

# Universities Must Adhere to their own Traditions

## - Prof. Okojie at Press Luncheon

The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Julius A. Okojie, OON, has charged Nigerian Universities to adhere to their traditions in order to effectively deliver on their mandates. He gave the charge while addressing the Education Correspondents Association of Nigeria (ECAN), at the End-of-year Press Luncheon, held on Monday, 21 December, 2015, at the Rockview Hotel, Abuja.

The Executive Secretary disclosed that NUC, in partnership with the Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund), would soon organise a workshop to draw the attention of Nigerian universities to the need to adhere strictly to the finest of university traditions in the appointment of principal officers, promotion of academic staff, convocation and other ceremonies as well as award of honorary degrees, among



Prof. Julius A. Okojie  
Executive Secretary, NUC

others. He also called on the Federal Government to declare education at the basic and secondary levels free and compulsory, in order to increase access for the less-privileged, and also to enable the country achieve the Education for All (EFA) goal.

The Executive Secretary, who spoke on a wide range of issues, recalled the positive impact of the boarding system on public secondary education, stressing the need to reintroduce the system, so as to improve the quality of secondary

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school graduates, which would in turn impact on the quality of entrants into the university system. On the regulatory activities of the NUC, he said that university education remained the most preferred choice of the teeming higher education seekers in the country, noting that the Commission continued to work assiduously to satisfy their yearnings by improving access, while also improving the quality of the universities' programmes.

Professor Okojie said that the luncheon provided a forum for interaction between NUC and the media, so that the public could be kept abreast of its activities and developments in the Nigerian University System (NUS). He described the media as an important stakeholder in the education system, stressing that NUC could only succeed in its endeavours with their collaboration. He therefore appealed to members of the association to always investigate issues, thoroughly, before publishing or transmitting their reports, in line with the ethics of journalism.

While thanking the newsmen for their roles in NUC's war against 'Degree Mills', the Executive Secretary affirmed that there were no more illegal universities operating in the country as the collaboration between NUC, the Independent



Prof. Chiedu Mafiana  
Deputy Executive Secretary I

Corrupt Practices and Related Offences Commission (ICPC) and the Nigeria Police had ensured that they had nowhere to hide. He explained that the continued publication of the names and locations of the 'Degree Mills' in the Commission's weekly Bulletin and on its web site was a constant reminder to the public, being an important stakeholder, to be on the look-out in the unlikely event of any of them trying to spring up somewhere else.

Fielding questions from the newsmen, Professor Okojie gave the Commission a pass mark, based on its achievements during the year under review, especially in the areas of introduction of new academic programmes and curriculum development in the NUS, capacity building of staff in workshops and

conferences, among others. He charged members of the press to remain objective, fair and accurate in the discharge of their duties, in line with the tenets of their profession.

Earlier in a welcome address, the Chairman, ECAN, Mr. Chuks Ukwuatu, thanked the Executive Secretary for being accessible to the media and the Commission for carrying them along in its activities. He also thanked the Executive Secretary for the various capacity building opportunities to the members of ECAN, urging his colleagues to see the gestures as a wake-up call for them to do their work more efficiently and effectively.

In a vote of thanks, the Deputy Executive Secretary I, Professor Chiedu Mafiana, said that the press owed it a duty and a social responsibility to educate the public on the activities of the Commission. While stressing the need for more investigative journalism, especially on some of the contentious issues about the NUS and its stakeholders, he urged the media not to hesitate to interface with NUC for clarifications where and when necessary.

Also present at the event were the Deputy Executive Secretary II, Mall. Ibrahim Dan'Iya and Directors of the Commission.

