

## FG'S STEM Advocacy Sparks Fresh Interest

The President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, Federal Republic of Nigeria, Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR, has underscored the importance of tailoring the educational system and academic curricula towards Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). He made this known while on official visit to Niamey, Niger Republic, recently.

The President said STEM remained the shortest way toward producing the next generation of managers of an industrialised Africa who would not depend on expatriates.

President Buhari's statement at the Africa Union Summit on Industrialisation and Economic Diversification in Africa has been generating reactions among educationists and other stakeholders in Nigeria's education sector. Recall that the federal government launched the National Policy on Science and Technology Education in 2020,

some educationists expressed concern that the effort has not really helped in the penetration of STEM in schools.

According to the Chairman of

had been behind and needed to move faster to meet up with global innovations.

Mr. Mamu, who had been at the forefront of STEM advocacy in



Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR  
President, Federal Republic of Nigeria

STEM Child Care Abuja, Mamu A. Muhammed, the President's speech was long overdue, adding that Nigeria

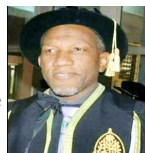
Nigeria, added that critical thinking ability of learners would improve with STEM, unlike conventional teaching

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approaches. “It is about time Nigeria embraces STEM because that is the future. Without STEM, our economy would not grow up to global standards,” he said.

He further advocated for the adoption of STEM in educational curricula, stressing that tailoring the country’s curricula towards STEM would yield massive transformation in the area of industrial automation from now to 2030, or the country risked being left out.

He stressed that “soon, self-driving cars will take over our roads. E-commerce is shrinking the size of physical stores. Even the physical stores, most of their jobs will be taken by shelf-stacking robots. Some restaurants have achieved 100 per cent. Manufacturing industries are not left out.”

According to him, “what this shows is that there will be skills gap. If education is not able to guarantee the future of graduates, then that education is deficient. We must change to a curriculum that’ll ensure that graduates are trained in the relevant skills of the future,” he added.

Making his contribution, the Director General, the National Mathematical Centre (NMC), Professor Promise Mebine, said that the government had advanced STEM education in Nigeria, noting that there should be adequate funding for education generally before there would be funds for Science, Technology,

Engineering and Mathematics. He observed that “until education is sufficiently funded we cannot talk about educational managers and governments funding Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.”

Professor Mebine explained that agencies of government

be no provision of STEM equipment to improve teaching, learning and research in these areas, saying that despite the challenges, the Centre had kept to its mandate of improving the teaching and learning of mathematics and the mathematical sciences which were the basis for STEM.



Professor Promise Mebine  
Director General, (NMC)

responsible for promoting STEM were sometimes the most impoverished and financially starved, noting that school owners were doing their best to complement the efforts of government as most of them ensured their learners participated in Science Technology, Engineering and Mathematics competitions.

He reiterated that without adequate funding, there would

“The Centre has been promoting the teaching, learning and research in mathematics and the mathematical sciences through the organization of foundation post-graduate courses, research-oriented courses, training and retraining of mathematics and science teachers and lecturers in the school system – primary, secondary and post-secondary institutions,” he said.



## UNIJOSS Secures ASR Africa Initiative N250m Grant

University of Jos (UNIJOSS) has secured a N250 million grant from the Abdul Samad Rabiun Africa (ASR Africa) Initiative, under the Africa Tertiary Education Grants Scheme. The scheme is part of ASR Africa's intervention towards undertaking infrastructure projects in universities and institutions of higher learning across Nigeria.

Presenting the grant documents to the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Jos, Professor Tanko Ishaya, in Abuja, the Managing Director of ASR Africa, Dr. Ubong Udoh, said that the University was one of the 30 beneficiary institutions in Nigeria that were chosen based on carefully selected criteria.

According to Udoh, the criteria included the institution's ranking and visibility as well as the vision of its leadership. He praised the leadership qualities of the Vice-Chancellor, whom he said, has injected a greater sense of synergy and enterprise since assuming leadership in the institution.

The Managing Director explained that the Chairman of ASR Africa and the BUA Group, Alhaji Abdul Samad Rabiun, considered education pivotal to national development, which was why he was investing over N7 billion to reinvigorate the sector. He added that other areas of

intervention that formed the core mandate of ASR Africa were health and social development, and disclosed that the next phase of the scheme's implementation process was project selection as well as the developing of mutual accountability

grant to develop its sports facilities, thus keying into the Federal Government's new policy focus for sports to be operated as a business enterprise rather than solely for recreation.

