

Adamu Adamu Inaugurates FGN/University Unions' Renegotiation Committee

The Hon. Minister of education, Malam Adamu Adamu last Monday inaugurated the Seven-man Committee to renegotiate the 2009 FGN/University-based unions' agreements with a view to finding lasting solutions to the challenges facing the Nigerian Universities.

Inaugurating the members of the Committee at the Federal Ministry of Education, Malam Adamu Adamu said that the inauguration of the re-negotiation Team was significant as it confirmed to the unions that government was committed to keeping to its own side of the promise and engendering a conducive environment for teaching, learning, research and community service, through lasting industrial harmony in all tertiary education institutions.

Malam Adamu disclosed that another team would soon be inaugurated to negotiate agreements with unions of Polytechnics and Colleges of Education as soon as



Mal. Adamu Adamu
Hon. Minister of Education

their respective governing councils were put in place. His words: "today's inauguration kick-starts our drive for re-negotiations across the three segments of the tertiary education sub-sector – Universities, Polytechnics and Colleges of Education, starting with Universities."

The Minister reiterated that the Federal Government did not consider the University-based unions, labour and trade unions in the country as enemies, but rather as partners in progress. He urged them to always remain patriotic in their dealings with the government by putting the interest of the

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L-R: Chairman, FGN/university re-negotiation committee, Dr. Wale Babalakin; Permanent Secretary, FME, Dr. Jamila Shuara and Executive Secretary, NUC, Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed

country above individual interests.

In his response, Chairman of the Committee, Dr. Wale Babalakin, said that a conducive environment in tertiary institutions was the bedrock for development of any nation, assuring the Minister that the Committee would rise beyond expectations to ensure stability in the institutions. He said that the Committee would work assiduously to justify the confidence reposed in it, in a manner that would make the Nigerian University System (NUS) to attain greater heights. Dr. Babalakin thanked the Federal

Government for finding them worthy of undertaking such a demanding assignment, promising that the Committee would adopt the necessary approach that would best make the assignment doable in the overall interest of the NUS.

Earlier in her opening remarks, the Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Education, Dr. Jamila Shu'ara said that members of the Committee were carefully selected, considering the daunting challenges associated with the assignment, to ensure success in no distant time. She thanked the Federal Government for its untiring efforts towards revamping the education

sector.

Other members of the Committee are, the Pro-Chancellors of Federal University, Lafia, Professor Munzali Jibril; Federal University, Lokoja, Professor Nimi Briggs; Federal University, Otu Oke, Senator Gbemisola Saraki; Imo State University, Owerri, Prince Alex Mbata as well as Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun, Professor Olufemi Bamiro. Other members were drawn from the National Salaries, Incomes and Wages Commission, Ministry of Finance as well as Ministry of Labour and Employment, among others.



Mal. Adamu Adamu, middle, Prof. Rasheed extreme right, with some officials of FME and members of the committee





NUC, NAB Ghana, Sussex University Collaborate For Spheir Grant

The National Universities Commission is collaborating with the National Accreditation Board, Ghana and Sussex University, UK, to develop a proposal for “Reforming Higher Education for Sustainable development”, with a view to winning the Strategic Partnerships for Higher Education Innovation and Reforms (SPHEIR) Grant.

The SPHEIR Grant is a creation of the United Kingdom Department for International Development (DFID) programme, geared towards the transformation of higher education in Sub-Saharan Africa, Asia and the Middle East. It particularly aimed at delivering a systemic and sustainable change within higher education systems by fostering a productive synergy between graduate output and labour market needs as well as supports inclusive development and economic growth.

Receiving the joint team in his office last Friday, to firm up the proposal, the Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission, Professor Rasheed A. Abubakar, MFR, welcomed the delegation from Ghana and expressed hope that the collaboration would go beyond the current initiative.

He noted that the myriad of challenges, bedeviling the African continent could be attributed to the



Executive Secretary, NAB, Ghana, Prof. Kwame Dattey and Executive Secretary, NUC, Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed

lack of investment in higher education and research, which he insisted was responsible for the prevailing level of socio-economic development of Africa vis-à-vis the global ranking of African Universities and African Nations in the Committee of Universities and Nations, respectively.

The NUC Scribe underscores the importance of trans-border collaboration amongst higher education Institutions in the continent, particularly in the areas of teaching and research. He especially noted the uniqueness of Ghana and Nigeria within the West-Africa Sub-Region and opined that the synergy between both countries would no doubt rekindle the Pan-African spirit among higher education within the region and galvanize the entire continent, for

the overall good of higher education in Africa and for the socio-economic wellbeing of Africans.

He called for the streamlining of curriculum and adoption of a common policy on credit transfer to encourage academic mobility of students and faculty in the continent and identified the need to frequently provide a conducive working environment for faculty, to stem out capital flight orchestrated by brain drain.

The NUC Scribe also seized the platform to brief his august visitors on the statutory activities of the Commission, including advising Federal and State Governments on the establishment of Federal and State Universities respectively, granting approval for the establishment of Private





Some members of NUC Management and NAB delegation

Universities, approving the establishment of academic programmes and units, accreditation of academic programmes, as well as, inspection and monitoring, for quality assurance purposes in the Nigerian University System.

