

**INVESTIGATION INTO THE EFFECTS OF DRUG ABUSE ON THE
STUDENTS' ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS
IN SHINOYI ZONE, KAKAMEGA COUNTY.**

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ABSTRACT

An assessment of drug abuse on the student's academic performance in secondary school in Shinoyi Zone Kakamega County was carried out. Academic excellence of young generation has become the concern of all educational stakeholders who include parents, guardians, teachers and government itself.

The objectives of this project were mainly to investigate the effects of drug abuse in academic performance, reasons that influence secondary school students in Shinoyi Zone Kakamega County.

The significance of this study was to help future generation of our society to utilize available resources to curb drug abuse and improve academic performance.

Most of the drug abused by students include; bhang, Tobacco, Alcohol, Cocaine and kuber. They are mainly abused because of the influence of peers, media, family and easy accessibility.

This project was guided by the social functionalism theory and used the descriptive survey design the main research instrument, used were questionnaire items closed – ended and open ended and interviews. It was analysed in percentage form use of graphs histograms and frequency tables. The location of the study was Shinoyi zone, Kakamega County.