

Degrees from Maryam Abacha University Unacceptable

- As Ghana Shuts 53 Degree Mills

The National Universities Commission (NUC) has maintained its stand that degrees from the Maryam Abacha American University in Maradi, Niger Republic, will not be accepted in Nigeria because Cross Border part-time education is not allowed and the Institution's admission and graduation policies, fell far too short of Nigeria's requirements.

The Commission, however, expressed satisfaction with the National Accreditation Board (NAB) of Ghana for closing down 53 degree Mills that were found unqualified to offer degrees in Ghana.

Briefing newsmen, during a Press Conference at the NUC Secretariat on Thursday, 23 July, 2015, the Director, Information and Public Relations, Mallam Ibrahim Yakasai, disclosed that the Commission had published an advertorial in several newspapers,



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Permanent Secretary,
Federal Ministry of Education

in which it alerted Nigerians on the existence of these illegal institutions that admitted mostly Nigerian children who could not gain admission into any Nigerian university for failing to meet the requirements. In addition to the Maryam Abacha American University, the Director, particularly, cautioned Nigerians

to be wary of others on the West African coast – in the Republic of Benin, Togo and in some East African countries, especially Uganda.

Mallam Yakasai informed newsmen that the Commission had in the last few years, used several channels to alert Nigerians on the existence of degree mills. He recalled that the NUC had sponsored about thirty journalists to Ghana in January, 2014, to visit some of these institutions, in order to conduct an independent investigation on the matter and ascertain their status. This investigation, the Director said, led to the publication of various articles in both print and electronic media, revealing the enormity of the problem which was, before then, grossly understated.

The Commission's Spokesman noted, with satisfaction and appreciation, the decision taken by the Ghana's National

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Accreditation Board to ban over 50 tertiary institutions in Ghana, from advertising and admitting students, because they were unqualified to do so. The list of the banned institutions, he said, included some of the Institutions that the NUC had alerted Nigerians about. He added that the action of Ghana's NAB had vindicated the Commission and encouraged it to always say the truth in doing its job.

Specifically, on the case of Maryam Abacha American University, the Director informed the newsmen that the Commission had recently been inundated with



Mallam Ibrahim U. Yakasai
NUC Director, I&PR

courses such as Nursing, Medical Laboratory Science, Public Health, etc. He noted, with

that the duration for a full-time degree programme should not be less than 3 years for direct-entry and, at least, 6 years for a part-time programme, while professional programmes in Science, Engineering and Health Sciences, including Nursing, Medical Laboratory Science and Public Health, were not offered on part-time basis in Nigeria.

While declaring that part-time Cross Boarder Education was not allowed in Nigeria, Mallam Yakasai stated that all countries were at liberty to accept or reject certificates from any foreign university they felt was operating



L-R: NUC Director, Academic Standard, Dr. Didado Kumo; Director, Information and Public Relations, Mallam Ibrahim Yakasai; and Deputy Director, Resource Verification, Pharm. Muhammed Audu, during the Press Conference.

inquiries from some Nigerian students who had been offered admission to the University for Part-time Degree programmes in

displeasure, that these science-based programmes had a graduation time of four semesters only. The Director further stated

below their acceptable standards. He said that, though the NUC had never questioned the approval



A cross section of journalists and cameramen at the Press Conference.

status of universities outside Nigeria, the Commission would continue to ensure that only certificates obtained from reputable institutions were accepted in Nigeria. The Director

reiterated that being the only quality assurance agency for universities in the country, the NUC maintained its position that degrees from the Maryam Abacha American University would not

be accepted in Nigeria. He advised parents and guardians to always cross-check with the Commission before sending their wards beyond the shores of Nigeria.

Ghana Hammers Mushroom Varsities

Ghana's National Accreditation Board (NAB) has banned 53 tertiary institutions in the country from advertising and admitting students to various courses of study, saying they were unqualified to do so.

The "Institutions do not have the mandate to award or issue academic or professional certificates, neither the institutions nor their programmes are accredited by the board," NAB said in Accra, advising parents, employers and potential students to always consult the NAB before enrolling in any tertiary institution in Ghana.

This development is coming, just 17 months after a group of foreign students, mostly Nigerians, in February 2014, sought damages in excess of \$1million against the privately-owned Mahatma Gandhi University (MGU) and the NAB.

The banned institutions, according to the NAB, are:

Academy of Professional Studies in Takoradi; African International College, Accra; Bechem Polytechnic; Ghanatta College of Art and Design, Accra; Global School of Aviation, Tema, Kumasi; ACS Professional College, Accra; Hac-Holland Institute, Accra; Havard School of International Marketing and Language Skills, Accra; West Africa Computer Science Institute, Adabraka-Accra; quince Lincoln University Centre of

Distance Learning Education, Accra; Institute of Export and Shipping Management, Takoradi, Kumasi, Accra; International School of Aviation, Tema and International Travel Tourism Institute, Achimota, Accra.

Others are: ICPS, Tesano, Accra; Jabez College, Takoradi; Management Accountancy Technology Institute, Dansoman, Accra; Oracle University, Kumbasi; School of Management and professional Studies, Kumasi; Staff College Consult, Accra; International English Language Teaching and Learning University, Labone SDA Sch, Accra; West Africa Computer Science Institute, Adabraka-Accra; International Christian College of Excellence, East Legon, Accra; International Institute of Journalism, Tamale; King Amin Islamic Institute, AgonaSwedru, Teachers and Douaat Training Institute, Madina, Accra; Uthmang Islamic School Kumasi; Abdullah Bin Mas'ud Centre for Memorisation of the Holy Quran, Accra; S.M.P.S., South Suntreso, Kumasi; Bechem Business College, Bechem, BA; Delta University College, Keta; University of Jesus of Nazareth Nursing, Training Centre, Mankesim; Institute of Advanced Communication and Computer Education, North Kaneshie; Genesis Professional Institute, Patasi, Kumasi; Dosonee Training Health Institute, Lapaz, Accra; GIET College, Santa Maria, Accra; Notting Hill College, Avenor Junction, Accra.

