

# Consolidate on Success Story in NUS

## -Okojie Tells *AVCNU* at Farewell Forum



Executive Secretary, NUC, Prof. Julius A. Okojie, with the Chairman, Association of Vice-Chancellors of Nigerian Universities (AVCNU) and VC, Federal University of Technology, Akure, Prof Adebisi Daramola

It is not time to despair, but to consolidate on the successes recorded in the Nigerian University System (NUS), Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Julius A. Okojie, *OON*, has said.

Addressing the Association of Vice-Chancellors of Nigerian Universities (AVCNU), comprising Vice-Chancellors of federal, state and private universities, at a Farewell Forum organised in his honour, at the Secretariat of the Committee of

Vice-Chancellors (CVC), in Abuja, Professor Okojie said: "You have done well to hold forth. With your cooperation, the National Universities Commission (NUC) has been able to perform its responsibility of regulation. Together, we have

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Prof. Okojie, addressing the meeting of AVCNU

Merit, 45 per cent Catchment Area and 20 per cent at the discretion of universities. He recalled canvassing this view at a meeting that was held to discuss the status of JAMB, during the tenure of Professor Yusuf Obaje as the Board Chairman. He further observed that, in line with its status, the Board should restrict its self to sending the lists of candidates that score the prescribed national cut-off mark of 180 and above to the universities, while the Senate of universities review the list and screen candidates, in line with their peculiarities and admission requirements. He acknowledged the view of the AVCNU that the last Computer-Based Test (CBT) conducted by JAMB exposed the weakness of the process, as some brilliant students could not have access to the system, with many receiving multiple results. Professor Okojie urged the AVCNU to look for ways of managing the challenge, effectively and giving the right information to all stakeholders in the Education sector. In times like this, he said, there is the need to dialogue and also realise that

improved on access and quality in the last 10 years.”

The Executive Secretary used the occasion to comment on the knotty issues of Post-Universities Tertiary Matriculation Examination (Post-UTME), Nigerian Research and Education Network (NgREN) Project and increasing spate of insecurity on campuses, among others. He said the new admission policy advocated by the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) would erode the Autonomy Act and powers of the Senate of each university to admit

its students. According to him, this autonomy prescribes that “Senate has the powers to admit students and how to admit them, what to teach, who should teach and how to teach. This gives it the right to self-regulation.” He stressed that every university Senate had the discretion to set its own admission policy.

Elaborating on this issue, he said that JAMB was supposed to be a regulatory agency that sets out guidelines for admission of students, to ensure that universities comply with the government policy of 35 per cent



Vice-Chancellor, Ebonyi State University, Prof. Idike; Profs. Okojie and Daramola; Secretary General, CVC, Prof. Michael Faborode and Deputy Secretary General Mr. Olayiwola Adigun





A cross section of the AVCNU members at the meeting

autonomy comes with responsibilities. He further noted that with the different levels of proprietorship of institutions within the Association, it had become necessary to redefine autonomy, especially for the private universities.

On the NgREN, the Executive Secretary informed the Association that, after seeing the Network's capabilities, the Minister of Education gave approval for public universities to use their Intervention Funds with the Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund) to subscribe to the NgREN. Ten universities are currently connected to NgREN, with Ebonyi State University, Abakiliki, being the latest entrant. This, he said, was achieved with the collaborative efforts of NUC and the CVC, Professor Okojie stated that the NgREN had gone ahead to engage the services of EBSCOHost, which earned the platform a grant of a six-month free subscription of online books and journals, which expires at the end of the year, to further demonstrate its capacity and capabilities. He said that the Network would offer the

universities services beyond increasing their optic fibre bandwidths, to ensuring much cheaper services and more visibility. He noted that it would be a disservice to the NUS for the universities not to explore and connect to the REN to enjoy its benefits.

The current spate of insecurity in the land, which had caught up with the universities, the Executive Secretary said, must be a cause for concern for the Vice-Chancellors. He described the recent violence at the University of Port-Harcourt and Obafemi Awolowo University

tasked the Association to rise up by improving on security in their campuses to avert further outbreak of lawlessness. He also urged them to engage the services of security agencies to maintain law and order in and around their campuses.

While admitting that the universities were doing well, he said they needed to do better in terms of research and innovation. The best way to guarantee the future of university education is to introduce cost-sharing between government and sponsors of students, while basic education should remain free. He charged the NUS to domesticate the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) agenda of the United Nations, to address national and regional challenges. He also called for amicable settlement of knotty issues of land encroachment and demand for the employment of indigenes as staff of Universities to ensure that peace reigns in their immediate communities.

Professor Okojie took time to address the meddling of professional bodies in the affairs of the NUS, saying that their roles



Prof. Shehu Ado Garki  
Vice Chancellor, Al-Qalam University, Katsina, making a farewell remark on behalf of the Association





were quite clear. They were only to complement the accreditation of programmes by the NUC and not to run a parallel exercise. On the Africa Centres of Excellence (ACE) Project, he said, it was already on record that Nigeria won 10 out of the 19 Centres in West and Central Africa, stressing that these projects would help the universities develop capacities to train more Masters and PhDs.

Earlier, Chairman of the Association and Vice-Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Akure (FUTA), Professor Adebisi Daramola, informed the Executive Secretary that the position of JAMB in this year's admission was eroding the powers of universities. He also

queried the rationale behind the Board sending admission letters to candidates, without recourse to the age-long traditions of individual institutions. The Association noted that in the 60s and 70s, universities enjoyed some levels of autonomy ranging from financial to administrative and academic, with students paying tuition fees. AVCNU stated that the directive by government that students should not pay tuition fees had reduced the capacity of public universities to perform their statutory roles in the system.

