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Monitor columnist recognised for outstanding achievement

KAMPALA. North Carolina (NC) State University in the United States of America has named Ugandan academic, Prof Moses Khisa, a University Faculty Scholar, in recognition of outstanding achievements in research, teaching and service to the university community and beyond.

Prof Khisa, a columnist with this newspaper, is part of 20 early and mid-career professors, drawn from the university's different colleges, that constitute NC State University's 2025-26 class of University Faculty Scholars.

"Since the program's inception in 2012, 298 faculty have been named University Faculty Scholars. These faculty members carry the title for the duration of their faculty appointment at NC State and receive an increase to their

base salary," the largest university in the Carolinas disclosed in a statement.

The University Chancellor, Kevin Howell, will host a reception honouring the new class of University Faculty Scholars on March 23.

"[...] the University Faculty Scholars program recognizes and rewards emerging academic leaders and scholars among NC State's tenured and tenure-track faculty," Howell, who himself earned his Juris Doctor in Law in the Carolinas with University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, wrote in a letter to Prof Khisa.

Prof Khisa's research and teaching interests are in Comparative Politics and International Political Economy, with a focus on Africa.



Prof Moses Khisa

He has conducted field research in several African nations including Ethiopia, Ghana, Tanzania, Rwanda and Uganda, and worked on three books, including an anthology, "Autocratisation in Contemporary Uganda," published in 2024 and serialised in this newspaper. The book was acclaimed as a major contribution just as another, "Africa's New Global Politics," a monograph he wrote with Prof Kiki Edozie, a Nigerian scholar at University of Massachusetts in Boston. He also co-edited, with Prof Christopher Day, "Rethinking Civil-Military Relations in Africa."

The holder of five degrees, including a Master's and PhD in Political Science from Northwestern University in the United States, a Bachelor's and Mas-

ter's from Makerere University, he has more than 20 peer-reviewed articles and book chapters under his belt. He is currently writing a book on "African Political Thought and Civil Military Relations" after recently completing co-editing and contributing entries to an Encyclopedia of African Politics to be published later this year.

Prof Khisa is a tenured Associate Professor of Political Science in the School of Public and International Affairs, with a joint appointment in the Africana Studies programme. He is also a non-resident research fellow in the department of political science at Stellenbosch University and was a visiting Professor at the Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Study, both in South Africa.