed work plan and how it can be achieved. Chapter four summarizes the skills learnt and how they are relevant with my professional and career growth, evaluation of strengths and weakness, opportunities and threats of organization, and finally, level of accomplishment of other activities assigned to student by the field supervisor and how relevant the activities were to my professional growth. Chapter five covers the overall conclusions and recommendations, and the references.

**ABBREVIATIONS.**

**MENP**..... Mountain Elgon National Park.

**UWA**..... Uganda wildlife Authority

**EEC**..... European Economic Community.

**FACE**..... Forest Absorbing Carbon dioxide Emissions.

**MAB** ..... Man, And Biosphere

**MOU**..... Memorandum of Understanding

**IUCN**.....International Union for Conservation of Nature.

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## **CHAPTER ONE**

### **INTRODUCTION/ BACKGROUND.**

#### **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

Recess term trip is profession learning experience that offers a meaningful, practical work related to a student's field of study. Recess helps a student start to build a professional network that can be a resource for the student. It also gives student a chance to learn new skills. This chapter explains the introduction to recess term program, objectives of the internship, and the introduction of the organization and their chats.

#### **1.1 INTRODUCTION TO INTERNSHIP PROGRAM**

Since 1970s universities in developed countries started introducing academic department to promote and enhance the teaching of tourism at university level as a result of the recognition that tourism was significantly taking up a position as world's single largest industry.

Tourism as an academic discipline is not well established in most universities and institute in developing countries and situation is worse by the few established tourism program in African universities and as such the department of geography in 1997 of Makerere university saw a need for academic department to enhance the teaching of tourism in Uganda and as a result started the department of tourism and hospitality management to help in future

BUSITEMA University as well borrows from Makerere University the mother University of Uganda on the issue of academic department and attachment program. The main purpose of this attachment is to give students chance to relate to what they learnt in class to real field conditions and is meant to develop their ingenuity and skills to become well trained and groomed professionals as required by the industry. After the field practical a guided report is written by a student to reflect the different activities undertaken in the field, their relevancies to the student's professional growth, lessons learnt, skills learnt, places of practical, participants and comments of the field supervisors and a well signed logbook to be handed.

#### **1.2 OBJECTIVES OF THE TRIP.**

- ✓ To get acquainted with tourism and hospitality enterprise and organization
- ✓ To understand peculiarities of their operations and the role of team and carrying out their activities
- ✓ To develop ability to blend into team, understand structure and operation
- ✓ To develop the capacity of analyzing, assessing and developing suggestions for business improvement.

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