On the exit of Professor Okojie as the Executive Secretary, the AVCNU said that he would be remembered for his doggedness and humour. It also described his

10-year tenure as filled with commendable efforts in the NUS, such as the introduction of many new programmes, increase in access and quality, ICT deployment as well as foreign linkages and programmes. The Executive Secretary was described as a father to the AVCNU, a very emphatic man, whose anger never lasts as well as a stabilising factor between the NUS and the Government. The body wished him God's grace and blessings in his future endeavours.

The high point of the ceremony was the presentation of a framed picture of the Executive Secretary as a commemorative souvenir.



Prof. Okojie receiving the souvenir presented to him by the Association



Prof. Okojie in a group photograph with members of the AVCNU





## Benson Idahosa Varsity Produces 49 First Class and First PhD at 12th Convocation



Vice-Chancellor BIU, Prof. Ernest B. Izevbigie, first left and the President of the University, Bishop Faith E Benson Idahosa II, watching while the representative of the Executive Secretary, NUC, and Director, Open and Distance Education, Dr. Olamide E. Adesina, congratulates the first PhD Graduand, Dr. Nosa Leonard Aisien

Nosa Leonard Aisien has made history as the first PhD graduate of Benson Idahosa University (BIU), Benin City. Aisien, who earned a PhD in Economics, was one of the 902, who graduated at the 12<sup>th</sup> Convocation ceremony of the Institution, held on Saturday, 16 July, 2016.

In his address, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Ernest B. Izevbigie, said the 902 graduands, tagged 'The Class of Nobles', constituted the highest number turned out since BIU was established in 2002. A further breakdown showed that 794 of them were undergraduates, out of which 49 made First Class Honours, 306 made Second Class Honours (Upper Division), 408, Second Class Honours (Lower Division) and 31 Third Class Honours.

Professor Izevbigie further disclosed that the 32

programmes of BUI had 97 per cent accreditation by the National Universities Commission (NUC), while plans were underway to introduce Engeneering (the Engineering of Energy) as a course of study, the first in any university in Africa. According to him, BIU is also the only African University in the membership of the United States' National Association of Inventors (NAI), which gives it the opportunity to collaborate with other members of the international comity of Universities.

In a goodwill message, delivered on his behalf by the Commissioner for Education, Mr. Gideon Obhakhan; Edo State Governor, Comrade Adams Oshiomhole laid two choices before the graduands: To either add value to the society or pick from the many vices in the society. He urged them to join the change revolution in the country and prayed for God's blessings and

strength for them to achieve greatness in life.

Special Adviser to the President on Niger Delta and Coordinator of the Presidential Amnesty Programme, Brigadier-General Paul Boroh (rtd) said President Muhammadu Buhari remained committed to the Amnesty programme until the 30, 000 beneficiaries are successfully re-integrated into the society.

General Boroh, who was represented by Dr. Kenneth Ehigie, disclosed that 173 of the graduands were beneficiaries of the Federal Government's scholarships under the Amnesty programme. He commended BIU for being a worthy partner in the efforts to restore peace to the Niger Delta and urged the graduands to be worthy Ambassadors of the great Archbishop Benson Idahosa and





Chancellor of BIU, Archbishop Margaret Benson Idahosa with Dr. Adesina

sector.”

While urging the country not to remain a mono economy, but to focus on other viable and available resources to diversify and strengthen the economy, Professor Okojie noted that it was through research that the significant goal of identifying and optimising alternative products could be achieved. He, therefore, challenged BIU to recommit to conducting cutting-edge research for national development.

The Executive Secretary also tasked the University to distinguish itself by being above board in compliance with NUC’s stipulations on Quality Assurance and global best practices. Quality Assurance, he added, should be owned and internally driven by the University. He joined the parents, guardians and the graduands in celebrating the day, wishing the latter enduring success.

The Chancellor of BIU, Dr. (Mrs.)

reciprocate the Federal Government's gesture by being change agents. He disclosed that the Federal Government was focussing more on creativity and innovation. His office would, therefore, partner with BIU in its Vocational Skills Acquisition Programme.

Dr. Olamide E. Adesina, reiterated the fact that Agriculture remained the largest employer of labour and contributor to national economy, after oil. “Consequently”, he said, “it behoves all universities to offer policy advice that is research based, to bring about sustainable development in the Agricultural

In another goodwill message, the Executive Secretary, NUC, Professor Julius A. Okojie, *OON*, noted that the future development and growth of the tertiary education sub sector in the country would, largely, be enhanced by private sector participation, hence the assurances of government's continued support for public private partnership.

In line with the topic of the Convocation Lecture, 'Reviving Agriculture: A Panacea to Falling Oil Prices in Nigeria', earlier delivered by Professor Sidi Osho, the Executive Secretary, who was represented by the Director, Open and Distance Education (DODE),



Dr. Adesina, delivering the Executive Secretary's Goodwill Message





Bishop Faith Benson Idahosa II  
President, BIU

Margaret E. Benson-Idahosa, OON, called on the graduands to be the 'sought after', to believe in themselves because the University does and, above all, God believes in them. She urged them to also "believe in God and go to your world in the power of His might. Manifest that which the University has deposited in you all the years you have been nurtured

in Benson Idahosa University."

