

## Varsity Education Outcomes Should Align With National Productivity – Prof Mamman

The Minister of Education, Professor Tahir Mamman, SAN, said the key focus for the Nigerian universities would be aligning educational outcomes to national productivity, research innovation and entrepreneurship among graduates to promote self-reliance and reduce dependence on white-collar jobs.

Professor Mamman, who stated this when a delegation of the Committee of Vice-Chancellors of Nigerian Universities (CVCNU) led by the Acting Executive Secretary of the National Universities Commission, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, paid him a visit in Abuja recently, said the Administration of President Bola Ahmed Tinubu was committed to improving the country's educational system.

He said President Tinubu's approach to governance was very business-like and that all his Ministers would be subjected to quarterly performance reviews.

“The Ministry under my watch will address the fundamental structural issues from primary to tertiary education and work with

recent kidnapping of students at the Federal University Gusau, Zamfara State.



Professor Tahir Mamman, SAN  
The Minister of Education

all stakeholders to ensure that the sector is turned around,” he said.

In his remarks, the Minister of State for Education, Dr. Yusuf Tanko Sununu, highlighted the security issue in Nigerian universities and referred to the

Dr. Sununu acknowledged the seriousness of the matter and expressed the government's commitment to adequately address it and other related matters.

Earlier, Chairman of the Committee, Professor Lilian

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Salami, conveyed her appreciation to the Minister for allowing the delegation to officially congratulate him on his appointment as the first serving Vice-Chancellor to become a Minister of Education.



Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki  
Acting Executive Secretary, NUC

She however, pointed out some key challenges faced by universities to include funding, recruitment of staff, universities'



Dr. Yusuf Tanko Sununu  
Minister of State for Education

autonomy, aspects of university laws that conflicted with other laws and unending industrial disputes with university-based unions.

Professor Salami presented the Committee's study report on "Challenges, Opportunities and Sustainable Models for Nigerian Federal Universities" as their input to finding lasting solutions to the challenges facing public and private universities.

Some of the Vice-Chancellors who were part of the delegation included Professors Kabiru Adeyemo, VC, Lead City University; Dili Dogo of Nile University; Ibiyemi Bello, VC, LASU, Fatima Tahir, VC Bauchi State University, Gadau, Allen Agih, VC, Niger Delta University and Barnabas Qurix of Bingham University, among others.



Professor Lilian Salami  
Chairman, CVCNU

## Promoters of Proposed Aminu Dabo University of Health Sciences Submit Strategic Documents

A powerful delegation of the proposed Aminu Dabo University of Health Sciences, Kano, led by its promoter, Arch. (Dr) Abba Dabo, were in the National Universities Commission (NUC), last Thursday to submit the statutory documents required for the establishment of Private Universities in Nigeria.

Receiving the delegation, the Acting Executive Secretary, Mr.

Chris J. Maiyaki, said that the proposed University had demonstrated a good indication of commitment and dedication to have a landmark achievement in making the establishment of the said university a reality.

He said, he was glad the calibre of highly revered personalities in the team, who had made tremendous contribution to the university education in Nigeria.

Mr. Maiyaki gave a rundown of the evolution of the Commission and took the visitors round its successful journey so far, beginning with the establishment of the NUC as a Unit in the Cabinet office in 1960, which led to the establishment of the 1st generation universities in Nigeria in 1962, through its statutory stage in 1974, as well as its development.

He also informed the delegation of



Acting Executive Secretary, NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki (2nd right); Proprietor, Proposed Aminu Dabo University, Arch. Aminu Dabbo (2nd left); Former Minister of Health, Dr. Hidi Hong (1st left) and Brother to the Proprietor, Alh. Ibrahim Dabbo



Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki  
Acting Executive Secretary, NUC

the journey of the establishment of Universities in Nigeria starting with the University College, Ibadan as an affiliate of the University College, London.