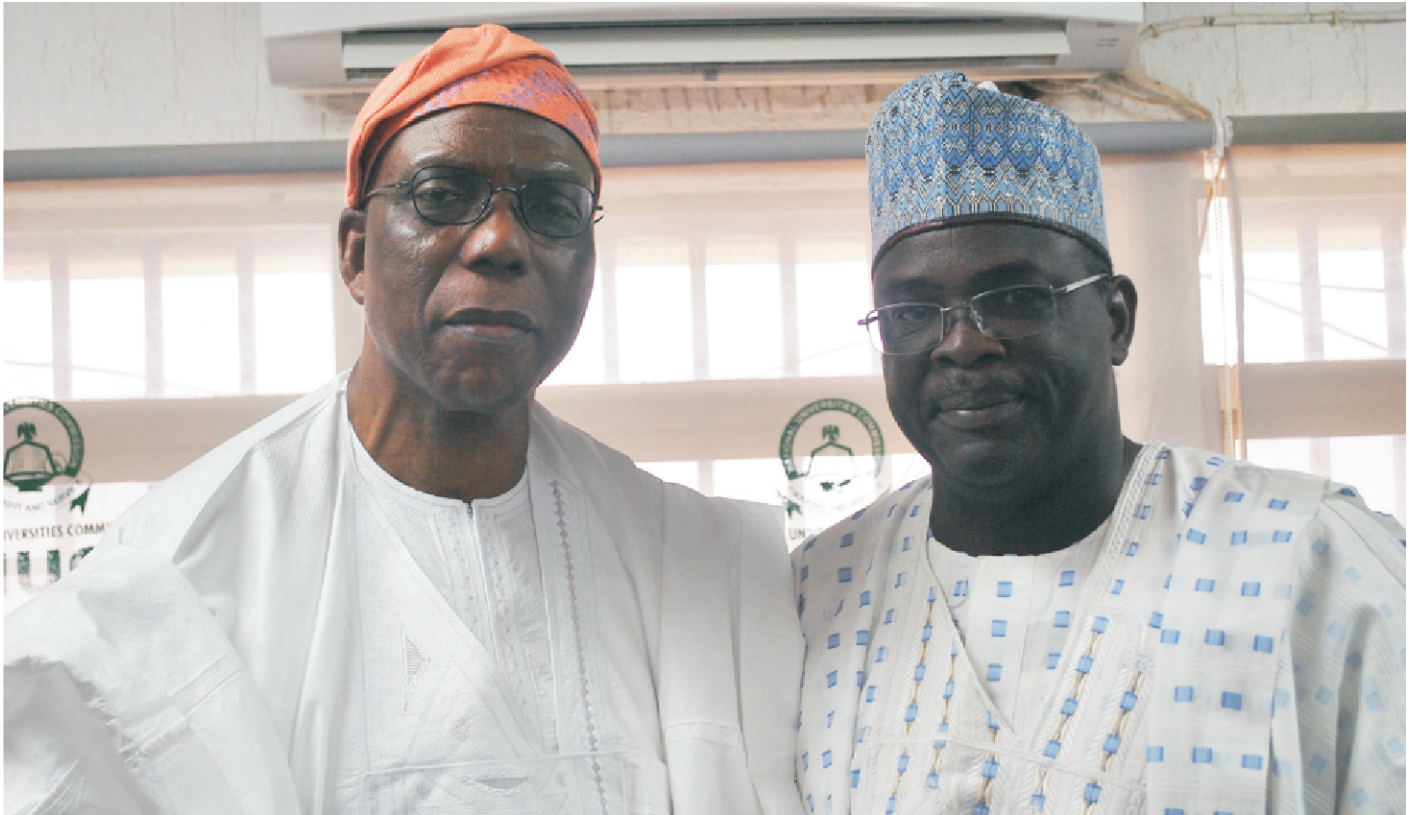


Prof. Okojie with some management staff of the Commission at the luncheon



Mr. Chuks Ukwuatu  
Chairman ECAN

# NSE Seeks NUC's Collaboration on Capacity Building



Prof. Julius Okojie and Engr. Battah Ndirpaya

**T**he Nigerian Society of Engineers (NSE) is set to partner with the National Universities Commission (NUC) to organise capacity building workshops, monthly, in order to improve the practice of its profession.

Engr. Battah Ndirpaya, *FNSE*, who led a delegation from the Society on a courtesy call on the Executive Secretary, NUC, Professor Julius A. Okojie, *OON*, explained that the workshops were aimed at equipping its members with new trends in the profession, so as to make them globally competitive. He added that NSE considered tertiary education a priority and had identified the Commission as a strategic partner that could avail the Society the opportunity to gather the relevant stakeholders in the Nigerian Univer-

sity System (NUS) for the planned workshops and conferences. He requested the approval of the Executive Secretary for the NSE to use the NUC Logo in its adverts, announcements and other publicity activities. He also solicited for financial support from the Commission to enable it carry out all its planned activities, successfully.

Responding, the Executive Secretary briefed the delegation on the workings of the Commission, achievements as well as challenges, stressing that NUC was ready to partner with any law-abiding professional body that operated within the confines of the laws establishing it. He said that the Commission was set up to regulate university education in Nigeria and to provide other services that would

make graduates, not only employable, but also employers themselves, all in the interest of Nigeria.

Professor Okojie advised the NSE members to make its activities all-encompassing and revolving around all sectors of the nation's economy so that many people, including those outside the NUS could benefit. He advised the society to also focus its capacity building and research activities on building, maintenance, alternative energy as well as environment-related issues. He told the delegation that NUC was partnering with the Dangote Group of Companies on Entrepreneurship with a view to availing graduates the opportunity to acquire skills that they would find useful before and after their graduation.



Executive Secretary, NUC, Prof. Julius A. Okojie, Prof. Peter Onwualu, Engr. Dr. Folarin Alonge and Engr. Ovens F. Ehimatie.

The Executive Secretary obliged the NSE its request to use the NUC logo along with that of the Society and other collaborating organisations. The Deputy Executive Secretary I, Professor Chiedu Mafiana was also appointed to liase with the Society on the proposed collaboration with the NUC.

Others in the delegation were the Executive Secretary, NSE, Engr. Sola Osadimu; Director of Membership Services, Engr. Dr. Folarin Alonge as well as the Acting Director of Professional Development, Engr. Ovens F. Ehimatie.

At the meeting were the Deputy Executive Secretary II, Mal. Ibrahim Dan'Iya and Directors of the Executive Secretary's Office, Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi and Academic Standards, Dr. Gidado Bello Kumo.



L-R: Prof. Mafiana, Mall. Dan'Iya, Engrs. Ehimatie, Dr. Alonge, Prof. Okoji, Engr. Ndirpaya, Engr. Osadimu, Prof. Onwualu, Mrs Goddy-Nnadi and Dr. Kumo in a group photograph

# Felix Olaniyan Retirees from Service

The Acting Director, Department of Inspection and Monitoring (DIM), Mr. Felix O. Olaniyan, on 24 December, 2015, retired from the services of the National Universities Commission (NUC) after 29 years of meritorious service and having reached the mandatory age of 60 years. Speaking at the send-forth party, organised in his honour by the Commission, the Executive Secretary, Professor Julius A. Okojie, said that Mr. Olaniyan had given his best and all to the Commission in the course of his service years.

Professor Okojie, who made reference to the Biblical quotation that “to everything on earth there is time and season”, advised Mr. Olaniyan to see his retirement as a thing of joy, as many of his contemporaries were not privileged to make it to the 'big 60' in the Civil Service. He further urged Mr. Olaniyan to use the time to reflect on how far God had brought him in life's journey and also to attend to his family and other businesses.

The Executive Secretary, who described the retiring Ag. Director's humility as one worthy of emulation, observed that Mr. Olaniyan's punctuality and reliability, among the NUC Directorate staff, would remain indelible. He therefore charged him to remain a good Ambassador of the Commission in whatever endeavour he might choose to pursue. He stressed that the retiree had proved himself worthy, both in service and as a



Prof. Julius with the out-going Ag. Director, DIM, Mr. Felix O. Olaniyan

family man, who, unarguably, should be given an award for the 'Best Father of the Year' for positioning his children on the path of moral and academic greatness, having produced a Medical Doctor, a Lawyer and a Chartered Accountant.