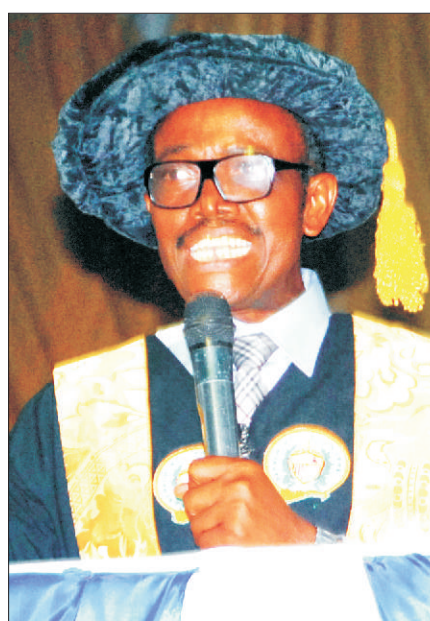
In an address titled, *Be the 'Who'*, President of the University, Bishop Faith E Benson Idahosa II, said that in the last two years, as the world's economy began to take another beating from falling oil prices, Brexit and threats of terrorism destabilising markets, a new question had emerged: "Chief Executives, politicians and pundits alike seem to have an idea about what to do in the changing world landscape; what they cannot find, though, is 'who' to do it."

According to him, "the World wants leaders who are efficient, and not wasteful...who can produce results and not just PowerPoint presentations...who are strategic...who can see the big picture, and who can lead us all safely to our desired destinations of success." He, therefore tasked the 'Class of Nobels' to be that 'who' by going beyond the normal, doing beyond the normal and seeing beyond the normal. He expressed confidence that the graduands had been well trained

and educated. A great future, therefore awaited them, even while people feared that unemployment awaited most Nigerian graduates.

Earlier, in his welcome address, the Pro-chancellor and Chairman of the Governing Council, Dr. Goddie O. Isibor reiterated that BIU was the only University in Africa to be a member of the United States' National Academy of Inventors (NAI), a feat achieved by the Vice Chancellor's research into the use of Bitterleaf in the management of Cancer and Diabetes.

Dr. Isibor also disclosed that three students, who represented the University and Nigeria at the World Science Conference, held in Israel, earlier in the year, were awarded Postgraduate scholarships, up to PhD level, by the Israeli Government. BIU, he said, was also poised to produce 800, 000 tonnes of tomatoes, yearly, to ameliorate the shortage/destruction induced by the moth *Tuta absoluta*, described



Dr. Goddie O. Isibor  
Pro-chancellor and Chairman of the  
Governing Council,



Prof. Izevbigie delivering his  
Convocation Address





by Nigerian farmers as 'tomatoes ebola'.

The Convocation ceremony was

attended by Vice Chancellors of some sister universities, top government functionaries, royal

fathers, friends, parents and guardians of the graduating students, other staff and students.



Guests at the event



Graduands





# Nigerian Shippers Council Makes Case for Maritime Law



Executive Secretary NUC, Prof. Julius A. Okojie, stressing a point, when he received the Executive Secretary/CEO, Nigerian Shippers Council, Mr. Hassan Bello, in his office

The Nigerian Shippers Council (NSC) has called for the introduction of Maritime/ Admiralty Law as an undergraduate programme in the Nigerian University System (NUS), in order to articulate and provide clear understanding of maritime issues. Speaking, during a courtesy visit to the Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Julius A. Okojie, *ON*, the Executive Secretary and CEO, Mr. Hassan Bello, said that the programme would not only equip lawyers and Judges with a better grasp of the subject matter, but also ensure the quick dispensation of complex maritime cases, such as the impounding of vessels through arrest and detention.

According to him: “the Maritime Sector constitutes the life wire of global trade and commerce in addition to its historical and current role in facilitating human interactions amongst countries,

regions and continents, we must therefore continue to develop the requisite human capacity to take advantage of the opportunities in the sector.”

The Executive Secretary, observed that the absence of Admiralty or Maritime Law had not only made it difficult for judges to dispense justice on maritime matters expeditiously, but had also created more financial burden on Nigerians who were pursuing careers in Maritime Law abroad. He said “until recently, Maritime Law was not taught in the NUS, both at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels, as a result of which, Judges who were called to dispense complex maritime issues found it extremely tasking to dispose of such matters expeditiously.”

Mr Bello recalled that during the Council's traditional visit to the Chief Justice of Nigeria, early this year, the legal jurist had advised

the Council to collaborate with the NUC in addressing the noticeable gaps in the Maritime Law by developing curriculum that could provide the basics of the programme. He informed the Executive Secretary that, in the interim, the NSC, in collaboration with the National Judicial Institute (NJI), had been organising International Maritime Seminars for Judges since 1995, with the aim of updating legal practitioners and other stakeholders with contemporary development in the sector.

The NSC boss stated that the Council was an agency of the Federal Government, established by the NSC Act, Cap N133 LFN 2004 to, among other things, educate shippers and other stakeholders in the Shipping and Maritime Industry through the organisation of both local and international conferences, seminars and workshops. He added that, following a





Prof. Okojie presenting copies of NUC publications to Mr. Bello

could generate more funds to government.

A joint committee of the NUC and the NSC, was appointed to work out modalities for the smooth take-off of the programme with the Deputy Executive Secretary I, Professor Chiedu Mafiana as Chairman.

At the meeting were some Management staff of the Commission and principal officers of the NSC, including the Director, Legal Services, Mr. Samuel A. Vongtau and Ag. Director, Inland Transport Services, Mr. Akintunde Makinde and other staff of the Council.

Presidential declaration in 2014, the Council was appointed to act



Mr. Hassan Bello  
ES/CEO, Nigerian Shippers Council

of the Ports with responsibilities for control of tariffs, charges and other related economic services.

Responding, Professor Okojie said that before the introduction any programme, capacity building was required to ensure availability of experts to teach it. He added that the Commission would identify those experts to be trained. To that effect, a stakeholders' meeting would be convened to assemble the experts to articulate the document.