In his remarks, a multilateral coordination specialist, ASR



Professor Tanko Ishaya displaying the award letter for the grant, presented by the Managing Director of ASR Africa, Dr. Ubong Udoh

frameworks with the respective institutions.

Dr. Udoh stressed that the grant was not a cash award to the institutions but consisted of funding for any infrastructural project in the University worth N250 million, which would be completed and put into full functionality within three months of commencement.

The ASR Africa representative praised UNIJOSS for what he described as its bold and futuristic proposal to use the

Africa, Mr. Nakama Keri, disclosed that the organization collaborated with partners who provided specialized services, including laboratory equipment that would be made available to the University. He confirmed that efforts were also being intensified to secure funding intervention for sponsoring academics to acquire Master's and PhDs, in addition to creating a programme for funding academic research activities.

Receiving the grant documents, Professor Ishaya said that

UNIJOS had a lot of needs because of its infrastructural deficits but the management decided to prioritize the development of sports facilities due to the upcoming National Universities Games Association

University into a sports hub in Nigeria.

Professor Ishaya observed that the unique weather and scenic beauty of Jos were conducive for organizing international

Data Analysis, among others, for both staff and students.

The Vice-Chancellor added that although the university planned to build an ultramodern sports



Professor Tanko Ishaya and Dr. Ubong Udoh in a group photograph at the presentation of the award winning/grant letter

(NUGA) sports festival, to be hosted by the University in 2024.

The Vice-Chancellor pledged that, in keeping faith with the bold declaration that the university would host the best ever NUGA Sports Festival in the games' history, UNIJOS had aggressively commenced preparations by entering into partnerships with a wide range of public-spirited organizations and institutions to develop its sports facilities and infrastructure.

He added that the essence of hosting the NUGA Sports Festival in UNIJOS was not just as a jamboree but, also as part of the strategies to turn the

sports competitions, which was why the university signed a memorandum of understanding with the International Sports University in South Korea to develop a comprehensive sports programme to harness the talents that abound across the country in the various fields of sports.

He stated that UNJIOS had already designed a sports curriculum that would be jointly implemented by the two universities, with a provision for exchange programmes and capacity-building initiatives in Sports Medicine, Sports Marketing, Sports Journalism, Sports Psychology, and Sports

complex ahead of the NUGA Sports Festival, the funding being sought from ASR Africa was to enable the university to develop outdoor and indoor courts to host games such as basketball, table tennis, volleyball, Lawn Tennis as well as an Olympic Size Swimming Pool.

He appreciated ASR Africa and its Chairman, Abdul Samad Rabi'u for identifying with the University and assured that UNIJOS has a sustainable plan in place that would make every kobo invested in the project worthwhile, mutually beneficial, and socially impactful.



## ABU to Manufacture Made-in-Nigeria Water-Fuelled Car

The Dean, Faculty of Engineering, Ahmadu Bello University Zaria, Professor Ibrahim Dabo, has said that the University is working to develop a made-in-Nigeria car that would use water.

The Dean made this known last week in Zaria while speaking with the News Agency of Nigeria, on the commemoration of the 2023 World Engineering Day for sustainable development.

Professor Dabo said, there were several breakthroughs in ABU including the recent development of an electric car and a shell eco-marathon car. He added that the faculty was working on the development of a car that would be running with water.

“The Shell eco-marathon car that was developed by the university had a capacity to cover over 100 kilometres with a litre of fuel,” he said. According to him, the Shell eco-marathon car had been taken to South Africa where it performed excellently, stressing that the university was working to improve on its fuel efficiency.

“The concept for the Shell eco-marathon car was a small car that takes a maximum of two people for a racing competition, not for mass transit,” he said. He added that the electric car that was developed was also a small car that takes a maximum of four people.

The Dean however, noted that the closure of Nigerian universities for 2023 general elections made the commemoration of the event low keyed at ABU. He described the theme of the

the academia and industries.

He lamented that most of the industries around institutions were closed, few functional ones import skills and essential raw materials, resulting into parallel



Professor Kabir Bala  
Vice-Chancellor, ABU, Zaria

event, ‘Engineering innovations for more resilient world’, as topical, apt and timely.