Greenwich University College, Tema; Madurai Kamaraj University (MKU), Accra; Ahmadiyya Theoretical University College, Mankesim; Amity Institute of Higher Education, Dansoman, Accra; All Stars Media College, Dansoman; Imperial University College of Science and Technology, North Legon; Ghana School of Survey and Mapping, Accra; Unicorn University College, Kumasi; Gewah Alternative University College, McCarthy Hill, Accra; Mumford University of Science and Technology, Accra; Vine University, New Achimota, Accra; Achievers' School of Journalism, Caprice, Accra; Ambassadors' University College, Lapaz; Ballsbridge University – Ghana Campus, Sunyani; Nelchris Science College, Accra; Crown University College, Tumu& Kanda campuses.

NAB also said that two foreign institutions, the Shepherd University, West Virginia, the United States of America (USA), and the Atlantic International University Hawaii, USA, had not been accredited.

Based on quality assurance test, the Board said it had also banned two previously accredited institutions, Jayee University College in Accra and Data Link University in Tema, from admitting fresh students until they had met the requisite standards.

They had flouted requirements needful to remain accredited.

NAB, therefore, tasked moderating universities to supervise the students who had already enrolled in the two schools until they graduated.

The University for Development Studies (UDS), a government-owned tertiary Institution, was similarly directed to cease fresh admissions to its Bachelor of Education in Health Science programme for 2015/16.

NAB said that the latest list was not “an exhaustive list of institutions which have not been accredited to operate and award qualifications,” stating that it would continue to add to the list as and when it became necessary.

Ghana has six government-owned universities of global standards; and, about 200 privately-owned ones, most of which are of questionable standards.

So far, 187 tertiary institutions have been accredited by the NAB to operate as academic institutions.

Hailing NAB's move, the President of the All-Nigeria Community (ANC) in Ghana, Moses Owahro, told the *West African Post* that the development offered an opportunity for the ANC-Ghana to re-examine the fate of Nigerian students in Ghana.

“I think in one way it is an opportunity for us to look at the institutions once again with regards to the services or options they have, especially when Nigerian students are coming here to look for courses to do. It strengthens our hand to look at the situation again and make recommendations, on behalf of Nigerian students here, on areas that we have challenges. Already we are in communication with the Ghanaian Ministry of Education

as well as the association of Ghanaian Universities. Also we'll soon embark on visits to the institutions to look at the facilities that they have. As it is, we've been to Webster's University (a private University in Accra). We intend to do so same for other schools. So this new move from the National Accreditation Board gives us an ample opportunity to make further input,” Owahro stated.

But, while applauding the NAB for its latest effort, Professor Daniel Obour, Vice Chancellor of Ghana's premier private University, Vallyview University told *West African Post* of the University's Oyibo campus, that the Board needed to do more.

“With so many private universities around, students are finding more and more difficulty now finding places to do their industrial attachment, which is a very important practical aspect of their training. The Accreditation Board is trying to ensure the quality of the academic programmes and the quality of the faculty. For instance, if you have a PhD, but you do not have publications, you shouldn't teach graduate programmes. But they must go further. For instance, in technology, they must come up with a model in which some universities can even be linked, not just looking at the programmes and the faculty alone”.

Created in 1991 as an arm of Ghana's Ministry of Education, the National Accreditation Board is tasked to ensure that the country's tertiary education system became more responsive to the rapid pace of changes in education globally.

NAB is mandated to issue accreditation, but does not have power to close down any institution operating without accreditation.

“We can only revoke the accreditation of the institutions we have accredited or stop them from operating but we cannot close down any unaccredited institution because the law doesn't allow us to do so. Perpetrators can only be reported to the security agencies to take action against them for operating illegally,” he added.

Dathey further indicated that unaccredited academic institutions had great impact on the education sector, as well as graduates for the job market, hence the need to halt such activities.

Dathey, therefore, cautioned employers, students and the general public to consult and check institutions certificates and accreditation status with the NAB before employing graduates or proceeding to enroll either in Ghana or outside.

“Notwithstanding NAB's latest action, Ghana will continue to hold an attraction for Nigerian students and their parents given the relatively low cost of acquiring tertiary education in the country”, Nigerian-born law lecturer at the privately-owned Regent University of Science and Technology, Accra Ogochukwu Nweke told *West African Post*.

Nweke said that “Ghana's relatively stable educational calendar, coupled with programmes that are more responsive and adaptive to the realities of the current global digital economy, also continues to give the country the edge”. He urged policy-makers in Nigeria's educational sector to urgently put that sector in order, to reduce brain-drain and capital flight from the country as well as to bolster the country's dignity.

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British Council Partners NUC on Staff Development

The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Julius A. Okojie, *OON*, has commended the British Council for its efforts at introducing a teaching support programme for lecturers in the Nigerian University System (NUS).

Professor Okojie gave this commendation on Wednesday, 22 July, 2015, during an interactive session with delegates from the British Council at which the Council revealed its intention to intervene in the development of lecturers in the NUS.

Professor Okojie said it had become necessary for lecturers to move away from the traditional method of teaching to a more effective method that would conform to the present technological era, adding that students these days were more interested in interactive sessions and lectures that afforded them the opportunity to explore. He further



Professor Julius A. Okojie, *OON*
NUC Executive Secretary

stated that there should be room for students and lecturers to rub minds and indicate preferred methods of teaching, as this would help improve the standard of higher education in Nigeria.