The Deputy Executive Secretary 1, Professor Chiedu Mafiana, in his remarks, acknowledged that Mr. Olaniyan would be remembered for exiting office without blemish, adding that he prepared well ahead and looked forward to his retirement, saying that it was one of his virtues that other workers should emulate, in order not to dread retirement. He stated that Mr. Olaniyan was a very resourceful person and could be referred to as an Encyclopaedia of the Department of Academic Standards,

having spent his formative years in service in the Department, from where he moved to other Departments of the Commission.

Mr. Olaniyan began his career in the Commission on the 11<sup>th</sup> of August, 1987, as an Academic Standards Officer II, and worked in the Academic Planning Division of the Department of Academic Standards (DAS). He was one of the Officers that were instrumental to the design of the Minimum Academic Standards (MAS), now revised Benchmark Minimum Academic Standards (BMAS) Document that was first used in 1991, for the Accreditation of programmes in Nigerian universities. He also served in some other Departments, including Quality Assurance, where he served in the Private Universities Division.



L-R: Mr. Felix Olaniyan, his wife, Mrs Oladunmi, daughter, Folashade Olaniyan and Son, Babayemi Olaniyan at the send-forth ceremony

Following the restructuring of NUC, in 2006, he was redeployed to the Department of Inspection and Monitoring (DIM) and was later posted back to DAS, in 2007, as Chief Academic Standards Officer and Head of the Students Industrial Work Experience Scheme (SIWES) Division. He rose through the ranks and was appointed Deputy Director,

Undergraduate Programme Planning Division, in DAS and was redeployed to DQA, in 2014, as Deputy Director, in charge of Affiliate Accreditation Division. In February 2015, he was redeployed back to DIM as Deputy Director, Private Universities Division.

Following the disengagement of the Director, Inspection and Monitor-

ing, Professor Alhassan Lawal Bichi, from the services of the Commission, Mr. Olaniyan was appointed Acting Director, DIM, in June, 2015, a position he held until his retirement.

*Monday Bulletin wishes Mr. Olaniyan the best as he retires from the NUC.*



L-R: Visiting Professor, NUC, Muhammad Hamisu; Directors of Protocol and Special Duties, Mr. Chris Maiyaki; Management Support Services, Barr. Victor Onuoha; Deputy Executive Secretary I, Prof. Chiedu Mafiana, ES, Prof. Julius Okojie; DES II, Mall. Ibrahim Dan'Iya; Directors of Research and Innovation, Dr. Suleiman Ramon-Yusuf; Students Support Services, Dr. Mrs. Rukayyat Gurin as well as Information and Public Relations, Mall. Ibrahim Yakasai.

## FIRST INTERNATIONAL TEACHERS CONFERENCE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION

The recently published World Report on Disability (2011) by the World Health Organization (WHO) and the World Bank (WB) estimates that more than a billion people across the world or approximately 15% of the world's population live with some form of special need. They argue that this number is growing and is higher than previous WHO estimates which suggested around 10% (WHO & WB, 2011). They also suggest that from a regional perspective Africa has the highest proportion of people with 'severe disabilities'. The report estimates further that of the world's approximately 95 million children between 0-14 years, 13 million or 0.7% are severely disabled. Furthermore, the report notes the disproportional effect which disability has on people and children in particular, from developing countries. Children in these circumstances are most at risk of impairment because their needs are often marginalized and disregarded especially in the sphere of quality education.

The United Nation's Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCHPD) (2006) makes it clear that all people with disabilities have a right to education.

Unfortunately, children with special needs cannot access quality education as a result of a lack of expertise in the field of Special Education as well as the attitude of Teachers and other professionals, due to their lack of relevant skills in the field.

In view of the above, the National Universities Commission in Collaboration with the Autism Care and Support Initiative will host the First International Teachers Conference on Special Education as follows;

**Date:** 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2016

**Time:** 8am – 3pm daily

**Venue:** Idris Abdulkadir Auditorum, 26 Aguiyi Ironsi Street, Maitama, Abuja

This is a non-paying Conference. We expect primarily the participation of Teachers and Professionals in Special Education. Parents and care-givers of Children affected by autism, and those requiring special education are also encouraged to attend.

### **INVITATION TO THE NMC-COMSATS-ISESCO INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MATHEMATICAL MODELLING AND SIMULATION AND SECOND MEETING OF COMSATS INTERNATIONAL THEMATIC RESEARCH GROUP ON MATHEMATICAL MODELLING**

The National Mathematical Centre (NMC), Abuja, in collaboration with the Commission on Science and Technology for Sustainable Development in the South (COMSATS) and Islamic Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (ISESCO), is inviting all stakeholders to the NMC-COMSATS-ISESCO International Conference on Mathematical Modelling and Simulation and the Second Meeting of COMSATS International Thematic Research Group on Mathematical Modelling with the Theme: Solving humanity problems through Mathematical Modeling

Scheduled as follows:

**DATE:** 27-29 December, 2015

**TIME:** 9.00 am Daily

**VENUE:** Auditorium, National Mathematical Centre, Sheda-Kwali, Abuja

Please find attached herewith the Announcement details/flyers and note that Conference Registration Fee is ₦10,000.00 and ₦5,000.00 for Student participants. Accommodation will not be provided for Conference participants.

For further information, contact Professor B.O. Oyelami +2348036547613; Professor O.J. Adeniran +2348172234928; Clement Adeyemo +2348172234900 and Olutunji Oladejo +2348172234733.

**Professor Adewale Solarin, FMAN,  
Director/Chief Executive  
President, African Mathematical Union (AMU),  
COMSATS Distinguished Professor,  
UNESCO-NMC Chair Holder on Mathematics.**



## PUBLICATION OF 2016/2017 PTDF SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME (OVERSEAS & LOCAL)

The National Universities Commission is in receipt of a call notice from the Petroleum Technology Development of Technology (PTDF) inviting suitably qualified candidates for Overseas and in-country i.e Local MSc and PhD Scholarships. The Award will be granted for studies in the United Kingdom, Germany, Norway, Australia, USA and France (Grenoble INP) as well as PTDF upgraded Universities in Nigeria.

