

THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF CATALOGUING TOWARDS THE PERFORMANCE OF
ACADEMIC LIBRARIES: A CASE STUDY OF MUKOMBE LIBRARY OF KABALE
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ABSTRACT

This study was about the contributions of cataloguing towards the performance in academic libraries: a case study of Mukombe library Kabale University. It was guided by the following objectives: to identify the contributions of cataloguing towards the performance of academic library of Kabale University, to find out the challenges faced the librarians when carrying out cataloguing in academic library of Kabale University, to find out the possible solutions to those challenges faced by librarians when carrying out cataloguing in academic library of Kabale University. The research study was conducted using a case study research design which was both qualitative and quantitative in nature. The study involved 50 respondents from whom data was collected using questionnaire and interviews among other instruments

The findings of the study revealed to the researcher, that there are contributions of cataloguing and they include: cataloguing helps to find list of what exists in the library. Cataloguing helps to facilitated the location of a particular publication in the library. It helps to relate and display to getter the editions which the library has of a given author. It arranges entries of complex material in library under headings of personal authors. Electronic cataloguing helps in book selection in the library and cataloguing helps librarians to save the time while processing the identification entries of automatic retrieval of information in the library. With advanced technology globally computers should be advanced to help the library users to get access to up dated information when they are connected to the internet. Computers and internet also help libraries to keep records involved in various jobs such as ordering, cataloguing, and circulating books. Computer based catalogues called online public catalogues in many libraries.