

NUC Lists Niger State University of Education, Minna as 270th Varsity

His Excellency, the Governor of Niger State, Honourable Mohammed Umaru Bago on Thursday made a formal presentation of the strategic documents for the re-validation of the already approved Niger State University of Education, Minna at the National Universities Commission's (NUC) new boardroom.

The university was ranked as the 63rd state university and the 270th university recognised by the NUC.

In his speech, Governor Bago expressed gratitude to the Commission for its doggedness in ensuring that the dream conceived in 2015 came to fruition.

He, however, decried the alarming deficit in educational facilities in the country's institutions of learning and expressed his wish to transform his state into a hub for quality

vocational learning in the very near future.

He appealed to the Commission to expedite action on the

Kontagora and Federal Polytechnic, Bida.

He said his passion stemmed out of a need to have specialised



His Excellency, the Governor of Niger State, Honourable Mohammed Umaru Bago receiving the Letter of Recognition of new Niger State University of Education, Minna from the Acting Executive Secretary, NUC, Mr Chris J. Maiyaki

approval of the Medicine programme in IBB University Lapai and promised to assist other higher learning institutions in the state like the Federal College of Education in

State University of Education, from a realisation that graduates required the corresponding skills that should accompany their certificates.

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Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi
Director, DEPU, giving vote of thanks

He further said the era of dolling out certificates with no corresponding skills to support the qualification should be a thing of the past, adding that graduates must begin to enroll in vocational universities and obtain both the skills and the academic qualifications needed for a well-rounded graduate.

employment from the government.

While receiving the documents, the Acting Executive Secretary of NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki expressed his delight in the laudable move by the Governor which he said was very inspiring and signals Governor Bago's passion for education for his people and the country.

He informed the guests that it was a custom at NUC to invite seasoned scholars in the system to come and spend some time at the Commission in order to enrich some practices and to ensure that quality was maintained in the system.

It also afforded the scholars to

Nigerian University System (now) has 270 Universities.

Mr. Maiyaki told the Governor



Hon. Kabiru Shehu
Honorary Adviser to the Governor of Niger State

that the NUC since 1962 had been responsible for regulating the universities and would never rest on its oars in ensuring that quality was maintained and enhanced in all the Universities



L-R (front row): Acting Directors of: Inspection and Monitoring, Mrs. Lydia Imroa; Students, Ms. Rita Okonjo; Directors of: Open Distance and E-Learning, Engineer Kayode Odedina; Executive Secretary's Office, Mr. John Ahmadu Mairafi and the Acting Director Public Affairs, Alh. Haruna Lawal Ajo

He stated that when the graduates were armed with entrepreneurial skills, they could be self-employed and even employers of labour and relieve the burden of

get properly accustomed to the way the Commission functions as a quality assurance agency.

He said with the addition, the

across the country.

He cited some measures through which the Commission functions effectively which include, laying



L-R: Acting Directors of: Accreditation, Architect Samuel Ikani; Academic Planning, Malam Abubakar Mohammed Girei; Finance and Accounts, Mrs. Hauwa Amos and Skills Development and Entrepreneurship, Malam Ashafa Ladan, at the ceremony

down the minimum academic standards for academic programmes, embarking on resource verification visits as well as accreditation visits whenever the need arises.

Other functions included, but not limited to, recommending and processing the establishment of private universities, and aiding the Government to formulate and implement policies that ensure

the development of the NUS.

He acknowledged that the yearning for university education had not abated and the demand remained ever-increasing, adding that the governor's visit was coming at a time of incessant call for the reinvention and repositioning of university education due to the pivotal role it plays in the success or otherwise of any

society.

The Acting Executive Secretary said that the teeming youth were still grappling with the shortage of space in universities since only a quarter of their number could be absorbed to study in the country.

The demand forced them to seek access outside the shores of the country and even fell victims to



Governor Bago, sandwiched from left by NUC Visiting Professor Mohammed Kuta Yahaya and Mr. Maiyaki (right) displaying the Letter of Recognition shortly after receiving it from the Commission

dubious people.

“The gap between the demand and supply of quality higher education is still very wide and the NUC is always ready to partner with well-meaning individuals and organisations to bridge the unfortunate gap,” he said.

He assured his guests that NUC would keep its doors open for even foreign partners who might be willing to provide quality access to learning because it now had finalised its guidelines for transnational education (TNE) through six models of learning.

He assured the Governor of the Commission’s full support to the University and tasked him to take full advantage of the professional and technical advice that the Commission was statutorily

required to provide to state governments on the establishment, sustainable funding, and operation of any university in Nigeria.

He said the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund) and the National Youth Service Corps (NYSC) would be notified of the new development.