Application Forms can be accessed online at [www.ptdf.cinfore.com](http://www.ptdf.cinfore.com) using an ATM (Interswitch, Master Card & Visa card) or through purchase of a scratch card from designated main branches of First Bank of Nigeria PLC in all the 36 States and FCT, upon payment of a **NON-REFUNDABLE** sum of N1,000(One Thousand Naira Only).

The criteria for prospective applicants include a minimum of Second Class Upper (2.1) in Oil and Gas related field OR a 2.2 with oil and gas industry experience, NYSC Certificate, be computer literate, possess O/level with credit in English Language; at least C6 in WAEC/SSCE OR C4 and above in NECO and not be above 30 years of age. Those for Overseas (OSS) must be in possession of the following, Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) (USA), Graduate Record Examination, GRE (USA); GMAT for Management related courses (USA) and International English Language Testing System (IELTS) UK.

For PhD (OSS & LSS)

- Applicants must be in academics in Nigerian Institutions, teaching oil and gas related discipline
- Applicants must possess minimum of 2.2 in their first degree and a good second degree certificate;
- Applicants must submit a research proposal relevant to the oil and gas industry (of not more than 5 pages) to include: Topic, introduction, objective, methodology and mode of data collection.
- Applicants must include a valid admission letter, must be over 40 years of age; and must include their Masters Degree project.

**For the Split-side PhD programme, please click on this link [split PhD](#).**

**N.B:** Applicants are advised to note that only those who met the requirements shall be shortlisted and invited for a Computer Based Aptitude Test, in the case of MSc applicants, while oral interview will be conducted for PhD applicants (full time and Split-site) on dates to be announced later. Following the aptitude tests and interview, successful candidates will be selected and awarded the PTDF Scholarship.

Applicants are also to scan copies of the following documents and attach to their online application forms:

1. First Degree Certificate or Statement of Result
2. NYSC Discharge Certificate
3. WAEC/GCE/SSCE/NECO Results or provide PIN numbers on the application forms to enable PTDF view the results on the relevant website.
4. Recent Passport Photograph
5. Local Government Identification Letter
6. Master's Degree Certificate (PhD Applicants only)
7. Admission Letter (PhD Applicants)

Meanwhile, the Possession of a valid University Admission letter is compulsory for LSS, MSC & PHD applicants.



**DANGOTE FOUNDATION ENDOWS 17 PROFESSORIAL CHAIRS IN  
KANO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY(KUST), WUDIL  
P.M.B 3244, KANO**

P.M.B. 3244, Kano [www.kustwudil.edu.ng](http://www.kustwudil.edu.ng).

**EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT FOR POSITIONS OF PROFESSORS AND READERS**

Following intervention of the Chancellor of the Kano University of Science and Technology, Wudil, Alhaji Aliko Dangote, GCON, President Dangote Group, to sponsor 17 Professorial Chairs in the University, applications from within and outside the country are invited from suitably qualified candidates for positions of Readers and Professors in the following areas of specialisations:-

1. Mathematics
2. Computer Science
3. Statistics
4. Civil Engineering
5. Electrical Engineering
6. Mechanical Engineering
7. Architecture
8. Geology
9. Urban and Regional Planning
10. Biology
11. Chemistry
12. Physics
13. Microbiology
14. Biochemistry
15. Educational Psychology
16. Educational Planning and Administration
17. Philosophy of Education

1. QUALIFICATIONS, REQUIREMENTS AND EXPERIENCE:

**PROFESSORS (CONUASS 7)**

A candidate must have a minimum of Sixty (60) points from publication and must be a PhD holder from a recognized Institution. He must have done supervision of Postgraduate students and have at least a minimum of thirteen (13) years cognate teaching experience at the University level.

- In addition, he must have:
- Disseminated knowledge through professional and academic activities.
  - Provided Academic leadership and the ability to attract and inspire others.
  - Demonstrated Administrative ability and

- administrative experience.
- Impeccable integrity.
- Favorable External Assessment.
- Evidence of supervision of Post graduate students.
- Must show verifiable evidence of community service

**READERS (CONUASS 6)**

A candidate must be a PhD holder from a recognized Institution. In addition, he must have a minimum of Forty (40) points from publication, eight (8) years cognate teaching experience at the University level and may be subjected to external assessment if not already a Reader.

- In addition he must have:
- Disseminated knowledge through professional and



- academic activities.
- Administrative ability and administrative experience.
- General academic leadership and the ability to guide others.
- Impeccable integrity and favourable External Assessment.
- Must show verifiable evidence of community service.

**The Registrar,  
Kano University of Science and Technology,  
Wudil,**

Applications not received within four (4) weeks of this publication will not be considered.

Professors and Readers all over the world are encouraged to apply. Applications for contract and leave of absence may be considered.

#### **METHOD OF APPLICATION**

Candidates should submit 12 copies each of applications, Curriculum Vitae, Credentials and other supporting documents that can assist the University in the Comprehensive assessment of their Publications, Exposure, Experience and capabilities. Applications should be addressed to:

Applicants should request their three Referees to forward CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS on them.

Only applications of shortlisted candidates will be acknowledged, please.

**Signed:**

Alhaji Usman Yakubu, FIPMA  
REGISTRAR

## **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE UNESCO INTERNATIONAL BIOETHICS COMMITTEE 2016-2019**

The National Universities Commission is in receipt of a call circular from the Nigerian National Commission for UNESCO, for nominations to the membership of the UNESCO International Bioethics Committee (IBC), for a period of four years, from 2016-2019.

Member states are invited to propose to the UNESCO Director-General, the names of suitable personalities for consideration for the renewal of one half of the membership, whose terms of office will expire by the end of 2015.

Nominated candidates should include eminent personalities who are specialists in the Life Sciences, Social and Human Sciences including Law, Human Rights, Philosophy, Education and Communication, with the required competence and efficiency to perform the IBC's duties.