Professor Okojie said that it was important to identify and develop those areas of the economy that



Prof. Chiedu Mafiana  
Deputy Executive Secretary I, NUC



Prof. Okojie and Mr. Bello, middle, with some members of NUC Management and the Shippers Council delegation





# Another Garland for Prof. Okojie



Prof. Julius A. Okojie receiving the 'Leadership with Integrity' Award from the CEO of Black Heritage International Magazine, Mr. Kehinde Oyewole being assisted by the Group Editor, Mr. Tunde Osho

As the countdown to the exit of Professor Julius A. Okojie from office as the 7<sup>th</sup> Executive Secretary of the National Universities Commission (NUC) continues, more awards have continued to come his way.

The latest was the *Leadership with Integrity Award*, conferred on him by the Editorial Board of the Black Heritage International Magazine (BHIM), "for his courage, doggedness and giant strides in the development of the Nigerian University System (NUS)."

Presenting the award on Wednesday, 20 July, 2016, the Publisher and CEO, Mr. Kehinde Oyewole said that it was in recognition of Professor Okojie's unblemished record of service and philanthropy.

The Publisher described Professor Okojie as a seasoned academic and a stickler for quality and standard, who did not only strive to restore the glory of the Nigerian Ivory Tower, but also placed Nigerian universities in the league of world universities through various initiatives and programmes.

According to the Group Editor, Mr. Tunde Osho, 'for the past 10 years, Professor Okojie has rendered faithful, conscientious and valuable service to our Education sector, particularly the university community. Despite the fact that during this period, the sector witnessed some upheavals and challenges nevertheless, with great personal inconvenience and sacrifice, he carried on his responsibilities.

He exercised sound judgement,

wise and kind counsel and has endeared himself to his associates, staff and the entire education sector. The Board of BHIM, under the Chairmanship of the distinguished eminent jurist, His Excellency, Prince Bola Ajibola, former Chairman, World Bank Administrative Tribunal and Judge of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) at The Hague, formally acknowledge the services rendered by Professor Okojie during the years of his leadership.

Responding, Professor Okojie thanked the group for the honour and attributed his success to the cooperation of both Management and Staff of the Commission. He expressed optimism that Nigerian universities would continue to move from glory to glory.



# British Council Visits NUC



Prof. Julius A. Okojie  
Executive Secretary, NUC

Officials of the British Council (BC) were in the National Universities Commission (NUC), Monday, 11 July, 2016, to meet with the Executive Secretary, Professor Julius A. Okojie *OON*, to seek for technical assistance on a proposed introduction of Active Citizens Programme in the curriculum of tertiary institutions in the country.

Receiving the delegation on behalf of the Executive Secretary, the Director of Protocol and Special Duties (DPSD), Mr. Christopher J. Maiyaki chronicled the history, role and responsibilities of the Commission. Dwelling on the programme, the Director stated that the Commission was saddled with the responsibility of curriculum development, saying however, that before programmes are introduced in the NUS, appropriate procedures must be adhered to. He advised the Council to formally request for an interaction with the Committee

of Vice-Chancellors (CVC) of Nigerian Universities to discuss the proposal.

Earlier, British Council's Project Manager (Society), Mrs Cynthia Abazie had expressed delight at the warm reception accorded the team by the Director. She explained that the Active Citizen Project was a collaborative initiative of the British Council and the United Kingdom's International Organisation for Cultural Relations and Educational Opportunities. The Active Citizens programme, she disclosed, had covered 30 countries, including Nigeria, where it had trained about 11,000 of its citizens, through partnership with the tertiary institutions over the last two years. The essence of the project is to increase the contribution of community leaders and participation of the youth towards achieving sustainable development, both locally and globally. It is also targeted at encouraging peer-to-peer relations across cultural, geographical and

political boundaries, through online social network among participants as well as international exchanges.

Mrs. Abazie further explained that the Active Citizens programme had the primary goal of engaging youths and creating a platform for young people to lead change, work with local organisations and university communities. This, she said, would help foster community-led social development, peaceful co-existence and gender inclusion and bring about improved socio-economic opportunities for women and girls. It will also serve as a catalyst of change and national development.

The Project Manager said that the Council was seeking the collaboration of NUC in the area of technical support towards successfully developing Active Citizens curriculum in tertiary institutions. The rationale behind it was to widen the horizon of youth participation in community development. It would also empower the youth to engage peaceably and effectively with others in their communities and ensure sustainable development. She further observed that the partnership would facilitate the identification of cultural values and empower youth to take ownership of the social action project.

At the meeting were the British Council's Director of Society, Mr. Mohammed Ahmed; Partnerships Manager, Mr. Chikodi Onyemerela and NUC's Deputy Director, Diaspora & Linkages, Mr. Ashafa Ladan.





# Vice Chancellor AAU Pays Courtesy Visit on ES

The newly-appointed Vice Chancellor of Ambrose Ali University (AAU), Ekpoma, Professor Ignatius Onimawo, on Tuesday, 19 July, 2016, paid a courtesy visit to the Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Julius A. Okojie, OON, to familiarise himself with the workings of the Commission. This followed his appointment by the Governing Council on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May, 2016, after the exit of Professor Cordelia A. Agbebaku.

A Professor of Nutritional Biochemistry of the University, he was until his appointment, its Director, Academic Planning, a position he occupied between 2011 and 2014 and Head of Department, Biochemistry. He also had a brief stint at the Michael Okpara University of Agriculture Umudike, (MOUUAU), as Dean College of Applied Food Sciences and Tourism; foundation Head of Department, Human Nutrition and Dietetics; Acting Head, Department of Food Science and Technology, between 2003 and 2011.

