
Seychelles University Foundation

Vision

The Seychelles University as a centre of academic excellence for future prosperity of the Nation



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Foundation*

Mission

To unlock the Seychellois potential for economic, sustainable and cultural growth by aligning education and human resource development to the long-term development strategies of the country.

To create a high profile environment for life-long learning, research, technological advancement through partnership with leading institutions.

To serve as a hub for the development of a knowledge-based society by interfacing with all sectors of the Seychelles economy and emerging markets.

Our Core Aspirations

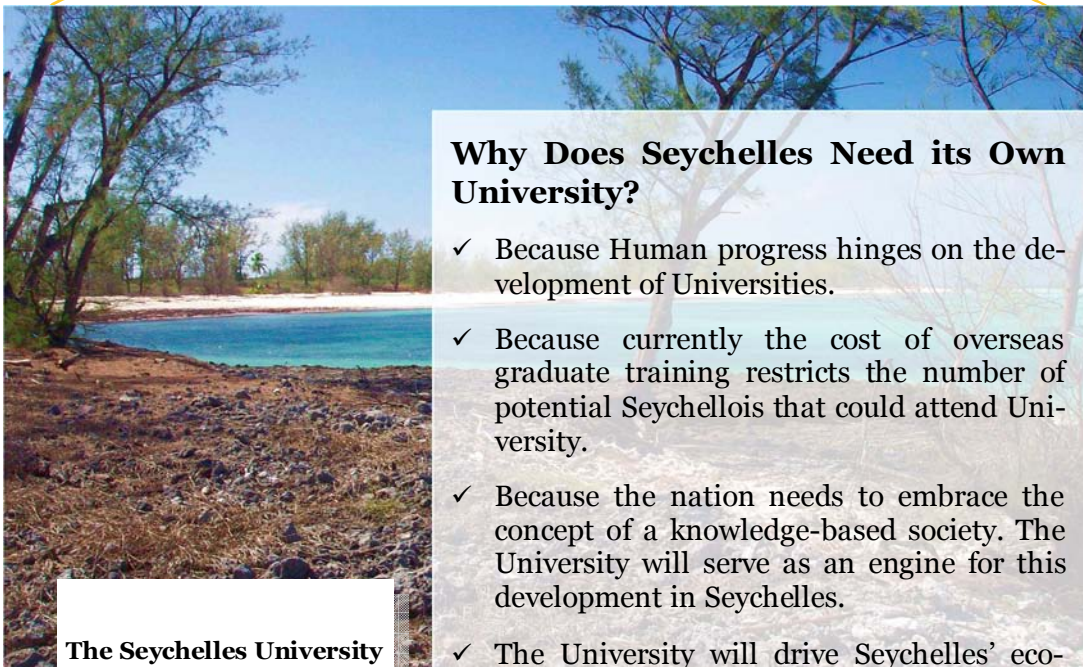
The establishment of a university in Seychelles will strive to create an innovative learning environment relevant to the needs of the country.

The University will be designed with a modern outlook to learning, discovery and innovation.

The University will be open to all levels of society, including grass roots individuals wishing to engage in professional development and discovery.

The University will cultivate a commitment to the betterment of people within the community, demonstrating responsibility towards its core client groups as well as those who are affected indirectly by its operations.

The University will strengthen the island identity and promote research on island issues.



The Seychelles University is poised to play a key role in the transformation of the country into a knowledge-based society.

Why Does Seychelles Need its Own University?

- ✓ Because Human progress hinges on the development of Universities.
- ✓ Because currently the cost of overseas graduate training restricts the number of potential Seychellois that could attend University.
- ✓ Because the nation needs to embrace the concept of a knowledge-based society. The University will serve as an engine for this development in Seychelles.
- ✓ The University will drive Seychelles' economic growth by developing its most important asset, its people.
- ✓ Because the creation and retention of wealth underpins the future of Seychelles. The University will enable Seychellois to operate successfully at enhanced managerial and professional levels.

Our Campus

Main campus

The Government of Seychelles has offered 27 hectares of land for the purpose of building the main campus in Anse Royale. It is also expected that a few existing buildings will be converted to house certain faculties and / or facilities of the University.

Preliminary artist impressions and design for the building are being prepared.

The City campus

The City Campus will be located in Ile du Port. A plot of land of 4349 sq meters has been earmarked for the IT hub and Finance faculties.

Architectural drawings are being prepared for futuristic, well equipped facilities and state-of-the-art Labs.

Academic Disciplines

Our aim is to initially focus on areas where we believe we can play a significant role in the development of Seychelles. Other disciplines may be considered following establishment of the University.

Information Technology

Our focus will include high-level training to meet the country's needs in areas of IT support and development, communications and emerging technologies, and to prepare for the development of a knowledge services hub.

Business and Finance

Our focus will include business management, commerce, financial services, economics, and business law aimed at achieving economic performance, entrepreneurship and comparative advantage.