In line with UNESCO'S commitment to promoting equity and fairness, the selection process will take into consideration cultural diversity and Geographical representation for appropriate rotation and the need to ensure gender balance in the composition of the IBC.

Details of nominees should be forwarded with their Curriculum Vitae in soft copies via e-mail to: [mamaidoh@yahoo.com](mailto:mamaidoh@yahoo.com) on or before 16 October, 2015, to allow for processing and subsequent submission to the UNESCO headquarters in Paris before the deadline of 14 December, 2015.

# NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION



## ADVERTORIAL CONFIRMATION OF APPROVAL OF THE NIGERIAN UNIVERSITIES e-LEARNING PROGRAMME

The general public is hereby informed that whereas the Commission maintains its stand that online degrees are not accepted in Nigeria at the moment, this does not include the approved Nigerian Universities e-Learning Programme run within the shores of Nigeria.

The Nigerian Universities e-Learning Programme is a legitimate and well thought out pilot e-learning initiative. It is a Public Private Partnership between the National Universities Commission (NUC), Park Associates E-Learning Group, and four federal universities. Its goal is to provide new opportunities for students to access university education in Nigeria.

### The four Participating Universities are:

- i. University of Uyo;
- ii. National Open University of Nigeria;
- iii. Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto; and
- iv. University of Maiduguri.

Students enrolled in the Programme can select any of the following undergraduate degree programmes: Economics, Banking & Finance, Accounting, Business Administration and Marketing for which they have requisite qualifications. The Programme for now is only available for candidates who wish to obtain BSc Degree in Economics.

The Commission wishes to use this medium to allay all fears and doubts concerning the legitimacy or NUC endorsement of the Nigerian Universities e-Learning Programme. This is one of the avenues that the National Universities Commission is exploring to increase access to university education without compromising quality. Students in the Programme are therefore advised to continue to pursue their studies without fear and prospective applicants are encouraged to enrol. Concerned parents, guardians, students and the general public may contact the Commission for further clarification on the Programme under reference.

Signed

Ibrahim Usman Yakasai  
Director Information and Public Relations  
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# NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

## IMPLEMENTING STEPS FOR NEW MEDICAL SCHOOLS, ACCREDITATION ISSUES AND THE NEW MINIMUM BENCHMARK (2015) FOR THE MBBS/BDS PROGRAMMES

### PROGRAMMES

Following several Stakeholders' meetings in the last two years and as a prelude to the formal release of the New Minimum Academic Benchmark (2015), proprietors of Medical and Dental Schools in Nigeria (both current and prospective) are requested to note the following implementing steps including relevant adjustments relating to accreditation of Medical/Dental Schools.

1. From 1st September 2015, both current and prospective proprietors of Medical and Dental Schools should:
  - a. Write a letter to the Executive Secretary stating their intent and provide relevant information as available.
  - b. On receipt, (if NUC has no obvious reasons to disqualify the application), they would be sent a copy of the BMAS for MBBS/BDS and advised firmly to ensure that they are strictly complied with.
  - c. The setting up of medical schools is not an emergency exercise. To this end, prospective proprietors must own and have in place (prior to a request for a Resource Verification), a fully functional and well run tertiary type hospital. In the circumstance of the above not being in place, consideration for an affiliation with a tertiary government-owned institution may be given only when the said university owns a medical institution fully functional with a minimum of 150 beds and a rural health medical unit. (See Appendix 4 of the BMAS).
  - d. A Pre-clinical Accreditation would be expected to take place within two years of a positive Resource Verification. Students can only sit for the second MBBS professional examination (Anatomy, Physiology and Biochemistry) when they have a successful preclinical accreditation. The preclinical accreditation would, amongst others, concentrate largely on the Department of Anatomy, Biochemistry, Physiology, Pathology and Pharmacology and to a lesser extent, Community Health. All evaluated departments must have the minimum requirements in terms of academic staff, non academic staff and laboratory facilities. (See Appendix 3 of the BMAS)
  - e. The Commission has now approved a Clinical Accreditation expected to take place within twelve months of a successful preclinical accreditation. Subsequent to that, a reaccreditation exercise will take place every five years.
2. With respect to established medical schools, (and irrespective of their accreditation status), it should be noted that only institutions that (by the deadline of March 20th, 2016) have requested and obtained formal approval from the National Universities Commission for a re-evaluation based on the following considerations would be allowed to admit students into the MBBS/BDS programmes from the 2016/2017 academic year:
  - a. All Medical and Dental schools must have an approved, and appropriately utilized, Clinical Skills/Simulation centre.
  - b. Ensure strict adherence to the proper use of the course system for all approved programmes in Nigerian Universities. The implication of the above is that a particular programme (subject) is taught not only broken into cluster units of 1-4 but also have the components of university supervised examinations. For clarity, current end of posting examinations (practiced by some medical/dental schools) that neither have units allocated nor follow the standards of a University examination, do not conform to the Minimum Academic Standards as established by the National Universities Commission.
  - c. Universities are strongly urged to immediately review their current methods of teaching medical and dental students to include more tutorials, self study group teaching, use of IT in the delivery of courses and simulation/competency based evaluations that must be signed by a lecturer not below the status of a senior lecturer. It must be noted that the confirmation of a successful simulation/competency based evaluation should be a mandatory requirement before the students are eligible to sit for the various professional/sessional examinations



