

## New Commandant AFIT Visits NUC

The Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki last Wednesday, received the new Commandant of the Airforce Institute of Technology (AFIT), Kaduna, Air Vice Marshal Sani L. Rabe and his team, in his office.

The new Commandant was on a familiarity visit to the Commission following his recent assumption in office as the 13th Commandant of the Institute.

In his welcome address, the Acting Executive Secretary congratulated AVM Rabe and assured him of the Commission's unwavering support to the Institute in order to encourage a stronger and better collaboration with the Nigerian Armed Forces while providing quality education to the country's teeming youth.

He said NUC at present has 260 universities granting access to several programmes in 17 disciplines, a very commendable and steady growth from 1948 when the very first indigenous university came on board.

He said there were about two million

students enrolled in Nigerian degree awarding institutions all over the country, two hundred thousand non-academic staff providing their administrative

the system to absorb most, if not all, of the students seeking to gain admission into Nigerian universities.



The Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki with the new Commandant of the Airforce Institute of Technology (AFIT), Kaduna, Air Vice Marshal Sani L. Rabe during his visit to the Commission

services and about seventy five thousand academic staff spread across the 260 institutions.

He said due to the ever expanding educational system in the country, there was an existing wide gap between demand and supply occasioned by lack of ability of

This had forced most youngsters to look elsewhere and sometimes ended up patronizing mushroom institutions outside the shores of the country.

Mr. Maiyaki underscored the importance of education in shaping any society and assured that NUC

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would never rest on its oars in seeking long lasting solutions to the issues bedeviling the Nigerian Educational System.

He said when the University system of a country could not function excellently, the country would not guarantee any meaningful development. He added that research being a key function of a university should be the answer to most emerging challenges affecting mankind.

In his speech, Air Vice Marshall Rabe expressed his delight at the reception given to them by the Acting Executive Secretary and pledged AFIT's continuous support and loyalty to the Commission since it was all in the spirit of ensuring that giant strides were attained towards developing the University system.

He added that the University would always resort to seeking guidance from the NUC at every instance it deemed necessary since

they were partners in progress.

In the AFIT team were: Provost of the Institute, Professor M. Dauda; Director, Physical Planning, Group Captain Ali Ahmad and Dir. Academic Planning (DAP), Mal. Ibrahim Yahuza, o

At the meeting were the NUC Director, Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu and Acting Director, Academic Planning (DAP), Malam Abubakar Muhammed Girei.



Mr. Maiyaki and AVM Rabe (6th and 7th right), in a group photograph with other members of the visiting AFIT delegation and some members of NUC Management.

## Acting ES Receives UNICAF Team

A delegation from UNICAF, led by the Vice-Chancellor, Mr. Kelvin Andrews, last Thursday, paid a courtesy call on the Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki in his office. The team came to explore the

countries.

The Acting Executive Secretary, who took the UNICAF delegation down the memory lane on the advent of universities in Nigeria noted that from the six First Generation universities and the second

Nigerian University System (NUS), stressing that the story would now change with the new (TNE) frame work helping to mitigate the gap.

Mr. Maiyaki also told the delegation that the Commission had re-engineered its curriculum



L-R: The Vice-Chancellor, Unicaf, Cyprus, Mr. Kelvin Andrews; Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki and International Operations Manager, UNICAF, Mr. Yannaus Zynlar.

possibilities of establishing an open university in Nigeria in line with the NUC's new policy on transnational education (TNE).

Receiving the delegation on-behalf of the NUC Management, Mr. Maiyaki told them that Nigerian citizens placed high premium on university education and would go the extra mile to pursue their interests.

This, he said, remained the major reason Nigerian students pursue degree programmes in various countries of the world such as Cyprus, Turkey, UK, USA, Canada and some sister African

generation that sprang up, the country had moved in circles to a present total of 260 universities and still counting.

He informed them that NUC remained the sole regulatory agency of Universities in Nigeria, with the mandate to prescribe and review the curriculum, being the bedrock of University Education.

He said Nigeria had been experiencing gap in access to University education with about 2million applicants yearly jostling for only a little above 600,000 spaces available in the

to meet global modern best practices in teaching.