The NUC Scribe went down the memory lane juxtaposing the revolutionary development of the successive Universities, delineating the First, Second and Third Generation Universities in Nigeria, all being the Federal Government's Institutions before the advent of State and Privates proprietorship.

The Acting ES said that the NUC, as the sole regulatory agency of the Government saddled with the responsibility of the administration of the University education in Nigeria, now boasted of having 270 Universities, with 61 Federal, 63 State and 146 Private Universities.

He reiterated that NUC was empowered to set minimum academic standards for all universities, carry out resource verification of all intended programmes to be established in the University, accredit same at their maturity, all viewed towards ensuring quality in the system.

Other critical function of the commission included processing of applications for the establishment of private universities and monitoring their compliance periodically.

Mr. Maiyaki noted that NUC was always excited, as a midwife body, to nurture a new university

and keep up its regulatory mandates over the existing ones to ensure orderly development and uninterrupted university education in Nigeria, in line with the global best practices.

Despite the 270 universities in Nigeria, there had been agitation to establish more universities as



Arch. Aminu Dabbo  
Proprietor, Proposed Aminu Dabo University  
of Health Sciences, Kano

the demand for the university education remained very huge considering the quantum of about 2 million qualified candidates who seek for admission yearly but could not be considered.

The Acting Executive Secretary said that the promoter of the proposed university shared the same page of history with Thomas Jefferson who was one of the American Presidents.

After all his accomplishments as a great personality unprecedented contributions in all spares of life, established University of Virginia. He declared, when asked, what he should be remembered for establishing University of Virginia.



Dr. Hidi Hong  
Former Minister of Health

Mr. Maiyaki said the proprietor was also shaping his life history towards achieving this feat to leave a good legacy to be remembered for, which he said, would outlive the proprietor.

The NUC scribe assured the delegation of the Commission's unalloyed support and administrative assistance to ensure that the university comes to fruition and commence academic activities on a sound footing.

He said that NUC remained their strategic partner in progress and that the Commission would do



Barr. Abubakar Balarabe Mahmoud, SAN  
former NBA President

everything within its power to see to the flag off of the university in no distant time, without compromising standards.

In his remarks, the Proprietor of the proposed University, Alh. Aminu Dabbo said the event was a special day in the journey of the proposed institution, with the submission of the statutory documents required by law for the establishment of private universities.

He extended warm salutations to the Executive Secretary and his management team for the warm reception and hospitality.

He specially acknowledge the NUC former Director of Public Affairs, Alh. Ibrahim Usman Yakasai, who doubled as member of the Planning and Implementation Committee (PIC) of the proposed University, for his untiring effort and encouragement for the establishment of the proposed institution.

He expressed optimism that the

event had shown that his dream of establishing a university was gathering the required momentum.

Giving a background history of the journey of the proposed university so far, which started over 8 years ago, he said it began with the idea of establishing a polytechnic where he could also teach as an Architect.

He approached the National Board for Technical Education (NBTE) and after wide consultations. He was then advised to change direction by focussing on the health sector because of the demand in the area of health delivering in Nigeria.

The Proprietor added that he went to NBTE, got the approval and successfully established the



Alh. Ibrahim Usman Yakasai  
Representative of the Chairman, PIC

institution which remained the first of its kind in the North-western part of Nigeria currently, the institution had produced a good number of professionals who had been engaged in different organisations.



The meeting of the Acting Executive Secretary and Promoters of Proposed Aminu Dabo University of Health Sciences in session

He said that the success recorded in the institution gave birth to consider establishing a university.

Arch. Dabo further explained that he developed much love for education as a result of establishing the health science institution. He regretted wasting a lot of time instead of investing in education, an asset that propelled development and growth in all spheres of human endeavour.

He recalled the first submission made to NUC in 2015 for the establishment of a university due to some unforeseen circumstances, the momentum was delayed until effort was rekindled to continue. However, Malam Ibrahim

Yakasai, who kept putting pressure on him to focus his attention on this laudable project.

