

Focus More On Research, ICT

— PMB at FUD Convocation

President Muhammadu Buhari GCFR has said that with global economies becoming profoundly knowledge-driven, Nigerian Universities need to be more research oriented, ICT-based and compliant. He stressed that such proper research orientation would impact directly on the quality of Nigerian graduates and nation's development index.

In the Visitor's address at the 5th convocation ceremony of Federal University Dutse (FUD) recently, the President, who was represented by the Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, MFR, FNAL, noted that it was imperative to embrace technological knowledge in order to take the nation to its zenith.

He pledged that government would continue to invest heavily

in the nation's universities by directing bodies such as the Tertiary Education Trust Fund

On the efforts of FUD since its establishment, the President stated that his administration was impressed by the



Muhammadu Buhari
President, Federal Republic of Nigeria

(TETFund) to do more in terms of research promotion and building ICT infrastructure in tertiary institutions.

university's ability to sustain and maintain a very stable and enviable academic environment since its inauguration in 2012.

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He urged the university management to remain resolute in promoting and maintaining excellence.

The Visitor applauded the commitment and achievements of the university, especially with the commissioning of several TETFund financed projects.

He express his delight that the University's College of Medicine and Health Sciences Complex had come on board, stressing that these were indications that the University management had effectively keyed into government's desire to improve the capacity of the nation's health sector through effectual training and development of the health manpower.

He assured that the Federal Government would continue to support and emphasize the training and re-training of academic and non-academic staff; ensure the periodic review of school curriculum in line with national aspirations; promote entrepreneurial learning and entrepreneurship as essential ingredients for Nigeria's economic growth and development.

The President said that Government was focused on curbing unemployment and had initiated a number of entrepreneurship support programmes at all levels and in

all sectors of the federation. He urged the young graduands to take advantage of such opportunities by managing them well when enrolled and with a view to becoming genuine creators of wealth.

He emphasised that the task of rebuilding the country was a collective responsibility and challenged out as stakeholders to know that they had a key role to play.



Prof. Abubakar A. Rasheed
Representative of the Visitor delivering his address

President Buhari congratulated the graduands for successfully completing their studies. He called on them to realise that Nigeria had gone through a myriad of conflicts and economic challenges which required that youths with the natural advantage of energy and technological flair should be in the forefront of reserving these challenges.

Some of these challenges he mentioned include the scourge of hunger, diseases, terrorism and climate change.

In his speech, the Pro-chancellor and Chairman of Council, Alhaji Ibrahim Akuyam said that the University had recorded admirable milestones. According to him, these achievements were reflected in the conduct of the students, the quality and relevance of programmes, quality and discipline of both academic and non-teaching staff, international linkages and collaborations and improvement of infrastructural faculties.

Despite these achievements, he disclosed that the university was facing challenges in providing of quality student accommodation and addressing scarcity of lecture halls and classrooms. He noted that with the envisaged expansion of programmes and a subsequent growth in student population, the situation had become more of an urgent priority project requiring attention. Alhaji Akuyam expressed the hope that the graduands would be excellent ambassadors of the institution wherever they might find themselves.

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Fatima Batul Mukhtar, in her convocation address said the nation as a whole was facing



new educational and socio-economic challenges characterized by competing demand for resources. She

Chancellor disclosed that a total of 785 undergraduate students from various faculties were graduated with varying classes of

Out of the 52 with first class honours degree, 15 were in Biotechnology, 14 from Microbiology, 6 from Computer Science, 1 in Forestry and Wildlife Management, 1 each in Criminology/Security Studies and Economics.



Cross section of Traditional Rulers

A total of 162 graduands were also awarded postgraduate diplomas and degrees in Agriculture and Rural Development, Criminology, Banking, Finance and Computer Science.

A major highlight of the convocation was a lecture titled "Facing the New Decade" which preceded the award ceremony delivered by the Vice-President, Federal Republic of Nigeria, Professor Yemi Osinbajo, SAN, GCON.

commended the founding Vice-Chancellor, Professor Suleiman Amin for his vision in laying an excellent foundation for the institution.

degrees in 19 different programmes. Out of these 52 had first class, 291 2nd class upper

She stressed that the university had succeeded in establishing, and consolidating programmes in Agriculture and the Sciences prioritising Science programmes over the Art and Humanities. She added that efforts towards digitalization and the provision of sufficient ICT infrastructure for both staff and students had brightened the university's path towards formidable research and scholarship.

On the graduate output, the Vice-



Procession

division, 105 with third class degree and 105 with pass degree.

Present at the convocation were State Governors of Jigawa,



Kano and Sokoto, representatives of other Governors mostly from the North, members of the

National Assembly, Honourable Ministers, Accountant General of the Federation, Auditor

General of the Federation, Royal fathers, parents and well-wishers of the graduands.



A cross section of graduands from the faculty of Science

Photo Gallery



Prof. Osinbajo delivering the Convocation Lecture



L-R: Vice President Osinbajo in a chart with the FUD VC



L-R: The representative of the Visitor presenting an award to the best graduating student



L-R: The representative of the Visitor in a handshake with an award recipient



Photo Gallery



L-R: Emir of Kano, HRH Muhammadu Sanusi (II) Sultan of Sokoto, His Eminence Abubakar Sa'ad, NUC ES, Prof. Rasheed; Gov. Jigawa State, HE Badaru and VP, Osinbajo



Representative of the Visitor and FUD VC



Standing (Front row): Sultan of Sokoto, VP (middle) L-R: FUD VC and Jigawa State Gov. (extreme right)



All Universities Must Have Enabling Laws - *Hon Aminu*

The Chairman, House Committee on Tertiary Education and Services, Honourable Aminu Suleiman, has described as an anomaly that some of the newly established Federal Universities are operating without an enabling Act of the National Assembly.

He said this last Tuesday, when he led other members of the Committee on a routine oversight visit to the National Universities Commission (NUC), where he noted that the essence of the regular interface was to ensure that MDAs were operating within their mandate.

Honourable Aminu, disclosed that the present 12 federal Universities were established in 2012 without laws establishing them. He lamented that it was wrong for government to continue perpetuating such illegality without recourse to an Act of the National Assembly. He urged the NUC to intervene and to prevail on the appropriate authorities to ensure that the bills for the 12 universities and others recently established were brought to the National Assembly for passage.