Born on 20 July, 1957, in Afowa, Etsako West Local Government Area of Edo State, the Vice-Chancellor attended the St. James' Grammar School, Afuze, where he obtained West African School Certificate (WASC) in 1976. He thereafter proceeded to the University of Ibadan and graduated in 1982, with a B.Sc in Agriculture Biochemistry and Nutrition (Second Class Upper



Prof. Julius A. Okojie with the new Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Ignatius Onimawo

Division). He obtained his Master's Degree in Human Nutrition (Nutritional Biochemistry) in 1985 and Doctor of Philosophy in Human Nutrition (Nutritional Biochemistry) in 1995 from the same University.

Professor Onimawo began his teaching career at the Federal Polytechnic Idah, Kogi State, as Lecturer III, in 1983 and became a Principal Lecturer in 1999. He later moved to Ambrose Ali University, Ekpoma, as a Senior Lecturer in 1999 and rose through the ranks to become a Professor on 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2005. He has published over 100 articles in learned scientific research Journals, both locally and internationally as well as books. He has supervised six PhDs and more than 20 M.Sc. He also served in several boards and committees of the University, as well as

several bodies he has been a Fellow of the Nutrition Society of Nigeria (FNSN) since 2003 and Fellow of the Strategic Institute for Natural Resources & Human Development (FRHD) from 2009 to date.

The Vice-Chancellor had won several national and international awards and recognitions such as Award of Excellence by the Nutrition Society of Nigeria, 2009; Who is Who in Sciences, 2000; Award of Excellence in Service by the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU) and Letter of Honour by the American Association for the Advancement of Sciences, among others. He is married with three children.

In a chat with the *Monday Bulletin* team, Professor Onaniwo said that his vision in the next five years was to reposition the University to be among the best 10 institutions



in Nigeria. According to him, a lot of processes would be engaged and carried out to ensure more visibility for University on the web. “My focus will be on research to enable the Institution be on the cutting-edge of developments in every aspects of its programmes. We intend to drive the research efforts in such a way that it can contribute up to five per cent of our Internally Generated Revenue (IGR), with the collaboration of the industry.”

“The idea of making research the fulcrum of the University's agenda will start impacting on the teaching staff from the first week of August, 2016. In line with this strategic vision and looking into the training profile of staff, the University is bringing experts to teach lecturers how to write grant-winning proposals. To equip the academics with the new modes of delivery, we are partnering with Blackboard online on this smart room project,” he further said.

The Vice-Chancellor disclosed

that his administration had put in place a robust programme to generate revenue with a focus on Agriculture, by growing it as a business venture. The team is expected to start from the first week of August with 100 fish ponds and hope to have about 500 fish ponds that would reach market weights by December. The University would also embark on the production of broilers.

To tackle the challenge of student accommodation, Professor Onimawo said that his administration had, in consultation with some private developers, initiated a Build, Operate and Transfer (BOT) 1000-room hostel, with 3,000 bed spaces that would be delivered before the end of 2017.

On his relationship with the staff unions, the Professor of Nutritional Biology said that he came from the background of unionism and believed that most demands of the unions were not out of place. The essence of

unionism, he stated, was for the leadership to fight for the cause of their members. The best way to deal with union he said, is through openness and to keep them aware of the financial status of the university at every point in time.

He expressed happiness that the students had been cooperating with the administration as the University witnessed some of them renouncing cultism, thereby reducing the menace. He also expressed the determination of his team to work with and carry along every member of the university community, including the Governing Council, Senate, staff and students, to ensure that the University achieved its vision.

On the Vice Chancellor's entourage were a member of the Governing Council, Sir Dr. A.I. Leguan; Registrar, Sir Chris Adamaigbo and the Director of Physical Planning, Engr. Mark-Anthony Akuete.



L-R: Registrar of Ambrose Ali University, Sir Chris Adamaigbo; Member of the Governing Council, Sir Dr. A. I. Leguan; Profs. Okojie and Onimawo; Director of Physical Planning of the University, Engr. Mark-Anthony Akuete; DES I, NUC, Prof. Chiedu F. Mafiana





# Prof. Alao is New VC, Adeleke University

**T**he Governing Council of Adeleke University, Ede, Osun State, has approved the appointment of Professor Samuel Ekundayo Alao as the new Vice-Chancellor of the university, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2016. A letter signed by the Chairman, Board of Trustees and Governing Council of the University, Dr. Adedeji Tajudeen Adeleke and addressed to the Executive Secretary, National universities Commission (NUC), indicated that the appointment was for a period of four years (2016-2020)

The Professor of Mass Communication graduated from the Andrews University, with a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Degree in Religion/Religious Studies, (First Class Honours) in 1974; Master's Degree, Political Communication/Media Studies, from the University of Central Oklahoma in 1982. He earned



Professor Samuel Ekundayo Alao  
Vice-Chancellor, Adeleke University, Ede

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), Mass Communication/Media Studies from Kensington University, USA in 1996 and a second PhD in International Relations and Affairs from HNA University, USA in 2006.

An erudite scholar, Professor Alao was, before his appointment, the Provost, College of Management

and Social Sciences of Babcock University, a position he held since January 2014. He also served as Deputy Vice Chancellor, Dean and Head of Department, Mass Communication of the same university. He was a staff of the Daily Times of Nigeria Plc., between July 1976 and June 2003. He similarly served as the Director/CEO, Babcock Centre for Executive Development at Babcock University from January 2013 till his appointment.

Professor Alao's 40-year career spanned journalism practice, media management, teaching and research. He is also a seasoned administrator. As a Fellow of the Nigerian Institute of Management, (NIM) Professor Alao has used his experience and administrative skill to mentor young managers and scholars. He has written several books and published several peer reviewed articles in reputable academic journals.

## Introduction:

The Federal Executives Council at its meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2010 approved that Nigeria should adopt the provisions of the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) and International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) for Private and Public Sectors respectively.