He assured the delegation from Ghana that the Management of NUC is always ready to welcome laudable ideas and would indeed support the on-going synergy between NUC and NAB in

collaboration. Sussex University, aimed at accessing the SPHEIR Grant and, thereafter advocated for joint collaboration, joint research and joint academic conference between Nigeria and Ghana higher education Agencies, with a view to promoting reforms in higher education within the Sub-Region, in line with global realities.

In his response, the leader of the delegation and Executive Secretary, NAB Ghana, Prof. Kwame Dattey, expressed delight for the

willingness of the Commission to partner with NAB in accessing the SPHEIR Grant. He opined that only academic cooperation and collaboration between both countries and within Africa would promote academic excellence and elevate the continent above its challenges and assured NUC of NAB's determination to sustain the ongoing initiative and other proposed areas of collaboration emanating from the meeting.

The final proposal was being fine-tuned as both teams retired to the drawing board to firm it up. Members of the proposal drafting Committee on the Nigerian side comprised Prof. Olufemi Bamiro, former Vice-Chancellor, University Ibadan, as Chairman, with Professors. Moh'd Inwa Umar Buratai and Abba Sani, as well as, Dr. S. B. Ramon-Yusuf, Director, Research and Innovation, NUC, as members. Other members on the team from Ghana are Professors Gamel Wiedu and E. N. Owase.



Prof. Rasheed, with Prof. Dattey and some members of NUC Management as well as NAB delegation





Requirements for Establishing Private Varsities Stringent *Gov. Badaru Seeks for Review*



Executive Governor of Jigawa State, Alh. Abubakar Badaru, (middle), Executive Secretary, NUC, Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, (right) and Deputy Executive Secretary II, NUC, Mal. Ibrahim Dan'Iya, (left)

The Executive Governor of Jigawa State, His Excellency, Alh Abubakar Badaru, has called for a review of what he described as “the stringent and hard policies in respect of the establishment of private universities in Nigeria.”

The Governor made the plea during a courtesy call on the Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, MFR, in his office, last Tuesday.

According to the governor the policy on 100 hectares of land for the establishment of a private university was a stumbling block that could deprive some prospective proprietors the opportunity to establish universities, citing China as an example of a nation where a

university with one or two programmes, established in a small piece of land and fortified with state-of-the-art facility, earned world-wide recognition.

He told Professor Rasheed that Jigawa State Government would comply with all NUC directives with respect to the State University, promising to continue to support the Federal University, Dutse, in all its activities.

The Governor informed the Executive Secretary that the State Government had started training young citizens and secondary leavers from hard-to-reach areas, where about 60 of them had been sent to China to acquire different skills and knowledge, adding that 20 of such people were sent this year to study Medicine, who after graduation, would work in rural

areas of the states for at least five years. He added that the State was in the process of commencing a new Nursing School in Hadejia, while a new Teaching Hospital was underway as a compliment to meet the health care needs of the people.

Governor Badaru thanked the Executive Secretary and his Management team for the warm reception and hospitality accorded him and his team saying, the NUC had always been part of his administration and had stood by it to transform the state, through qualitative university education.

Welcoming the Governor and his entourage, Professor Rasheed remarked that Alh. Badaru is an education-friendly Governor, who had made indelible marks in the development of rural areas through his friendly educational policies,





Alh. Badaru addressing the Executive Secretary and some members of NUC Management

adding that Jigawa State's investment in tertiary education would soon yield life fruits for the citizens. He thanked the Governor for appointing him as the Pro-Chancellor of the Jigawa State University, Kafin-Hausa.

The Executive Secretary commended Governor Badaru for his humility and exceptional sense of fairness and financial prudence, which, he said, formed the basic qualities of a good leader. He noted that, even with the financial recession, the Governor had been able to stabilise the state, including the tertiary education institutions. He promised that the NUC would work closely and harmoniously with the state government to improve university education in the state. He urged the Governor to continue to invest in the university business as the best heritage and

legacy he could leave behind, which would not only transform the state, but would also bring everlasting development to the citizenry.

In a vote of thanks, the Deputy Executive Secretary II, Mal Ibrahim Dan'Iya, commended the Governor for taking giant strides and

initiatives towards revamping the tertiary education sub-sector in the state. He also thanked the Executive Secretary and Management of the NUC for their untiring efforts in maintaining quality and standards in the NUS.