He also decried the non-uniformity of academic

calendars and activities across the Nigerian Universities System (NUS), which, he argued, had portrayed the tertiary institutions in the country in a bad light. He called on the leadership of the NUC to

from the Nigeria Police Academy (NPA), Wudil, were yet to receive their certificates from the school authorities. He insisted that such practice must not be allowed to continue as certificates were not only the



Honourable Aminu Suleiman

Chairman, House Committee on Tertiary Education and Services speaking at the event

collaborate with Vice Chancellors of Nigerian universities to ensure a uniform academic calendar.

The House Committee Chairman also informed the Executive Secretary, that his Committee was in receipt of complaints, indicating that students who had graduated

property, but also a proof that the students were graduates of that institution.

In his words, “the purpose for establishing the NPA, Wudil was to catch the boys young, change their perception academically, and ensure they fit in perfectly well into the Police Force and



also create a new image for the Force. We should avoid a situation whereby the graduates will become demoralised and cannot give their best to the service of the Nation”.

He noted that since his emergence as the chair in the House of Representatives in 2007, the Committee had continually engaged the Commission in the performance of its mandate and had mediated

Nigerian Universities System (NUS), stressing that reforms, especially the type initiated under the present leadership were needed to place the NUS at par with their counterparts around the globe.

A member of the Committee, representing Kaltungo/Shongom Federal Constituency, Honourable Karu Simon Elisha, called on the NUC to consider leadership

He recounted that since 2009 he started a leadership model to support leadership development of secondary school students and had by 2013 moved it to the University level, and it had shown that leadership education need to be incorporated into the University Curriculum. He said that due to his passion for this, he had moved a motion in 2020 on the Floor of the House to accommodate Leadership Development Centres and other



The Education Committee performing their oversight

during industrial disputes between the Federal Government and the University-based unions. He assured that the Committee under his leadership would continue to play its role in order to take tertiary education in Nigeria to greater heights.

Hon. Suleiman commended the Executive Secretary and his management team for their efforts in repositioning the

education as a course to be taught in universities in its on-going curriculum review.

According to him, in his own capacity, he had organised series of leadership development training for youths in the North-East region and hoped that such could be replicated in tertiary institutions so as to fully equip the youth for leadership in future.

amendments, which he noted would need to be explored in the curriculum review.

Welcoming the Committee, the Executive Secretary, NUC, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL, assured them of the Commission's commitment to ensure delivery of quality University education in Nigeria.



On formalisation of Academic activities in Nigerian Universities, Professor Rasheed, remarked that though the Federal universities enjoyed some degree of autonomy, the Commission was keen on liaising with the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), to formalise and ensure some level of uniformity in the admission processes and academic timetable.

in the sector with a view to stabilising the academic calendar.

The NUC scribe also assured the Committee that the Commission would in the nearest future call for a stakeholders meeting inclusive of the National Assembly Committees on Tertiary Education, Vice Chancellors of Nigerian universities and leadership of all

some of these problems. He said the NUC remained resolute to achieving the University System the nation will be proud of.

In a vote of thanks, NUC Deputy Executive Secretary (Academics), Dr. Suleiman Ramon- Yusuf, appreciated the Chairman and members of the House Committee for providing the needed legislative support to the commission, noting that the



Prof. Rasheed and Hon. Suleiman (6th and 7th left) respectively in a group photo with other members of the House Committee and NUC Management

He explained that the incessant industrial crises in the universities over the years were responsible for the unstable academic calendar in the institutions. He pointed out that efforts to internationalise the University System might not be realised if urgent steps were not taken to resolve the problem, promising that the NUC would continue to engage stakeholders

University-based Unions to discuss problems bedevilling the NUS.

He acknowledged that the NUC and the National Assembly Committees were partners in progress, stressing that the House Committee deserved to know why so much progress had not been made and promised to carry the Committee along in seeking a lasting solution to

relationship that existed between the NUC and the Committee was mutually beneficial.

At the meeting were NUC Directors of the Directorate of Finance and Account, Mr. Sam Onazi; Academic Standards, Dr Noel B. Saliu; Public Affairs, Mallam Ibrahim Yakasai; and the Acting Director of Students, Mrs Laretta Achor.



PAMO Medical University Holds First Founders Day

PAMO University of Medical Sciences (PUMS), Port-Harcourt, recently organized its Maiden Founder's Day, with a lecture entitled “*Professionalism in Service to God and Country,*” in honour of its Proprietor and

university of Medical Sciences in the South South geo-political zone of Nigeria.

He also revealed that in the history of licencing of

University to celebrate its rich past and promising future. He explained that it was used to honour the leaders who dared to dream of establishing an institution as well as projecting



Group photo: The Chancellor, Gen. Abdulsalami is 4th left, ES NUC, Prof. Abubakar Rasheed is 2nd right. The Founder Dr. Peter Odili is 3rd left. Justice Mary Odili is in the middle

former Governor of Rivers State, His Excellency, Dr. (Sir) Peter Odunuya Odili.

In a goodwill message, the Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL, recalled that PAMO was the first private university in Port-Harcourt and first in Rivers State as well as the first private

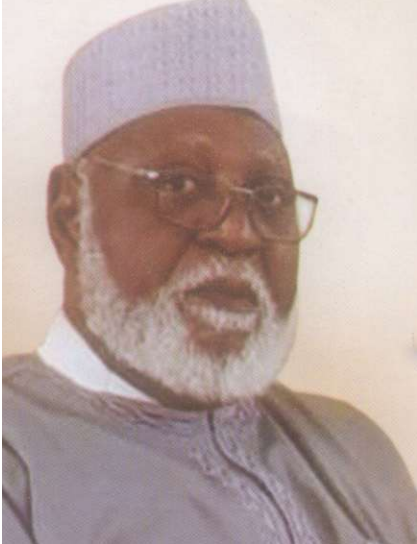
universities, PUMS was the first in Nigeria to be conceived, processed, licensed and activated within a 12-month period, describing the remarkable passion and courage of its proprietor as worthy of emulation.

While commending the University for its giant strides, he said that 'Founders' Day', as the name connotes was a day set aside by the Founder of a

the future by learning from outstanding academics and administrators whose research and contribution signal great things ahead.

Prof. Rasheed also stated that the Founders' Day was one of the few most cherished university traditions celebrated on specific days, yearly. He urged the Vice Chancellor and members of his Management to ensure that it

was sustained and gradually enriched to include other activities other than the commissioning of projects and lectures.



Gen. Abdulsalami A. Abubakar
Chancellor and Chairman, Board of Trustees

The NUC Executive Secretary listed the activities that could be incorporated to include presentation of awards to deserving Faculty/Students, Panel discussions on the achievements and challenges of the University, mentorship and scholarship opportunities for the less privileged students, and celebrating the virtues of university education and scholarship.