In his remarks, the former NBA President, Mr. A.B. Mahmoud SAN, underscored the enormity of the tasks associated with the establishment of a university, stressing that he had been in the university system, having been a Pro-Chancellor of the Aliko Dangote University of Science and Technology, Wudil, among other university related engagements.

He thanked the Executive Secretary and the NUC management for the warm

reception extended to the delegation and promised to work assiduously for the proposed university to become a reality.

In another remarks, the former Minister of Health, Dr. Hidi Hong, said that the University, when fully established, would fill a very huge existing gap, with the enormous demands, especially in the Northern part of the country.

He gave example of Hong town with the population of more than 250,000 people, having only one medical doctor.

He, therefore, stressed the need to have trained medical doctors and other allied medical practitioners.



Some Members of NUC Management and the representative of PIC during the meeting





The Acting ES, NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki receiving the completed application form for the establishment of the proposed university and other documents from the proprietor, Arch. Aminu Dabbo, assisted by his family members

Lending his voice, a former Chief Press Secretary to former President Shehu Shagari, and a former SSG to Kano State, Alh. Abba Dabo, expressed confidence in the capacity and capability of the proprietor of the proposed university to make the institution a world-class University, furnished with the state of the art facility, among other requirements.

He thanked the Executive Secretary for his hospitality and the management for their moral and administrative support, promising that the University, when established would adhere

strictly to the NUC operational guidelines.

The highlight of the visit was the presentation of the statutory documents to the Executive Secretary, by the Chairman of the PIC, Professor A. Riskuwa, represented by the former NUC Director of Public Affairs, Mal. Ibrahim Usma Yakasai and supported by the other PIC members as well as family of the promoter.

The Promoter was accompanied by Sheikh Uba Ahmad; Alh. Labaran Yinusa Danbata; Alh.

Ahmad Rabi; Alh. Ibrahim Gaya and Dr. Ibrahim Kurna, among others.

The Acting Executive Secretary was supported by some NUC Management team who included; Director, Establishment of Private Universities, Mrs Constance Goddy-Nnadi; Director, Executive Secretary's Office, Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu and Ag. Director. Public Affairs, Alh. Haruna Lawal Ajo as well as other staff of the Commission.



Mr. Maiyaki and Arch. Dabbo (5th and 6th left front row) in a group photograph with families and friends of Proposed Aminu Dabo University of Health Sciences and some members of NUC Management



## Governor Eno Tasks UNIUYO Graduands On Nation-Building ... As 136 Bag First-Class Honour

The Akwa Ibom State Governor, Umo Eno, has described education as is central to the socio-economic development of the country, and charged the graduating 14,866 students at the 28th convocation of the University of Uyo (UNIUYO) to be good ambassadors by deploying their ingenuity into human and societal developments.

Investment in education, he said, remained one of the top priorities of his administration and urged stakeholders in the sector to be in the vanguard of repositioning the system.

The Governor, who stated this at the conclusion of the combined 26th, 27th and 28th convocation ceremonies of the Institution, held at the TETFund Auditorium of the school's main campus, Nwaniba, Uyo, the state capital, last Saturday.

He reiterated his continuous support for the institution, in its drive to churn out quality manpower for the nation.

He said education remained one of the pillars of his administration's 'ARISE Agenda', with government committing huge cash into

massive revamping of education at all levels in the state.



His Excellency Umo Eno  
Governor, Akwa Ibom State

Governor Eno, an alumnus of the University, said his administration would continue to support UNIUYO to enhance its pursuit of academic excellence.

He expressed the goodwill of the government and people of the state to the Visitor, President Bola Tinubu, GCFR; the Chancellor, Emir of Hadejia and Chairman Jigawa State Council of Chiefs, Alhaji Abubakar

Adamu Maje and the management, led by the Vice-Chancellor, Professor

Nyaudoh Ndaeyo, for sustaining the legacies of the institution, as the centre for teaching, research and manpower development.