The NUC Scribe noted that communication skills in lecturing was an essential element in learning, as no student wanted to sit through a lecture with a lecturer who had poor communication skills. He noted that the partnership with the British Council would help enlighten the

lecturers on the best approach to lecturing, adding that at the end of the training, the lecturers would be assessed to ascertain their level of performance.

Responding, the International Development Manager of the British Council, Mr. Daug Peare, said that the higher education programme was an international teachers' development in tertiary institutions aimed at providing training programmes for lecturers to improve their teaching skills, adding that the programme would provide the NUS the opportunity to expose its lecturers to different lecturing methods which would, in turn, enable students to learn better.

Mr. Peare explained that the growth of a university depended on its level of output as regards student performance. He said that the programme would allow lecturers assess the learning outcomes of students by applying the best method of lecturing. He announced that the cost of the



L-R: NUC Director, I&PR, Mallam Ibrahim Yakasai; Mr. Chikodi Onyemerela; Sephora Imomoh; NUC Executive Secretary, Professor Julius A. Okojie, *OON*; Mr. Daug Peare; NUC Director P&SD, Mr. Chris Maiyaki; and Mr. Abidemi Kolawole



NUC Scribe, Professor Julius A. Okojie, *OON*, with some NUC Management Staff and delegates from British Council

programme depended on the duration and the type of course a lecturer chose to study, adding that his team was ready to visit

most universities, both public and private, to introduce the programme to them.

Other members of the delegation

included Abidemi Kolawale (Project Officer), Chikodi Onyemerela (Partnership Manager) and Sephora Imomoh (Project Manager).

Proposed Kola Daisi University Off to a Good Start

The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Julius A. Okojie, *OON*, has commended the Proprietors of the proposed Kola Daisi University, Ibadan, for their efforts towards establishing the University saying, their ability to take and accept criticisms and corrections would surely take them forward.

Speaking, during a courtesy call from the proposed University, on Tuesday, 21 July, 2015, the Executive Secretary explained that a promoter was expected to have a vision and drive and that it was also important for proposed universities to liaise with the relevant departments of the



R-L: NUC Executive Secretary, Professor Julius A. Okojie, *OON*; and the Proprietor of the proposed Kola Daisi University, Chief Kola Daisi

NUC for ideas on how to ease the tedious process of establishing a private university. He promised that the proposed institution would be licensed within the prescribed minimum time, if the promoters, on their part, met the requirements for

establishing a private university. He also advised them to start from a take-off campus which should be located at the permanent site.

The NUC Scribe noted that the involvement of the private sector



NUC Scribe, Professor Julius A. Okojie, *OON* (6th left); Chief Kola Daisi (7th left), in a group photograph with some NUC Management staff and the delegation from the proposed Kola Daisi University

in the establishment of private universities had increased access to university education. He stated that private sector involvement in tertiary education had also promoted and ensured quality in the sector. He informed the delegation that the establishment pleased NUC and that the Commission would do

anything within its reach to support them. He also assured the visitors of being in very confident hands.

Commending the reception accorded them at the NUC, the leader of the delegation, Chief Kola Daisi, also expressed delight at the level of insight

which their visit to the Commission had afforded them. He commended the commitment of the Executive Secretary to ensuring quality in the Nigerian University System (NUS) and gave assurances that the proposed Institution would adhere strictly to the guidelines of the NUC.

AUC, UNESCO Set Up Working Group for Addis Convention



L-R: Senior Education Expert, AUC, Dr. Yohannes Woldetensae; UNESCO's Assistant Director-General for Education, Mr. Qian Tang; UNESCO's Director for Policies and Lifelong Learning, Mr. David Atehoarena; and Secretary-General, AAU, Professor Etienne Ehile, at the Meeting.

The African Union Commission (AUC) and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) have established an Informal Working Group (IWG) for the implementation of the revised Convention on the Recognition of Studies, Certificates, Diplomas, Degrees and Other Academic

Qualifications in Higher Education in African States, also known as the Addis Convention.

Rising from a two-day Meeting, convened by the AUC and UNESCO in Paris, between 16-17 July, 2015, to discuss and decide on the establishment of an IWG that would implement the 2014 Addis Convention, stakeholders

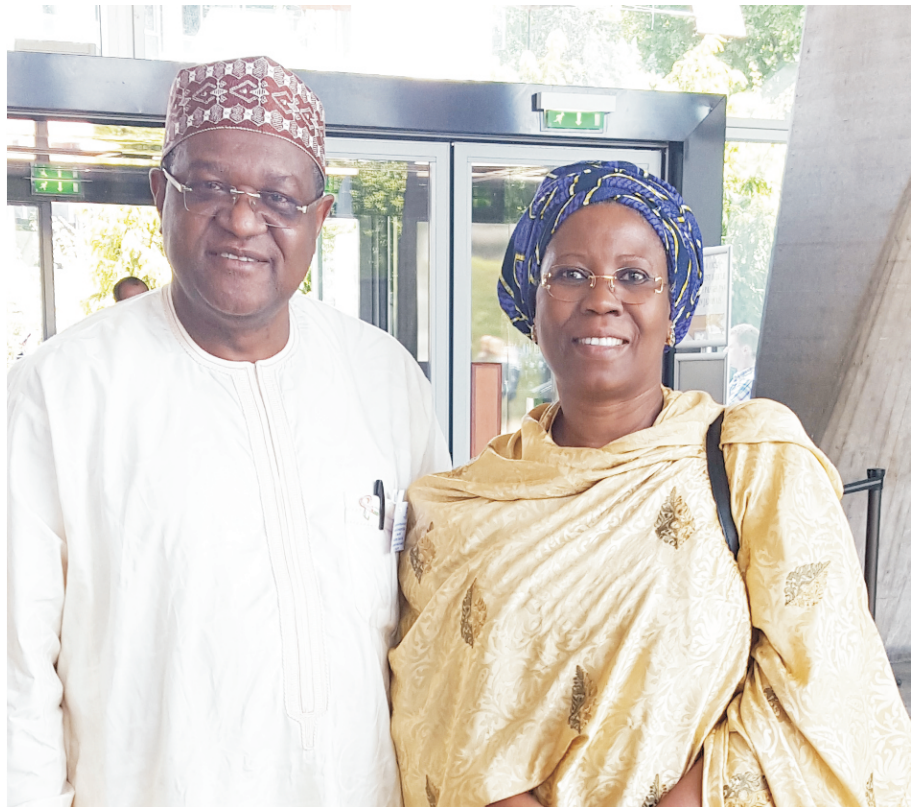
agreed that the current global trends in higher education, particularly those of the African region, had intensified attention on quality assurance as well as the qualification frameworks and regional higher education integration.