He further said that a painstaking nationwide exercise was carried out in producing the new Core Curriculum Minimum Academic Standards (CCMAS) document in which all stakeholders, including Captains of Industries, Professional bodies and Development Partners and the University-end users were involved.

The Acting Executive Secretary stated that the UNICAF delegation came at a time NUC was grappling with the issue of

transition as its revered Executive Secretary in the person of Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed recently stepped down. He was not under any pressure but to continue his teaching career based on personal conviction.

He thanked the delegation and expressed optimism of seeing a rewarding engagement and smooth take-off of the institution in line with the set standards and guidelines of the Commission.

Advisory Board.

Mr. Andrews said although UNICAF has branches in 12 African countries, the higher education institution had to lobby the European Commission for



The meeting of the Acting Executive Secretary and his management with the UNICAF delegation in session

Responding to issues raised by the team, the Acting Executive Secretary said the Vice-Chancellor's remarks had already spoken volumes about the Institution and its preparedness. He expressed the hope that the much touted about brand and its programmes would function in full strength in terms of personnel and courses.

He told the delegation that NUC was open to anything that would deepen the frontiers of university education in Nigeria, but that being aware of associated risk with the TNE, the Commission had the responsibility to protect the Nigerian citizenry against non-serious and non-players in the higher education enterprise.

In his remarks, the Vice-Chancellor of UNICAF, Mr. Andrews thanked the Acting ES and his management team for the warm reception accorded them and for the brief overview of the NUS.

He explained that Cyprus was a small colonial country compared to Nigeria and UNICAF had been an online learning higher educational institution founded in the tiny enclave by Nicos Nicolaou in 2012.

He disclosed that its mission was to provide internationally recognized higher education for students in Africa and other countries. As a Vice-Chancellor, he sits on the institution's global

Education for the liberalization of private Universities in Cyprus.

He said due to difficulties encountered by African students in getting Visa promptly, the organization decided to extend its educational offerings online, using the TNE framework.

In 2016, the Vice-Chancellor started promoting students abroad to have access to UK degrees online virtually making the education system flexible and accessible. He added that the system has been locally rooted and internationally accessible, while all UNICAF branches had become internationally connected.

The UNICAF Vice-Chancellor



L-R: NUC Acting Director, Public Affairs (DPA), Alh. Haruna Lawal Ajo; Director, Open Distance and e-Learning (DODel), Engr. Kayode Odedina and the Acting Director, Research, Innovations, and Information Technology (DRIIT) Mal. Mohammed Farouk Lawal at the meeting with UNICAF delegation.

informed the NUC areas they intended to collaborate with Nigeria, such areas included Nursing and Medical Education.

He further revealed that they were always ready to operate in line with the guidelines of their host countries in addition to making application for international accreditation for the institution.

In the UNICAF delegation were the Country Manager, Mr. Arena Oluwafemi; International Operations Manager, Mr. Yannais Zynlar and Country Staff, Mr. Atmhionsior Augustine.

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Open Distance and e-Learning (DODel), Engr. Kayode Odedina; Acting Directors of: Research, Innovations and Information Technology (DRIIT), Mal. Mohammed Farouk Lawal; Public Affairs (DPA), Alh. Haruna Lawal Ajo; Inspection and Monitoring (DIM), Mrs. Lydia Imorua and Academic Planning (DAP), Malam Abubakar Girei.



Mr. Maiyaki and Mr. Andrews (6th and 7th right), in a group photograph with other members of the visiting UNICAF delegation and some members of NUC Management

## Consortium of Universities in Kwara Plan Maiden Conference

The Vice-Chancellor, University of Ilorin (UNILORIN), Professor Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, last Wednesday, led a 14-man delegation to the Acting Executive Secretary's Office of the National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, to intimate him on the maiden conference of the Consortium of Universities in Kwara State.

The conference with the theme: "Transforming University Education in Nigeria in the 21st century, Role of Stakeholders", scheduled to take place from 6th to 8th of August, 2023 at the university's premises.