In his address, the Chancellor, Alhaji Abubakar Adamu Maje, felicitated with the graduands and charged them not to see their academic attainment as an end, but a means to an end, and challenged them to think out of the box of white collar jobs, and launch themselves into the



Alhaji Abubakar Adamu Maje  
The Chancellor UNIUYO, Emir of Hadejia and Chairman Jigawa State Council of Chiefs

present world of innovation, resourcefulness and creativity.

He congratulated Governor Eno, on his emergence as Governor of the State, and solicited for stronger collaborations between the federal and state governments, to advance education as catalyst for the needed development of Nigeria.

In his address, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Nyaudoh Ndaeyo, said that the event witnessed the award of First-Class Honours degrees to 136 graduating students, saying that the combined convocation had a total of 14,866 graduands.

He said a total of 2,672 students graduated with postgraduate degrees, 11,795 with first

degrees, 318 with diplomas and 81 with certificates.

He also stated that 49 baged first class in the 2017/2018 session, with 37 coming from the 2018/2019 session, while the 2019/2020 session had 50 first class honour degrees.

“This year convocation is very unique and significant in diverse ways. First, it is a



Professor Nyaudoh Ndaeyo  
Vice-Chancellor, UNIUYO

three in one convocation ceremony comprising 26th 27th and 28th in the series of this great University.

These ceremony is the first to be conducted since my assumption as the Vice-Chancellor of University of Uyo.

“The 26th 27th and 28th combined convocation has a total of 14,866 graduands,” he said.

He also disclosed that honorary degrees would be conferred on three prominent Nigerians during the convocation.

They included Mr. Vincent Enyema, Nigeria’s Super Eagles Goalkeeper; Mr. Udom Inoyo, a philanthropist and adviser to the Inoyo Toro Foundation; and Senator Daisy Theophilus Danjuma.

The Vice-Chancellor, who listed some of the challenges facing the University including inadequate funding, encroachment on university land, and a shortage of manpower in critical fields of study.

He also said that the institution had recorded successes, especially in the area of accreditation.



## NUC Holds SPESSE Mid -Term Progress Review

The National Universities Commission (NUC), last week, held mid-term progress review for the Sustainable Procurement, Environmental, and Social Standards Enhancement (SPESSE) Project, at the new Board Room of the Commission.

In his remarks, the Acting Executive Secretary, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, represented by the Director, Executive Secretary's Office, Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu said that the mid term review was an opportunity for the stakeholders to take stock of the achievement, assess the challenges, and recalibrate strategies.

He added that it was not just about acknowledging what "we have done well but also about identifying areas that require our attention and improvement, cognizant that we stand at a pivotal point, halfway through our project time-line".

The Ag. Executive Secretary expressed his delight and noted that, following a few implementation challenges, the SPESSE project was finally gaining some momentum and recording some successes.

He said that one of these achievements was that all six centres of Excellence received their earnings for the achievement of Project Disbursement Linked

the Federal Ministry of Finance, Budget, and National Planning (FMFBNP).

In addition, he said, NUC conducted Resource



Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki  
Acting Executive Secretary, NUC

Indicators (DLIs) from the first round of verification, covering January – June 2022.

He said that these funds would undoubtedly go a long way to speed up project implementation and the achievement of project objectives, stressing that he had been reliably informed that the report for the second and third rounds of verification covering two cycles, July – December 2022, and January – June 2023, had been forwarded to the World Bank (WB) through

Verification visits for Tracks C.D, and E Course and the programmes of the centres were listed in the brochure of the Joint Admission and Matriculation Board (JAMB). He said that this was in line with NUC's tripartite relationship with JAMB and the National Youth Service Corps (NYSC), adding that the Corps was also notified that these programmes had been cleared to run in the Six Universities.

According to the Executive Secretary, other milestone recorded included the



Director, Executive Secretary's Office, Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu, representing the Ag. ES, Mr. C.J. Maiyaki flanked by the Coordinator, SPESSE, Dr. Joshua Atah at the meeting

successful launch of the monitoring and evaluation portal for the measurement and evaluation of project results, the development and utilization of high performance computing (HPC), Learning Management System (LMS), as well as LMS devices in all Six Centres of Excellence.

