## Takako Mino's Plans are Bearing Fruit



In November, 2024, Takako Mino passed through Claremont, holding conversations with friends and advisors while switching her focus more to fundraising, now that it is clear that her dream of a liberal arts university in Uganda is on the verge of becoming a reality. Pending government approval, the first class of students of Musizi University will begin in 2025. Takako has created connections for technical assistance with a group of Harvey Mudd students who will visit Uganda Maya Kurkhill, Napier 2024 Fellow, will travel to Uganda to create a debate and professional communication program in Kampala, Uganda, in partnership with Musizi University.

To meet the needs of the students and their country, the university will initially offer degrees in Entrepreneurship and in Coding, each deeply integrating the perspective and understanding of the liberal arts.

It has now been 13 years since Takako received one of the first Napier awards. You can read more about her journey and its impact in a 2021 story, <a href="https://claremont-courier.com/latest-news/claremont-colleges-graduate-to-open-university-in-uganda-46575/">https://claremont-courier.com/latest-news/claremont-colleges-graduate-to-open-university-in-uganda-46575/</a>.