Welcoming the delegation, the Acting Executive Secretary, Mr. Maiyaki, appreciated the visit by the Vice-Chancellor and his team and reiterated that the NUC was the nodal point for all University education and its correspondences in Nigeria.

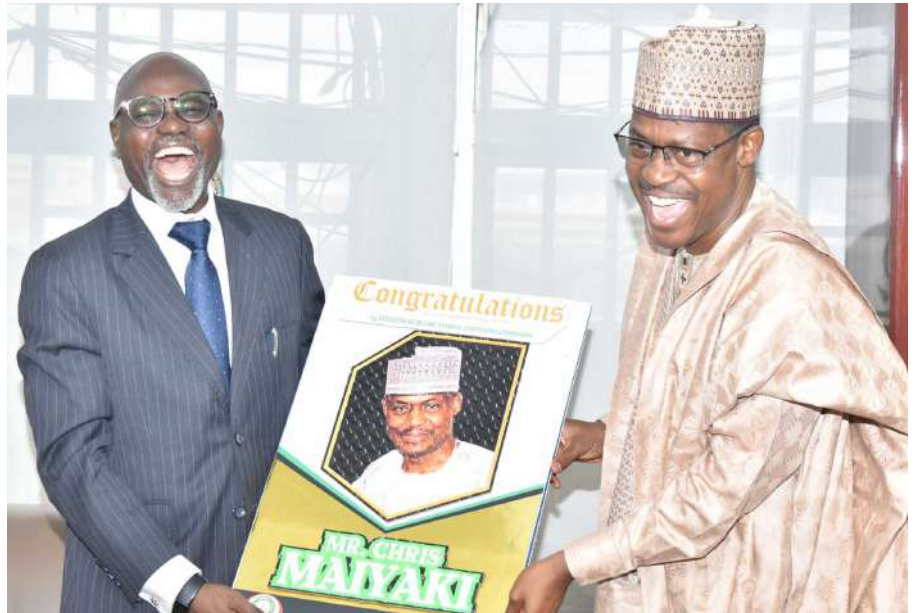
He added that the Commission had been demonstrating its readiness to embrace any positive contribution, by an individual or a collective body towards the development of University education for national development.

He recalled with delight the contributions and achievements of the immediate past Executive Secretary, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, who had played a very pivotal role in bringing the Nigerian University System (NUS) to the enviable state it reached presently.

The Acting Executive Secretary cited the launching of a brand new Core Curriculum Minimum Academic

Standards (CCMAS) as well as the review of other quality assurance mechanisms as some of the profound achievements of his administration.

He said it was heart warming to receive members of the NUS



The Ag. ES, NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, alongside the VC, UNILORIN, Professor Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, displaying the congratulatory card embossed with his photograph, when the later led a delegation to the Commission

coming to express their support at a very challenging time when the country and the Commission were grappling with transitioning into a new government.

He described Unilorin as one of the second generation universities that had maintained a very high degree of integrity since its inception to date, by producing skilled and competent graduates that have been contributing favorably to the development of their state and the nation at large.

Mr. Maiyaki commended the Vice-Chancellor for his credible leadership and tenacity of purpose in maintaining the reputation the University stands for, adding that

Unilorin has been one of the most subscribed university due to its stability in academic calendar and state-of-the-art facilities.

Professor Egbewole, the serving Vice Chancellor and leader of the delegation expressed his profound

gratitude for the warm welcome accorded to them and commemorated with the Commission for having a very qualified hand at the helm of its affairs.

He said the University had enjoyed a long standing collaboration, support and mentoring from the Commission, which he hoped would continue through coming administrations.

He highlighted that the visit was also to remind the Commission that Unilorin had concluded plan to champion a new feat in the NUS by hosting a maiden edition of a consortium of Universities in Kwara State.



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He explained that 10 Universities constituted members of the consortium and their main purpose centred around collaboration and exchange of ideas with each other so that all of them could benefit and be at par in thinking and action.

This, he said, would make more resounding impact locally as well as on the global scene.