Some members of NUC Management and PSN delegation at the meeting



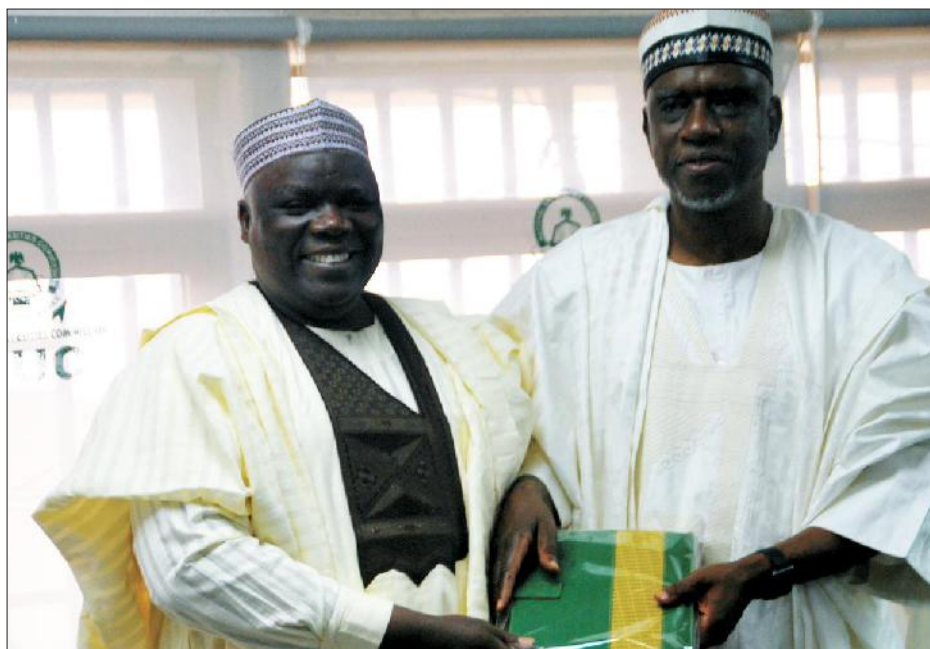
NUC Will Streamline PharmD Prog.

– Prof Rasheed

The National Universities Commission (NUC) will streamline the PharmD curriculum by building in some elements of Pharmacy skills and knowledge for the MSc and PhD programmes, around the curriculum already designed by the Pharmaceutical Society of Nigeria (PSN).

The Executive Secretary, NUC, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, who made this known on Tuesday, 14 February, 2017, when he received a delegation from the Society, led by its President, Pharmacist Ahmed Yakasai, said that the Commission had organised several Stakeholders' in the effort to make the PharmD programme a six-year course, adding that some new courses were introduced while the current scope of Clinical Pharmacy was expanded to make graduates of Pharmacy more patient-oriented rather than product-oriented.

Professor Rasheed noted that the PharmD programme was a major shift that had received the approval of NUC because of the training and envisaged services of the graduates, which needed to be properly entrenched in the healthcare system. He said that the Commission expected all the professionals to be abreast of advancement in knowledge and skills, for better



President, PSN, Pharm. Ahmed Yakasai, presenting First Aid Kit to Prof. Rasheed

service delivery.

The Executive Secretary said that PSN was one of the most respected professional bodies by the NUC, due to the manner and approach it had adopted in carrying out its programmes and activities. He pledged the support of the Commission towards the realisation of PSN's objectives, especially those relating to the PharmD programmes.

NUC, he said, would serve as an intermediary between the PSN and Nigerian Universities. He, therefore, directed the Director of Academic Standards to work closely with the PSN to ensure a

comprehensive review of the admission process, which should include the admission quota and basic requirements for prospective candidates to qualify for the programmes - Professional Certificates, MSc and PhD.

In his remarks, Pharmacist Yakasai told the Executive Secretary that the PSN deemed it fit to intimate the NUC with some of the resolutions of its stakeholders after series of meetings on how to get NUC's approval for the mounting of PharmD by all Nigerian Universities that had the Faculty of Medicine and sought for the inclusion of the PSN in the accreditation of the programme





when due. He requested the NUC to sensitise the Universities better on the need to run the programme at different levels in order to fill the existing gaps occasioned by inadequate number of health personnel.

Pharmacist Yakasai noted that there was the need for the practitioners to key in and catch up with current global trends in the field of Pharmacy. He expressed the hope that, with NUC's support, Nigeria would be part of the leading countries in the Pharmacy profession for the benefit of its people. He stressed the need for Pharmacists to move away from the traditional role of dispensing and compounding drugs to that of collaborative medication

management with physicians as well as other health care professionals, to ensure optimal health outcomes. He added that the adoption of PharmD degrees up to Masters and PhD levels in Nigeria would allow pharmacists to increase their participation within the multi-disciplinary healthcare environment, thereby, helping to increase positive healthcare outcomes and more importantly, decrease healthcare expenditures.

He also informed Professor Rasheed that PSN was planning to organise a national essay competition for students across all disciplines to ensure an all-inclusive participation. One of the highlights of the meeting was the presentation of two first aid boxes by the PSN President to the

Executive Secretary and some copies of the Monday Bulletin by Professor Rasheed to him.

In the PSN delegation were the Registrar, PCN, Pharm. N.A.E Mohammed; former Presidents of the Society, Pharm. Yaro Budah and Olumide Akintayo as well as unofficial member, Pharm. Idris D. Pada. Others were Pharms. Bridget Otote, PSN Chairman, FCT; Peter N. Iliya, PRO; Anthony Idoko, PCN HOD Education and Training; Chinyere Osaku, National Financial Secretary; Onyewa Onyeibor, MD MIRAL, Gbolagade Iyiola, PCN National Secretary; E.C. Okoli, former Deputy President, Agbomira Igbokwe as well as Nwigudu Uzoma, Assistant National Secretary.



Prof. Rasheed with members of PSN





Africa must Create 18m Jobs by 2030

-UK Secretary of State for International Development



Linda Aeslien of AECOM Ltd, Tim Johnsen, Rt. Hon. Lawrence Roberts, MP, Chris Maiyaki and Mr. Yousuf Jafar

The Secretary of State for the Department of International Development and Hon. Member of Parliament for Witham Essex, Hon Pritti Patel has posited that the demographic realities of Africa and the attendant dividends had made it imperative for the African continent, to work hard towards creating 18 million jobs by 2030, hence the need to build capacity within the economy, sort out the African taxation systems in order to increase revenues and enthrone an industrial strategy which would make African countries to move away from the Aid dependency syndrome to a sound footing characterised by self-sufficiency and sustainable development.

