



Kyambogo University
Knowledge and Skills for Service
School of Education



National Conference on "What Works in Girls' Education"

Dates: 1st – 3rd October 2025

Venue: Hilton Garden Inn (Opposite the British High Commission), Kamwokya, Kampala, Uganda

LOGISTICS NOTE

We are delighted to warmly welcome you to Uganda for the National Conference on What Works in Girls' Education. This conference that will be held under the theme, ***"Breaking Barriers, Building Futures: Evidence & Action for Girls' Education"*** is scheduled for **1st – 3rd October, 2025**, at Hilton Garden Inn, Kampala, Uganda.

TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS

Uganda offers an **e-visa system** for most travelers. If you have not yet applied for a visa, you can do so through the official e-visa portal <https://visas.immigration.go.ug>. You will be required to fill in an online application and upload the required documents. Upon approval, you will receive an electronic visa approval letter to present upon arrival. Please check the e-visa portal to confirm if you require a visa to Uganda and request for an invitation letter by emailing the organising team at: info@uwezouganda.org

*Citizens from **the East African Community** do **not** require a visa to enter Uganda.*

Yellow Fever Card: Remember to carry your vaccination cards, and particularly your yellow fever card.

Invitation Letter: Remember to carry your invitation letter either in digital or print form.

TRANSPORT, ACCOMMODATION AND MEALS

Transport

All participants are responsible for their airport transfers and transport to the conference venue, for those who are not residing at the conference venue.

Transport from Entebbe airport to Kampala is approximately **\$40-50**.

Accommodation

Hilton Garden Inn, Kampala is one of the recommended hotels, **and** it's the same venue where the Conference will be taking place. The discounted rate is **USD 119** per night (Bed & Breakfast). While

booking kindly mention that you are booking to attend the Girls' Education Conference for the special rate to be considered.

Hilton Garden Inn, Kampala is a short walk from the Uganda Museum. The Acacia Mall is half a kilometer away. Makerere University and a variety of international restaurants are within two kilometers.

Contact person for Hilton Garden Inn, Kampala - **Margret Basembeza** on email hgikampalasales2@gmail.com or can be reached on phone - Office: +256 313 800 800 /Mobile: +256 757 926 778

Other recommended hotels include the following:

1. **Arcadia Suites Hotel Kampala**, which has offered a discounted rate of **USD 105.55** for a single occupancy and **USD 115.55** for a double occupancy per night.

Booking is done through their website; <https://www.arcadiakampala.com/>, while booking kindly mention that you are coming to attend the Girl's Conference for the special rate to be offered.

Direct contact for **Arcadia Suites Hotel Kampala** is **Rebecca Rukundo** on email - reservations@arcadiakampala.com or Office Line: +256-0200950300 | Mobile: +256-759845563

Arcadia Suites Hotel Kampala is approximately 0.22 miles from Hilton Garden Inn, Kampala where the conference will be happening.

2. **Eureka Place Hotel & Suites** has offered a discounted rate of **USD 35** per night (Bed & Breakfast). Booking can be done through the website; <https://eurekaplacehotel.com/>. While booking kindly mention that you are coming to attend the Girl's Conference for the special rate to be offered.

Direct contact person for **Eureka Place Hotel & Suites** is **Baker Muhumbya** on email - eurekauganda@yahoo.com or +256 773732210.

Eureka Place Hotel & Suites is approximately 5.4 kms from Hilton Garden Inn, Kampala where the conference will be happening

3. **Forest Cottages** has offered a discounted rate of **USD 55 for single occupancy and USD 65 for double occupancy** per night (Bed & Breakfast). While booking kindly mention that you are coming to attend the Girl's Conference for the special rate to be offered.

Direct contact person for **Forest Cottages** is **Prashant Shetty** on email - info@forest-cottages.com or +256 752 711 746.

Forest Cottages is approximately 2.9 kms from Hilton Garden Inn, Kampala where the conference will be happening

WEATHER

October weather in Uganda is typically warm and humid, with average temperatures ranging from 18-28°C (64-82°F). Delegates are advised to pack accordingly.

This period marks the start of the short rainy season, so visitors can expect a mix of sunshine and occasional showers. The rains are usually brief and light, leaving plenty of time to enjoy clear skies.