Prof Rasheed noted with delight that NUC was proud to be

associated with the vision and mission of PUMS, especially with regards to the steps the

Proprietor had taken to ensure continuous compliance with extant regulations and guidelines. He further encouraged the University management to maintain the momentum at all times such that all aspects of its programmes would be seen to be operating at full strength.

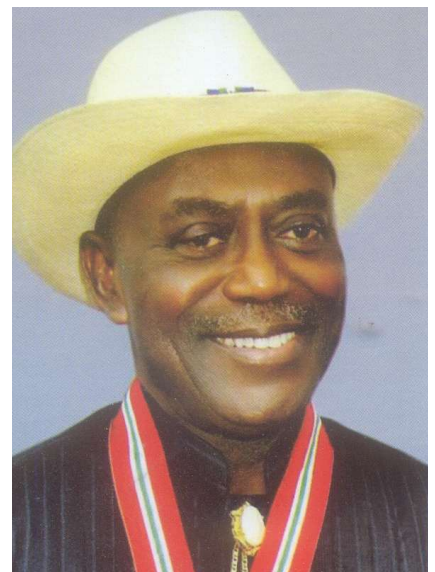
Extolling the virtues of the Proprietor, Dr. Peter Odili, the Executive Secretary described him as a visionary leader, a committed physician, and a good family man, who had made very many giant strides in life, including his numerous contributions to human capital development. He said NUC was proud to be associated with him as a leading statesman and foremost educationist.

He urged the Proprietor to continually support the Vice-Chancellor and his management team, in their effort to transform the young institution into a center of excellence in teaching and research. According to him, by so doing, PUMS would continue to build a credible reputation being the most important hallmark of any university enterprise.

Delivering the lecture, an Expert

in Canon Law and Priest in the Catholic Institute of West Africa, (CIWA Port-Harcourt) Rev.

Msgr. Dr. Pius Barinaadaa Kii, said that PUMS had carved a niche for itself in the area of professionalism in service to God and country. According to



Dr. Peter Otunuya Odili
Founder

him, “Professionalism here meant “skill, good judgment, and polite behavior that was expected from a person trained to do a job well or again” the conduct, aims, or qualities that characterize or mark a profession or a professional person”.

He argued that professionalism referred to excellence in conduct, outstanding and



valuable qualities of conduct which enable one to fulfill one's duties in life with ease, grace

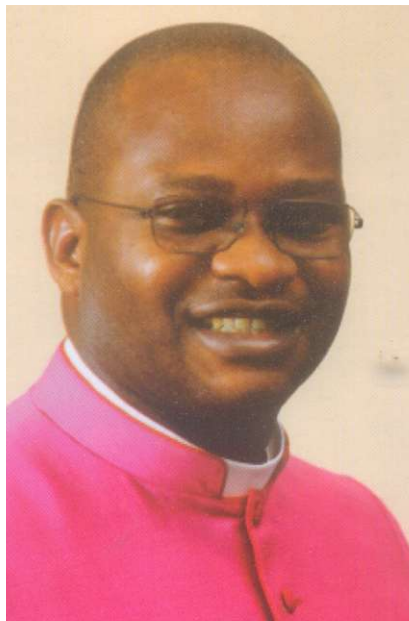
and merit. He said anyone with these qualities of professionalism would be able to do honour to the society and the medical profession through value laden service and meritorious conduct.

Rev. Kii submitted that professionalism was so urgently needed in Nigeria today because it was so patently lacking in virtually every sphere of the nation's life and no society could long survive or prosper without it.

He asked rhetorically, who would not, for instance, rejoice to find our public services – the police, the army, the civil service, bureaucracies, the electricity company, teacher, the law courts, etc. functional and delivering excellent services to society? And who would not be exultant in praise should our hospitals and clinics be truly homes for competent and effective healthcare delivery?

The Guest Lecturer, described PAMO University as a gift from above meant to bring about a new

way, to knowledge and attitude to save lives in a professional way. He stressed that “the mission of PUMS is to provide excellent medical



Rev. Msgr. Pius Kii
Guest Lecurer

training for the production of world-class professionals characterized by core values of knowledge and accountability.”

Msgr Kii expressed delight that Nigeria now boasts of a university where professionalism had taken its place, recalling that we are all part and parcel of the environment which should not be mindlessly exploited and degraded but cared for.

He said that students so formed

here should be able to argue for a just distribution of resources in our country. He appealed to those whom God had blessed with natural resources to be fair enough to put back a share of it in the development of their communities.

He concluded with the fact that “PUMS represented a university where health and safety could not be seen as due entirely to our skill, but something obtained through God, the healer, par excellence”.

Some of the dignitaries at the event were the Governor of Rivers State, Barr Nyeson Ezenwo Wike; Chancellor of PUMS and Chairman Board of Trustees, General Abdulsalami Abubakar; Co-Founder and Pro-Chancellor, PUMS, Hon. Justice Mary Odili; Ambassador of South Korea to Nigeria, Gen. In-Te Lee; Vice-Chancellor,

Prof, Michael Diejomaoh; Registrar, Barr. W.U.G Imoedemhe; members of the Governing Council as well as Principal Officers; other invited guests and students.



NIGERIAN ACADEMY OF LETTERS

COMMUNIQUE OF THE TWENTY-FIRST NIGERIAN ACADEMY OF LETTERS (NAL) CONVOCATION AND INVESTITURE OF NEW FELLOWS, AND SCIENTIFIC SESSION HELD AT THE J.F. ADE.AJAYI AUDITORIUM, UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS ON THURSDAY, 8 AUGUST, 2019

PREAMBLE

The Nigerian Academy of Letters (NAL), an autonomous, non-political body of scholars in the humanities, held its 21st Convocation and Investiture of New Fellows, and Scientific Session on Thursday, 8th August, 2019, at the J.F. Ade Ajayi Auditorium, University of Lagos. The theme of the Convocation was "Religion and Morality in a Secular State".