Professor Egbewole added that the conference was designed to emphasize the need for this kind of constant engagement between universities in order to take cue on

what NUC was doing to revamp university education in Nigeria. He also informed proprietors of universities about the challenges the universities were facing.

Among the delegation from the University of Ilorin were the (DVC Academics), Professor O.A Omotosho; Registrar, Barr. M. A Alfamla; Bursar, Mr. O.H Sonde; Dean, Faculty of Law, Professor Ni'ima Abdurrahim; Director Centre for Affiliated institutions, Professor A.S Abdussalam; Dir. Institute of Legislative Studies, Professor I. Imam; Principal

Assistant Registrar, VCs Office, Mrs. Azezat Q. Ibrahim; P.A to VC, Mr. Mubarak Akintola; Deputy Director Dir. Of Corporate Affairs, Mr. Salau Abdurrahman; Principal Protocol Officer, Mr. Abdulqadir; Mr. Yusuf Alage and Ass. Dir Information/Protocol, Mr. Segun Alabi.

At the meeting were the NUC Directors of Executive Secretary's Office DESO, Mr. John A. Mairafi and Academic Planning (DAP), Malam Abubakar Muhammed Girei.



Mr. Maiyaki and Professor Egbewole (6th and 7th right), in a group photograph with other members of the visiting Consortium of Kwara Universities and some members of NUC Management.

## NYSC Bestows Students Partnership Award on NUC

The National Youth Service Corps (NYSC), last Monday, bestowed on the National Universities Commission (NUC), the award of Students Partnership, in recognition of the Commission's sterling role in the mobilisation of Corp members for participation in National service, as part of activities to commemorate NYSC's Golden Jubilee celebrations in Abuja.

Presenting the award on behalf of the Director-General, NYSC, the Director, Mobilisation, Hajia Walida Sadique, highlighted that both NYSC and NUC had operated in the same space in the past 50 years in the sense that graduates of Nigerian universities participated in the mandatory one year scheme, which came into existence in 1973, under the Yakubu Gowon administration.

She recalled that NYSC clocked 50 in May, 2023, and rolled out its drums to celebrate the feat and its modest achievements where NUC was to be honoured at its gala nite but no one was available to receive the award, hence the directive by the Director-General for it to be presented in the Commission.

According to her, the essence was to appreciate the NUC's partnering role in the performance of NYSC statutory mandates of mobilising Corp members for national service in the past 50 years.

While receiving the award on behalf of the management and staff of the Commission, the Acting Executive Secretary, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki,

informed his guests that NUC had always been pre-occupied with knowledge production and had also been labouring daily to ensure that the Nigerian University System (NUS) remained purposeful in its vision. He recounted the importance of NYSC and how it was established

among Nigerians.

While reminiscing on his days as a Youth Corper, the Acting Executive Secretary noted that NYSC was for him a game-changer and served as a redefining moments with his experience of the good Nigerian spirit while in the



The Ag. ES, NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, receiving the prestigious Students Partnership Award conferred on the Commission by the NYSC from the Director, Mobilisation, Hajia Walida Sadique, when her team visited him.

to foster peaceful coexistence between the different geopolitical regions in Nigeria.

Mr. Maiyaki said the NYSC need more encouragement and empowerment to continue to play its role considering the level of moral decadence the society grappled with today.

He agreed that there was a lot to celebrate about the NYSC because it brought about unification and the display of an accommodating spirit and tolerance among divergent views as well as cultural differences

South East state of Abia and Obioma Ngwa Community, in the then Imo State, some 32 years ago.

He said while people made an erroneous jest that the people of the Obioma Ngwa community would eat their guests when they discovered anyone as a visitor. He said his own experience was quite different such that the people were nice and kind enough to provide him comfortable accommodation until he left for Owerri, to his place of primary assignment.

Mr. Maiyaki recounted with





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nostalgia that his service year was eventful as most of his friendship today cuts across people he met during his service year such that one of his close friends left the child in his custody to take to another destination.

He lamented that Nigeria had was at the verge of loosing those good old days leading to reputation deficit because of activities of bad eggs among the citizenry.