In his remarks, UNESCO's Assistant Director-General for

Education, Mr. Qian Tang, observed that the adoption of the Addis Convention was a milestone for higher education in Africa. He reiterated UNESCO's commitment to work with Member States in order to support and facilitate the implementation of the Convention. Mr. Tang highlighted the roles of higher education in training highly-skilled specialists and responsible citizens who would later serve their communities.

The Assistant Director-General noted that research, education and innovation, supported by equal access to quality higher education, were the key drivers for building a knowledge-driven society. He disclosed that the UNESCO would launch a programme on capacity building for national agencies to support Member States' implementation of the Addis Convention.

In another remark, the Senior Education Expert, AUC, Dr. Yohannes Woldetensae, noted the diverse systems of higher education in Africa, and called for a harmonisation strategy to facilitate the recognition of qualifications and enhance the mobility of students and faculty across the continent. He called



L-R: NUC Deputy Executive Secretary I, Professor Chiedu Mafiana and Ambassador Marian Katagun

upon Member States to launch ratification processes at national levels, so that the Addis Convention would truly serve as a policy instrument that would ensure the goals of harmonisation, enhanced mobility and internationalisation.

The Secretary-General of the Association of African Universities (AAU), Professor Etienne Ehile, highlighted the

significant roles played by the Agencies of the United Nations in facilitating the development of higher education in Africa, particularly in the formation of the AAU, in 1967. The Secretary-General recalled that there had been several initiatives to support the creation of a common educational space in Africa. He observed that the Addis Convention was, so far, the most notable initiative towards this end.



R-L: NUC Deputy Executive Secretary I, Professor Chiedu Mafiana and Senior Counsellor, Mr. Kehinde Ayotunde

Professor Ehile, however, stated that the success of all initiatives rested in participation and consensus building at all levels. He expressed the hope that all countries on the continent would fully understand and take advantage of the offers from the continent's harmonisation process by ratifying the Convention for the African States.

In a Communiqué issued at the end of the Meeting, stakeholders and representatives of African States and the Holy See, reaffirmed their

commitment to facilitating academic mobility as a strategy to improve access to higher education for the greatest number of people on the continent. They also expressed their commitment to the Second Decade of Education for Africa (2006–2015) Plan of Action, which referred to higher education as one of the seven areas of focus.

The Communiqué specifically recognised the need to put in place effective quality assurance and accreditation mechanisms at institutional, national, regional and continental levels. The Communiqué also emphasised the need to develop capacity in higher education quality assurance, qualifications framework and recognition practices, which should also take into account quality assurance mechanisms and the accreditation of programmes and institutions.

Mindful of the need to operationalise the modalities for

the implementation of the 2014 Addis Convention, the Communiqué observed that the successful implementation of the Convention rested with Governments, with the call for stronger regional and continent-wide cooperation and coordination.

It would be recalled that the 1981 Arusha Convention was revised in December 2014 in Ethiopia's capital, Addis-Ababa, to take into account the new developments in higher education in Africa and to provide a framework for harmonisation, quality improvement and enhanced internationalisation. The revised Convention, now known as the Addis Convention, was signed by 15 African countries and the Holy See.

The AUC/UNESCO set up the IWG to, amongst other things, develop a ratification campaign, including advocacy for signature by all Member States, identification of champion

countries in each sub-regions and mobilisation of the regional economic commissions; launch initiatives for the development of mechanisms and tools for the implementation of the Convention at institutional, national, sub-regional and continental levels; and participate in developing and implementing a continental capacity development initiative to build and sustain Member States' capacities in areas related to quality assurance, recognition and qualification frameworks.

During the two-day event, delegates elected Egypt to Chair the Meeting while Nigeria was elected as Rapporteur. The Nigerian delegation to the Meeting had the nation's Permanent Delegate to the UNESCO, Ambassador Marian Katagun and Senior Counsellor, Mr. Kehinde Ayotunde. The National Universities Commission (NUC) was represented by the Deputy Executive Secretary I, Professor Chiedu Felix Mafiana.

Alumni Launch “The Yale Club of Nigeria”

Nigerian alumni of the Yale University, Connecticut, USA, have formally launched “The Yale Club of Nigeria”, with a pledge to serve the underprivileged.

Speaking at the launch, held at the Metropolitan Club, Lagos, on Saturday, 11th July, 2015; the President of the Club and a 1970 graduate of the University, Dr. Haroun Adamu, said the Club would cement the relationship between the Institution and Nigeria and also serve as an intermediary between prospective students in Nigeria and the



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NUC Scribe

admissions Office of the University in order to facilitate their admission.