In attendance were 121 professors from different Nigerian and overseas universities. The President of the Nigerian Academy of Letters Professor Francis Egbokhare, FNAL, presided over the Convocation and investiture of New Fellows and the Vice President, Professor Duro Oni, FNAL presided over the Scientific Session. Thirty-six new members were inducted six new Regular Fellows (Professors Ademola O. Dasylva, Abdulkrasheed Na'Allah, Sunday Enessi, Ifeorna Mabel Onyemelukwe, Albert 'Lekan Oyeleye, and Jim Unah) and two Honorary Fellows Yemi Ogunbiyi, and Mr Olusegun Adeniyi) were admitted into the NAL College of Fellows, Other key dignitaries in attendance were Rt. Hon. Rotimi Amaechi, newly reappointed Minister of Transportation; Prof Rasheed Abubakar, FNAL, the Executive Secretary of National Universities Commission (NUC); Prof. Is'haq Oloyede, FNAL, Registrar of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board and Professor Obiajulu Emejulu, Executive Director of the National Institute for Nigerian Languages (NINLAN). The vice chancellors included Prof. Oluwatoyin T. Ogundipe, the Vice Chancellor of the University of Lagos; Prof. AbdulRasheed Na'Allah, the Vice Chancellor of the University of Abuja; Professor Eyitope Ogungbenro Ogunbodede, the Vice Chancellor of Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife; Professor Andrew Haruna, the Vice Chancellor of the Federal University, Gashua and Professor Ozo-Mekuri Ndimele, the Vice Chancellor of Ignatius Ajuru University, Port Harcourt.

The Convocation Lecture titled, "Morality and the state". The Nigerian Experience, was delivered by Professor Emeritus Godwin Sogolo, FNAL. Two well researched papers on the Convocation theme were also presented at the Scientific Session by Professor Akin Alao of the Department of History, of the department of History and Professor Umar H.D. Danfulani of the Department of Religious Studies, University of Jos. In the course of this presentation, pertinent issues that need the attention of government and the general public were discussed. These formed the basis of the following observations and recommendations.

OBSERVATIONS

At the end of the engaging Convocation Lecture and the stimulating Scientific Session, the following were observed:

1. The Nigerian state seems to pay scant attention to the education of youth on the ethos and the realities of cultural diversity;
2. There is a rapidly growing culture of moral apathy, especially among the Nigerian youth, due to failure of governance at all levels;
3. Poor attention is given to moral education in the national socialisation processes and, this has created



4. strained relationships and avoidable social distance between the state and the people;
4. The Nigerian Constitution (Section 15(2)) upholds the idea of a secular state but the document equally contains provisions that undermine this secular character;
5. The current absence of a distinction between the state and religion in Nigeria was partly created by the British colonial policies which made religion and ethnicity coterminous;
6. There is the systemic collapse of merit on the altar of religious bigotry and ethnicity, which promotes corruption and insecurity across the nation; and
7. The clear absence of a national philosophy is largely responsible for the palpable moral decay and cultural disorientation of our youth.
8. The running of university education in Nigeria has become so complex and difficult because of paucity of funding. Federal Government still pays lip service to funding of education, and it is most unfortunate; and
9. In recent times, politicians without requisite knowledge of the university system are appointed as Pro-Chancellors. This trend can hardly add value to the running of the University system in Nigeria. .

RECOMMENDATIONS

In view of the above observations, the following recommendations were: made in the course of the Convocation Lecture, the Scientific Session and the ensuing discussions:

1. There is an urgent need for a humanising education that could socialise our youth into Nigerian ethos and diverse cultural values; "
2. Government should put in place policies that would guarantee the preservation of our religious diversity, .as well as recover and propagate our waning cultural values, through curriculum review and proper reorientation on core national values;
3. The social distance between the people and the state can OIlly be bridged by a radical value reorientation that is championed by the humanities;
4. There is the need to review relevant sections of the Nigerian Constitution that contradict the secular state status and effectively separate religion from the state;
5. Deliberate efforts should be made to ensure a return to the traditional culture of reward for exemplary acts and punishment of'erring conducts;
6. Adherence to merit and professional ethics will significantly ensure that the funds entrusted to public servants are properly utilised for the benefit and common good of all citizens;
7. Government should expedite actions on evolving the needed national philosophy which would provide the framework for sustainable quality control and, peer review of professional ethics and conduct;
8. To fund university education in Nigeria, Federal Government should increase its, budgetary allocation to the education sector to 25% and progressively increase this annually to 40% within three years. The leaderships of universities are also encouraged to be innovative and creative in sourcing for additional alternative and sustainable revenue streams to enable them survive, thrive and compete well internationally; and
9. For effective university administration, Visitors to all universities in Nigeria should give priority to appointing experienced and knowledgeable people in university administration and similar institutions as Pro-Chancellors.

Professor Francis Egbokhare, FNAL
President, Nigeria Academy of Letters (NAL)





PRESS RELEASE

FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS FOR 2019 UNESCO KING HAMAD BIN ISA AL-KHALIFA PRIZE FOR THE USE OF ICT IN EDUCATION

The UNESCO invites nominations from Nigeria for the King Hamed Bin Isa Al-Khalite price for the use of Information and Communication Technologies in Education.

This is to recognize approaches in leveraging new technologies to expand educational and lifelong learning opportunities for all, in line with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Goal 4 on Education.

The theme of the 2019 Prize is the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) to innovate Education, learning and teaching.

Nominations should be forwarded to natcom.unesco@education.gov.ng on or before 23rd October, 2019. Receipt of nominations will close by 31st October, 2019 (midnight Paris time)

For more information visit <http://www.unesco.org/ict-ed-prize/register>.

Announcer-

Arc Sonny Echono
Permanent Secretary

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR (PRESS & PR) **SHAKE UP IN EDUCATION MINISTRY**

Education Minister, Adamu Adamu has approved the redeployment of eleven (11) Directors and Principals of Federal Unity Colleges in an exercise, the Minister said is designed to strengthen service delivery and also fill existing vacancies in the education sector.

Top on the list of Directors redeployed are Abdulkadir Binta (Mrs.), Principal, Federal Government College (FGC) Kwali, who is now the Director, Basic and Secondary Education Department in the Ministry.

Binta will take over from Dr. Lami Amodu, the current Director of Basic and Secondary Education, who will retire from service on the 14th of October, 2019.

The current Principal of Federal Science and Technical College (FSTC) Yaba, Dr. Ufoegbune Ogochukwu (Mrs.) has

now been moved to the Ministry's headquarters to fill the vacancy of Director, Federal Education Quality Assurance Services (FEQAS), while Mr. Omada David Idakwoji of the Federal Science and Technical College, Uromi, takes over from Dr. Ufoegbune Ogochukwu of the Federal Science and Technical College, Yaba, as Principal.

Similarly, Dr. Mrs. Yakubu Oyinloye of Queens' College, Lagos, is to take over from Akamo Esther (Mrs.) as Principal, Federal Government Girls' College, Shagamu, While Dr. (Mrs.) Essien Funmi of the Federal Government College, Ijanikin, is to take over from Dr. (Mrs.) Yakubu Oyinloye as Principal, Queens' College, Lagos.