In the Governor's entourage included, NUC Visiting Professor Mohammed Kuta Yahaya; Deputy Chief of Staff to the Governor, Honourable Sadiq Yusuf; Principal Private Secretary to the Governor, Honourable Usman Magaji; and the Honorary Adviser to the Governor, Honourable Kabiru Shehu.

At the event were the NUC Directors of Executive Secretary’s Office (DESO), Mr. John Ahmadu Mairafi; Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU), Mrs Constance Goddy-Nnadi; Open Distance and E-Learning (DODEL), Engineer Kayode Odedina; the Acting Directors of Public Affairs (DPA), Alh. Haruna Lawal Ajo; Skills Development and Entrepreneurship (DSDE), Malam Ashafa Ladan; Accreditation (DA), Architect Samuel Ikani; Finance and Accounts (DFA), Mrs. Hauwa Amos; Students (DoS), Ms. Rita Okonjo; Inspection and Monitoring (DIM), Mrs. Lydia Auta Imoroa and Academic Planning (DAP0, Malam Abubakar Mohammed Girei.



The Governor and his entourage in a group photograph with some members of the NUC Management

NANS Pays Courtesy Visit to Acting ES NUC

The National Association of Nigerian Students (NANS), North-Central Zone, Penultimate Thursday, paid a courtesy visit on the Acting Executive Secretary of the National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris Jibreel Maiyaki, in his Office.

Receiving the student body on behalf of Management, staff and the Nigerian University System (NUS), the Acting Executive Secretary informed them that the NUC remained the flagship agency of government established by law to coordinate the orderly development of University education in Nigeria.

He stated that the Commission carries out its function with the instrumentality of the Benchmark Minimum Academic Standards (BMAS), explaining that some of NUC's activities included: accreditation of academic programmes, Resource Verification of new academic programmes, Inspection and Monitoring, licensing of the establishment of Private Universities.

The Ag ES further informed the NANS team that the Commission attached a lot of premium to students, as universities exist because of students, remarking that with this recognition, the NUC created a Directorate of Students (DoS), which solely

handled matters relating to students across the universities.

The Ag. ES charged the student representatives to continue to

emphasized that the soul of the country was in the hands of the youths, being leaders of tomorrow.



Acting Executive Secretary, NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki with Coordinator of the team, Mr. Anzaku Shedrack

always conduct themselves very orderly, noting that the future remained in the hands of the youth.

He advised them to apply themselves to their studies and the leadership role they were called to serve and also charged them to remain self-motivated and not to settle for instant gratification.

He further challenged the students to build themselves for the future and to pursue greatness and shun the bandwagon effect. He

Reacting to issues raised by the team, the Acting Executive Secretary enlightened the students representatives on the need for cost-sharing in Nigerian Universities as the government could hardly bear the full cost anymore due to the current economic realities and the dwindling resources of the nation.

He noted that there were issues relating to direct Teaching, Research, and other cost for training a student in Nigerian public Universities. The cost, he said, should be shared between



The meeting of Acting Executive Secretary with the NANS team from the North-Central Zone in session

the parents/guardians and the government to strike a balance.

He urged Nigerians to begin to change their attitude toward University education for the effective development of the system in line with what was obtainable in other parts of the world.

He agreed that increment of fees in any form should be done in consultation with all stakeholders including students to strike a balance and thereafter urged NANS to moderate their interventions with understanding.

On the series of government interventions in University education, the Acting Executive Secretary informed the meeting that, President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR, recently signed into law the Student Loan Bill whose ideal would be provision of loans for indigent students to support them during their studies.

He said that the scheme currently being reviewed by stakeholders to ensure its fit for purpose, promising that the process when concluded would address all issues raised.

He said that the scheme would also commence seamlessly very soon and thanked NANS North Central Zone for the great honour done to him and wished them well and journey mercies to their respective destinations.

Earlier in his remarks, the coordinator of the team and student of the University of Abuja, Mr. Anzaku Shedrack, who thanked the Acting Executive Secretary for the audience, stating that they came to the Commission to congratulate him for stepping in as the Acting Executive Secretary, NUC, following the voluntary exit of the substantive ES NUC, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR,

FNAL, on 30th of June, 2023 from the Commission.

He used the opportunity to present the Association's letter of congratulations to Mr. Maiyaki.

He informed the Acting Executive Secretary that at the last meeting of the Executive of the National Association of Nigerian Students (NANS) North Central Zone, the meeting unanimously agreed that the Association should honour him by dedicating the second edition of its magazine to featuring his life and times.

He requested a comfortable time and venue to allow the student body to carry out a one-on-one interview with the Ag. ES, while noting that the commemoration of the appointment would be done in his home in Jos the Plateau State capital.

He also briefed the Ag. Executive Secretary of the pressing needs of students across the campuses, highlighting that the topmost was the succeeding astronomical hike in school fees across Nigerian Public Universities.

He, therefore, requested the NUC through the Executive Secretary to intervene by interfacing with the Universities and various Governments on the matter.