Professor Dabo therefore, called on the government to encourage outcome based education across tertiary institutions to boost and strengthen the quality and skills of engineers produced in Nigeria. He also appealed for improved collaboration between

position between the academia and industries.

It would be recalled that the World Engineering Day for Sustainable Development was proclaimed by UNESCO at its 40th General Conference in 2019. The day was celebrated worldwide on March 4 of each year since 2020 as a UNESCO international day of celebration of engineers and engineering.

# UNILAG Dons Win World Lung Health, Fellowship Awards

**A** pulmonologist and associate professor at the College of Medicine, University of Lagos (CMUL), Dr Uju Ozoh has won the World Lung Health award.

The celebrant was billed to receive the award at the opening ceremony of the American Thoracic Society (ATS) 2023 international conference, scheduled to hold from 19 to 24 May at the Walter E. Washington Convention Centre, Washington DC, United States of America.

Ozoh's areas of research interest include airway diseases, pulmonary complications of respiratory exposures and chronic medical conditions, tobacco epidemiology and obstructive sleep apnea.

The World Lung Health Award recognises the contributions of accomplished professionals like Ozoh to improving world lung health in the area of transnational or implementation research, delivery of healthcare, continuing education or care of patients with lung disease, or related political advocacy with a special emphasis on efforts that have the potential to eliminate gender, racial, ethnic, or economic health disparities worldwide.

Also, Dr Isiaka Ayobi Raheem

of the Department of Physics won the Texas Tech University (TTU) Dean's Executive Fellowship Doctoral Programme award. The programme issued by the Department of Curriculum

would be scholars with a focus on education and educational research that is interdisciplinary, comparative, convergent, transdisciplinary, transnational and transformative.



Professor Folasade Ogunsola  
Vice-Chancellor, UNILAG

and Instruction, College of Education, Texas Tech University (TTU), is a fellowship package which involves those in STEM education, graduate recruitment fellowship, research, teaching and assistantships.

The cohorts of the 2023 Fall

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof Folasade Ogunsola, who expressed delight about these feats, congratulated Ozoh and Raheem, saying the awards were well-deserved recognition. She wished them continued success in their careers.



## Nigerian British University Appoints Pioneer VC

**T**he Nigerian British University, Asa, Abia State, has appointed a former Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academics) of the University of Port Harcourt, Professor Hakeem Fawehinmi, as its pioneer Vice-Chancellor.

The appointment of Professor Fawehinmi, is for a period of five years and would take effect from April 3, 2023.

In a letter dated February 16 and signed by the Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Governing Council of the Nigerian British University, Dr Chukwuemeka Umeoji, welcomed the new Vice-Chancellor to its management team.

Dr. Umeoji said that the Nigerian British University is a private conventional university poised to develop global competitiveness by employing technological innovation to ensure practical and relevant academic experiences. He added that the institution was officially commissioned on Friday, February 17, 2023 by the Governor of Abia State, Dr. Okezie Ikpeazu.

The Pioneer Vice-Chancellor, a Professor of Clinical Anatomy

and Biomedical Anthropology at UNIPORT is well rooted in the finest academic traditions and has wealth of experience in institutional administration, having been Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academics) between 2016 and 2020.

Secretary-General and member of the National Executive Council of the Nigerian Medical Association (Rivers State) from 1999 to 2000.

He was the Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Anatomical Sciences and President of the



Professor Hakeem Fawehinmi  
The pioneer Vice-Chancellor, Nigerian British University

Professor Fawehinmi who was recently cited in the 2021 Africa Scientist Rankings by the Alper – Doger Scientific Index, had been an active member of national and international professional associations and had served as

Society of Experimental and Clinical Anatomists of Nigeria (2014-2016).

Fawehinmi has over 80 articles in reputable peer-reviewed mostly indexed journals.

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### MINISTERIAL DIRECTIVE ON THE CLOSURE OF ALL UNIVERSITIES AND INTER UNIVERSITY CENTRES DURING THE UPCOMING 2023 GENERAL ELECTIONS

As Vice-Chancellors of all Universities and Directors/Chief Executive of Inter University Centres are quite aware, the 2023 General Elections have been scheduled to hold on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2023, for the Presidential and National Assembly, and Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2023 for Gubernatorial and State Assembly, respectively. In view of the foregoing and concerns expressed on the security of staff, students and properties of our respective institutions, the Honourable Minister of Education, Mal. Adamu Adamu has following extensive consultations with the relevant security agencies, directed that all Universities and Inter University Centres be shut down and academic activities be suspended between 22<sup>nd</sup> February and 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2023.