He recalled that there were only 22 universities when he joined the services of the NUC on transfer from Plateau State Cabinet Office in the last 31 years, but now Superintend about 260 universities and still growing.

He prayed that the next 50 years for NUC and NYSC would be more fulfilling for both institutions.

The NYSC delegation included the Deputy Director, Corps Mobilisation, Mr. Femi Adegoke; Other Officers in the Corps Directorate were: Mrs. Ajayi Funmilayo; Mr. Femi Osunbgo; Mr. Bolu George and Mr. Ikani Alphonsus.

At the meeting was the Director, in the Executive Secretary's Office, (DESO), Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu.



Mr. Maiyaki, (5th right); the NUC Director, Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu, 2nd from left and Hajia Walida Sadique and (3rd left), in a group photograph with other members of the NYSC delegation

## UNN, Clintonel Innovation Centre Partner to Bridge Engineering Skills Gap

The University of Nigeria Nsukka (UNN), through its Faculty of Engineering, in partnership with Clintonel Innovation Center Aba, Abia State, recently hosted the second edition of the Engineering Career Fair.

The event aimed to address the engineering skills gap in Nigeria and align engineering education with industry requirements.

Building on the success of the inaugural Fair in September 2021, the second edition garnered significant interest from students, with over five hundred registrations.

The objectives of the fair were to equip engineering students and graduates with industry-relevant skills, foster an innovative mindset, introduce participants to modern and emerging technologies, and prepare engineering graduates for job applications and the professional world.

Distinguished engineering experts from various industries were featured at the fair, providing valuable insights and conducting training sessions on industry expectations. Attendees also had the opportunity to engage in practical industry-led workshops covering a wide range of topics, including Health Safety and Environment, Virtual and Augmented Reality, Solar Panel Installation, Inverter Design,

Computer-Aided Design, Computer-Aided Manufacturing, Laser Cutting and Engraving, and Web3 foundations.

involvement exemplifies the fruitful collaboration between academia and industry fostered by the faculty. Notable speaker, Professor Ugo Nwoji, former Vice-President of COREN,



Professor Charles Arizechukwu Igwe  
Vice-Chancellor, UNN

During the event, Professor Emenike Ejiogu, the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, expressed his delight at the strong collaboration between academia and industry showcased by the fair. He commended the active participation of students and emphasised the significant presence of alumni from the faculty who served as speakers and facilitated industry-led training sessions.

This demonstration of alumni engagement and industry

highlighted the importance of networking and nurturing university friendships, which can lead to collaborative teamwork and provide valuable learning and professional development opportunities.

One of the notable highlights of the event was the announcement by Ugochukwu Aronu, Co-Founder of Xend Finance and an alumnus of the faculty, regarding an innovation challenge aimed at identifying key local and global problems, brainstorming solutions, and building

engineering models to address these issues.

This challenge offers a total prize of \$5,000 and technical mentoring to two winning teams from the Faculty of Engineering.

The challenge was aimed at encouraging the development of innovative proposals that could be transformed into engineering products, promoting sustainable development and making a positive impact on Nigerian society.

Several companies, including Genesys Techhub Enugu, Clintonel Innovation Centre Aba, Minnostech Enugu, Manamuz, Onshore and Offshore Institute of Nigeria, UgarSoft/Xend Finance, and Kitovu Technologies, were also present at the event.

Also, the newly established Engineering Education Research Group, led by the Career Fair

convener, Dr Ijeoma J.F Ezika, awarded five Health, Safety, and Environment training and certification scholarships to top participants in the HSE technical session.

In his closing remarks, Tochukwu Chukwueke, CEO of Clintonel Innovation Centre Aba, expressed satisfaction with the event's organization and the student turnout, despite its proximity to the exam period. He emphasised the importance of locally manufactured engineering products and encouraged students, to recognise them as the country's hope.

The students expressed overwhelming joy and satisfaction with the event, highlighting the valuable skills acquired and the networks formed. In an anonymous feedback, one student expressed

gratitude for the opportunity to participate and emphasised the event's invaluable learning experiences.