She stated this during a dinner to mark the 70th Anniversary of the Westminster Africa Business Group (WABG), held at the Winston Churchill Hall in the House of Commons, Westminster Palace,

London, recently.

In his remarks, Chairman of the WABG, the Rt. Hon. Lawrence Roberts said that he was proud of the appointment of the Rt. Hon Pritti Patel as a Member of Parliament because she would ensure that British aid is properly targeted in a transparent and accountable manner, so as to make a direct and positive impact on the poorest people around the world.

In a welcome address, Vice-Chairman of the Group, Mr. Timothy Johnsen, said the Group was honoured to have as the Guest of Honour and Keynote Speaker, the Secretary of State for the Department of International Development, Ms Priti Patel, the Rt. Hon Member of Parliament for Witham Essex. He disclosed that, prior to her appointment in June, 2016, Ms Patel had entered the HOC in 2010 and had held several posts, including Exchequer Secretary to

the Treasury, before being appointed as Minister of State for Employment. Mr. Johnsen extended a Special welcome to the Ugandan High Commissioner, Professor Joyce Kikafunda and NUC Director, Special Duties, Mr. Chris Maiyaki, who represented both the Minister of Education Mal. Adamu Adamu and the Executive Secretary, NUC, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, as well as other guests, drawn from many African countries.

The gathering was informed that the Group was established in 1947, as the Conservative West Africa Committee to act as an information gatherer on commercial opportunities and to give a business perspective on regional political activities. The Group was to be later renamed as the Conservative Africa Business Group and subsequently Westminster Africa Business Group, in order to deal with Africa





Mr. Maiyaki and Secretary of State, Department of International Development, and Honourable Member of Parliament, Witham Essex, Rt. Hon. Priti Patel

in its entirety and in recognition of its wider membership drawn from Finance, Insurance, Translation services, Manufacturing, Health and Educational interests, consistent with the Group's motto of 'Bringing together both business and political activities in Africa'.

Mr. Johnsen noted that although increased economic activity is the best way for developing countries to improve living conditions for the mass of the population, it is difficult for people to conceive of running even a small business in conditions of poor sanitation, non-availability of potable water and a lack of rudimentary healthcare or access to basic education. He cited the case of North Eastern Nigeria as a human catastrophe in the making, with people displaced and farmers unable to plant crops due to violence and insurgency. Regrettably, healthcare programmes have also been abandoned and education is non-existent for most children. Mr. Johnsen made a strong case for

additional funding to promote de-radicalisation programmes. He noted however, that even under those difficult conditions, there were many examples of successful entrepreneurs in Nigeria.

Mr. Johnsen further made a case for the University sub-sectors in Nigeria, Ghana and Uganda, which, he said, were anxious to promote courses in Mechatronics, being the bedrock of modern manufacturing. He argued that funding collaboration with British universities and manufacturers would yield long term investment opportunities for British companies and massively accelerate the manufacturing sectors in those countries. He further observed that, in order to accelerate the development of manufacturing sectors in developing countries, one of the first areas to address was the availability of technical skills, where Britain had the ability to leading skills transfer with British institutions anxious for the revenues that such collaboration could bring.

behalf of Mal Adamu Adamu and Professor Adamu Rasheed, Mr. Maiyaki, explained the importance that they both attached to the Group. They were, however unable to attend, due to other exigencies of office. He expressed the deep gratitude of the Nigerian educational family for the sustained interest and strategic connections provided by the Group, in particular, and the British government in general, spanning several decades. He paid glowing tributes to the founding fathers of WABG for their vision and for working, so assiduously over the years, in fostering solid foundation for cooperation in all aspects of its endeavour, wishing it many more years of fruitful service.

Mr. Maiyaki informed the meeting that Nigeria currently had 152 approved universities across three levels of proprietorship (Federal, State and Private) and that the expansion of access had introduced some challenges bordering on accreditation and quality assurance, inadequate personnel, funding and low resource mobilisation by universities. Other concerns include the relevance of curriculum, employability, ICT deployment and a weakening research culture. Mr. Maiyaki stated that, with the Ministerial strategic plan recently introduced by the Hon. Minister of Education, the education sector was now poised to expand access and equity, ensuring quality and a sound governance system so as to deliver the promised dividends of the change agenda of the federal government in human capital development and the direly-needed skills to drive economic growth. It

In a goodwill message, delivered on





was understood that Nigerian had a huge education portfolio, with abundant investment opportunities to be tapped for the mutual benefit of both countries.

In a keynote address, Hon Priti Patel, thanked the WABG for its kind invitation and congratulated the group on its 70th anniversary and continued existence. This, she said, was a great testimony to the success of the group and the Conservative Party, which had enabled the UK to provide exemplary leadership in doing good by providing aid and support across the world.