The Executive Secretary asserted that on the part of the centres of Excellence, they had continued to record tremendous success under the three short and advanced certificate course, under the three components.

He informed that all Six centres of Excellence had either commenced or concluded admissions into both undergraduate and postgraduate programmes, under the three components.

The NUC Scribe was optimistic

that accreditation visit would be conducted to the postgraduate programmes in the coming year, while the undergraduate programmes would be assessed for accreditation in due course.

On a whole, he said, the progress made so far was a testament to the hard work, dedication and collaboration of each team member and expressed his heart felt gratitude to them for their relentless efforts and unwavering commitment.

The ES added that despite the many wins, the project encountered several obstacles, but it had tackled them and continued to address new ones with resilience and determination.

He said that one of these obstacles was the delay in the

deployment of the certificate on portals for the three implementing agencies (Ias), Bureau of Public Procurement (BPP) and the Federal Ministry of Women Affairs (FMWA).

The Ag. ES was, however, pleased to note that the procurement processes for the portal had reached an advance stage, with the collective efforts of all stakeholders. He expressed his hope that the portal would be launched within the first quarters of 2024, so that graduates from the programmes could be properly certified, in line with project objectives.

He urge the participants to actively participate in the discussion and offer their insights and share suggestions openly, while he reminded them that their perspectives



Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu  
Director, Executive Secretary's Office

were invaluable and could shape the path going forward.

Mr. Maiyaki told them to recommit themselves to the goals that was set at the inception of the project and take advantage of the meeting to refine their strategies, re-energies their efforts and realign their focus to ensure successful project outcome.

As for the progress made so far by the Six centres of Excellence, each centre leaders told the participants about the various partnership to which

they entered into with private organizations, public and government agencies, universities both in Nigeria and outside Nigeria, Non Governmental Agencies and other firms.

The Task Team Leader (TTL) from the World Bank, I k e c h u k w u N w e j e , encouraged them to put it in their various reports and also reach out to big private firms in Nigeria that could sustain the Universities.

He said that it was always important to put head together



Ikechukwu Nweje  
World Bank Task Team Leader

to find out shortcomings and how it could be improved upon, the mid term review would be



Dr. Joshua Atah  
Coordinator, SPESSE

about results of the work done so far by the Leaders of the centres.

Participants at the workshop included Representatives from NUC, World Bank, Task Team Leaders, Bureau of Public Procurement (BPP), Federal Ministry of Finance (FMF, Federal Ministry of Environment (FMEnv), Federal Ministry of Women Affairs (FMWA) and Private sectors partners.



Some Participants at the meeting



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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	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 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, 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	Ojaja University Ilorin, 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 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
MODUPE	MOJISOLA	ASEBIOMO	20 November
JOY	ABU	OBAJE	21 November
IJEOMA	PRECIOUS	EBERE-UNEZE	21 November
OBEAHON	EYERE	AYERE	21 November
PETER	OLUWAFEMI	ESANOLA	21 November
SULEIMAN	JIMOH	SAKA	22 November
MONSURAT	OLASUMBO K.	ALLI-YUSUF	22 November
SHUAIBU		JIBRIN	22 November
BLESSING	NGOZI	ONU	22 November
LADI	SALE	KYONE	23 November
UCHECHUKWU	FRANCIS	BAMAH	23 November
EMENIKE	MARTIN	CHUKWUJEKWU	23 November
NKIRU	BLESSING	AGAGWUNCHA	24 November
OFFIONG	UDOFIA	EDOR	25 November
GRACE	D.D.	SAKOMA	25 November
ADEWALE	SHAKIRUDEEN	BAKARE	26 November

*Wishing You Many happy returns!*

*Best Wishes for the week*



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DO YOUR BIT TO MOVE THE  
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Respect.*  
*Courtesy: Directorate of Human Resources*

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