Another student wished they could attend all sessions concurrently, appreciating the event and expressing the desire to attend again if another fair is organized. Another student emphasised embracing an innovative mindset and feeling challenged to explore new opportunities in the field of technology as an engineering student.

The UNN Engineering Career Fair was implemented as part of the Engineering Program for Safety and Industry (EPSI), a project supported by Engineering X, an international collaboration founded by the Royal Academy of Engineering UK and Lloyd's Register Foundation.



The UNN Faculty of Engineering Students at the Engineering Career Fair hosted by Clintonel Innovation Centre Aba



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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

### Open Universities in Nigeria

List of approved Open Universities in Nigeria, Five Open Universities currently operating in the NUS are as follows:

1. The National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN), which has 72 study/resource centres nationwide
2. Miva Open University, Abuja, FCT
3. Iconic Open University, Sokoto, Sokoto State
4. West Midland Open University, Ibadan, Oyo State
5. Al-Muhibbah Open University, Abuja, FCT

List of approved Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria, Twenty 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.
18. Usmanu Danfodio University Centre for Open and Distance Education (CODE), Sokoto
19. Enugu State University of Science and Technology Open and Distance Learning Centre, Agbani
20. University of Benin Centre for Distance Learning, Edo State

### 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

**Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki**  
Acting Executive Secretary, NUC  
Announcer



# 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	20	Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi	1988	39	Federal University, Gusau, Zamfara	2013
2	University of Nigeria, Nsukka	1960	21	Joseph Sarwuan Tarka University, Makurdi, Benue State	1988	40	Federal University, Gashua, Yobe	2013
3	Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife	1962	22	Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta	1988	41	Nigeria Maritime University Okerenkoko, Delta State	2018
4	Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria	1962	23	University of Uyo, Uyo	1991	42	Air Force Institute of Technology, Kaduna	2018
5	University of Lagos, Lagos	1962	24	Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka	1992	43	Nigerian Army University, Biu	2018
6	University of Benin, Benin City	1970	25	Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike	1992	44	Federal University of Health Sciences, Otukpo, Benue State	2020
7	Bayero University, Kano	1975	26	National Open University of Nigeria, Lagos	2002	45	Federal University of Agriculture, Zuru, Kebbi State	2020
8	University of Calabar, Calabar	1975	27	Fed. Univ. of Petroleum Resources, Effurun	2007	46	Federal University of Technology, Babura, Jigawa State	2021
9	University of Ilorin, Ilorin	1975	28	Federal University, Lokoja, Kogi State	2011	47	Federal University of Technology Ikot Abasi, Akwa Ibom State	2021
10	University of Jos, Jos	1975	29	Federal University, Lafia, Nasarawa State	2011	48	Federal University of Health Sciences, Azare, Bauchi State	2021
11	University of Maiduguri, Maiduguri	1975	30	Federal University, Kashere, Gombe State	2011	49	Federal University of Health Sciences, Ila Orangun, Osun State	2021
12	Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto	1975	31	Federal University, Wukari, Taraba State	2011	50	King David Umahi University of Medical Sciences, Uburu, Ebonyi State	2022
13	University of Port-Harcourt, Port-Harcourt	1975	32	Federal University, Dutsin-Ma, Katsina State	2011	51	Admiralty University, Ibusa, Delta State	2023
14	Federal University of Technology, Owerri	1980	33	Federal University, Dutse, Jigawa State	2011			
15	Federal University of Technology, Akure	1981	34	Alex Ekwueme University, Ndufu Alike, Ebonyi State	2011			
16	Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola	1981	35	Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2011			
17	Federal University of Technology, Minna	1982	36	Federal University, Otuoke, Bayelsa	2011			
18	Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna	1985	37	The Nigeria Police Academy, Wudil, Kano State	2012			
19	University of Abuja, Abuja	1988	38	Federal University, Birnin-Kebbi, Kebbi	2013			

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



56	Lagos University of Science and Technology, Ikorodu, Lagos State	2022	60	Emmanuel Alayande University of Education, Oyo, Oyo State	2022		
57	Shehu Shagari University of Education, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022	61	Sa'adatu Rimi University of Education Kumbotso, Kano, Kano State	2023		
58	Enugu State University of Medical and Applied Sciences, Igbo-Eno, Enugu State	2022	62	Kogi State University, Kabba, Kogi State	2023		
59	University of Ilesa, Osun State	2022					