He stated that students had to grapple with other pressing matters as a result of the glaring economic realities of the country.

A Special Adviser to the President on youth matters, Dr. Aminu acknowledged that the NUC was home to the North Central Zone of NANS and expressed his gratitude to the body for honouring the Acting Executive Secretary.

He promised that the request by NANS for the government to intervene in the current hike of fees due to economic realities in the country would be looked into and that appropriate action would be taken to ameliorate the pains the students were facing.

He thanked the Association for the work the association accomplished by organizing Nigerian students in the North Central Zone of the country.

The NUC Visiting Professor Angela Freeman remarked that NUC had listened to the students' plight and would take appropriate action.

She thanked the Acting Executive Secretary for receiving the team, stating that as former Vice-Chancellor of Federal University, Lokoja, (FUL) students were her greatest supporter and first constituency.

She listed some of her interventions as Vice Chancellor of FUL to include, the lifting of a moratorium on student unionism and donation of a Secretariat for Student Union Association (NANS).

She referred to students as a special constituency that must be treated with care to get the maximum result and encouraged them to work hard in their studies to obtain a qualitative degree. She urged them to keep up the good work of effective representation.

In the delegation of the NANS were the Public Relations Officer Nnzing Naula; Assistant Secretary General, Maxwell Faasema; Deputy Coordinator, Daniel Friday Egga; Treasurer, Ogbotta Jonathan; Deputy National President, Joshua Peter Oche; as well as the Financial Secretary, Comrade Princess Omoniyi Ahce.



Mr. Maiyaki and Mr. Shedrack with other members of the Visiting NANS delegation from the North-Central Zone in a group photograph

ODL Mode, Panacea to Access Expansion in NUS - Ag. ES

The Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, has said that the Open and Distance Learning mode was the panacea for expanding access to university education in Nigeria.

laying down minimum academic standards, granting approval for the take-off of new academic programmes, accrediting all degree programmes as well as ensuring that quality was maintained in the Nigerian University System (NUS).

no longer provide the much needed access to accommodate the teeming youths seeking admission into universities.

He assured the Proprietor of the proposed Dela Open and Distance Learning University that the



The Acting ES, NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, explaining some points while the proprietor of the proposed University, Dr. Marwan Abdulkareem (middle) and a stakeholder, Mr. Sani M. Dangaggo

He said this, recently, when the Commission played host to the proprietor of the proposed Dela Open and Distance Learning University, Talata Mafara, Zamfara State, Dr. Marwan Abdulkareem, who was on a courtesy visit to the Commission, to discuss progress made on the establishment of the proposed University.

Mr. Maiyaki stated that the NUC was the foremost regulatory body for all universities in Nigeria, saddled with the responsibility of ensuring the orderly development of universities in the Country,

The Acting Executive Secretary stressed that the emergence of the proposed Dela Open and Distance Learning University would be one of the few in the north-west and the nation in the development of private universities in Nigeria, adding that the Commission was ready to partner, as well as support well meaning Nigerians, who wished to invest in the University system, in order to expand access.

He lamented that, with the growing youth population in Nigeria, 270 universities could

Commission would continue to support them until their vision would come to fruition.

In his remarks, the proprietor of the proposed University, Dr. Marwan Abdulkareem, stated that his intention to establish a distance learning university was necessitated by the Covid-19 pandemic which had occasioned a new world order, driven by Information and Communication Technology (ICT), and the need to expand knowledge within Northern Nigeria.

Dr. Abdulkareem lamented that



The meeting of Acting Executive Secretary and some members of his management with the Proposed Dela Open University delegation in session

the North was still behind in terms of western education and required more institutions to boost the education level of its youths, who were the drivers of the region's economy.

He added that it was his intention that the University would attract industry collaboration, so as to prepare students for life after studies.

Present at the event were the NUC Directors of Human Resources, Mr. Boniface C. Odum; Open, Distance and E-Learning, Engr. Kayode Odedina; Establishment of Private Universities, Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi and Executive Secretary's Office, Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu.

Others were the Ag. Directors of Inspection and Monitoring, Mrs.

Lydia T. Imoroa; Research, Innovation, and Information Technology, Mr. Lawal Mohammed Farouk; Public Affairs, Alh. Haruna Lawal Ajo; Finance and Account, Mrs. Hauwa Amos; Directorate of Students, Ms. Rita Okonjo.

Also at the occasion included Mr. Sani M. Dangaggo, Dr. Hauwa Abdulkareem, Dr. Isaac Peace as well as Mr. Jide Olukoju.



Mr. Maiyaki and Dr. Abdulkareem (5th and 6th right) in a group photograph with members of the proposed Dela Open University delegation and some members of NUC Management

Acting ES Receives New Mgt. of Renamed AUST

The Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki recently received in audience the new management

they were in the Commission to congratulate him on his recent elevation and to formally present the Principal Officers of the AUST, comprising himself as VC, as

management and the federal government.