Hon Patel stressed that Africa was at the heart of what the DFID does and that UK Tax Payers spend about 4.72 billion pounds through DFID, annually, in support of international development interventions. She noted that central to the mission of her Department was ending poverty and tackling the big issues associated with poverty, conflict, instability, security and peace. Other concerns include education, healthcare and governance. Participants were pleased to note that in the last five years, DFID supported seven million people, out of which 3.5 million were children. It also provided access to clean water and sanitation to about 30 million people in the developing world. She remarked that in all her official travels, she had been humbled by the circumstances and resilience of people in those countries in need.

Hon Patel also reported that UK was in the forefront of fighting malaria and preventing malaria-related deaths. For instance, the government provided 48 million bed nets, tackled the scourge of HIV/Aids, Ebola and ensured

medical supplies, under the auspices of the Department's Global Fund. She argued that the sheer size of British diplomatic portfolio and footprints, coupled with the excellent ties being maintained with most governments, demonstrated the special place that Africa occupied in British government's development agenda.

Hon Patel enthused that with an annual turnover of 26.6 billion pounds in trade with Africa, British companies needed to leverage on their market footprints and explore economic development and other opportunities provided by the industrial parks and economic zones in countries like Ethiopia, thereby gaining access to other East African markets. Other opportunities for collaboration include education and investment in human development. She advocated special arrangements with African governments to set up skills acquisition schemes in a continent that has enormous opportunities. She also reasoned that as the United Kingdom looked into the future in a post-Brexit era, there was the urgent need to

catalyse investment and partnership opportunities where it was most viable, to ensure that the UK could help many countries move from sole dependency on foreign aid to trade and prosperity.

Responding to some questions, Hon Patel explained that in order to move towards prosperity, there was need to reform trading practices and key supplier regimes to encourage local entrepreneurs and infant industries to grow. Procurement and marketing practices should complement local potentials. It would, therefore, not be the unidirectional business as usual where only British companies were most favoured. At the end of the meeting, it was agreed that Mr. Maiyaki would cause an exploratory visit to DFID by the Nigerian Minister of Education and Executive Secretary, NUC to enable both sides discuss possible intervention in higher education, Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) and basic education in the North East of Nigeria, which had been ravaged by insurgency.



Mr. Chris Maiyaki and Ugandan High Commissioner to UK, Prof. Joyce Kikafunda





Photo Gallery



Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, receiving the draft Benchmark Minimum Academic Standards (BMAS) on Forensic Science from the Panel Chairman, Prof. Umar Muhammad Sani Ndabawa



L-R: Director General, National Teachers' Institute (NTI), Prof. Garba Dahuwa Azare; Nasiru Ibrahim Liman, NUC's Mal. Aminu Abba, Profs. Souley Boukari, Auwalu Haliru Arzai, Rasheed and Ndabawa; NUC's DAS, Dr. Gidado B. Kumo, DIPR, Ibrahim Usman Yakasai and Rosemary Ego Alu



Prof. Rasheed, 5th left, with the Committee on draft BMAS on Cyber Security and ICT



Prof. Rasheed, receiving the draft BMAS on Cyber Security and ICT from the Chairman of the Committee, Prof. O.S. Adewale

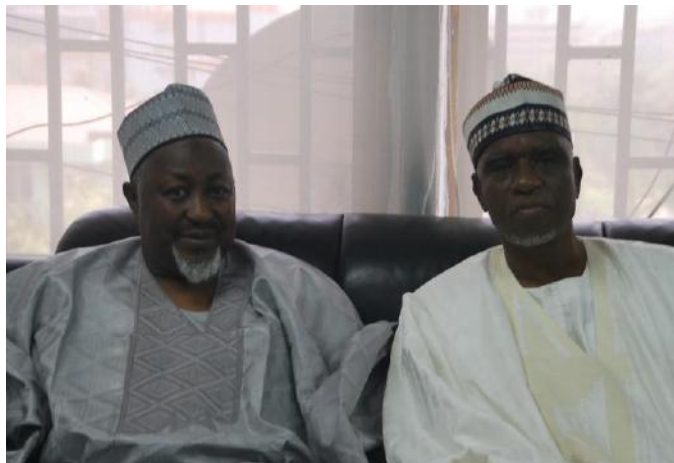


L-R: DVC, Federal University (FU), Ndifu-Alike, Ikwo, Prof. Sunday Elvin; Director, Academic Planning, Prof. Kevin Nwogu; former Minister of Health, Prof. Onyebuchi Chukwu; Vice-Chancellor, FU, Ndifu-Alike Ikwo, Prof. Chinedum Nwajiuba; Executive Secretary, NUC, Prof. Adamu Rasheed; former. Medical Director, Federal Medical Centre, Abakaliki Dr. Paul Ezeonu. and current MD, Dr. Onwe Ogah Emeka





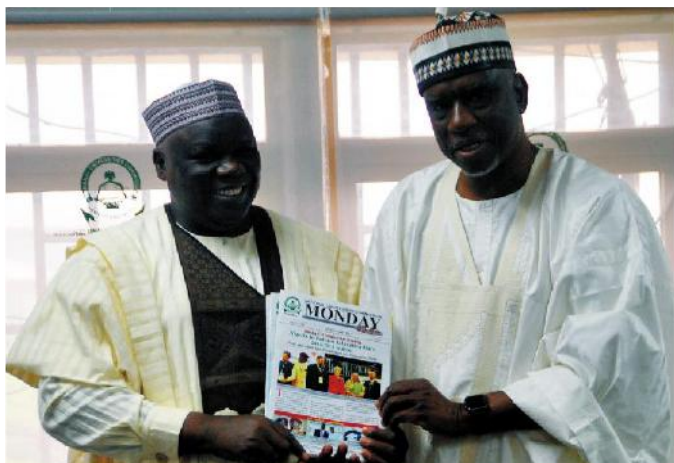
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Governor Badaru and Prof. Adamu Rasheed