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

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97	Khadija University, Majia, Jigawa State	2021	134	Shanahan University, Onitsha, Anambra State	2023			
98	ANAN University, Kwall, Plateau State	2021	135	The Duke Medical University Calabar, Cross River State	2023			
99	Pen Resource University, Gombe, Gombe State	2022	136	Mercy Medical University, Iwara, Iwo, Osun State	2023			
100	Al-Ansar University, Maiduguri, Borno State	2022	137	Cosmopolitan University, Abuja, FCT	2023			
101	Margaret Lawrence University, Galilee, Delta State	2022	138	Iconic Open University, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2023			
102	Khalifa Isiyaku Rabiu University, Gadon Kaya City Gate Kano, Kano State	2022	139	West Midland Open University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2023			
103	Sports University, Idumuje, Ugboko, Delta State	2022	140	Amaj University, Abuja, FCT	2023			
104	Baba-Ahmed University, Kano, Kano State, Kano, Kano State	2022	141	Prime University, Abuja, FCT	2023			
105	Saia University Of Medical Sciences And Technology, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022	142	El-Amin University, Niger State	2023			
106	Nigerian British University, Asa, Abia State	2022	143	College of Petroleum and Energy Studies, Kaduna, Kaduna State	2023			
107	Peter University, Achina-Onneh, Anambra State	2022	144	Jewel University, Gombe, Gombe State	2023			
108	Newgate University, Minna, Niger State	2022	145	Nigerian University of Technology and Management, Apapa, Lagos State	2023			
109	European University of Nigeria, Duboyi, Abuja, FCT	2022	146	Al-Muhibbah Open University, Abuja, FCT	2023			
110	Northwest University, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022	147	Al-Bayan University, Ankpa, Kogi State	2023			
111	Rayhaan University, Birnin Kebbi, Kebbi State	2023						
112	Muhammad Kamalud-Deen University, Ilorin, Kwara State	2023						
113	Sam Maris University, Supare, Ondo State	2023						
114	Aletheia University, Ago-Iwoye, Ogun State	2023						
115	Lux Mundi University, Umuahia, Abia State	2023						
116	Maduka University, Ekwegbe - Nsukka, Enugu State	2023						
117	Peaceland University, Enugu, Enugu State	2023						
118	Amadeus University, Amizi, Abia State	2023						
119	Vision University, Ikogbo, Ogun State	2023						
120	Azman University, Kano, Kano State	2023						
121	Huda University, Gusau, Zamfara State	2023						
122	Franco British International University, Kaduna, Kaduna State	2023						
123	Canadian University of Nigeria, Abuja, FCT	2023						
124	Miva Open University, Abuja, FCT	2023						
125	Gerar University of Medical Sciences, Imope-Ijebu, Ogun State	2023						
126	British Canadian University, Obudu, Cross River State	2023						
127	Hensard University, Toru-Orua, Bayelsa State	2023						
128	Phoenix University, Agwada, Nasarawa State	2023						
129	Wigwe University, Isiokpo, Rivers State	2023						
130	Hillside University of Science and Technology, Okemesi Ekiti, Ekiti State	2023						
131	University on the Niger, Umunya, Anambra State	2023						
132	Elrazi University of Medical Sciences, Kano, Kano State	2023						
133	Venite University Iloro - Ekiti, Ekiti State	2023						





# 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 Udozo 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
SA'ADIYA	ABDULRAHMAN	SAMBO	26 July
OLUMIDE	OLUWABUSAYO	OLUMOYIN	26 July
OLUWAKEMI		ONILEDE	27 July
OLUWAYEMISI	MODUPE	ADENIJI	27 July
ADEBISI		ADEBAYO	28 July
VALENTINE	ONYEKA	EGESIMBA	28 July
MARTHA	E	ETOK	29 July
NEHEMIAH		DAUDA	29 July

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



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