Akamo.O. Esther (Mrs.) of Federal Government Girls' College (FGGC), Shagamu is to succeed Dr. (Mrs.) Essien Funmi as Principal, Federal Government College, Ijanikin, while Abdullahi Asmau Yakubu (Mrs.) of the Ministry's Tertiary Education Department is to replace Mr. Manko Kudu (who will be retiring from service on the 6th of September, 2019) as Principal, Federal Government Academy, Suleja.

Mrs. Stella Maris Ufuoma Omu, current Principal of Federal Government Girls College, Bwari (who will be retiring from service on the 10th of November, 2019) will be succeeded by Sodangi Jumai Binta (Mrs.) of Federal Government Girls College, Abaji.

Also, Offonkasi Ifeoma Scholastica (Mrs.), current Vice Principal, FGBC, Apo, is to replace Sodangi Jumia Binta (Mrs.) as Principal, Federal Government Girls' College, Abaji.

Mr. Shehu Dahiru of Federal Science and Technical College, Kafanchan, is to replace Abdulkadir Binta (Mrs.) as Principal, Federal Government College, Kwali.

Finally, Mrs. Oguah Florence of National Commission for United Nation Scientific and Cultural Organization (NATCOM-UNESCO) is now the Secretary General, NATCOM-UNESCO.

Handing over formalities are to be completed by Monday, 9th September, 2019, except where otherwise directed.

Ben Bem Goong
Deputy Director (Press & PR)





NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

Approved Open Universities 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 Eleven universities in the Nigerian University System, currently have the approval of the National Universities Commission to operate distance learning centres as follows:

1. Distance Learning Centre, University of Ibadan.
2. Distance Learning Institute, University of Lagos.
3. Centre for Distance Learning and Continuing Education, University of Abuja.
4. Centre for Distance Learning, University of Maiduguri.
5. Centre for Distance Learning, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife.
6. Centre for Distance Learning, Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola.
7. Ladoké 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





NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

RE: MORATORIUM ON PART-TIME PROGRAMMES

The National Universities Commission, cognizant of the need to streamline the operations of Part Time and Sandwich programmes in Nigerian universities, had through a publication in the print media, including the Guardian and Sun Newspapers of Monday, 19th March, 2012, placed a moratorium on admission into parttime programmes in Nigerian universities. In the publication, the universities were requested to fully disclose all Part-Time and Sandwich programmes, with respect to enrolment and staffing profile, within four weeks of the publication, and to conduct in-house staff and student audit and forward same to the Commission. As a follow up to this, the Commission vide a letter dated 14 January, 2013, sent a reminder to the universities requesting those that were yet to provide information on their Part-Time and Sandwich programmes as well as affiliation arrangements to do so on or before 15 February, 2013.

2.0. Universities That Made Submission

Based on the submissions received, a total of forty (40) universities indicated that they would run Part-Time and Sandwich programmes as detailed below:

A. Federal Universities

1. Federal University of Technology, Owerri
2. University of Benin, Benin
3. University of Calabar, Calabar
4. University of Lagos
5. Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka
6. University of Port Harcourt, Port Harcourt
7. University of Uyo, Uyo
8. University of Abuja, Abuja
9. Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta
10. Michael Okpara University, Umudike
11. Moddibbo Adamawa University of Technology, Yola
12. University of Agriculture, Markurdi
13. Usman Danfodio University, Sokoto
14. University of Jos, Jos

B. State Universities

1. Ambrose Ali University, Ekpoma, Edo State
2. Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago- Iwoye, Ogun State
3. Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State
4. Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba- Akoko, Ondo State
5. Imo State University, Owerri, Imo State
6. Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun, Ogun State
7. Rivers State University of Science and Technology, Port Harcourt

8. Enugu State University of Science and Technology, Enugu State
9. Ignatius Ajuru University of Education Education, Port Harcourt
10. Delta State University, Abraka, Delta State
11. Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomoso
12. Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos State
13. Niger Delta University, Amasoma, Bayelsa State
14. Anambra State University, Uli, Anambra State
15. Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki, Eboyi State
16. Cross River State University of Technology, Calabar
17. Abia State University, Uturu, Abia State
18. Osun State University, Osun State
19. Nasarawa State University, Keffi, Nasarawa State

C. Private Universities:

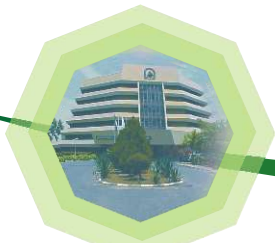
1. Crescent University, Abeokuta, Ogun State
2. Caleb University, Imota, Lagos State
3. Igbinedion University, Okada, Edo State
4. Lead City university, Ibadan, Oyo State
5. Achievers University, Owo, Ondo State
6. Benson Idahosa University, Benin – City, Edo State
7. Tansian University, Umunya, Anambra State
8. Wesley University of Science and Technology, Ondo, Ondo State

3.0. APPROVALS GRANTED TO UNIVERSITIES TO RUN PART-TIME/ SANDWICH PROGRAMMES.

Up to date, a total of thirty six (36) universities forwarded their completed documents, based on the approved format. Following the analysis of the submissions by the Department of Academic Standards and having satisfied the laid down guidelines for running Part – Time programme and Sandwich courses in Nigerian universities, all the thirty six (36) institutions were recommended to the Executive Secretary for approval. Consequent upon Executive Secretary's approval, letters were communicated to the universities accordingly. The universities are:

A. Federal Universities

1. University of Lagos
2. University of Port Harcourt
3. University of Calabar
4. University of Benin
5. University of Abuja
6. University of Uyo
7. University of Jos
8. Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile – Ife
9. Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka



10. Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta
11. Federal University of Technology, Owerri
12. Usman Danfodiyo University, Sokoto
13. Bayero University, Kano
- B. State Universities
1. Ekiti State University, Ado – Ekiti, Ekiti State
2. Cross River State University, Calabar, Cross River State
3. Imo State University, Owerri, Imo State
4. Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rivers State
5. Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye, Ogun State
6. Ambrose Ali University, Ekpoma, Edo State
7. Enugu State University of Science & Technology, Enugu State
8. Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun, Ogun State
9. Rivers State University of Science & Technology, Port Harcourt
10. Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State
11. Benue State University, Makurdi, Benue State
12. Niger Delta University, Yenagoa, Bayelsa State
13. Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos State
14. Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba – Akoko, Ondo State
15. Anambra State University, Uli, Anambra State
16. Osun State University, Osogbo, Osun State
17. Abia State University, Uturu, Abia State
18. Nasarawa State University, Keffi, Nasarawa State.