According to him, “Once a student passes through the competitive undergraduate admissions process, he or she does not have to worry about finance. The student will be on full scholarship. We call it “Need Blind Admission.” He, therefore, called upon all those interested in Yale to know that the Club was in the country to serve them.

Dr. Adamu said Yale alumni were proud of the University that was founded in 1701. Among others, “it is the third oldest institution of higher learning in the US, the first to award a PhD degree in the US in



L-R: NUC Visiting Professor, Akaneren Essien; President, Yale Club of Nigeria, Haroun Adamu; Mrs and Air Vice Marshal Femi Gbadebo; and Director for Africa, Yale University, Eddie Mandhry

1861; it has an endowment of \$24 billion from alumni willing to pay back, the library holds more than 15 million volumes and is the third largest in the US”.

The Club President added that the university had graduated many notable alumni, including five US Presidents, 19 US Supreme Court Justices, 13 living billionaires, high-level Diplomats, including the former US Secretary of State, Hilary Clinton and the current one John Kerry; while 52 Nobel Laureates had been affiliated with the University as students, faculty, or staff, including Professor Wole Soyinka. “The University has also produced distinguished Nigerians, including the Executive Secretary of the National Universities Commission, Professor Julius A. Okojie, OON.”

One of the highlights of the launch was the Club's donation of ₦250,000, as part of its annual “Day of Service”, to Benola, a not-for-profit Organisation that focuses on improving the lives of people living with Cerebral Palsy. Globally, Yale alumni observe the Day of Service to provide service to humanity.

The University's Director for Africa, Mr. Eddie Mandhry,

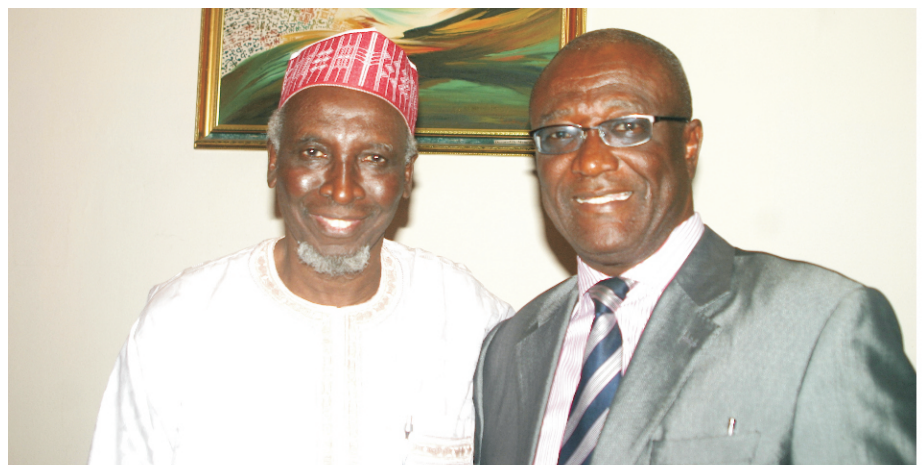
expressed delight at the launch of the Club, saying that the Institution was set to support the efforts of the alumni in Nigeria. He noted that the inclination towards public service was part of the tradition of the University and that the alumni had imbibed the culture of giving back to the society. While commending the club for supporting the cerebral-palsy education initiative, he said “that is an example of what Yale alumni do. They make a difference in their countries.”

In his fraternal greetings to the alumni, Professor Okojie, who was represented by the Chairman, NUC Standing Committee on Private Universities (SCOPU) and former Vice-Chancellor of the University of Uyo, Professor

Akaneren Essien, pledged his support for the projects to be embarked upon by the Club, especially those that would touch the lives of the common man and empower the less privileged in the society.

Professor Essien said, that as an alumnus of Yale, the Executive Secretary had applied the core values of the University in his day-to-day administrative work at the NUC and the Nigerian University System. He conveyed Professor Okojie's assurance of the quality of the programmes in Nigerian universities through well-defined and rigorous accreditation processes, adding that the guidelines for establishing private universities had been strengthened under his watch; just as the number of public, private and other specialised universities had increased. He charged graduates of Nigerian universities to uphold the integrity of the academia and avoid anything that would impinge on the integrity of the university system.

Responding, the founder of Benola Cerebral-Palsy Initiative, Rtd. AVM Femi Gbadebo, said that the Organisation was committed to change and progress for persons living with cerebral-palsy. “We strive for their inclusion into society in order to ensure that they and those who care for them live



R-L: NUC Visiting Professor, Akaneren Essien and President, Yale Club of Nigeria, Haroun Adamu

the best possible life under the peculiar circumstances in which they find themselves.”

He said the vision of the Organisation was an inclusive Africa in which those living with cerebral-palsy would get proper

recognition and were given equal opportunity to fully develop and exploit their potentials.

Envoy Invites NUC to Nigeria-Singapore Business & Investment Forum



L-R: NUC Scribe, Professor Julius A. Okojie, OON; British Council's Mr. Daug Peare; Nigeria Ambassador to Singapore, Mrs Nonye Rajis - Opara; and NUC's Director, P&SD, Mr. Chris Maiyaki.

The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Julius A. Okojie, OON, on Wednesday, 22 July, 2015, received the Nigerian Ambassador to Singapore, Mrs. Nonye Rajis-Opara, in his office.

The Ambassador visited the NUC Secretariat to invite the Executive Secretary to the Nigeria-Singapore Business and Investment Forum, holding in Singapore on the 4th and 5th of

August, 2015.

According to Ambassador Raji Opara, the Nigeria High Commission in Singapore was collaborating with the Singapore Business Federation (SBF) and the International Enterprise (IE) Singapore, to host the second edition of the Forum, with the theme: “Deepening Nigeria-Singapore Bilateral Relation.”

