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SCHEDULE FOR 2026 POSTGRADUATE SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

Month	Date	Time	Chairperson
January	27/01/2026	9.00AM E.A.T	TBD
February	24/02/2026	9.00AM E.A.T	TBD
March	24/03/2026	9.00AM E.A.T	TBD
April	No seminars except for exceptional cases		
May	12/05/2026	9.00AM E.A.T	TBD
June	16/06/2026	9.00AM E.A.T	TBD
July	14/07/2026	9.00AM E.A.T	TBD
August	No seminars except for exceptional cases		
September	15/09/2026	9.00AM E.A.T	TBD
October	13/10/2026	9.00AM E.A.T	TBD
November	10/11/2026	9.00AM E.A.T	TBD
December	No seminars except for exceptional cases		

IMPORTANT REQUIREMENTS FOR POSTGRADUATE SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS:

1. Presentations by students must be at least 4 weeks apart.
2. Booking for presentation is on first-come-first-served basis, and any overflow should book the next scheduled seminar.
3. Presentation of proposal/concept will only be allowed after **successfully** passing course work. Students **MUST** attach the provisional transcript as evidence.
4. Students at concept level **MUST** pick discipline-relevant topics and supervisor (s), and this should happen after they have passed their course-work.
5. Students at the proposal level **MUST** first be cleared by their supervisors before they are accepted to book for presentations at various KEMRI centers (share the clearance email to graduateschool@kemri.go.ke. **Copy to:** borwa@kemri.go.ke)
6. Proposal presentations are done at the KEMRI Centre level. Students are required to book with the specific Centre Steering Committees (CSC).
7. Booking for Seminars (Concepts & Theses) **MUST** be done at least a month before the scheduled presentation date.
8. Seminar bookings at the KGS are done **online** via the link: <https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/KEMRIGRADUATESCHOOL1@kemri.go.ke/bookings/> (In case of changes in dates, they will be communicated).
9. After booking, students are required to **UPLOAD** their PowerPoint slides via a **link** that will be circulated in latter emails. Students are advised to use the official KGS PowerPoint templates to prepare slides, accessible via: [Seminar Presentation PowerPoint Template](#), [Concept Presentation PowerPoint Template](#), [Concept Notes Template](#) **OR** [Proposal Presentation Powerpoint Template](#)
10. Seminars are held **virtually** via Microsoft Teams or Zoom, once per month (except for April, August & December).
11. Seminar Four (4) for PhD is on a need-basis and booked **manually** through csyengo@kemri.go.ke (cc: graduateschool@kemri.go.ke and vkimutai@kemri.go.ke).

12. PhD students presenting at the 4th seminar shall be given 30 minutes to present, and the panel 30 minutes to provide feedback making a total of 60 minutes for the entire seminar.
13. A complete seminar booking shall comprise of:
- a. The name, registration number, and topic/title of the presentation
 - b. Course Title
 - c. Type of presentation (Concept, Thesis seminar 1, 2, or 3)
 - d. The names and affiliation of supervisors
 - e. A PowerPoint presentation (corrections to this can be received up to 10.00 HRS of the day before their scheduled seminar presentation).
 - f. Requirements for the slides is maximum of 10 for Concepts (MSc & PhD), 15 slides for MSc Theses and 20 slides for PhD Theses.
 - g. Any other requirement may be communicated from time to time.
14. MSc and PhD students **MUST** do at least 2 and 4 seminars, respectively, to disseminate the thesis results/findings at the KEMRI Graduate School before they are allowed to submit their final thesis for examination. Refer to JKUAT Graduate School (formerly BPS) requirements as per the guidelines for postgraduate studies.
15. Students should ensure that at least one (1) of their supervisors is available during the seminar presentation. If this requirement is not met, the student will **NOT** be allowed to present.
16. Both PhD & MSc students **MUST** do at least one (1) seminar presentation before being cleared to publish and the supervisors should also approve that the publication meets the basic minimum requirements at JKUAT, including not publishing in predatory journals as well as rules of authorship attribution.

Approved for Circulation by:

Name: Dr Joseph Mutai

Signature:



Date: 16/09/2025

Chairman, KGS Secretariat