Consequently, the Federation Accounts Standards Allocation Committee (FAAC) at its meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2011 setup a Sub-Committee to provide a roadmap for the implementation of IPSAS in the three tiers of government in Nigeria.

### The Roadmap to the adoption of IPSAS was phased as follows:

- Full Adoption of IPSAS Cash effective from 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2014.
- Adoption of IPSAS Accrual effective from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2016.

The National Universities Commission (NUC) has commenced the IPSAS implementation project that will enable a seamless adoption of the IPSAS accrual in the preparation and presentation of Financial Statements in line with the directives of Federation Accounts Allocation Committee (FAAC) Sub-Committee on implementation of IPSAS.

## Implementation Approach:

**NUC is partnering with Nexia Agbo Abel & Co, to adopt a phased implementation approach which shall focus on the following areas;**

- Regulatory Compliance
- Technical Accounting & Reporting
- Knowledge & Resource Management
- Process, Technology & Infrastructure

• Results Based Management  
• Easy Comparison  
• Competitive Advantage

• Quality  
• Consistency  
• Comparability

**IPSAS**

• Transparency  
• Accountability

## Expected Benefits:

At the end of this implementation project, NUC's financial reporting is expected to be fully IPSAS accrual compliant in line with the directive. This will ensure greater level of transparency, accountability and consistency in financial reporting just like similar Public Sector Entities (PSE), high-quality financial statements based on globally acceptable standards and audit efficiency.



## Implementation Committee

In line with the National Treasury Circular Ref. No. TRY/A5 & B5/2014 and OAGF/CAD/POL/C.0301/VOL. I/VOL.I of 23rd October 2014, the composition of the Commission's IPSAS Implementation Committee include:

<b>Executive Secretary</b>	<b>Chairman</b>
<b>Director, Finance and Accounts</b>	<b>Vice-Chairman</b>
<b>Director, Management Support Services</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>Head of Internal Audit</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>Head of Information &amp; Communication Technology</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>Head of Treasury</b>	<b>Member</b>
<b>Head of Budget</b>	<b>Member</b>
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## NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION



### PRESS RELEASE

## Medicine, Dentistry Programmes to Run for Seven, Not 11 Years

The new Benchmark Minimum Academic Standard (BMAS) for Medicine and Dentistry, which has since been made public by the National Universities Commission (NUC), provides for a seven-year training, leading to the award of MBBS/MDS and not the 11 years being erroneously circulated in the mass media.

Although the so called '11-year Medical Programme' stories have been credited to the Commission's Executive Secretary, Professor Julius A. Okojie's keynote address titled, 'Development of Medical Education in Nigeria: Prospects and Challenges', which was delivered at the Matriculation and Inauguration of the University of Medical Sciences, Ondo, on Saturday, March 12, 2016, nowhere in that lecture was 11 years mentioned or implied.

Prof. Okojie, who was represented by the Deputy Executive Secretary I, Professor Chiedu Mafiana, had explained that the new curriculum provides for a seamless seven-year programme. With the new curriculum, a Medical student would be expected to graduate in Basic Medical Sciences, with options in Anatomy, Medical Biochemistry and Physiology in the first four years, before proceeding for the clinical training that would run for three years.

Prof. Okojie had further explained that the reviewed BMAS went through a long process, which included wide consultations with the academia, professional associations and regulatory body, following the conduct of a Market Needs Assessment. According to him, the consensus was that medical training should be post-graduate. The main goal is to ensure that the crop of graduates emerging from the programme are psychologically matured to practice, with a high level of competency.

The new BMAS for medical education still retains the fundamental learning objectives of the six-year programme: the national development goals for health, while retaining the international outlook to guarantee global competitiveness. While noting that the extant six-year programme shall continue to subsist for a period to be determined, Prof. Okojie observed that attempts had been made over the years to run Medical programme using course credit system and that the hallmark of the new document is that it clearly apportions credit weightings to all the courses and activities.

“In line with global practice and to ensure that knowledge and skills are effectively imparted”, Okojie said, “modern course delivery systems have been prescribed. Among core teaching facilities and modes of learning recommended are:

### *Clinical Skills Laboratory.*

The use of the facility would represent a shift in the current mode of medical training to problem-based solving approach and the application of modern techniques which involves use of Mannikins and simulation materials. Clinical Skills Laboratory provides a learning platform in clinical, and information technology skills to certain level of competence before direct exposure to patients, which afford the learner and teacher advanced knowledge in a seemingly practical environment. The facility can also serve as a multi professional/inter professional interactive forum for communication skills development. The simulated patients also provide the learner a safe art of clerkship before direct contact with the real patient thus providing







a learning method that efficiently fills the gap between theoretical knowledge and clinical practice.

### ***Classroom Equipment***

Adoption of modern delivery method using ICT has become inevitable. Classrooms should be equipped with smart boards, document scanners and biometric scanners for lecture attendance.

### ***E-learning materials and Research Information Platforms***

E-learning materials accelerate understanding of courses taught and have become a veritable tool for learning. Research, generally, are meant to address social issues as well as deepening the knowledge and advancement in the field of studies. Information on the developments and applications in the field of study should be readily available.”

On the above, Prof. Okojie said, “The availability of Nigerian Research and Education Network (NgREN) has made access to teaching (such as Telemedicine) and research information readily accessible, and all Nigerian universities should key into it.”

Since the first erroneous publication of '11 years for Medical Programmes', NUC has sought to correct this misconception by widely circulating the Keynote Address and a Press Release on the matter. The Executive Secretary also took time to correct the misconception by speaking, extensively, on the matter at the recent recognition ceremony of the Edo University, Iyamho, held at the NUC Secretariat, Abuja.

