

Gambian Higher Education Delegation Visits NUC, Harps on Capacity Building

A powerful delegation from the Gambian Ministry of Education, led by the Minister of Higher Education, Professor

Commission on scholarships and capacity building.

Receiving the delegation on behalf of the Ag. Executive

education in Nigeria which started with the setting up of the Commission as a Unit in the cabinet, through its growth and development up till the



The Ag. Executive Secretary, NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki in handshake with the Gambia's Minister of Higher Education, Prof. Pierre Gomez while the Gambian Ambassador to Nigeria, Mohammadu Njie watches on.

Pierre Gomez, last week Monday, visited the National Universities Commission (NUC), to seek more collaborations with the

Secretary, the Deputy Executive Secretary, Academics, Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu, gave a rundown of the evolution of the university

present moment that the Commission boasted of having 260 universities across different proprietorship.

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Briefing the NUC management on the purpose of their visit to the Commission, Professor Gomez said that Gambia was

University education in the Gambia started from Nigeria through its unalloyed supports and massive

the good people of Nigeria, Gambia was now enjoying the feat.



L-R: Deputy Executive Secretary (Academics), Dr. N. B. Saliu; Director, Establishment of Private Universities, Mrs Constance Goddy-Nhadi; Director, Human Resource, Mr. B. C. Odum and Director, Office of the Executive Secretary, Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu at the meeting.

embarking on transformation agenda of the university system and the entire education sector at large hence their coming to Nigeria, stressing that it would be incomplete without consulting the sister country like Nigeria for its unwavering supports to the Gambia.

The Gambian Minister for Higher Education emphasised that Nigeria took the lead with ECOWAS to defend the Gambia's democracy and returned rule of law back to the country after a storm of crisis orchestrated by some actors in the land. He added that the mission of the delegation was a thank you visit to Nigeria as the

contribution which saw to the evolution of university education in Gambia.

He explained further that the pioneer Vice-Chancellors, Registrars and some faculties in Gambia were from Nigeria, stressing that Nigeria stood by Gambia and took the leadership roles in helping it towards the realization of its dream of having a university when other stakeholders believed that with the size of the country, it should not have a university. He added that the country had to wait for three different reports, but with the support from and sacrifice of

Professor Gomez told the NUC management that the Gambia's economy relied heavily on the university education and that with the World Bank African Centres of Excellence (ACE), Gambia had been able to send some students to Nigerian universities and they were doing well with many females holding PhDs from the NUS, saying that many more were being trained. He sought more supports on capacity building for faculties especially on postgraduate scholarships.

The leader of the delegation said that Gambia could not thank Nigeria enough for the

many contributions that had led to the country's growth and development especially in education formation, saying that Nigeria had produced some Ministers for the country including the Ministry of Higher Education, saying all these were part of the strong

entrepreneurial skills that sprang up in Nigeria recently which was now contained in the NUC's new curriculum (CCMAS), saying that Gambia would like to explore all the available opportunities in the Nigeria's higher education sub-sector.

sustain the momentum in the interest of the two countries.

On the transformation agenda of the higher education in Gambia, he promised that the Commission would make unrelenting contributions and efforts to ensure that success



L-R (front row): Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education, Gambia, Mr. Yusuf Toure; Dr. Joshua Atah and Engr. Kayode Odedina at the meeting.

foundation built by Nigeria. He said his ministry believed that higher education could bring the desired change and development. He emphasised that the rural urban migration was affecting African continent and that there should be some positive response from the academia.

In his remarks, the Gambian Ambassador to Nigeria, Mohammadou M. Njie, commended the

He also commended NUC for the leadership roles it had played which culminated in the establishment of Universities in Gambia as well as its commencement.

While responding, the Deputy Executive Secretary (DES) Academic, Dr. N.B. Saliu, commended the Minister for words of praises and appreciation towards Nigeria's gesture, stressing that the Commission would

was recorded.

Dr. Saliu said that capacity would be continually built in order to remain relevant as education was dynamic and that it required innovations and research for the country to have a good strength that would translate to more development. He added that NUC was working closely with the Association of West African Universities (AWAU) to build a strong network that

would serve the continent.