The event is expected to attract both public and private sector representatives from Nigeria and

Singapore. It will explore business and investment opportunities and provide a good avenue for these representatives to promote their investment opportunities to prospective investors in Singapore.

Speakers at the Forum will include the immediate past Minister of Industry, Trade and Investment, Dr. Olusegun Aganga, and the Executive Secretary of the Nigerian Investment Promotion Commission (NIPC), Mrs. Uju Aisha Hassan-Bada.



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, 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, 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, Ijagan	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, Alkaleri	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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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	Nigeria Maritime University, Okerenkoko, Delta State	2015				41	Wellspring University, Evbuobanosa, Edo State	2009
42	Adeyemi University of Education, Ondo, Ondo State	2015				42	Adeleke University, Ede, Osun State	2011
43	Federal University of Education, Zaria, Kaduna State	2015				43	Baze University, Abuja	2011
44	Federal University of Education, Kano, Kano State	2015				44	Landmark University, Omu-Aran, Kwara State	2011
45	Alvan Ikoku University of Education, Owerri, Imo State	2015				45	Samuel Adegboyega University, Ogwa, Edo State	2011
46	Federal University of Health Sciences, Otukpo, Benue State	2015				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: Communication Skills.

Author: Iredia, Tonnie O. PhD

Publisher: Visual Impression.

Place of Publication: Abuja, Nigeria.

Year of Publication: 2012.

“Do not read, as children do, to amuse yourself,
or like the ambitious, for the purpose of instruction.

No, read in order to live.”

- Gustave Flaubert



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

Private Universities :

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

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 Degree Awarding Institutions (Degree Mills) Operating in Nigeria *

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) Sunday Adokpela University, Otada Adoka, Otukpo, Benue State or any of its other campuses.
- 10) United Christian University, Macotis Campus, Imo State or any of its other campuses.
- 11) United Nigeria University College, Okija, Anambra State or any of its other campuses.
- 12) Samuel Ahmadu University, Makurdi, Benue State or any of its other campuses.
- 13) UNESCO University, Ndoni, Rivers State or any of its other campuses.
- 14) Saint Augustine’s University of Technology, Jos, Plateau State or any of its other campuses
- 15) The International University, Missouri, USA, Kano and Lagos Study Centres, or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 16) Collumbus University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 17) Tiu International University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 18) Pebbles University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 19) London External Studies UK operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 20) Pilgrims University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 21) Lobi Business School Makurdi, Benue State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 22) West African Christian University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 23) Bolta University College Aba or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 24) JBC Seminary Inc. (Wukari Jubilee University) Kaduna Illegal Campus
- 25) Westlan University, Esie, Kwara State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 26) St. Andrews University College, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 27) EC-Council University, USA, Ikeja Lagos Study Centre.
- 28) Atlas University, Ikot Udosu Uko, Uyo Akwa Ibom State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 29) Concept College/Universities (London) Ilorin or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 30) Halifax Gateway University, Ikeja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 31) Kingdom of Christ University, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 32) Acada University, Akinlalu, Oyo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 33) Fifom University, Mbaise, Imo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 34) Houdegebe North American University campuses in Nigeria.

- 35) Atlantic Intercontinental University, Okija, Anambra State
- 36) Open International University, Akure
- 37) Middle Belt University (North Central University), Otukpo
- 38) Leadway University, Ughelli, Delta State
- 39) Metro University, Dutse/Bwari, Abuja
- 40) Southend University, Ngwuro Egeru (Afam) Ndoki, Rivers State
- 41) Olympic University, Nsukka, Enugu State
- 42) Federal College of Complementary and Alternative Medicine, Abuja.
- 43) Temple University, Abuja
- 44) Irish University Business School London, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 45) National University of Technology, Lafia, Nasarawa State.
- 46) University of Accountancy and Management Studies, Mowe, Lagos - Ibadan Expressway and its Annex at 41, Ikorodu Road, Lagos.
- 47) University of Education, Winneba Ghana, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 48) Cape Coast University, Ghana, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 49) African University Cooperative Development (AUCD), Cotonou, Benin Republic, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 50) Pacific Western University, Denver, Colorado, Owerri Study Centre.
- 51) Evangel University of America & Chudick Management Academic, Lagos
- 52) Enugu State University of Science and Technology (Gboko Campus)
- 53) career Light Resources Centre, Jos
- 54) University of West Africa, Kwali-Abuja, FCT
- 55) Coastal Univvrsity, Iba-Oku, Akwa-Ibom State
- 56) Kaduna Bussiness School, Kaduna
- 57) 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.*

Professor Julius A. Okojie, OON
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION
ANNOUNCER





NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA

14/16, Ahmadu Bello Way, P. M. B. 80067, Victoria Island, Lagos

PUBLIC NOTICE

APPROVED STUDY CENTRES AND OPERATION OF ILLEGAL STUDY CENTRES

The Management of the National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN) wishes to bring to the attention of the public the under-listed approved study centres, as at March, 2015.