Environment and Fisheries

Our focus will include tropical ecosystem management, restoration, coastal and marine ecosystem management, fisheries ecology and development, as well as emphasise on adaptation and resilience building to climate change.

Education and Knowledge

Our focus will be on the development of high quality teachers to support the entire educational system, including the introduction of life-long learning concepts and knowledge management in early schooling.

Tourism and Events

Our focus will include the development of senior managers and professionals for the entire tourism industry, with a focus on quality services and products, as well as the development of the cultural and eco-tourism aspects.

Our Structure

Board of Trustees

The Foundation is directed by a Board of Trustees. Members were appointed based upon relevant background and experience. The Chairman of the Board is Dr Rolph Payet.

The Fund Raising Committee

The Committee's function is to raise funds for the implementation and development of the Seychelles University, including its infrastructure and technical operational aspects, as well as support systems for students. Members are persons with experience in business and global leadership.

The Advisory Committee

In order to initiate and engage the scientific community in the establishment of the University of Seychelles, an Advisory Committee has been established comprising of eminent academics of international repute.

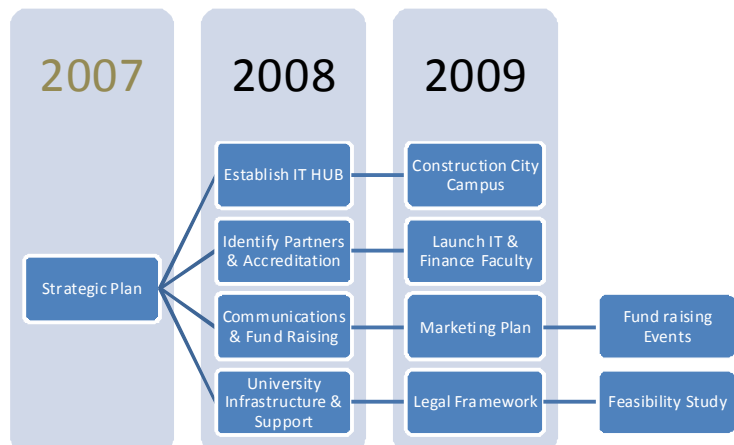
Steering Committee

The committee provides guidance to the Foundation on the development of tertiary education in the Seychelles, through identifying available opportunities for higher education. The members possess vast experience in their particular fields.

The Media Lab

The media lab is a think-tank of professionals focused on communications related to the development and implementation of the university project.

Implementation Plan



Ways to support the Foundation

You can support the Seychelles University Foundation in various ways. Details will be posted on our website or e-mail us at office@sufoundation.sc.

You can support the university in the following ways:



Donations

(in Lump Sum or Standing Order)

We accept cash/cheques in major currencies, including the Seychelles Rupee (SCR). We also accept gifts of property, infrastructure, equipment and other related assets. Please enquire and we will send bank details.

Endowments

(Scholarships/Fellowships)

We will create a special fund for donations for specific scholarships and to our Foundation Endowment Fund.

We also wish to acknowledge you for your support

- ☆ For every donation given, under USD 20,000 (or equivalent in SCR) each donor will automatically earn the title of **'Friend of the Seychelles University Foundation'** and a Certificate.
- ☆ For every donation, which exceeds USD 20,000 (or equivalent in SCR, or equal accumulated donation over three years) the donor will earn the title **'Supporter of the Seychelles University Foundation'** and a Gold Certificate.
- ☆ For every donation of USD 200,000 (or equivalent in SCR) and above, the donor will be entitled to a personal portrait or portrait of choice in the Hall of Fame, and earn the title of **'Supporter of the Seychelles University'**.
- ☆ For every donation of USD 2,000,000 (or equivalent in SCR) and above, the donor will have the choice of naming one of the University buildings, be entitled to a portrait in the Hall of Fame, and earn the title of **'Co-founder of the Seychelles University'**.

Fund Raising Target & Concessions

The detailed estimate for the implementation is being worked on but it is envisaged that construction of the Campus and satellite facilities may exceed USD 40 million, complete with all facilities. Operating and overhead costs are expected to be about USD 8-10 million per year.

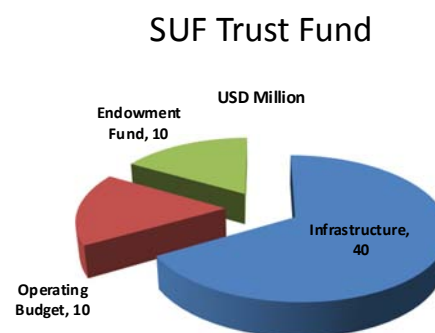
The fund raising target is therefore USD 60 million, with 50% raised within Seychelles. In addition, our aim is to create a USD 10 million endowment fund to support further development and progress of the University.

Government of Seychelles will give local businesses a **150% tax rebate** on all donations to the Foundation, and for donations in terms of imported goods, trades tax and GST will be waived.

Please visit our website to sign-up for our newsletter, our work and progress.

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