C. Private Universities

1. Crescent University, Abeokuta, Ogun State
2. Caleb University, Imota, Lagos State
3. Igbinedion University, Okada, Edo State
4. Lead City University, Ibadan, Oyo State
5. Achievers University, Owo, Ondo State
6. Benson Idahosa University, Benin – City, Edo State
7. Wesley University of Science and Technology, Ondo, Ondo State
8. Fountain University, Osogbo
9. Crawford University, Ogun State

Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu
Director, Academic Planning
For: Executive Secretary

GUIDELINES ON PART-TIME AND SANDWICH PROGRAMMES IN NIGERIAN UNIVERSITIES

Below are guidelines for conducting Part-time and Sandwich programmes in Nigerian universities. All universities currently operating Part-time programmes are expected to comply with the guidelines on programme by programme basis.

Consequently, universities still interested in running Part-time programmes are advised to forward fresh applications to the NUC on programme by programme basis.

This is, however, subject to the readiness of the university to comply with the following extant guidelines on part-time programmes:

1. The admission and graduation requirements, Staffing, Library and physical facilities requirements must be in line with the Benchmark Minimum Academic Standards (BMAS) for the various full-time academic programmes;
2. For a programme to be eligible to run on part-time basis, the approved full-time equivalent must be available in the university, must have earned full accreditation and must be run within approved campuses;
3. The enrolment into part-time programmes must not exceed 20% of total students' population in the programme;
4. The minimum duration of the part-time programmes must be 150% of the approved duration of the Full-Time equivalent;
5. Approval shall not be granted for part-time programmes in Environmental Sciences, Engineering/Technology, Law, Medicine/Medical Sciences, Pharmacy /Pharmaceutical Sciences, Dentistry; and Veterinary Science;
6. All admissions into part-time programmes must be through the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB). Part-time programmes must be run within approved campuses of universities where the human and material resources for the teaching of the programmes are domiciled, i.e. on the main campus of the university;
7. Part-time programmes shall be subjected to the NUC accreditation assessment upon maturity of the programme;
8. For any programme to be eligible for part-time mode, it must have produced two (2) sets of graduates and satisfied the Resource Verification Requirements.
9. Commencement of a part-time programme MUST be subject to NUC's approval. Approval of commencement of all parttime programmes must be obtained.

The National Universities Commission shall not hesitate to apply appropriate sanctions on any university which violates any of the stipulated Guidelines on Part-Time and Sandwich Programmes.

Signed

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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 | 16 | Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola | 1981 | 31 | Federal University, Wukari, Taraba State | 2011 |
| 2 | University of Nigeria, Nsukka | 1960 | 17 | Federal University of Technology, Minna | 1982 | 32 | Federal University, Dutsin-Ma, Katsina State | 2011 |
| 3 | Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife | 1962 | 18 | Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna | 1985 | 33 | Federal University, Dutse, Jigawa State | 2011 |
| 4 | Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria | 1962 | 19 | University of Abuja, Abuja | 1988 | 34 | Federal University, Ndufu-Alike, Ebonyi State | 2011 |
| 5 | University of Lagos, Lagos | 1962 | 20 | Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi | 1988 | 35 | Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, Ekiti State | 2011 |
| 6 | University of Benin, Benin City | 1970 | 21 | University of Agriculture, Makurdi | 1988 | 36 | Federal University, Otuoke, Bayelsa | 2011 |
| 7 | Bayero University, Kano | 1975 | 22 | Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta | 1988 | 37 | The Nigeria Police Academy, Wudil, Kano State | 2012 |
| 8 | University of Calabar, Calabar | 1975 | 23 | University of Uyo, Uyo | 1991 | 38 | Federal University, Birnin-Kebbi, Kebbi | 2013 |
| 9 | University of Ilorin, Ilorin | 1975 | 24 | Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka | 1992 | 39 | Federal University, Gusau, Zamfara | 2013 |
| 10 | University of Jos, Jos | 1975 | 25 | Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike | 1992 | 40 | Federal University, Gashua, Yobe | 2013 |
| 11 | University of Maiduguri, Maiduguri | 1975 | 26 | National Open University of Nigeria, Lagos | 2002 | 41 | Nigeria Maritime University Okerenkoko, Delta State | 2018 |
| 12 | Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto | 1975 | 27 | Fed. Univ. of Petroleum Resources, Effurun | 2007 | 42 | Air Force Institute of Technology, Kaduna | 2018 |
| 13 | University of Port-Harcourt, Port-Harcourt | 1975 | 28 | Federal University, Lokoja, Kogi State | 2011 | 43 | Nigerian Army University, Bui | 2018 |
| 14 | Federal University of Technology, Owerri | 1980 | 29 | Federal University, Lafia, Nasarawa State | 2011 | | | |
| 15 | Federal University of Technology, Akure | 1981 | 30 | Federal University, Kashere, Gombe 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 | 18 | Nasarawa State University, Keffi | 2002 | 35 | Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rumuolumeni | 2010 |
| 2 | Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma | 1980 | 19 | Adamawa State University, Mubi | 2002 | 36 | Bauchi State University, Gadau | 2011 |
| 3 | Abia State University, Uturu | 1981 | 20 | Gombe State University, Gombe | 2004 | 37 | Maitama Sule University, Kano | 2012 |
| 4 | Enugu State University of Science & Tech, Enugu | 1982 | 21 | Kaduna State University, Kaduna | 2004 | 38 | The Technical University, Ibadan. | 2012 |
| 5 | Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye | 1982 | 22 | Cross River University of Technology, Calabar | 2004 | 39 | Sule Lamido University, Kafin Hausa | 2013 |
| 6 | Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti. (formerly University of Ado-Ekiti) | 1982 | 23 | Plateau State University, Bokokos | 2005 | 40 | Ondo State University of Medical Sciences | 2015 |
| 7 | Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos | 1983 | 24 | Olusegun Agagu University of Science and Technology, Okitipupa, Ondo State. | 2008 | 41 | Edo University, Iyamho | 2016 |
| 8 | Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomosho | 1990 | 25 | Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai, Niger State | 2005 | 42 | Eastern Palm University, Ogboko | 2016 |
| 9 | Imo State University, Owerri | 1992 | 26 | Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun | 2005 | 43 | University of Africa, Toru-Orua | 2016 |
| 10 | Benue State University, Makurdi | 1992 | 27 | Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina | 2006 | 44 | Borno State University | 2016 |
| 11 | Delta State University, Abraka | 1992 | 28 | Yobe State University Damaturu, Yobe State | 2006 | 45 | Moshood Abiola University of Science and Technology, Abeokuta | 2017 |
| 12 | Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba - Akoko | 1999 | 29 | Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Aliero | 2006 | 46 | Gombe State University of Science and Technology, Kumo | 2017 |
| 13 | Kogi State University, Anyigba | 1999 | 30 | Osun State University, Osogbo | 2006 | 47 | Zamfara State University, Talata-Mafara | 2018 |
| 14 | Niger-Delta University, Yenagoa | 2000 | 31 | Taraba State University, Jalingo | 2008 | 48 | Bayelsa Medical University Yenagoa, Bayelsa State | 2019 |
| 15 | Odumegwu Ojukwu University Uli | 2000 | 32 | Kwara State University, Ilorin | 2009 | | | |
| 16 | Kano University of Science & Technology, Wudil | 2000 | 33 | Sokoto State University, Sokoto | 2009 | | | |
| 17 | Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki | 2000 | 34 | Akwa Ibom State University, Ikot Ikpaden | 2010 | | | |