3. Proprietors are urged to note the Essential Component changes of the new curriculum expected to be in use from the 2016/2017 academic session. Details of these changes are available in the New Minimum Academic standards booklet and at the National Universities Commission website. ([www.nuc.edu.ng](http://www.nuc.edu.ng)) Major components include the following:
  - (a) The approval of three alternative models viz;
    - i. A seven year MBBS/BDS programme that encompass a mandatory seamless four-year acquisition of the B.Sc. (Basic Medical Science) with interest in either Anatomy/Physiology/Biochemistry. At the end of seven years, students would have acquired the Bachelor of Basic Medical Science, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degrees. In case of the dental programmes, the students would have acquired a degree in Basic Dental Science and Bachelor of Dental Surgery.
    - ii. In order to allow for career change for interested non-medical health professionals, the Commission has also approved a four year programme leading to MBBS/BDS for interested and qualified graduates of Nursing, Pharmacology, Physiotherapy, Image Science, Paramedics, Anatomy, Physiology, Biochemistry and Pharmacology. It must be noted for such to be considered for admission they must have at the WAEC/NECO levels minimum credit scores in Mathematics, English, Physics, Chemistry and Biology at one sitting, prior to the admissions for their first degrees. They must also have a good CGPA.
    - iii. Admission into universities based on the current six year programme would be allowed to continue as suitable alternative based on the discretion of the University.
    - iv. It should be noted and emphasized that all the above degrees have the Bachelor appellation as they remain undergraduate programmes.
  - (b) Specific periods of posting to the department of Family Medicine. The obvious implication here is that, the Universities should create the Department of Family Medicine following their due process.
  - (c) Redesignation of the Department of Pharmacology to the Department of Pharmacology and Therapeutics. The department is now expected to provide relevant basic clinical teaching and conduct relevant professional examination in Pharmacology. They will also be expected to provide relevant clinical teaching in Therapeutics. All Universities should set in motion the machinery to achieve the above.
4. In view of the above essential component changes of the new curriculum, the Commission will be organising a National training for Medical teachers in Nigerian Universities. Details of the training would be made available shortly.
5. Interested stakeholders are invited to send comments/suggestions on the above to: The Executive Secretary, NUC, [okojie\\_julius@yahoo.com](mailto:okojie_julius@yahoo.com) and copy to [chiedu.mafiana@gmail.com](mailto:chiedu.mafiana@gmail.com)

## MANAGEMENT

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## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND INNOVATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA

The National Universities Commission (NUC) is in receipt of a call circular from the Nigerian Permanent Delegation in the Republic of Sudan to UNESCO, through the Federal Ministry of Education (FME), announcing an International Conference on Scientific Research and Innovation for Sustainable Development in Africa, organised by the Graduate College and Scientific Research and Cultural Relations Directorate of the University of Khartoum, Khartoum Sudan. The International Workshop is scheduled to be held on 20<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2016, at the premises of the Central Compass, University of Khartoum.

Interested scientists and researchers in and outside Sudan are kindly requested to submit abstract of their papers of 250 words (maximum) electronically through the official website of the conference or to the Secretariat of the conference through the e-mail: [gradreg@uofk.edu](mailto:gradreg@uofk.edu) or [confsecrariat@uofk.edu](mailto:confsecrariat@uofk.edu). The deadline for the abstract is 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2015, while the full papers should be submitted on or before 30 November, 2015. Also the deadline for registration for training courses and workshops as well as electronic registration is 20 December, 2015.

**N.B** The participants are to read the details about the conference and to also do their registration which is open through the website of the conference [www.sgcac.uofk.edu](http://www.sgcac.uofk.edu).

### CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE UNESCO INTERNATIONAL BIOETHICS COMMITTEE 2016 - 2019

The National Universities Commission (NUC) is in receipt of a call circular from the Nigerian National Commission for UNESCO, for nominations to the membership of the UNESCO International Bioethics Committee (IBC), for a period of four years, from 2016 - 2019. Member States are invited to propose to the UNESCO Director-General, the names of suitable personalities for consideration for the renewal of one half of the membership, whose terms of office will expire by the end of 2015. Nominated candidates should include eminent personalities who are specialists in the Life Sciences, Social and Human Sciences including Law, Human Rights, Philosophy, Education and Communication, with the required competence and efficiency to perform the IBC's duties.

In line with UNESCO's commitment to promoting equity and fairness, the selection process will take into consideration cultural diversity and geographical representation for appropriate rotation and the need to ensure gender balance in the composition of the IBC.

Details of nominees should be forwarded with their Curriculum Vitae in soft copies via email to [mamaidoh@yahoo.com](mailto:mamaidoh@yahoo.com) on or before 16 October, 2015, to allow for processing and subsequent submission to the UNESCO Headquarters in Paris before the deadline of 14 December, 2015.



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## NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