**Signed:  
Management**



## **Approved Open Universities and Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria**

The National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN), which has 72 study/resource centres nationwide, is currently the only approved open university in the Nigerian University System (NUS)

### **List of approved Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria**

Eight universities in the Nigerian University System, currently have the approval of the National Universities Commission to operate distance learning centres as follows:

1. Distance Learning Centre, University of Ibadan.
2. Distance Learning Institute, University of Lagos.
3. Centre for Distance Learning and Continuing Education, University of Abuja.
4. Centre for Distance Learning, University of Maiduguri.
5. Centre for Distance Learning, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife.
6. Centre for Distance Learning, Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola and
7. Ladoke Akintola University of Technology Open and Distance Learning Centre, Ogbomosho.
8. Distance Learning Centre, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria.

## **THE ASSOCIATION OF COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITIES' CONFERENCE OF UNIVERSITY LEADERS IN ACCRA, GHANA FROM 27TH- 29TH JULY, 2016 IN COLLABORATION WITH VICE-CHANCELLOR'S GHANA**

The National Universities Commission is in receipt of a letter from the Deputy Secretary General, Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU) on the Conference of University Leaders holding in Accra, Ghana from 27th - 29th July, 2016. The International Conference, which is being organised by the ACU in collaboration with Vice Chancellor's Ghana aimed at promoting collaborative opportunities in the region in which, member Universities are expected to demonstrate particular opportunities and achievements.

A keynote address will be delivered by the former U.N Secretary-General, His Excellency, Mr Kofi Annan. For details on the Conference, visit [www.acu.uk/events/ghana-2016](http://www.acu.uk/events/ghana-2016)







## NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

### RE: ACADEMY OF SCIENCE ACCUSES NUC OF TAKING BRIBES

The attention of the National Universities Commission (NUC) has been drawn to the publication in the Punch Newspaper of Tuesday, 1 March, 2016 titled "Academy of Science accuses NUC of taking bribes".

The Commission decided to address this issue via this medium because the publication is already in the public domain which makes it imperative to clear the air on some of the issues raised, by no less a person than a professor who is the President of the Nigerian Academy of Science (NAS) and a one-time Vice-Chancellor, who had hosted several Accreditation Panels and ought to know better.

It is important to state that Professor Oyewale Tomori, while delivering the Convocation lecture at the University of Abuja attempted to bring to disrepute the National Universities Commission and its accreditation system. It is pertinent to state that a good number of the accreditation assessors of programmes in the Science discipline in Nigerian Universities on which, he is casting aspersions, are members or potential members of the Academy.

For the avoidance of doubt, the NUC has a track record of Quality Assurance that stands out nationally and internationally. The Commission, from time to time, has been commended by different bodies on its accreditation procedure and overall Quality Assurance function. The NUC accreditation system has been understudied and replicated by other similar Quality Assurance agencies on the continent; and the Commission has also been invited at different times to facilitate the establishment of Quality Assurance agencies in countries without one. Currently, the Commission chairs the African Quality Assurance Network.

The Commission takes exception to the accusation of the NAS President that NUC officials collect brown envelopes during accreditation exercises. Even though the NAS President was quoted in the publication as having said that NUC alludes to the fact that those who give and take the envelopes are Professors, and that the NUC forgets that the results bear "NUC's accreditation", the fact still remains that accreditation is a peer-review exercise amongst academics all over the world. The Professor should therefore be bold enough to address the issue, if any, with his professional colleagues rather than point accusing fingers at the Commission.

In order to ensure the integrity of NUC accreditation exercise, there exists a widely publicised Code of Conduct guiding the conduct of Accreditation Exercise among the Panel members which expressly directs Universities not to have any financial dealing with assessors as their DTA, return transportation and honorarium for job done are taken care of by NUC. All panel members are also required to declare the existence of conflict of interest before being assigned the task. It is not clear to us whether Prof Tomori was involved in giving or taking the "brown envelop" as a Professor and a former Vice-Chancellor which he had never brought to the attention of the Commission.

On the issue of curriculum, it is pertinent to note that the Commission consistently engages in the review of its BMAS to meet National Developmental Objectives and International Best Practices. If Professor Tomori is current on issues of curriculum, he ought to know that the most recent review was in the year 2015 which was based on Labour Market Expectation of Nigerian Graduates and is on the NUC website.

It is curious that the Professor accused NUC of doing government's bidding. It is on record that whereas NUC is a statutory agency of the Federal Government of Nigeria, there has never been any form of interference from any quarter with regard to the outcome of the Commission's accreditation exercise from 1990 to date.

As the president of NAS, Prof. Tomori is in a position to constructively engage with the Commission towards the overall improvement of university education especially in the Sciences.

The National Universities Commission will continue to promote quality delivery of university education in Nigeria. This is our mandate, and the Commission remains willing to collaborate with well-meaning Nigerians and others to achieve it.

Signed

**Ibrahim Usman Yakasai**  
**Director, Information and Public Relations**





# 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

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Director Information and Public Relations

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## RE: 2016 INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR FOR SOCIAL POLICIES DEVELOPMENT IN BRASILIA, BRAZIL

The National Universities Commission (NUC) is in receipt of a call circular from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the America and Caribbean Affairs Division, through the Federal Ministry of Education (FME), announcing an International Seminar for Social Policies Development in Brasilia, Brazil, Scientific Research and Innovation for Sustainable Development in Africa, organised in collaboration with Centre for Excellence Against Hunger of the World Food Programme, the Initiative World Without Poverty (WWP), the United Nations Organisation for Food and Agriculture (FAO) and the Union of South American Nations (UNASUR). The International Seminar is scheduled to be held from 10<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> May, 2016, in Brasilia, Brazil.