The Acting Executive Secretary, Mr. Chris Maiyaki, who joined the meeting later, described the visit as a historic one that would cement a strong tie that had existed with the Gambian higher education system, saying that Nigeria had no reason for not continuing on this strength.

He added that the Commission would build on the gains and sustain same through more deliberate friendly policies on capacity building and students' scholarships even though the NUC still had limited space for the teeming youth who were yearning for university education but were yearly denied as the system could

only absorb 50% of them.

Mr. Maiyaki said that Nigeria needed collaboration with the Gambia as the two countries shared many things in common, noting that such partnership was mostly needed in the education sector more especially higher education which according to him fell under the purview of the NUC. He told the delegation that NUC had just re-engineered its curriculum with the launch of the CCMAS for all Nigerian universities with a view to repositioning them and making the graduates highly competitive with their peers globally.

NUC attendance included the Directors of Establishment of

Private Universities, Mrs. Contance N. Goddi-Nnadi; Human Resource, Mr. Boniface Odum; Open Distance and E-Learning, Engr. Kayode Odedina; Office of the Executive Secretary, Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu as well as Acting Directors of Research, Innovation and Information Technology, Mal. Lawal Mohammed Faruk; Skills Development and Entrepreneurship, Mal. Ashafa Ladan; Public Affairs, Alh. Haruna Lawal Ajo; Finance and Account; Mrs. Hauwa Amos; Accreditation, Arc. Samuel Ikani; Students, Mrs. Rita Okonjo and Deputy Director, Information, Mrs. Offiong U. Etor, among others.



The Ag. ES, NUC, Mr. Maiyaki in a group photograph with the Gambian Higher Education delegation and some members of the NUC Management

HECRES Visits NUC on ACE Impact Projects International Accreditation

The Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, last Tuesday, received in audience a team of experts from the High Council for Evaluation of Research and Higher Education

Benue State University, Makurdi.

Welcoming the team, Mr. Mayaki informed them that NUC remained the home of all universities in the country and started off in the Cabinet Office in

and required constant improvement from time to time.

This reality, he said, necessitated the resolution of the NUC to develop in 2019 a new curriculum that would meet global best practices.



The Acting Executive Secretary, NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki and the Project Manager Europe & International Department, High Council for Evaluation of Research and Higher Education (HCERES), Paris, France, Dr. Zakia Mestari during their visit to the Commission

(HCERES), Paris, France, led by the Project Manager Europe & International Department (HCERES), Dr. Zakia Mestari, in his office.

The team was in Nigeria to carry out the international accreditation component of the African Centres of Excellence (ACE) Impact Programmes run in the selected Centres in Nigeria, with a visit to those of the Neglected Tropical Diseases and Forensic Biotechnology (ACENTDFB) in Ahmadu Bello University (ABU), Zaria and the African Centre of Excellence for Food Technology and Research (ACEFTER) in

1962 before emerging as full-fledged Government agency by 1974, charged with the responsibility to ensure the orderly development of university education in Nigeria.

He added that The Commission has the mandate to regulate, monitor and lay down Minimum Academic Standards for Nigerian Universities and also responsible for the establishment of new universities in the country.

The Acting ES said curriculum the world over remained very dynamic, especially in matters concerning university education

Mr. Maiyaki told the delegation that the Commission used the instrument of Resource Verification, through teams of experts in the Nigerian University System (NUS) to verify the human and material resources available for a programme before a programme is mounted in any Nigerian Universities.

He said NUC also had the sole responsibility to licence Private Universities and has, as part of its functions, the role of advising government on matters relating to universities in the country.

The Acting Executive Secretary

also took the team down the memory lane from the advent of University education in Nigeria, beginning with University of Ibadan (UI) as a University College London, to the establishment of first indigenous University of Nigeria Nsukka (UNN) and others in 1962 and the University of Benin (UNIBEN) by 1970, regarded as the First Generation universities.

The Second Generation universities, he stated, where seven others established between 1975 and 1980, while more universities have evolved with the emergence

about 2million students jostling for enrollment for about 600,000 spaces yearly, due to universities' carrying capacities.