For comfort, we recommend packing light, breathable clothing for the day, along with a light sweater or jacket for the cooler evenings and early mornings.

SAFETY

It is advisable to avoid walking alone in isolated places and back streets both during the day and night. Avoid displaying valuables and minimise the use of your mobile phone while walking on the streets. At the hotel, familiarise yourself with the fire exits, especially those on your floor and know where they come out.

OTHER ACTIVITIES AROUND KAMPALA, UGANDA

The following are few activities that can be conveniently scheduled, providing a mix of cultural, educational, and leisurely experiences:

Uganda Museum - <https://www.ugandamuseums.or.ug/>

This is the number one place to visit. You'll be amazed at Uganda's diverse cultural heritage illustrated through artefacts, exhibits and informative guides at this small museum.

Entry fees-

- Nationals- Ugx 5,000
- East Africans – Ugx 10,000
- Internationals - Ugx 15,000

Working Hours- 9:00 am - 5:30pm

Distance from the conference venue- Hilton Garden Inn – half a kilometer (km)

Kasubi Tombs - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kasubi_Tombs

Explore the splendid traditional hut and meet the ancestors of long-gone Kabakas (kings) of Buganda Kingdom. No advance bookings are needed and on-site guides are ready to welcome you. Did you know you can make cloth from a tree? On the Experiential Trail of Buganda, watch the age-old skill of barkcloth-making, take part in a cultural dance, and learn how to play a game of *omweso*.

Entry fees-

- Ugandan: **UGX 10,000**
- East African: **UGX 20,000**
- Foreign Non-Residents: **\$20**

Working Hours - 8:30 am - 5:30pm

Distance from the conference venue- Hilton Garden Inn- approximately 4.8 kms

Namugongo and the Uganda Martyrs - <https://www.ugandamartyrsshine.org.ug/>

Did you know that in June every year, hundreds of thousands of pilgrims congregate in Namugongo? Many walk from remote corners of East Africa to pay homage to the 22 Ugandan Christians who were executed for their faith in 1886 at Namugongo, a modern day site of pilgrimage and remembrance. June 3rd marks the Uganda Martyrs' public holiday. Visit the Uganda Martyrs' Museum and learn the heart-wrenching yet inspiring stories of these brave individuals.

Entry fees - UGX 10,000 for adults

Working Hours - 8:30 am - 5:30pm

Saturday and Sunday – Closed

Distance from the conference venue- Hilton Garden Inn - approximately 5 to 7 kilometers

The Gaddafi Mosque - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Uganda_National_Mosque

Ascend the minaret for panoramic views of Kampala and admire the architectural grandeur of East Africa's largest mosque. Female visitors will be asked to cover their heads.

Entry fee –

- Internationals – USD 7 or UGX 25,000
- Nationals – UGX 10,000

Working Hours - Monday to Thursday and Saturday to Sunday from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM. On Fridays, it is open from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM and re-opens after Friday prayers from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Distance from the conference venue- Hilton Garden Inn - approximately 3.7 km

The Bahai Temple- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bah%C3%A1%CA%BC%C3%AD_Faith_in_Uganda

Set on a hilltop in spacious natural gardens to the north of the city, this architectural landmark building can be seen from all over Kampala. It's a serene spot and the first Baha'i House of Worship in Africa.

Entry fee- There is no entry free.

Working Hours - Tuesday to Sunday, 8:00 AM to 6:30 PM

Distance from the conference venue- Hilton Garden Inn - 4.6kms

Buganda Road Craft Market- <https://www.visitwandagorilla.com/buganda-road-craft-market/>

A vibrant market in Kampala, Uganda, offering a wide selection of handmade crafts, art, and cultural souvenirs like textiles, sculptures, paintings, drums, and baskets. Open daily from roughly 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM, it is a great place to buy gifts and meet local artisans,

Distance from the conference venue- Hilton Garden Inn - 3.0 kms

Local Currency exchange

Uganda's official currency is the Ugandan Shilling (UGX). You can exchange USD or other major currencies at Entebbe International Airport upon arrival, or at authorised forex bureaus in Kampala.
1 USD = 3,502.4 UGX, 1 Euro = 4,100.57 UGX and 1 GBP = 4,725.88 UGX

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Safe travels and welcome to Uganda!