The expression of interest to participate in the vent should be communicated through the e-mail [internacional@mds.gov.br](mailto:internacional@mds.gov.br).

The deadline for the indication of interest is April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016, through the e-mail [internacional@mds.gov.br](mailto:internacional@mds.gov.br). The main topics include: Conditional Cash Transfers: How the Bolsa Familia Programme Works; Unified Registry for Social Programmes: A tool for the articulation of public policies; Food and Nutrition Security: The Brazilian Experience of overcoming hunger; The Unified Social Assistance System as well as Evaluation and Information Management for Social Programmes.







# 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;
- 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.
  - 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.
  - 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.
  - 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 and copy to chiedu.mafiana@gmail.com

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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. Moddibbo 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, Umunya, 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, Ogbomoso	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, Bokkos	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



## LIST OF APPROVED UNIVERSITIES IN NIGERIA

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, Uguwuomu-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	Edo University, Iyamho	2016	41	Wellspring University, Evbuobanosa, Edo State	2009
			42	Eastern Palm University, Ogboko	2016	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 -

**Book Title:** Overcoming Challenges In Retirement

**Author:** Mbah; Aniekan - ANIEKAN

**Publisher:** Basic Company Ltd.

**Place of Publication:** Lagos, Nigeria.

**Year of Publication:** 2013

*Books wash away from soul the dust of everyday life.*







## 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 :

1. Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi
2. Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria
3. Bayero University, Kano
4. Federal University of Technology, Akure
5. Federal University of Technology, Minna
6. Federal University of Technology, Owerri
7. Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike
8. Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola
9. National Open University of Nigeria, Lagos.
10. Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna
11. Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka
12. Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife
13. University of Abuja, Gwagwalada

14. University of Agriculture, Abeokuta
15. University of Agriculture, Makurdi
16. University of Benin, Benin City
17. University of Calabar, Calabar
18. University of Ibadan, Ibadan
19. University of Ilorin, Ilorin
20. University of Jos, Jos
21. University of Lagos, Akoka
22. University of Maiduguri, Maiduguri
23. University of Nigeria, Nsukka
24. University of Port Harcourt, Port Harcourt
25. University of Uyo, Uyo
26. Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto

### State Universities :

1. Abia State University, Uturu
2. Adamawa State University, Mubi
3. Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba-Akoko
4. Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma
5. Anambra State University, Uli
6. Benue State University, Makurdi
7. Cross River University of Technology, Calabar
8. Delta State University, Abraka
9. Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki
10. Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti
11. Enugu State University of Science and Technology, Enugu
12. Imo State University, Owerri

13. Kogi State University, Anyigba
14. Ladoko Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomosho
15. Lagos State University, Ojo.
16. Nasarawa State University, Keffi
17. Niger-Delta University, Wilberforce Island
18. Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye
19. Rivers State University of Science and Technology, Port Harcourt
20. Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina
21. Gombe State University, Gombe
22. Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai
23. Kano State University of Science and Technology, Wudil
24. Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Aliero

### Private Universities :

1. African University of Science and Technology, Abuja
2. American University of Nigeria, Yola
3. Babcock University, Ilishan-Remo
4. Benson Idahosa University, Benin City
5. Bowen University, Iwo
6. Covenant University, Ota
7. Igbinedion University, Okada
8. Pan-African University, Lekki
9. Redeemer's University, Mowe, Ogun State

10. Caleb University, Lagos
11. Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State
12. Nigerian Turkish Nile University, Abuja
13. Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State
14. Lead City University, Ibadan, (MSc. only)
15. University of Mkar, Mkar (MSc. only)
16. Madonna University Okija (MSc. only)
17. Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin (MSc. only)

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)

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

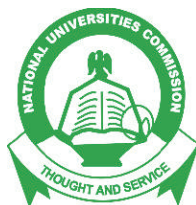
The National Universities Commission (NUC), wishes to announce to the general public, especially prospective promoters of private universities, the fourteen-step procedure for establishing private universities in Nigeria.

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

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Executive Secretary, NUC  
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## 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 Udosu 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) career Light Resources Centre, Jos
- 52) University of West Africa, Kwali-Abuja, FCT
- 53) Coastal Univversity, Iba-Oku, Akwa-Ibom State
- 54) Kaduna Bussiness School, Kaduna
- 55) Royal University of Theology, Minna, Niger Delta
- 56) West African Union University in Collaboration with International Professional College of Administration, Science and Technology Nig., operating anywhere in Nigeria.

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.*

**Professor Julius A. Okojie, OON**  
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY  
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ANNOUNCER







## This Week's Birthdays



NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	DEPT
LAWAL ALHASSAN BICHI	25 July	DIM
SA'ADIYA ABDULRAHMAN		
SAMBO	26 July	DAS
OLUMIDE OLUWABUSAYO		
OLUMOYIN	26 July	DODE
JULIUS AMIOBA OKOJIE	27 July	DESO
OLUWAKEMI ONILEDE	27 July	DESO
OLUWAYEMISI MODUPE ADENIJI	27 July	LO
CHRISTIAN SUNDAY ONOJA	27 July	DPP
ADEBISI ADEBAYO	28 July	DPP
VALENTINE ONYEKA EGESIMBA	28 July	DPP
AMINU ABBA	29 July	DAS
MARTHA E ETOK	29 July	DIM
NEHEMIAH DAUDA	29 July	DSSS
MUHAMMED ASUKU AUDU	31 July	DAS

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

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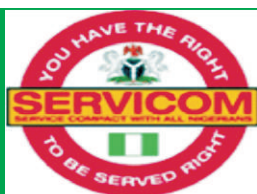
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