



Royal Academy *of Art and Design*

Graduating Skilled Professionals

— RAAD —

ROYAL ACADEMY OF ART & DESIGN **SKILLS EXTENSION PROJECT** (RAAD-SEP)

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ABOUT RAAD-SEP

RAAD-SEP was started in August 2018, owing to the extensive social economic problems realized within the communities in Jinja and a larger part of the Busoga region. The project is a child born of the Royal Academy of Art and Design to address the problem of unemployment within the region.

A bigger percentage of the youths are unemployed mainly because they dropout of school for varied reasons. They therefore as a result face extreme poverty, illiteracy and unemployment since they lack necessary skills to enable them find or even create the easiest jobs for themselves.

RAAD-SEP is therefore intended to bridge the gap and provide cheaper practical solutions to reduce the increasing school dropout rates and henceforth unemployment among youths in the Busoga region.

Statistics show that in Busoga region, the students' dropout rate is very high. Primary level is 37%, Ordinary Level 19% and Advanced Level is 2%. Parents especially in the rural areas in Uganda cannot be compared with those in urban centers, where needs and service requirements as well as poverty levels are at a very different level. With extremely low incomes for parents in rural areas, delivery of services of essential requirements for example education becomes in itself formidable task as majority of

the parents cannot afford paying for their children all the way to university level for them to attain degrees and diplomas in the varied available professions.

RAAD-SEP MISSION:

To contribute to the improvement of young people's lives through extension of innovative, sustainable and cheaper non formal skills education to the community.

OBJECTIVES:

OVERALL OBJECTIVE:

To empower both in and out of school youths with non formal vocational skills to reduce unemployment, as a way of keeping the youths out of current dangers (such as; HIV/AIDS, Early pregnancy, drug abuse, theft) hence breaking the yoke of vulnerability and enabling them obtain a successful/desirable life as a way of eradicating poverty in Uganda.

SPECIFIC PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

1. To reduce vulnerability and dependency among the young people in the rural communities the project catchment areas.
2. To advocate and mainstream non-formal vocational skills

education with other trainings especially for the school dropouts.

3. To reduce the problem of unemployment among the youths in the region.
4. To provide Counselling and Guidance services to approximately 30-40% youths on psychosocial and economic issues.

COURSES OFFERED:

- Tailoring & Garment Cutting
- Embroidery Making
- Textile Production (Tie & Die & Screen printing)
- Shoe Making
- Leather Training and Leather Products Making
- Carpentry & Wood Work
- Welding and Metal Works
- Jewelry Making
- Handicrafts (Mixed)
- Decorative Quilt Making Training
- Vehicle Mechanics
- Motorcycle Mechanics
- Computer Software Training
- Hardware Maintenance & Trouble Shooting
- Business Management Training
- Electronics & Electrical Device Maintenance
- Hair Dressing and Cosmetology