Prof. Rasheed, receiving a copy of the autobiography titled, 'Kema Chikwe: Beyond Borders', from the author, Mrs. of Kema Chikwe



Prof. Rasheed, presenting a copy of the Monday Bulletin to Prof. Yakasai



R-L: Prof. Rasheed, former ASUU President, Dr. Dipo Fasina and ASUU President, Dr. Biodun Ogunyemi at the inauguration of the FGN/University-based Unions Re-negotiation Committee



L-R: NUC DIPR, Ibrahim Usman Yakasai; Secretary, FGN/University-based Unions Re-negotiation Committee, Mr. B. C. Odum and DPSP, Mr. Chris Maiyaki at the inauguration of the Committee



Chris Maiyaki, Dr. Eric Miller, Doctors Care Anywhere Ltd, Dr. Alex Johnsen, Eagle Scientific Ltd





NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION IPSAS IMPLEMENTATION

 Nexia
Agbo Abel & Co

Introduction:

The Federal Executives Council at its meeting held on 28th 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 13th 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 1st January, 2014.
- Adoption of IPSAS Accrual effective from 1st 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:

Executive Secretary
Director, Finance and Accounts
Director, Management Support Services
Head of Internal Audit
Head of Information & Communication Technology
Head of Treasury
Head of Budget
Head of IPSAS/Fixed assets
Head of Procurement
Head of Final Accounts

Chairman
Vice-Chairman
Member
Member
Member
Member
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Member
Member/Secretary



NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

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

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

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

The four Participating Universities are:

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

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

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

Signed

Ibrahim Usman Yakasai

Director Information and Public Relations

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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.
7. Ladoke Akintola University of Technology Open and Distance Learning Centre, Ogbomosho.
8. Distance Learning Centre, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria.

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.) Major components include the following:
 - (a) The approval of three alternative models viz;
 - i. A seven year MBBS/BDS programme that encompass a mandatory seamless four-year acquisition of the B.Sc. (Basic Medical Science) with interest in either Anatomy/Physiology/Biochemistry. At the end of seven years, students would have acquired the Bachelor of Basic Medical Science, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degrees. In case of the dental programmes, the students would have acquired a degree in Basic Dental Science and Bachelor of Dental Surgery.
 - ii. In order to allow for career change for interested non-medical health professionals, the Commission has also approved a four year programme leading to MBBS/BDS for interested and qualified graduates of Nursing, Pharmacology, Physiotherapy, Image Science, Paramedics, Anatomy, Physiology, Biochemistry and Pharmacology. It must be noted for such to be considered for admission they must have at the WAEC/NECO levels minimum credit scores in Mathematics, English, Physics, Chemistry and Biology at one sitting, prior to the admissions for their first degrees. They must also have a good CGPA.
 - iii. Admission into universities based on the current six year programme would be allowed to continue as suitable alternative based on the discretion of the University.
 - iv. It should be noted and emphasized that all the above degrees have the Bachelor appellation as they remain undergraduate programmes.
 - (b) Specific periods of posting to the department of Family Medicine. The obvious implication here is that, the Universities should create the Department of Family Medicine following their due process.
 - (c) Redesignation of the Department of Pharmacology to the Department of Pharmacology and Therapeutics. The department is now expected to provide relevant basic clinical teaching and conduct relevant professional examination in Pharmacology. They will also be expected to provide relevant clinical teaching in Therapeutics. All Universities should set in motion the machinery to achieve the above.
4. In view of the above essential component changes of the new curriculum, the Commission will be organising a National training for Medical teachers in Nigerian Universities. Details of the training would be made available shortly.
5. Interested stakeholders are invited to send comments/suggestions on the above to: The Executive Secretary, NUC, rasheed3h@gmail.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. 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, 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.