The Acting Executive Secretary said France constituted one of the top five countries in the world with the best Air-force.

He stated that there were areas France and Nigeria could collaborate for the expansion of the educational horizon, through the establishment of Branch Campus French Universities in the country.

actions on the ability to build human capital for the nation.

He said the Commission just reengineered its Cross-Border Education Guidelines which had formally opened up the NUS to other educational potentials abroad.

He expressed optimism that the team's visit would boost and strengthen the NUC's resolve to entrench quality in the Nigerian Universities landscape.

In her remarks, the team leader,



The meeting of the Acting Executive Secretary and some members of his Management team with the HCERES delegation in session

of private universities leading to a total of 260 universities as at date and still counting.

Mr. Maiyaki disclosed that education was on the concurrent list in Nigeria, which allowed states to own universities in the country, with some of them like Delta State, owning about four Universities alone.

He said access was a problem with

He described it as a good omen and necessary for international partners to come and evaluate the ACE programmes in the Nigerian universities in order to determine how well they were being run.

Harping on its relevance, he said NUC had continued to serve as the link between the NUS and the international community, with the Nigerian universities anchoring their framework of

Dr. Zakia said HECRES remained an international renowned body recognized by the academic world and member of the European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education(EQAR).

She said the evaluation process involved experts not only from France, but from other countries of the world.

She said the the team came to Nigeria to accredit the programmes run by the African Centre of Excellence for Neglected Tropical Diseases and Forensic Biotechnology (ACENTDFB) in Ahmadu Bello University (ABU), Zaria and the African Centre of Excellence for Food Technology and Research (ACEFTR) in Benue State University, Makurdi. She said the team will be looking critically at documents and facilities of the Universities to ensure that they meet the internationally recommended standards of operations.

In his remarks, NUC Coordinator Special Projects, Dr. Joshua Atah reminded the meeting that the World Bank had been the sponsor of the ACE projects in the country.

This, according to him, explained why the project was undergoing foreign accreditation, aimed at ascertaining the level of progress

and the adherence to set standards. He said many programmes of the Centres were billed for accreditation visit by the team.

In his own remarks, the Deputy Executive Secretary (DES) Academics, NUC, Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu commended the team for embarking on the assignment in the Centres, stating that it would go a long way to complement what the Commission had been doing internally to maintain quality in the NUS.

Other NUC Directors who made remarks at the meeting also collectively expressed enthusiasm that the NUC's accreditation process would strengthen the Centres of Excellence and enable them know exactly the expectations of the team.

In the HECRES team were Professor Vasonne Anne; Director, Mr. Donard Oliver; Professor, AMV, Mr. Boutin Oliviere and Project Manager, Hestari Zakia.

At the meeting were the Directors of Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU), Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi; Human Resource (DHR), Mr. Boniface Odum; Open Distance and e-Learning (DODEL), Engr. Kayode Odedina; Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu; Acting Directors of Research, Innovations and Information Technology (DRIIT), Mal. Mohammed Farouk Lawal; Inspection and Monitoring (DIM) Mrs. Lydia Imorua; Finance and Accounts (DFA), Mrs. Hauwa Amos; Academic Planning (DAP), Mr. Abubakar Girei and Students (DoS), Ms. Rita Nneka Okonjo.



Mr. Maiyaki and Dr. Mestari (7th and 8th left) in a group photograph with the HECRES delegation

Gambia Minister For Higher Education Interacts With SPESSE Centre Leaders

The Gambia Minister of Higher Education Professor Pierre Gomez was in the National Universities Commission (NUC) with his entourage which included the Gambia High Commission to Nigeria Muhammadu Njie and the Permanent Secretary Ministry for Education, Gambia, Yusuf Toure to firm up collaboration between Gambian Ministry for Education and the Six SPESSE Centres of Excellence in

Courses, Certification, Diploma, Bachelor's, Postgraduate and Masters).

Professor Gomez while speaking, Praised the NUC for supporting education in Gambia and affirmed that his country had been receiving support from Nigeria in different areas. He said that Nigeria helped his country to build the first University and that most of his

desirous of studying in Nigeria especially in the areas of Science and Technology, saying that with more Universities in his country the narratives would change.