### RE: MORATORIUM ON PART-TIME PROGRAMMES

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

#### 2.0. Universities That Made Submission

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

##### A. Federal Universities

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

##### B. State Universities

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

Enugu State

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

##### C. Private Universities:

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

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

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

##### A. Federal Universities

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



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

#### C. Private Universities

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

**Dr. Gidado Kumo**

Director, Academic Standards

For: Executive Secretary

## GUIDELINES ON PART-TIME AND SANDWICH PROGRAMMES IN NIGERIAN UNIVERSITIES

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

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

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

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

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

*Signed*  
**Management**



# LIST OF APPROVED UNIVERSITIES IN NIGERIA

FEDERAL			STATE			PRIVATE		
S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	University of Ibadan, Ibadan	1948	1	Rivers State University of Science & Technology, Port Harcourt	1979	1	Babcock University, Ilishan Remo	1999
2	University of Nigeria, Nsukka	1960	2	Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma	1980	2	Madonna University, Okija	1999
3	Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife	1962	3	Abia State University, Uturu	1981	3	Igbinedion University, Okada	1999
4	Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria	1962	4	Enugu State University of Science & Tech, Enugu	1982	4	Bowen University, Iwo	2001
5	University of Lagos, Lagos	1962	5	Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye	1982	5	Covenant University, Ota	2002
6	University of Benin, Benin City	1970	6	Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti. (formerly University of Ado-Ekiti)	1982	6	Pan-Atlantic University, Lagos	2002
7	Bayero University, Kano	1975	7	Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos	1983	7	Benson Idahosa University, Benin City	2002
8	University of Calabar, Calabar	1975	8	Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomosho	1990	8	American University of Nigeria, Yola	2003
9	University of Ilorin, Ilorin	1975	9	Imo State University, Owerri	1992	9	Redeemers University, Ede, Osun State	2005
10	University of Jos, Jos	1975	10	Benue State University, Makurdi	1992	10	Ajayi Crowther University, Oyo	2005
11	University of Maiduguri, Maiduguri	1975	11	Delta State University, Abraka	1992	11	Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin	2005
12	Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto	1975	12	Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba - Akoko	1999	12	Caritas University, Amorji-Nke, Enugu	2005
13	University of Port-Harcourt, Port-Harcourt	1975	13	Kogi State University, Anyigba	1999	13	CETE P City University, Lagos	2005
14	Federal University of Technology, Owerri	1980	14	Niger-Delta University, Yenagoa	2000	14	Bingham University, Auta-Balefi, Karu, Nasarawa State	2005
15	Federal University of Technology, Akure	1981	15	Anambra State University, Uli	2000	15	Al-Qalam University, Katsina	2005
16	Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola	1981	16	Kano University of Science & Technology, Wudil	2000	16	Renaissance University, Enugu	2005
17	Federal University of Technology, Minna	1982	17	Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki	2000	17	Bells University of Tech, Ota, Ogun State	2005
18	Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna	1985	18	Nasarawa State University, Keffi	2002	18	Lead City University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2005
19	University of Abuja, Abuja	1988	19	Adamawa State University, Mubi	2002	19	Crawford University, Igbesa, Ogun State	2005
20	Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi	1988	20	Gombe State University, Gombe	2004	20	Kwararafa University, Wukari (formerly Wukari Jubilee Uni.)	2005
21	University of Agriculture, Makurdi	1988	21	Kaduna State University, Kaduna	2004	21	Crescent University, Abeokuta	2005
22	Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta	1988	22	Cross River University of Technology, Calabar	2004	22	Novena University, Ogume, Delta State	2005
23	University of Uyo, Uyo	1991	23	Plateau State University, Boko	2005	23	University of Mkar, Mkar	2005
24	Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka	1992	24	Ondo State University of Technology, Okiti Pupa.	2008	24	Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State	2006
25	Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike	1992	25	Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai, Niger State	2005	25	Caleb University, Lagos	2007
26	National Open University of Nigeria, Lagos	2002	26	Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun	2005	26	Fountain University, Osogbo	2007
27	Fed. Univ. of Petroleum Resources, Effurun	2007	27	Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina	2006	27	Obong University, Obong Ntak	2007
28	Federal University, Lokoja, Kogi State	2011	28	Bukar Abba Ibrahim University, Damaturu, Yobe State	2006	28	Salem University, Lokoja	2007
29	Federal University, Lafia, Nasarawa State	2011	29	Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Aliero	2006	29	Tansian University, Umunya, Anambra State	2007
30	Federal University, Kashere, Gombe State	2011	30	Osun State University, Osogbo	2006	30	Veritas University, Abuja	2007
31	Federal University, Wukari, Taraba State	2011	31	Taraba State University, Jalingo	2008	31	Wesley University of Science & Technology, Ondo	2007
32	Federal University, Dutsin-Ma, Katsina State	2011	32	Kwara State University, Ilorin	2009	32	Western Delta University, Oghara, Delta State	2007



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FEDERAL			STATE			PRIVATE		
S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
33	Federal University, Dutse, Jigawa State	2011	33	Sokoto State University, Sokoto	2009	33	The Achievers University, Owo	2007
34	Federal University, Ndufu-Alike, Ebonyi State	2011	34	Akwa Ibom State University, Ikot Ikpaden	2010	34	African University of Science & Technology, Abuja	2007
35	Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2011	35	Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rumuolumeni	2010	35	Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2009
36	Federal University, Otuoke, Bayelsa	2011	36	Bauchi State University, Gadau	2011	36	Godfrey Okoye University, Ugwuomu-Nike, Enugu State	2009
37	The Nigeria Police Academy, Wudil, Kano State	2012	37	Northwest University, Kano	2012	37	Nigerian Turkish Nile, University, Abuja	2009
38	Federal University, Birnin-Kebbi, Kebbi	2013	38	The Technical University, Ibadan.	2012	38	Oduduwa University, Ipetumodu, Osun State	2009
39	Federal University, Gusau, Zamfara	2013	39	Sule Lamido University, Kafin Hausas	2013	39	Paul University, Awka, Anambra State	2009
40	Federal University, Gashua, Yobe	2013	40	Ondo State University of Medical Sciences	2015	40	Rhema University, Obeama-Asa, Rivers State	2009
						41	Wellspring University, Evbuobanosa, Edo State	2009
						42	Adeleke University, Ede, Osun State	2011
						43	Baze University, Abuja	2011
						44	Landmark University, Omu-Aran, Kwara State	2011
						45	Samuel Adegboyega University, Ogwa, Edo State	2011
						46	Elizade University, Ilara-Mokin, Ondo State	2012
						47	Evangel University, Akaeze, Ebonyi State	2012
						48	Gregory University, Uturu, Abia State	2012
						49	McPherson University, Seriki Sotayo, Ajebo, Ogun State	2012
						50	Southwestern University, Okun Owa, Ogun State	2012
						51	Augustine, University, Ilara, Lagos State	2015
						52	Chrisland University, Owode, Ogun State	2015
						53	Christopher University, Mowe, Ogun State	2015
						54	Hallmark University, Ijebu, Itele, Ogun State	2015
						55	Kings University, Ode Omu, Osun State	2015
						56	Michael and Cecilia Ibru Uni., Owode, Delta State	2015
						57	Mountain Top University, Ogun State	2015
						58	Ritman University, Ikot Ekpene, Akwa Ibom State	2015
						59	Summit University, Offa, Kwara State	2015
						60	Edwin Clark University, Kiagbodo, Delta State	2015
						61	Hezekiah University, Umudi, Imo State	2015

## - BOOK OF THE MONTH -

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**Year of Publication:** 2012

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– Alan Bennett.