Consequently, Vice-Chancellors, as well as Directors/Chief Executives of inter-university centres, are by this Circular requested to shut down their respective Institutions from Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023 to Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Please, accept the renewed assurances of the Executive Secretary's highest regards for your understanding and unwavering cooperation.

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The Association of African Universities (AAU) wishes to inform the public that the only organization approved to represent her in the United States of America, is the North America Office of the Association of African Universities (NAMO)

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Necessary legal actions are being initiated to terminate the illegal incorporation of the 'AAU\_NA'. In addition, the Directors and the Board Members of the AAU-NA do not represent the interests of the Association of African Universities and no approval has been given to them to act on behalf of the Association of African Universities.

The Association of African Universities will continue to be committed to its Regional Offices program through its North America Office (NAMO) in North America, the North Africa Office (NARO) and the East Africa Regional Office (EARO)

Yours in the service of higher education in Africa

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## NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

# Approved Open University and Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria

The National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN), which has 72 study/resource centres nationwide, is currently the only approved open university in the Nigerian University System (NUS).

List of approved Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria, Seventeen Universities in the NUS, currently have the approval of the National Universities Commission to operate distance learning centres as follows:

1. Distance Learning Centre, University of Ibadan.
2. University of Lagos, Distance Learning Institute.
3. University of Abuja, Centre for Distance Learning and Continuing Education.
4. University of Maiduguri, Centre for Distance Learning.
5. Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Centre for Distance Learning.
6. Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola, Centre for Distance Learning.
7. Ladoke Akintola University of Technology Open and Distance Learning Centre.
8. Distance learning Centre, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria.
9. Lagos State University Open and Distance Learning and Research Institute.
10. Joseph Ayo Babalola University Centre for Distance Learning.
11. University of Nigeria, Nsukka Centre for Distance and e-Learning.
12. Federal University of Technology Minna, Centre for Open Distance and e-Learning.
13. Babcock University Ilisan-Remo, Centre for Open Distance and e-Learning.
14. University of Ilorin, Centre for Open and Distance Learning.
15. Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti - Open and Distance Learning Centre.
16. Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye, Open and Distance Learning Centre.
17. Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Porthacourt, Institute of Distance Education..

## Fourteen-Step Process for the Establishment of Private Universities in Nigeria

The National Universities Commission (NUC), wishes to announce to the general public, especially prospective promoters of private universities, the fourteen-step procedure for establishing private universities in Nigeria.

1. Application in writing stating the intent for the establishment of the university
2. Interview of prospective proprietors
3. Collection of application forms
4. Submission of application forms and relevant documents
5. Intensive review/analysis of documents by experts in relevant NUC departments
6. Revision of documents by proprietors, based on report of the Directorate of Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU).

7. Interactive meeting of DEPU with the proposed university
8. First site assessment visit
9. Finalisation of document
10. Second (final) site assessment visit
11. Security screening of proprietors and Board of Trustees
12. Approval by NUC Management
13. Approval by NUC Board
14. Approval by FEC

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# LIST OF APPROVED UNIVERSITIES IN NIGERIA