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1. Crescent University, Abeokuta, Ogun State
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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	Bingham University, Auta-Balefi, Karu, Nasarawa State	2005
14	Federal University of Technology, Owerri	1980	14	Niger-Delta University, Yenagoa	2000	14	Al-Qalam University, Katsina	2005
15	Federal University of Technology, Akure	1981	15	Anambra State University, Uli	2000	15	Renaissance University, Enugu	2005
16	Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola	1981	16	Kano University of Science & Technology, Wudil	2000	16	Bells University of Tech, Ota, Ogun State	2005
17	Federal University of Technology, Minna	1982	17	Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki	2000	17	Lead City University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2005
18	Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna	1985	18	Nasarawa State University, Keffi	2002	18	Crawford University, Igbesa, Ogun State	2005
19	University of Abuja, Abuja	1988	19	Adamawa State University, Mubi	2002	19	Kwararafa University, Wukari (formerly Wukari Jubilee Uni.)	2005
20	Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi	1988	20	Gombe State University, Gombe	2004	20	Crescent University, Abeokuta	2005
21	University of Agriculture, Makurdi	1988	21	Kaduna State University, Kaduna	2004	21	Novena University, Ogume, Delta State	2005
22	Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta	1988	22	Cross River University of Technology, Calabar	2004	22	University of Mkar, Mkar	2005
23	University of Uyo, Uyo	1991	23	Plateau State University, Bokkos	2005	23	Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State	2006
24	Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka	1992	24	Ondo State University of Technology, Okiti Pupa.	2008	24	Caleb University, Lagos	2007
25	Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike	1992	25	Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai, Niger State	2005	25	Fountain University, Osogbo	2007
26	National Open University of Nigeria, Lagos	2002	26	Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun	2005	26	Obong University, Obong Ntak	2007
27	Fed. Univ. of Petroleum Resources, Effurun	2007	27	Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina	2006	27	Salem University, Lokoja	2007
28	Federal University, Lokoja, Kogi State	2011	28	Yobe State University Damaturu, Yobe State	2006	28	Tansian University, Umunya, Anambra State	2007
29	Federal University, Lafia, Nasarawa State	2011	29	Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Aliero	2006	29	Veritas University, Abuja	2007
30	Federal University, Kashere, Gombe State	2011	30	Osun State University, Osogbo	2006	30	Wesley University of Science & Technology, Ondo	2007
31	Federal University, Wukari, Taraba State	2011	31	Taraba State University, Jalingo	2008	31	Western Delta University, Oghara, Delta State	2007
32	Federal University, Dutsin-Ma, Katsina State	2011	32	Kwara State University, Ilorin	2009	32	The Achievers University, Owo	2007
33	Federal University, Dutse, Jigawa State	2011	33	Sokoto State University, Sokoto	2009	33	African University of Science & Technology, Abuja	2007





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34	Federal University, Ndufu-Alike, Ebonyi State	2011	34	Akwa Ibom State University, Ikot Ikpaden	2010	34	Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2009
35	Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2011	35	Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rumuolumeni	2010	35	Godfrey Okoye University, Ugwuomu-Nike, Enugu State	2009
36	Federal University, Otuoke, Bayelsa	2011	36	Bauchi State University, Gadau	2011	36	Nile University of Nigeria, Abuja	2009
37	The Nigeria Police Academy, Wudil, Kano State	2012	37	Northwest University, Kano	2012	37	Oduduwa University, Ipetumodu, Osun State	2009
38	Federal University, Birnin-Kebbi, Kebbi	2013	38	The Technical University, Ibadan	2012	38	Paul University, Awka, Anambra State	2009
39	Federal University, Gusau, Zamfara	2013	39	Sule Lamido University, Kafin Hausa	2013	39	Rhema University, Obeama-Asa, Rivers State	2009
40	Federal University, Gashua, Yobe	2013	40	Ondo State University of Medical Sciences	2015	40	Wellspring University, Evbuobanosa, Edo State	2009
			41	Edo University, Iyamho	2016	41	Adeleke University, Ede, Osun State	2011
			42	Eastern Palm University, Ogboko	2016	42	Baze University, Abuja	2011
			43	University of Africa, Toru-Orua	2016	43	Landmark University, Omu-Aran, Kwara State	2011
			44	Borno State University	2016	44	Samuel Adegboyega University, Ogwa, Edo State	2011
						45	Elizade University, Ilara-Mokin, Ondo State	2012
						46	Evangel University, Akaeze, Ebonyi State	2012
						47	Gregory University, Uturu, Abia State	2012
						48	McPherson University, Seriki Sotayo, Ajebo, Ogun State	2012
						49	Southwestern University, Okun Owa, Ogun State	2012
						50	Augustine University, Ilara, Lagos State	2015
						51	Chrisland University, Owode, Ogun State	2015
						52	Christopher University, Mowe, Ogun State	2015
						53	Hallmark University, Ijebu, Itele, Ogun State	2015
						54	Kings University, Ode Omu, Osun State	2015
						55	Michael and Cecilia Ibru Uni., Owhrode, Delta State	2015
						56	Mountain Top University, Ogun State	2015
						57	Ritman University, Ikot Ekpen, Akwa Ibom State	2015
						58	Summit University, Offa, Kwara State	2015
						59	Edwin Clark University, Kiagbodo, Delta State	2015
						60	Hezekiah University, Umudi, Imo State	2015
						61	Anchor University, Ayobo, Lagos State	2016
						62	Arthur Jarvis University, Akpabuyo, Cross River State	2016
						63	Clifford University, Owerinta, Abia State	2016
						64	Coal City University, Enugu, Enugu State	2016
						65	Crown Hill University, Eiyenkorin, Kwara State	2016
						66	Dominican University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016
						67	Koladaisi University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016
						68	Legacy University, Okija, Anambra State	2016

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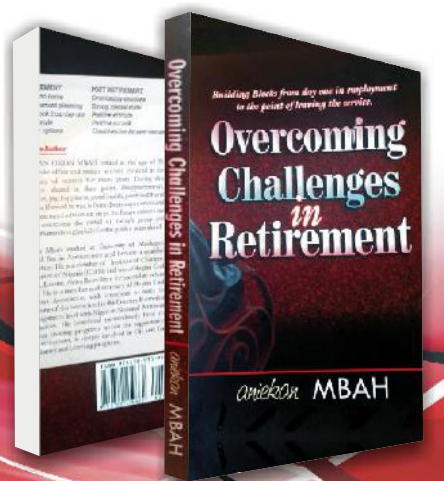
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List of Universities with Approved Postgraduate Programmes