## List of Universities with Approved Postgraduate Programmes

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

### Federal Universities :

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

### State Universities :

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|---|--|
| 1. Abia State University, Uturu                             | 13. Kogi State University, Anyigba                                   |
| 2. Adamawa State University, Mubi                           | 14. Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomoso               |
| 3. Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba-Akoko                | 15. Lagos State University, Ojo.                                     |
| 4. Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma                          | 16. Nasarawa State University, Keffi                                 |
| 5. Anambra State University, Uli                            | 17. Niger-Delta University, Wilberforce Island                       |
| 6. Benue State University, Makurdi                          | 18. Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye                           |
| 7. Cross River University of Technology, Calabar            | 19. Rivers State University of Science and Technology, Port Harcourt |
| 8. Delta State University, Abraka                           | 20. Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina                          |
| 9. Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki                       | 21. Gombe State University, Gombe                                    |
| 10. Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti                       | 22. Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai                              |
| 11. Enugu State University of Science and Technology, Enugu | 23. Kano State University of Science and Technology, Wudil           |
| 12. Imo State University, Owerri                            |  |

### Private Universities :

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|--|---|
| 1. African University of Science and Technology, Abuja | 11. Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State |
| 2. American University of Nigeria, Yola                | 12. Nigerian Turkish Nile University, Abuja                   |
| 3. Babcock University, Ilishan-Remo                    | 13. Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State           |
| 4. Benson Idahosa University, Benin City               | 14. Lead City University, Ibadan, (MSc. only)                 |
| 5. Bowen University, Iwo                               | 15. University of Mkar, Mkar (MSc. only)                      |
| 6. Covenant University, Ota                            | 16. Madonna University Okija (MSc. only)                      |
| 7. Igbinedion University, Okada                        | 17. Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin (MSc. only)                  |
| 8. Pan-African University, Lekki                       |   |
| 9. Redeemer's University, Mowe, Ogun State             |   |
| 10. Caleb University, Lagos                            |   |

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

**Signed:**  
**MANAGEMENT**

## Fourteen-Step Process for the Establishment of Private Universities in Nigeria

The National Universities Commission (NUC), wishes to announce to the general public, especially prospective promoters of private universities, the fourteen-step procedure for establishing private universities in Nigeria.

1. Application in writing stating the intent for the establishment of the university
2. Interview of prospective proprietors
3. Collection of application forms
4. Submission of application forms and relevant documents
5. Intensive review/analysis of documents by experts in relevant NUC departments
6. Revision of documents by proprietors, based on report of

SCOPU

7. Interactive meeting of SCOPU with the proposed university
8. First site assessment visit
9. Finalisation of document
10. Second (final) site assessment visit
11. Security screening of proprietors and Board of Trustees
12. Approval by NUC Management
13. Approval by NUC Board
14. Approval by FEC

**Prof. Julius A. Okojie, OON,**  
Executive Secretary, NUC  
Announcer





# NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

## PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

### List of Illegal Universities Closed Down by NUC

The National Universities Commission (NUC) wishes to announce to the general public, especially parents and prospective undergraduates, that the under-listed “Degree Mills” have not been licensed by the Federal Government and have, therefore, been closed down for violating the Education (National Minimum Standards etc.) Act 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 Udoso Uko, Uyo Akwa Ibom State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 28) Concept College/Universities (London) Ilorin or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 29) Halifax Gateway University, Ikeja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 30) Kingdom of Christ University, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 31) Acada University, Akinlalu, Oyo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 32) Fifom University, Mbaise, Imo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 33) Houdegebe 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 Univversity, Iba-Oku, Akwa-Ibom State
- 55) Kaduna Bussiness School, Kaduna
- 56) Royal University of Theology, Minna, Niger Delta

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.

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 Diary

DATE	ORGANIZATION	EVENT	TIME	VENUE

### *This Week's Birthdays*

NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	DEPT
Zainab Onani Sani	28 December	DAS
Zakariya Kwanta Sini	28 December	DFA
Uchechi Emmanuel Ogbaje	28 December	DESO
Ruth Ekpenyong Amanam	28 December	DMSS
Bukar Ahmed Ali	28 December	DESO
Ololade Adewumi Agarawu	29 December	DSSS
Celina Ada Abang	29 December	DAS
Inemesit Udoudo Ukpong	29 December	DQA
Adamu Mohammed	30 December	DFA
Obianuju Catherine Nnabuenyi	30 December	DMSS
Laraba Sunday	31 December	DESO
Daniel Ayuba	31 December	DMSS
Tina Ella Ogbogho	31 December	DMSS
Chiedu Felix Mafiana	01 January	DESO
Gabriel Nwibo Ogba	01 January	DIM
Simon Tertsegba Ibu	01 January	DAS
Hindu Kabir Umar	01 January	DRI
Mohammed Senusi Ademu	01 January	DMSS
S. Williams Auta	01 January	DPSP
Minasigha Bluejack	02 January	DI&PR
Mohammed Amin Idris	02 January	DIM
Abiodun Israel Otunla	02 January	DPP
Babatunde Williams Afolalu	02 January	DESO
Oyiwona Sylvester Agbos	02 January	DIM

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

### **"VOYAGE OF DISCOVERY"** A Television Documentary Programme

This is a National Universities Commission (NUC) - sponsored television documentary programme for Nigerian Universities to celebrate outstanding researchers, showcase their findings and promote their linkage with the industry.

The programme is aired every week on:

(a) **Nigerian Television Authority (NTA)** on Mondays 1.30-2.00pm

(b) **African Independent Television (AIT)** on Tuesdays 4:30 - 5.00 pm

*Dress Well and Earn Respect.*

*Courtesy: Directorate of Management Support Services*

**SHUN CORRUPTION.**  
*It Does not Pay*

*Courtesy: Anti-corruption and Transparency Division*



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**DO YOUR BIT TO MOVE THE COMMISSION TO GREATER HEIGHTS**

## *Seasons Greetings*

**May Peace, Joy, Hope and Happiness be yours this Christmas Season and throughout the New Year.**

*from:*

*The Executive Secretary, Management and staff of the National Universities Commission (NUC)*