The new Vice-Chancellor told the NUC Management team in particular that he held a



The Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki with the new Vice-Chancellor of the African University of Science and Technology (AUST), Abuja, Professor Joseph Ahaneku

of the African University of Science and Technology (AUST), earlier renamed by the Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) as the National University of Science and Technology (NAUST), Abuja, led by the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Joseph Ahaneku, in his office.

In his remarks, the new Vice-Chancellor, Professor Ahaneku thanked the Acting Executive Secretary for the warm reception accorded his team on short notice despite the tight schedules.

He informed Mr. Maiyaki that

well as the Registrar and the Bursar.

While briefing the Acting ES and members of his NUC Management on recent development at the University, Professor Ahaneku expressed dismay that the envisaged handover of the asset and liabilities of the University by the previous managers was yet to happen after several meetings.

He informed the meeting that one of the reasons was that the previous managers of the institution had instituted a court case against the current

meeting with the Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Education, Mr. David Andrew Adejo, to discuss the matter, who promised to escalate the matter to the higher authority to intervene and revert to them later.

The Vice-Chancellor, who thanked the NUC Management for their support so far, informed them that he also held a discussion with the Deputy Director, Legal on the court process, who informed him that the suit joined other external bodies besides the federal government. The Vice Chancellor had also informed



The meeting of the Acting ES, NUC and the AUST delegation in session

them that the next hearing would be in the month of September.

The Vice-Chancellor said they were in the NUC to bring to the Acting Executive Secretary up-to-date information on the development and to also discuss some pressing needs that required the Commission's urgent attention.

He requested the Executive Secretary to kindly approve an office space for AUST in the Commission to serve as a Secretariat before the proper take-off of activities at the institution.

He similarly requested the Commission to intervene to see to it that the backlog of salaries owed the Principal Officers were paid within the shortest possible time.

Responding, the Acting Executive Secretary, thanked the management of AUST for recognising the pivotal role the Commission play in the development of University Education in Nigeria.

He said the visitation was a follow-up to previous contacts and communications, noting that it was one of the visits necessary in the course of the transition process of the AUST to its new status.

He congratulated the Vice-Chancellor and Principal Officers for their appointment to manage the affairs of AUST and expressed his personal conviction in the person of Professor Ahaneku to succeed in the assignment.

This, he said, stemmed from his track records as a former Vice-Chancellor of Nnamdi

Azikiwe University (NAU), Awka, Anambra State, where he did creditably well.

Mr. Maiyaki said that the situation in AUST was critical and needed a stable leadership which informed the choice of Professor Ahaneku.

He promised to make the Audit Report on the AUST available to the Vice-Chancellor as soon as possible, but expressed sadness that from the summary of the findings, the University had been mismanaged.

He promised to, as a matter of urgency, discuss further the matter with the Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Education to expedite necessary action.

The Acting Executive Secretary informed the meeting that he would summon the



Former Head of Special Duties in the ES office, Ms. Ulonna Inyama (extreme right) with two other top management of the new AUST team

Deputy Director, Legal to brief him on the court proceedings.

On the request for an office space in the NUC to serve as AUST Secretariat, the Ag. Executive Secretary informed the meeting, that a letter had been received to that effect and Management Steering Committee was still discussing

to see a suitable place to serve as its temporary secretariat.

He promised the AUST Management that the Commission would stand by them and follow the case to its conclusion in order to see to it that the matter was resolved amicably.

On the back log of unpaid salaries, he promised to roll up the matter to the authority for prompt response.

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



Mr. Maiyaki and Professor Ahaneke (3rd and 4th left); Ms. Ulonna (1st left) with two other top management of the AUST



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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	52	Federal University of Transportation, Daura, Katsina State,	2023
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	University of Cross River State, 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	63	Niger State University of Education, Minna, Niger State	2023		

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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, Osun 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 Adegboye 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, Ogun 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, Owerinta, 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						



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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, 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
NONY	EBELE	AKAZUE	09 October
LOVETH	IFEOMA	PETER EZE	09 October
OLUCHI	AGATHA	ONWUSIRI	10 October
TITILAYO	FLORA	AJILEYE	10 October
BATHOLOMEW	OBINWANNE	OHANME	10 October
VICTORIA	UNWYIN	AKONGWUBEL	10 October
OSINACHI	PEARL	ONYEMA	11 October
HABIBAT	IYABO	AJAYI	11 October
HANNATU	ALEX-NDULE	OGUNNAIKE	12 October
MUHAMMAD		MAIWADA	13 October
OYINKURO		ANDAEBI	14 October
ESTHER	MARK	MBOH	15 October
ALIYU		DANSABO	15 October

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Best Wishes for the week



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