Professor Gomez further appealed to NUC to help the Gambian students in the areas of getting Scholarship, staff and student exchange programme and Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)



L-R: Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education, Gambia, Mr. Yusuf Toure; Gambia's Minister of Higher Education, Prof. Pierre Gomez; Gambian Ambassador to Nigeria, Muhammadu Njie and Ag. Executive Secretary, NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki.

Nigeria.

They were led to the new boardroom by Mr. Joshua Atah, the coordinator of the Sustainable Procurement, Environment and Social Standards Centers of Excellence (SPESSE) in Nigeria, in collaboration with the World Bank (WB). The Gambia delegation had an online meeting with the Six (6) SPESSE Centers of Excellence in Nigeria.

It would be recalled that the aims of the Six Centers of Excellence were, among others, to provide cutting-edge, world class training in sustainable Procurement, environmental and social standards at various levels of Competence (Short

country's Senior Civil Servants and Lecturers were trained by Nigerians.

He went further to applaud Nigeria's Leadership role in Africa and expressed his confidence that Africa could solve its own problem, stressing that Nigeria was a giant and it had the capacity that could help Gambia education because the country needed well informed citizenry.

He said that the first University started in the year 2000 in Gambia before that year, there was no University in the country. He advocated for Scholarship for Gambia Students who were

In his remarks, the Gambian Ambassador to Nigeria, Muhammadu Njie said that there was need to integrate some skills into students studying in the Gambia and that they would require the assistance of Nigerian Universities in that aspect. He said that "the more we interact the more the integration and Africa must work together to achieve result."

Lending his voice to the conversation, Michael Ileanmi from the World Bank said that the South South collaboration (Nigeria and Gambia) was amazing and that it had come to a beautiful fruition. According to him, Gambia needed a lot of support in human capacity,



Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki
Ag. Executive Secretary, NUC

whereas, NUC and World Bank could be of greater help and ample support to the country.

The six SPESSE Centre Leaders had all indicated readiness to support the Gambian Ministry for Education starting with the admission and scholarship provision for Gambian students in their various Universities.

The University of Lagos Centre Leader said that they already had a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Gambia University in

Banjul, While Bayero University Kano (BUK) had already admitted eight Gambian students and who had just commenced their programmes in the current academic session.

In his remarks, the Coordinator of SPESSE Center of Excellence in Nigeria, Dr. Joshua Atah said that more accurate data was needed to get the Precise information on how many Gambian students had been trained, those that had graduated in the last nine years and the number of Gambian students that were currently undergoing training. He stressed that NUC would encourage



Dr. Joshua Atah
Coordinator, SPESSE

the Centre Leaders to upload and send to the Gambian Ministry for Education the available courses and the number of students they could admit.



Prof. Pierre Gomez
Minister of Higher Education, Gambia

He added that the process would be done online and the Gambian Government could send their students to Nigeria, while the students would be on full Scholarship and the Universities in Nigeria would ensure their security and welfare.



The Gambian Minister of Higher Education, Prof. Gomez Fielding questions with Journalist after the meeting with the Ag. ES, NUC, Mr. Maiyaki watches on with keen interest.



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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, Ijagan	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					

PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	Babcock University, Ilishan-Remo, Ogun State	1999	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 Adegboyegea 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, Oke-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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S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
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						



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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 Udo 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, Mbaize, 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
MARYROSE	OMEREBERE	EDOKOBI	04 September
HADIZA	KACHALLAH	MUSA	04 September
OFURE	TRACY	AGBONZEROH	06 September
NOSAYABA	NAOMI	EHIGIE	06 September
STELLA	MICHAEL	WILLIAMS	06 September
SYLVIA	NWAMAKA	ORSHE	07 September
SUNDAY	ETIM	EFE	07 September
IFEYINWA	STELLA	UGOCHUKWU	07 September
SARAH	JAMES	GARBA	09 September
MAMUDU		HAMMAJIDU	09 September
KIKELOMO	LAURA	LADIPO	10 September

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Best Wishes for the week



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