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. Ladoke 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
25. Kwara State University Malete

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 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

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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

Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR
Executive Secretary, NUC
Announcer





NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION *PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT*

List of Illegal Universities Closed Down by NUC

The National Universities Commission (NUC) wishes to announce to the general public, especially parents and prospective undergraduates, that the under-listed “Degree Mills” have not been licensed by the Federal Government and have, therefore, been closed down for violating the Education (National Minimum Standards etc.) Act CAPE3 Law of the Federation of Nigeria 2004. The “Universities” are:

- 1) University of Accountancy and Management Studies, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 2) Christians of Charity American University of Science & Technology, Nkpor, Anambra State or any of its other campuses
- 3) University of Industry, Yaba, Lagos or any of its other campuses
- 4) University of Applied Sciences & Management, Port Novo, Republic of Benin or any of its other campuses in Nigeria
- 5) Blacksmith University, Awka or any of its other campuses
- 6) Volta University College, Ho, Volta Region, Ghana or any of its other campuses in Nigeria
- 7) Royal University Izhia, P.O. Box 800, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State or any of its other campuses
- 8) Atlanta University, Anyigba, Kogi State or any of its other campuses
- 9) United Christian University, Macotis Campus, Imo State or any of its other campuses.
- 10) United Nigeria University College, Okija, Anambra State or any of its other campuses.
- 11) Samuel Ahmadu University, Makurdi, Benue State or any of its other campuses.
- 12) UNESCO University, Ndoni, Rivers State or any of its other campuses.
- 13) Saint Augustine’s University of Technology, Jos, Plateau State or any of its other campuses
- 14) The International University, Missouri, USA, Kano and Lagos Study Centres, or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 15) Collumbus University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 16) Tiu International University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 17) Pebbles University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 18) London External Studies UK operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 19) Pilgrims University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 20) Lobi Business School Makurdi, Benue State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 21) West African Christian University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 22) Bolta University College Aba or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 23) JBC Seminary Inc. (Wukari Jubilee University) Kaduna Illegal Campus
- 24) Westlan University, Esie, Kwara State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 25) St. Andrews University College, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 26) EC-Council University, USA, Ikeja Lagos Study Centre.
- 27) Atlas University, Ikot Udoso Uko, Uyo Akwa Ibom State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 28) Concept College/Universities (London) Ilorin or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 29) Halifax Gateway University, Ikeja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 30) Kingdom of Christ University, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 31) Acada University, Akinlalu, Oyo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 32) Fifom University, Mbaize, Imo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 33) Houdegbe North American University campuses in Nigeria.
- 34) Atlantic Intercontinental University, Okija, Anambra State
- 35) Open International University, Akure

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

In addition to the closure, the following Degree Mills are currently undergoing further investigations and/or ongoing court actions. The purpose of these actions is to prosecute the proprietors and recover illegal fees and charges on subscribers.

- 1) National University of Nigeria, Keffi, Nasarawa State
- 2) North Central University, Otukpo, Benue State
- 3) Christ Alive Christian Seminary and University, Enugu
- 4) Richmond Open University, Arochukwu, Abia State.
- 5) West Coast University, Umuahia.
- 6) Saint Clements University, Iyin Ekiti, Ekiti State
- 7) Volta University College, Aba, Abia State.
- 8) Illegal Satellite Campuses of Ambrose Alli University.

For the avoidance of doubt, anybody who patronises or obtains any certificate from any of these illegal institutions does so at his or her own risk. Certificates obtained from these sources will not be recognised for the purposes of NYSC, employment, and further studies.

The relevant Law enforcement agencies have also been informed for their further necessary action.

** This list of illegal institutions is not exhaustive.*

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This Week's Birthdays



NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	DEPT.
LIVINUS OKECHUKWU ODUM	21 Feb.	DICT
IBRAHIM IRO DAN'IYA	22 Feb.	DSSS
CLARA OPEYEMI ABU	22 Feb.	DAS
CHUKWUEMEKA CHRISTOPHER NWUFO	22 Feb.	DICT
YUSUF AUTA	22 Feb.	DESO
ESTHER ODONMA ODIGWE	22 Feb.	DICT
UCHE CHRIS NWAMUO	22 Feb.	DMSS
THEODORE TERRY UNUAJOH	22 Feb.	LO
JOY ONYEKACHI ISIGUZO	23 Feb.	DFA
SANIALHAJI BAFFA	23 Feb.	DESO
MONDAY EROMOSELE IBOI	24 Feb.	DESO
FYAFA ANDEYANSTO KWENA	24 Feb.	DMSS
ASHAFA LADAN	25 Feb.	DPSD
ARINZE CHUKWU FRITZ IGBO	26 Feb.	DPP
ABDULKAREEM GIWA SULEIMAN	26 Feb.	DICT

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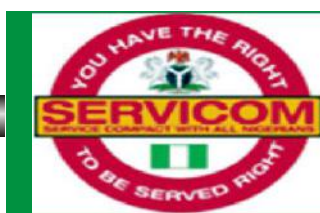
(a) Nigerian Television Authority (NTA) on

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