LIST OF APPROVED UNIVERSITIES IN NIGERIA

PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES

| S/N | INSTITUTIONS | Year Est. | S/N | INSTITUTIONS | Year Est. | S/N | INSTITUTIONS | Year Est. |
|-----|---|-----------|-----|--|-----------|-----|--|-----------|
| 1 | Babcock University, Ilishan Remo | 1999 | 27 | Salem University, Lokoja | 2007 | 53 | Hallmark University, Ijebu, Itele, Ogun State | 2015 |
| 2 | Madonna University, Okija | 1999 | 28 | Tansian University, Umunya, Anambra State | 2007 | 54 | Kings University, Ode Omu, Osun State | 2015 |
| 3 | Igbinedion University, Okada | 1999 | 29 | Veritas University, Abuja | 2007 | 55 | Michael and Cecilia Ibru Uni., Owhrode, Delta State | 2015 |
| 4 | Bowen University, Iwo | 2001 | 30 | Wesley University of Science & Technology, Ondo | 2007 | 56 | Mountain Top University, Ogun State | 2015 |
| 5 | Covenant University, Ota | 2002 | 31 | Western Delta University, Oghara, Delta State | 2007 | 57 | Ritman University, Ikot Ekpene, Akwa Ibom State | 2015 |
| 6 | Pan-Atlantic University, Lagos | 2002 | 32 | The Achievers University, Owo | 2007 | 58 | Summit University, Offa, Kwara State | 2015 |
| 7 | Benson Idahosa University, Benin City | 2002 | 33 | African University of Science & Technology, Abuja | 2007 | 59 | Edwin Clark University, Kiagbodo, Delta State | 2015 |
| 8 | American University of Nigeria, Yola | 2003 | 34 | Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State | 2009 | 60 | Hezekiah University, Umudi, Imo State | 2015 |
| 9 | Redeemers University, Ede, Osun State | 2005 | 35 | Godfrey Okoye University, Ugwuomu-Nike, Enugu State | 2009 | 61 | Anchor University, Ayobo, Lagos State | 2016 |
| 10 | Ajayi Crowther University, Oyo | 2005 | 36 | Nile University of Nigeria, Abuja | 2009 | 62 | Arthur Jarvis University, Akpabuyo, Cross River State | 2016 |
| 11 | Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin | 2005 | 37 | Oduduwa University, Ipetumodu, Osun State | 2009 | 63 | Clifford University, Owerrinta, Abia State | 2016 |
| 12 | Caritas University, Amorji-Nke, Enugu | 2005 | 38 | Paul University, Awka, Anambra State | 2009 | 64 | Coal City University, Enugu, Enugu State | 2016 |
| 13 | Bingham University, Auta-Balefi, Karu, Nasarawa State | 2005 | 39 | Rhema University, Aba | 2009 | 65 | Crown Hill University, Eiyenkorin, Kwara State | 2016 |
| 14 | Al-Qalam University, Katsina | 2005 | 40 | Wellspring University, Evbuobanosa, Edo State | 2009 | 66 | Dominican University, Ibadan, Oyo State | 2016 |
| 15 | Renaissance University, Enugu | 2005 | 41 | Adeleke University, Ede, Osun State | 2011 | 67 | Koladaisi University, Ibadan, Oyo State | 2016 |
| 16 | Bells University of Tech, Ota, Ogun State | 2005 | 42 | Baze University, Abuja | 2011 | 68 | Legacy University, Okija, Anambra State | 2016 |
| 17 | Lead City University, Ibadan, Oyo State | 2005 | 43 | Landmark University, Omu-Aran, Kwara State | 2011 | 69 | Admiralty University, Ibusa, Delta State | 2017 |
| 18 | Crawford University, Igbesa, Ogun State | 2005 | 44 | Samuel Adegboyega University, Ogwa, Edo State | 2011 | 70 | Spiritan University, Nneochi, Abia State | 2017 |
| 19 | Kwararafa University, Wukari (formerly Wukari Jubilee Uni.) | 2005 | 45 | Elizade University, Ilara-Mokin, Ondo State | 2012 | 71 | Precious Cornerstone University, Ibadan, Oyo State | 2017 |
| 20 | Crescent University, Abeokuta | 2005 | 46 | Evangel University, Akaeze, Ebonyi State | 2012 | 72 | PAMO University of Medical Sciences, Portharcourt, River State | 2017 |
| 21 | Novena University, Ogume, Delta State | 2005 | 47 | Gregory University, Uturu, Abia State | 2012 | 73 | Atiba University, Oyo, Oyo State | 2017 |
| 22 | University of Mkar, Mkar | 2005 | 48 | McPherson University, Seriki Sotayo, Ajebo, Ogun State | 2012 | 74 | Eko University of Medical Sciences, Ijanikin, Lagos State | 2017 |
| 23 | Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State | 2006 | 49 | Southwestern University, Okun Owa, Ogun State | 2012 | 75 | Skyline University, Nigeria Kano State | 2018 |
| 24 | Caleb University, Lagos | 2007 | 50 | Augustine University, Ilara, Lagos State | 2015 | 76 | Greenfield University, Kasarami Kaduna State | 2019 |
| 25 | Fountain University, Osogbo | 2007 | 51 | Chrisland University, Owode, Ogun State | 2015 | 77 | Dominion University, Ibadan Oyo State | 2019 |
| 26 | Obong University, Obong Ntak | 2007 | 52 | Christopher University, Mowe, Ogun State | 2015 | 78 | Trinity University, Laloko Ogun State | 2019 |
| | | | | | | 79 | Westland University, Iwo Osun State | 2019 |