GEO-POLITICAL	STUDY CENTRE	FULL ADDRESS
NORTH EAST	BAUCHI STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, Former NRC Building Federal Low Cost Housing Estate. Bauchi, Bauchi State. bauchistudycentre@noun.edu.ng
	BOGORO COMMUNITY STUDY CENTRE	NOUN,Community Study Centre, Bogoro, Bauchi State.
	AZARE COMMUNITY STUDY CENTRE	NOUN,Community Study Centre, Azare, Bauchi State.
	YOLA STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, Army Barracks Road, Yola. yolastudycentre@noun.edu.ng
	MAIDUGURI STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, Baga Road, P. O. Box 548, Maiduguri, Borno State. maiduguristudycentre@noun.edu.ng nounborn2005@yahoo.com
	DAMATURU STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, Former Amusement Park, Maiduguri Road, Damaturu, Yobe damaturustudycentre@noun.edu.ng nounyobe@yahoo.com
	JALINGO STUDY	NOUN Study Centre, Education Resource Centre, Former T/C Staff Quarter Jalingo, Taraba State. jalingostudycentre@noun.edu.ng
	GOMBE STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, After All Saints College, Gombe Federal Low Cost, P. M. B 0163, Gombe. gombestudycentre@noun.edu.ng
	COMMUNITY STUDY CENTRE, GULAK	NOUN Study Centre, Former SDP Party Secretariat, Maiduguri - Mubi Express Way. gulakstudycentre@noun.edu.ng
North West	KANO STUDY CENTRE,	NOUN Study Centre, Independence Road, Sauna-Dakata, Kano nounkano@yahoo.com kanostudycentre@noun.edu.ng
	DUTSE STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, 3rd Floor Federal Government Secretariat. Kiyawa Road, Dutse dutsestudycentre@nou.edu.ng
	GUSAU STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, Federal College of Education (Technical), Zaira Road, Gusau. qusaustudycentre@noun.edu.ng
	KADUNA STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, Kaduna Campus (old NETC) by Trade Fair Complex, KM 4 Zaria Road, Kaduna. kadunacentre@nou.edu.ng
	NOUN Special Study Centre, Nigerian Air force	NOUN Study Centre, 325 Ground Training Group, Nigerian Air Force Base, Kaduna. kadunafbasespecialstudycentre@noun.edu.ng
	SOKOTO STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, Shehu Shagari College of Education, Sokoto. sokotostudycentre@noun.edu.ng
	KEBBI STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, Jega, Birnin - Kebbi Road. aarzika@noun.edu.ng kebbistudycentre@noun.edu.ng
	KATSINA STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, After Katsina State House of Assembly, Kaita Road, Katsina State, katsinastudycentre@noun.edu.ng
	BATSARI COMMUNITY STUDY CENTRE	NOUN,Community Study Centre, Batsari, Katsina State.
North Central	JOS STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, Lomay International Hotel Road, P.M.B.0983, Bukuru, Sabon Barki, Jos. josstudycentre@noun.edu.ng
	COMMUNITY STUDY CENTRE, OFFA	NOUN,community study centre, Igosun Road , Offa ,Kwara State. offastudycentre@noun.edu.ng

North Central	Ilorin Study Centre	NOUN Study Centre, Kulende Housing Estate, Ilorin. ilorinstudycentre@nou.edu.ng
	NOUN Special Study Centre, Nigerian Army.	NOUN Special Study Centre for the Nigerian Army, (Army School of Education) Sobi Cantonment, P.M.B 1514, Ilorin. sobistudycentre@noun.edu.ng, nigeriaarmyspecialstudycentreilorin@noun.edu.ng
	Abuja Study Centre	NOUN Study Centre, 5 Dar-E-Salaam, (Off Amino Kano Crescent) Wuse II Abuja. abujastudycentre@noun.edu.ng,
	NOUN,Special Study Centre for federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC),Abuja	NOUN,Special Study Centre for federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Abuja
	NOUN,Special Study Centre for National Assembly	NOUN,Special Study Centre for National Assembly, National Assembly Complex, Abuja.
	NOUN Special Study Centre, Nigerian Public Service Institute	NOUN Special Study Centre, Public Service Institute of Nigeria (PSIN) Study Centre, Kubwa Express Way, Dutsen Alhaji Abuja.
	NOUN Special Study Centre, Nigerian Immigrations Services	NOUN Study Centre, Pension Board Office, (immediately after Atlas Hotel) Secretariat Road Gwagwalada, Abuja. nigerianimmigrationspecialstudycentreabuja@noun.edu.ng
	NOUN Special Study Centre, Nigerian Prisons Services - Enugu Maximum Prisons - Portharcourt Maximum Prisons - Kirikiri Maximum Prisons	NOUN Study Centre, Bill Clinton Avenue, Sauka, Abuja prisonservicespecialstudycentreabuja@noun.edu.ng
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	NOUN Special Study Centre, National Union of Road Transport Workers (NURTW)	NOUN Special Study Centre, Plot 1236, Sepele Street, Garki II, Abuja. nurtwstudycentre@noun.edu.ng
	NOUN Special Study Centre,Nigerian Police	NOUN Study Centre, Directorate of Police Education Complex (Beside Mopol Barracks) Suleja Express Way Dei dei, Kubwa, Abuja. nounpolicecentre@noun.edu.ng
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	Makurdi Study Centre	NOUN Study Centre, (Former NDE Office) Opposite Mechanic Village, Kanschio, Makurdi, Benue State makurdistudycentre@noun.edu.ng
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	Community Study Centre, Ogori	NOUN Study Centre, Aiyeromi along Ogori-Ekpe Road, before General Hospital Ogori. ogoristudycentre@noun.edu.ng
South East	Lokoja Study Centre	NOUN Study Centre, Defunct NRC Secretariat, Opposite Bishop Dennis College, Lokoja, Kogi State. lokojastudycentre@noun.edu.ng
	Community Study Centre, Iyara	NOUN Study Centre, (Defunct Party Building Secretariat) Iyara – Kabba Road. iyaracentre@yahoo.com iyarastudycentre@noun.edu.ng
	Lafia Study Centre	NOUN Study Centre, Bukan – Sidi, Jos Road, Lafia. lafiastudycentre@noun.edu.ng
	Owerri Study Centre	NOUN Study Centre, c/o Federal Polytechnic, Nekedi, Owerri/Aba Road, P.M.B 1036, Nekede, Owerri. owerristudycentre@noun.edu.ng nounowerri2005@yahoo.com
	Umudike Study Centre	NOUN Study Centre, National Root Crop Institute P M B 7296 Umuahia, Abia State umudikestudycentre@noun.edu.ng
South South	Enugu Study Centre	NOUN Study Centre, Nike-Lake Road, Enugu, Enugu State. enugustudycentre@noun.edu.ng
	Awgu Community Study Centre	NOUN Community Study Centre, Awgu ,Along old Okigwe Road by Orie Awgu, Off Enugu / Port-Harcourt Highway,Awgu Town, Awgu Enugu State.awgustudycentre@noun.edu.ng
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	PORTHARCOURT STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, St. John Campus (Aba Road, near Garrison), Rumuolumeni PMB 5047, Port Harcourt. riversstudycentre@nou.edu .ng
	BENIN STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, Ekenwa Road, (Old SDP Secretariat) Benin City, Edo State. nounbenin_centre@yahoo.com beninstudycentre@nou.edu.ng
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	YENAGOA STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre,Swali Road, Beside UBA Bank Yenagoa. yenagoastudycentre@nou.edu.ng
South West	IBADAN STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, Former Party Secretariat, Faith Clinic Road Ijokodo Junction, Sango-Eleyele PMB 5061, Ibadan. ibadanstudycentre@nou.edu.ng
	COMMUNITY STUDY CENTRE, AWA-IJEBU	NOUN Study Centre, Ijebu Awa, East Local Govt. Area, Ogun State. awa-ijebustudycentre@nou.edu.ng
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	OKA AKOKO COMMUNITY STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, Oka Akoko, Ondo State
	OSOGBO STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, Beside St. Charles, Okedo, Former SDP Building, Ilesha Road, Oshogbo, Osun State osogbostudycentre@nou.edu.ng
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	LAGOS STUDY CENTRE	NOUN Study Centre, NERDC, Agidingbi Beside Fela Shrine, Ikeja. lagosstudycentre@nou.edu.ng
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	Centre For Educational Technology and Entrepreneurial Development (CETED)	Old NETC, By Trade Fair Complex, KM 4 Zaria Road, Kaduna. kadunacampus@noun.edu.ng
OPERATION OF ILLEGAL STUDY CENTRES It has been observed that some unscrupulous elements are operating illegal study centres across the country. So far, the underlisted illegal centres have been identified		
North Central	Notita Tutorial Centre	Notita Tutorial Centre, No. 3 Dares Salaam Street, off Aminu Kano Crescent, Wuse II, Abuja
South South	Olomoro Centre	Olomoro Promary School, Olomoro Community, Isoko South LGA, Delta State
	Auchi Centre	South Ibie Study Centre, opposit Polytechnic, Auchi, Edo State
	Ugheli Study Centre	No. 285 Ugheli/Patani Express way, Delta State.
South west	Olomoro Centre	No. 23 Obafemi Awolowo Way,Opposite Public Toilet, Igbogbo, Ikorodu, Lagos
	Auchi Centre	14F Obafemi Awolowo Way, beside MAO plaza Ayetoro, Osogbo, near boorepo supermarket, Osogbo, Osun State.
	Ugheli Study Centre	No.6 Adebare Street, Oworoshoki, Lagos State.