## FEDERAL UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	University of Ibadan, Ibadan	1948	18	Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna	1985	35	Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2011
2	University of Nigeria, Nsukka	1960	19	University of Abuja, Abuja	1988	36	Federal University, Otuoke, Bayelsa	2011
3	Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife	1962	20	Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi	1988	37	The Nigeria Police Academy, Wudil, Kano State	2012
4	Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria	1962	21	Joseph Sarwuan Tarka University, Makurdi, Benue State	1988	38	Federal University, Birnin-Kebbi, Kebbi	2013
5	University of Lagos, Lagos	1962	22	Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta	1988	39	Federal University, Gusau, Zamfara	2013
6	University of Benin, Benin City	1970	23	University of Uyo, Uyo	1991	40	Federal University, Gashua, Yobe	2013
7	Bayero University, Kano	1975	24	Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka	1992	41	Nigeria Maritime University Okerenkoko, Delta State	2018
8	University of Calabar, Calabar	1975	25	Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike	1992	42	Air Force Institute of Technology, Kaduna	2018
9	University of Ilorin, Ilorin	1975	26	National Open University of Nigeria, Lagos	2002	43	Nigerian Army University, Biu	2018
10	University of Jos, Jos	1975	27	Fed. Univ. of Petroleum Resources, Effurun	2007	44	Federal University of Health Sciences, Otukpo, Benue State	2020
11	University of Maiduguri, Maiduguri	1975	28	Federal University, Lokoja, Kogi State	2011	45	Federal University of Agriculture, Zuru, Kebbi State	2020
12	Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto	1975	29	Federal University, Lafia, Nasarawa State	2011	46	Federal University of Technology, Babura, Jigawa State	2021
13	University of Port-Harcourt, Port-Harcourt	1975	30	Federal University, Kashere, Gombe State	2011	47	Federal University of Technology Ikot Abasi, Akwa Ibom State	2021
14	Federal University of Technology, Owerri	1980	31	Federal University, Wukari, Taraba State	2011	48	Federal University of Health Sciences, Azare, Bauchi State	2021
15	Federal University of Technology, Akure	1981	32	Federal University, Dutsin-Ma, Katsina State	2011	49	Federal University of Health Sciences, Ila Orangun, Osun State	2021
16	Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola	1981	33	Federal University, Dutse, Jigawa State	2011	50	King David Umahi University of Medical Sciences, Uburu, Ebonyi State	2022
17	Federal University of Technology, Minna	1982	34	Alex Ekwueme University, Ndufu Alike, Ebonyi State	2011			

## STATE UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	Rivers State University of Science & Technology, Port Harcourt	1979	21	Kaduna State University, Kaduna	2004	41	Edo University, Iyamho	2016
2	Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma	1980	22	Cross River University of Technology, Calabar	2004	42	Kingsley Ozumba (K.O) Mbadiwe University, Imo State	2016
3	Abia State University, Uturu	1981	23	Plateau State University, Boko	2005	43	University of Africa, Toru-Orua	2016
4	Enugu State University of Science & Tech, Enugu	1982	24	Olusegun Agagu University of Science and Technology, Okitipupa, Ondo State	2008	44	Borno State University	2016
5	Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye	1982	25	Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai, Niger State	2005	45	Moshood Abiola University of Science and Technology, Abeokuta	2017
6	Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti. (formerly University of Ado-Ekiti)	1982	26	Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun	2005	46	Gombe State University of Science and Technology, Kumo	2017
7	Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos	1983	27	Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina	2006	47	Zamfara State University, Talata-Mafara	2018
8	Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomosho	1990	28	Yobe State University Damaturu, Yobe State	2006	48	Bayelsa Medical University Yenagoa, Bayelsa State	2019
9	Imo State University, Owerri	1992	29	Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Alkaleri	2006	49	University of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences, Umuagwo, Imo State	2019
10	Benue State University, Makurdi	1992	30	Osun State University, Osogbo	2006	50	Bamidele Olumula University of Education Science and Technology, Ikere - Ekiti State	2020
11	Delta State University, Abraka	1992	31	Taraba State University, Jalingo	2008	51	Confluence University of Science and Technology Osara, Kogi State	2020
12	Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba - Akoko	1999	32	Kwara State University, Ilorin	2009	52	University of Delta, Agbor, Delta State	2021
13	Kogi State University, Anyigba	1999	33	Sokoto State University, Sokoto	2009	53	University of Science and Technology, Ozo, Delta State	2021
14	Niger-Delta University, Yenagoa	2000	34	Akwa Ibom State University, Ikot Ikpaden	2010	54	Dennis Osadebay University, Asaba, Delta State	2021
15	Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University, Uli	2000	35	Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rumuolumeni	2010	55	Lagos University of Education, LASUED, Ijanikin, Lagos State	2022
16	Aliko Dangote University of Science & Technology, Wudil	2000	36	Bauchi State University, Gadau	2011	56	Lagos University of Science and Technology, Ikorodu, Lagos State	2022
17	Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki	2000	37	Maitama Sule University, Kano	2012	57	Shehu Shagari University of Education, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022
18	Nasarawa State University, Keffi	2002	38	Technical University, Ibadan	2012	58	Enugu State University of Medical and Applied Sciences, Igbo-Eno, Enugu State	2022
19	Adamawa State University, Mubi	2002	39	Sule Lamido University, Kafin Hausa	2013	59	University of Illes, Osun State	2022
20	Gombe State University, Gombe	2004	40	Ondo State University of Medical Sciences	2015	60	Emmanuel Alayande University of Education, Oyo, Oyo State	2022
						61	Sa'adatu Rimi University of Education, Kumbotso, Kano, Kano State	2023



# PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	Babcock University, Ilishan-Remo, Ogun State	1999	38	Paul University, Awka, Anambra State	2009	76	Greenfield University, Kasarami-Kaduna, Kaduna State	2019
2	Madonna University, Okija, Anambra State	1999	39	Rhema University, Obeama-Asa, Rivers State	2009	77	Dominion University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2019
3	Igbinedion University, Okada, Edo State	1999	40	Wellspring University, Evbuobanosa, Edo State	2009	78	Trinity University, Laloko, Ogun State	2019
4	Bowen University, Iwo, Ogun State	2001	41	Adeleke University, Ede, Osun State	2011	79	Westland University, Iwo, Osun State	2019
5	Benson Idahosa University, Benin City, Edo State	2002	42	Baze University, FCT Abuja	2011	80	Topfaith University, Mkpatak, Akwa-Ibom State	2021
6	Covenant University, Otta, Ogun State	2002	43	Landmark University Omu-Aran., Kwara State	2011	81	Thomas Adewumi University, Oko-Irese, Kwara State	2021
7	Pan-Atlantic University, Lekki-Express Way, Lagos State	2002	44	Glorious Vision University (formerly Samuel Adegboye University), Ogun State	2011	82	Maranatha University, Lekki, Lagos State	2021
8	American University of Nigeria, Yola, Adamawa State	2003	45	Mepheron University, Seriki Sotayo, Ajebo, State	2012	83	Ave-Maria University, Piyanko, Nasarawa State	2021
9	Ajayi Crowther University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2005	46	Elizade University, Ilara-Mokin, Ondo State	2012	84	AL-Istiqama University, Sumaila, Kano State	2021
10	Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin, Kwara State	2005	47	Southwestern University Oku Owa, Ogun State	2012	85	Mudiame University, Irrua, Edo State	2021
11	Al-Qalam University, Katsina, Katsina State	2005	48	Evangel University, Akaeze, Ebonyi State	2012	86	Havilla University, Nde-Ikom, Cross River State	2021
12	Bells University of Technology, Otta, Ogun State	2005	49	Gregory University, Uturu, Abia State	2012	87	Claretian University of Nigeria, Nekede, Imo State	2021
13	Bingham University, New-Karu, Nasarawa State	2005	50	Augustine University, Ilara, Lagos State	2015	88	Karl-Kumm University, Vom, Plateau State	2021
14	Caritas University, Enugu, Enugu State	2005	51	Chrisland University, Owode, Ogun State	2015	89	Nok University, Kachia, Kaduna State	2021
15	Crawford University, Igbesa, Ogun State	2005	52	Christopher University, Mowe, Ogun State	2015	90	James Hope University, Lekki, Lagos State	2021
16	Crescent University, Abeokuta, Ogun State	2005	53	Hallmark University, Ijebu-Itele, Ogun State	2015	91	Maryam Abacha American University of Nigeria, Kano, Kano State	2021
17	Lead City University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2005	54	Kings University Ode-Omu, Osun State	2015	92	Capital City University, Kano, Kano State	2021
18	Kwararafa University, Wukari, Taraba State	2005	55	Michael & Cecilia Ibru University, Owhode, Delta State	2015	93	Ahman Pategi University, Patigi, Kwara State	2021
19	Redeemer's University, Mowe, Ogun State	2005	56	Mountain Top University, Makogi/Oba, Ogun State	2015	94	University of Offa, Offa, Kwara State	2021
20	Renaissance University, Enugu, Enugu State	2005	57	Ritman University, Ikot Ekpene, Akwalbom State	2015	95	Mewar University, Masaka, Nasarawa State	2021
21	University of Mkar, Mkar, Benue State	2005	58	Summit University, Offa, Kwara State	2015	96	Edusoko University, Bida, Niger State	2021
22	Novena University, Ogume, Delta State	2005	59	Edwin Clerk University, Kiagbodo, Delta State	2015	97	Philomath University, Kuje, Abuja	2021
23	Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State	2006	60	Hezekiah University, Umudi, Imo State	2015	98	Khadija University, Majia, Jigawa State	2021
24	Veritas University, Abuja, FCT 2006	2006	61	Anchor University Ayobo, Lagos State	2015	99	ANAN University, Kwall, Plateau State	2021
25	Achievers University, Owo, Ondo State	2007	62	Arthur Jarvis University Akpabuyo, Cross River State	2016	100	Pen Resource University, Gombe, Gombe State	2022
26	African University of Science & Technology, Abuja, FCT	2007	63	Clifford University, Owerinta, Abia State	2016	101	Al-Ansar University, Maiduguri, Borno State	2022
27	Caleb University, Imota, Lagos State	2007	64	Coal City University Enugu, Enugu State	2016	102	Margaret Lawrence University, Galilee, Delta State	2022
28	Fountain University, Oshogbo, Osun State	2007	65	Crown-Hill University Eiyenkorin, Kwara State	2016	103	Khalifa Isiyaku Rabi University, Gadon Kaya City Gate Kano, Kano State	2022
29	Obong University. Obong Ntak, Akwa Ibom State	2007	66	Dominican University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016	104	Sports University, Idumuje, Ugboko, Delta State	2022
30	Tansian University, Umunya, Anambra State	2007	67	Kola Daisi University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016	105	Baba-Ahmed University, Kano, Kano State, Kano, Kano State	2022
31	Wesley University of Science & Technology, Ondo State	2007	68	Legacy University, Okija, Anambra State	2016	106	Saisa University Of Medical Sciences And Technology, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022
32	Western Delta University, Oghara, Delta State	2007	69	Admiralty University, Ibusa, Delta State	2017	107	Nigerian British University, Asa, Abia State	2022
33	Salem University, Lokoja, Kogi State	2007	70	Spiritan University, Nneochi, Abia State	2017	108	Peter University, Achina-Onneh, Anambra Stat	2022
34	Afe Babalola University Ado-Ekiti - Ekiti State	2007	71	Precious Cornerstone, Ibadan, Oyo State	2017	109	Newgate University, Minna, Niger State	2022
35	Godfrey Okoye University, Ugwuomu-Nike, Enugu State	2007	72	PAMO University of Medical Sciences, Port-Harcourt, Rivers State	2017	110	European University of Nigeria, Duboyi, Abuja, FCT	2022
36	Nigerian-Turkish Nile University, FCT Abuja	2009	73	Atiba University, Oyo, Oyo State	2017	111	Northwest University, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022
37	Oduduwa University, Ipetumodu - Osun State	2009	74	Eko University of Medical Sciences, Ijanikin, Lagos	2017			
			75	Skyline University, Nigeria, Kano, Kano State	2018			





## NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

### *PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT*

### List of Illegal Universities Closed Down by NUC

The National Universities Commission (NUC) wishes to announce to the general public, especially parents and prospective undergraduates, that the under-listed “Degree Mills” have not been licensed by the Federal Government and have, therefore, been closed down for violating the Education (National Minimum Standards etc.) Act CAP E3 Law of the Federation of Nigeria 2004. The “Universities” are:

- 1) University of Accountancy and Management Studies, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 2) Christians of Charity American University of Science & Technology, Nkpor, Anambra State or any of its other campuses
- 3) University of Industry, Yaba, Lagos or any of its other campuses
- 4) University of Applied Sciences & Management, Port Novo, Republic of Benin or any of its other campuses in Nigeria
- 5) Blacksmith University, Awka or any of its other campuses
- 6) Volta University College, Ho, Volta Region, Ghana or any of its other campuses in Nigeria
- 7) Royal University Izhia, P.O. Box 800, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State or any of its other campuses
- 8) Atlanta University, Anyigba, Kogi State or any of its other campuses
- 9) United Christian University, Macotis Campus, Imo State or any of its other campuses.
- 10) United Nigeria University College, Okija, Anambra State or any of its other campuses.
- 11) Samuel Ahmadu University, Makurdi, Benue State or any of its other campuses.
- 12) UNESCO University, Ndoni, Rivers State or any of its other campuses.
- 13) Saint Augustine’s University of Technology, Jos, Plateau State or any of its other campuses
- 14) The International University, Missouri, USA, Kano and Lagos Study Centres, or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 15) Collumbus University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 16) Tiu International University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 17) Pebbles University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 18) London External Studies UK operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 19) Pilgrims University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 20) Lobi Business School Makurdi, Benue State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 21) West African Christian University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 22) Bolta University College Aba or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 23) JBC Seminary Inc. (Wukari Jubilee University) Kaduna Illegal Campus
- 24) Westlan University, Esie, Kwara State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 25) St. Andrews University College, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 26) EC-Council University, USA, Ikeja Lagos Study Centre.
- 27) Atlas University, Ikot Udoso Uko, Uyo Akwa Ibom State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 28) Concept College/Universities (London) Ilorin or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 29) Halifax Gateway University, Ikeja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 30) Kingdom of Christ University, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 31) Acada University, Akinlalu, Oyo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 32) Fifom University, Mbaise, Imo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 33) Houdegbe North American University campuses in Nigeria.
- 34) Atlantic Intercontinental University, Okija, Anambra State
- 35) Open International University, Akure
- 36) Middle Belt University (North Central University), Otukpo
- 37) Leadway University, Ughelli, Delta State