List of Universities with Approved Postgraduate Programmes

The National Universities Commission (NUC) has observed with great concern that some Nigerian universities are running unapproved postgraduate programmes, leading to the award of Masters and PhD degrees. The Commission has also observed that some Parastatals and Institutes are awarding these same Postgraduate degrees, either on their own or through unapproved affiliations with Nigerian and foreign Universities. Such practices are not only unethical, but also antithetical to time-tested quality assurance best practices. The qualifications/awards resulting therefrom are not recognized. The Commission hereby notifies the general public that only the following universities have approval to offer postgraduate programmes at the Masters' and Ph.D levels in Nigeria, as of 30th July, 2012:

Federal Universities :

1. Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi
2. Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria
3. Bayero University, Kano
4. Federal University of Technology, Akure
5. Federal University of Technology, Minna
6. Federal University of Technology, Owerri
7. Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike
8. Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola
9. National Open University of Nigeria, Lagos.
10. Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna
11. Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka
12. Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife
13. University of Abuja, Gwagwalada
14. University of Agriculture, Abeokuta
15. University of Agriculture, Makurdi
16. University of Benin, Benin City
17. University of Calabar, Calabar
18. University of Ibadan, Ibadan
19. University of Ilorin, Ilorin
20. University of Jos, Jos
21. University of Lagos, Akoka
22. University of Maiduguri, Maiduguri
23. University of Nigeria, Nsukka
24. University of Port Harcourt, Port Harcourt
25. University of Uyo, Uyo
26. Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto
27. Federal University, Lafia
28. Federal University, Ndufu-alike
29. Federal University, Dutse
30. Federal University of Petroleum Resources, Effurun
31. Federal University, Oye-ekiti
32. Air Force Institute of Technology, Kaduna

State Universities :

1. Abia State University, Uturu
2. Adamawa State University, Mubi
3. Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba-Akoko
4. Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma
5. Anambra State University, Uli
6. Benue State University, Makurdi
7. Cross River University of Technology, Calabar
8. Delta State University, Abraka
9. Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki
10. Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti
11. Enugu State University of Science and Technology, Enugu
12. Imo State University, Owerri
13. Kogi State University, Anyigba
14. Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomosho
15. Lagos State University, Ojo.
16. Nasarawa State University, Keffi
17. Niger-Delta University, Wilberforce Island
18. Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye
19. Rivers State University of Science and Technology, Port Harcourt
20. Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina
21. Gombe State University, Gombe
22. Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai
23. Kano State University of Science and Technology, Wudil
24. Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Aliero
25. Kwara State University Malete
26. Kaduna State University, Kaduna
27. Bauchi State University, Gadau
28. Yobe State University, Damaturu
29. Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rumuolumeni
30. Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijebu-ode
31. Osun State University, Osogbo

Private Universities :

1. African University of Science and Technology, Abuja
2. American University of Nigeria, Yola
3. Babcock University, Ilishan-Remo
4. Benson Idahosa University, Benin City
5. Bowen University, Iwo
6. Covenant University, Ota
7. Igbinedion University, Okada
8. Pan-African University, Lekki
9. Redeemer's University, Mowe, Ogun State
10. Caleb University, Lagos
11. Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State
12. Nigerian Turkish Nile University, Abuja
13. Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State
14. Lead City University, Ibadan, (MSc. only)
15. University of Mkar, Mkar (MSc. only)
16. Madonna University Okija
17. Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin (MSc. only)
18. Godfrey Okoye University, Ugwuomu-Nike, Enugu State
19. Adeleke University, Ede
20. Veritas University, Abuja
21. Achievers University, Owo
22. Al-Qalam University, Katsina
23. Baze University, Abuja
24. Bells University of Technology, Ota
25. Crawford University, Igbessa
26. Crescent University, Abeokuta
27. Fountain University, Osogbo
28. Landmark University, Omu-Aran
29. Novena University, Ogume
30. Salem University, Lokoja
31. Veritas University, Abuja
32. Bingham University, Karu

Employers of labour, educational institutions and other stakeholders are to note that only certificates issued by these universities, for their approved programmes, are valid for employment, further studies and other purposes. When in doubt about the status of any programme or certificate, the National Universities Commission should be contacted through webmaster@nuc.edu.ng and the following telephone numbers: 08027455412, 07054407741, 08067787753, 07039254081 and 07082024412 (FAX). Further information can also be obtained from the Commission's website: www.nuc.edu.ng

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MANAGEMENT

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 SCOPU

7. Interactive meeting of SCOPU 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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Executive Secretary, NUC
Announcer





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 CAPE3 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, Arochuku, 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.

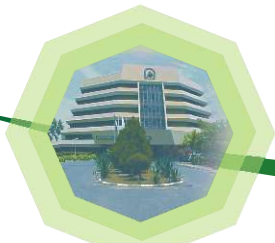
For the avoidance of doubt, anybody who patronises or obtains any certificate from any of these illegal institutions does so at his or her own risk. Certificates obtained from these sources will not be recognised for the purposes of NYSC, employment, and further studies.

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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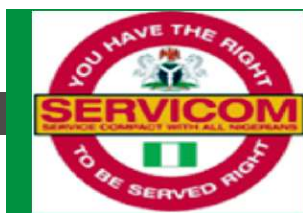


This Week's Birthdays



| NAMES | | | DATE OF BIRTH |
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| LAWRENCE | NDUBUISI | OGUGUA | 2 March |
| OLUFEMI | | YEYE | 2 March |
| SAMUEL | DANIEL | AGBO | 2 March |
| ACHEPA | EBU | EIGEGE | 2 March |
| ESTHER | IMUENTINYAN | MMEKA | 3 March |
| MAIMUNAT | OLAYINKA | LAMIDI | 3 March |
| MERCY | EJENGOMA | NWOKE | 3 March |
| FOLORUNSO | OLADOSU | ARIYO | 3 March |
| GRACE | IKPEMI | CHUKWUMA-URUAKPA | 3 March |
| AYOMIDE | DORCAS | AJAYI | 3 March |
| NAZEEF | HADITH | BALA | 3 March |
| ALEX | ONORIODE | EWURUJE | 5 March |
| BEATRICE | TOLA | OLUDARE | 5 March |
| SHEHU | | SHAFTI | 5 March |
| HABIBAT | | YUNUSA | 5 March |
| OLUTOMI | AJIBOLA | BALOGUN | 6 March |
| HARRY | OKECHUKWU | OGUGUA | 7 March |
| EDITH | NGOZI | UZUH | 7 March |
| AONDAVER | JOSEPH | ALIGBA | 7 March |

Wishing You Many happy returns! Best Wishes for the week.



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DO YOUR BIT TO MOVE THE
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