

**COMPUTERIZED ACCOUNTING SYSTEMS AND PERFORMANCE OF
SELECTED MICRO FINANCE INSTITUTIONS IN KAMAPALA
DISTRICT, UGANDA**

**A Thesis
Presented to the College of
Higher Degrees and Research
Kampala International University
Kampala, Uganda**

**In Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree
Master of Business Administration
(Accounting & Finance)**

**By:
Nampeera Jesca
MBA/23277/113/DU**

May, 2013

ABSTRACT

This study was set to determine the correlation between computerized accounting systems and performance in selected micro finance institutions of Kampala District. It was guided by three specific objectives, that included determining the i) the level of computerized accounting systems; ii) the level of performance; and iii) the relationship between computerized accounting systems and performance. The study used the *descriptive survey* design specifically and the *descriptive correlational* strategies, cross-sectional and ex post facto to test the relationship between the variables. Two sets of questionnaires were developed and included the different aspects of computerized accounting systems and performance in selected micro finance institutions of Kampala District and an interview guide was also used. A five likert scale measure were adopted to determine the degree of importance of each of the item included in the questionnaire, where (5) points were given to the situation of "strongly agree" and (4) points for the case of "agree", (3) points to the "neither agree nor disagree" and (2) point to "disagree" and (1) strongly disagree. The findings indicated that the level of computerized accounting systems had an overall mean of 3.398 which is interpreted as moderate on a five point likert scale, the level of performance was rated moderate with an overall mean of 3.206 which is also interpreted as moderate on a five likert scale. Also there was a positive and significant relationship between the level of computerized accounting systems and performance in selected micro finance institutions of Kampala District, and this is shown by the sig. value (.000) which was greater than the maximum sig. value of 0.05 considered in social sciences. From the findings therefore, the researcher recommended the following:- i) There is need to uplift the levels of computerized accounting systems in selected micro finance institutions since it was found to be moderate ii) the employees should be effectively and efficiently equipped with knowledge on how to use computerized accounting systems hence improving on how the information system flows, accounting packages and accounting principles in selected financial institutions iii) the level of performance in selected financial institutions since it was found to be generally moderate iv) in order to improve on computerized accounting systems, institutions should use assorted software in recording transactions and it must use software to prepare financial reports and v) there is need to improve on the efficiency for the firm to be able to meet its short term obligation with some difficult since it was found to be generally moderate.