- 38) Metro University, Dutse/Bwari, Abuja
- 39) Southend University, Ngwuro Egeru (Afam) Ndoki, Rivers State
- 40) Olympic University, Nsukka, Enugu State
- 41) Federal College of Complementary and Alternative Medicine, Abuja.
- 42) Temple University, Abuja
- 43) Irish University Business School London, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 44) National University of Technology, Lafia, Nasarawa State.
- 45) University of Accountancy and Management Studies, Mowe, Lagos - Ibadan Expressway and its Annex at 41, Ikorodu Road, Lagos.
- 46) University of Education, Winneba Ghana, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 47) Cape Coast University, Ghana, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 48) African University Cooperative Development (AUCD), Cotonou, Benin Republic, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 49) Pacific Western University, Denver, Colorado, Owerri Study Centre.
- 50) Evangel University of America & Chudick Management Academic, Lagos
- 51) Enugu State University of Science and Technology (Gboko Campus)
- 52) Career Light Resources Centre, Jos
- 53) University of West Africa, Kwali-Abuja, FCT
- 54) Coastal University, Iba-Oku, Akwa-Ibom State
- 55) Kaduna Business School, Kaduna
- 56) Royal University of Theology, Minna, Niger State
- 57) West African Union University, in Collaboration with International Professional College of Administration, Science and Technology Nigeria, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 58) Gospel Missionary Foundation (GMF), Theological University. 165 Iselo road, Cele bus stop, Egbe-Ikotun, Lagos.

In addition to the closure, the following Degree Mills are currently undergoing further investigations and/or ongoing court actions. The purpose of these actions is to prosecute the proprietors and recover illegal fees and charges on subscribers.

- 1) National University of Nigeria, Keffi, Nasarawa State
- 2) North Central University, Otukpo, Benue State
- 3) Christ Alive Christian Seminary and University, Enugu
- 4) Richmond Open University, Arochukwu, Abia State.
- 5) West Coast University, Umuahia.
- 6) Saint Clements University, Iyin Ekiti, Ekiti State
- 7) Volta University College, Aba, Abia State.
- 8) Illegal Satellite Campuses of Ambrose Alli University.
- 9) L.I.F.E Leadership University, Benin City, Edo State.

For the avoidance of doubt, anybody who patronises or obtains any certificate from any of these illegal institutions does so at his or her own risk. Certificates obtained from these sources will not be recognised for the purposes of NYSC, employment, and further studies.

The relevant Law enforcement agencies have also been informed for their further necessary action.

*\* This list of illegal institutions is not exhaustive.*

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# This Week's Birthdays



NAMES			DATE OF BIRTH
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PHILIP	DANGA	SADIQ	14 March
ABDULAZEEZ		ATIKU	15 March
AZU	FRANCIS	EMEKA	15 March
YAKUBU	SULEIMAN	ADAMU	15 March
ABDULAH	MALIKE	ALIYU	15 March
AGBISI	GLORIA	IZIREN	16 March
JOHN	OLUBUKOLA	JAYEOLA	19 March
HADIZA	CHEDO	DANLAMI	19 March

*Wishing You Many happy returns!*

*Best Wishes for the week*



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Respect.*

*Courtesy: Directorate of Human Resources*

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