Signed
Josephine O. Akinyemi (Mrs)
 Registrar



This Week's Diary

DATE	EVENT	TIME	VENUE
Monday 27 July, 2015			
Tuesday , 28 July, 2015	Invitation to a Meeting with the NUC Management and Officials of Landmark University Omu-Aran, Kwara State	10.00am	NUC Boardroom
	Courtesy Visit by the Estate Surveyors and Valuers Registration Board of Nigeria	10.00am	Executive Secretary's Office
Wednesday , 29 July, 2015	Invitation to the Close Out Seminar of PTDF Annual Oil and Gas Research Grant Competition 2012/2013 Research Cycle	10.00am	NUC Boardroom
	Invitation as a Special Guest of Honour to the Opening Ceremony of the Nigeria's First Online Trade Fair and Exhibition	10.00am	Grand Ibro Hotel, Banquet Hall, Wuse Zone 5, Abuja
Thursday , 30 July, 2015	Invitation to the Close Out Seminar of PTDF Annual Oil and Gas Research Grant Competition 2012/2013 Research Cycle	10.00am	Nicon Luxury Area 11, Garki, Abuja.
Friday , 31 July, 2015			

This Week's Birthdays

NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	DEPT
Prof. Julius A. Okojie, OON	27 July	DESO
Miss Oluwakemi Onilede	27 July	DESO
Mrs Oluwayemisi Modupe Adeniji	27 July	LO
Christian Sunday Onoja	27 July	DPP&D
Mr. Attahiru Bature	27 July	DPP&D
Engr. Adebisi Adebayo	28 July	DPP&D
Mr. Valentine Onyeka Egesimba	28 July	DPP&D
Mr. Aminu Abba	29 July	DAS
Mrs. Martha E. Etok	29 July	DIM
Mr. Nehemiah Dauda	29 July	DSSS
Pharm. Muhammed Asuku Audu	31 July	DAS
Mrs. Kehinde Blessing Adekunle	1 August	DIM
Mr. James Chile Nwagwu	1 August	DAS
Mr. Suleman Ari Maisule	2 August	DIM
Mrs Blessing Ngozi Chukwu	2 August	DRI
Miss Happiness Ozichi Madu	2 August	DQA

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

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

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The Chairman, NUC Editorial Board, on behalf of the Board and Staff of the Information and Public Relations Department, wishes the Executive Secretary, Professor Julius A. Okojie, OON, a very Happy Birthday and Many Happy Returns.

