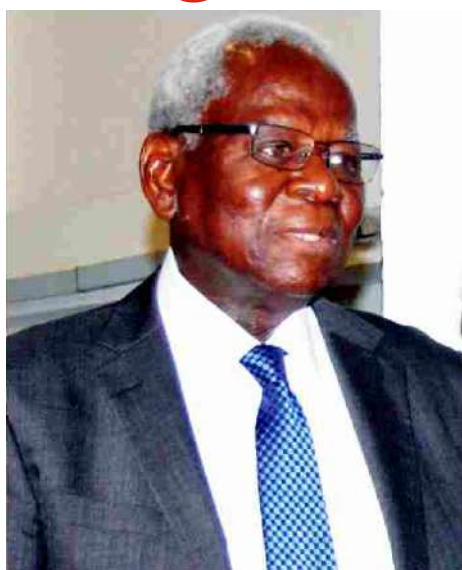


# FG Reconstitutes Boards of Education Agencies, Councils of Universities



Prof. Ayo Banjo, NUC



Hon. Emeka Nwajiuba, TETFund



Prof. Zainab Alkali, NLN

**P**resident Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR, has approved the reconstitution of the Boards of 19 Agencies and Parastatals, under the Federal Ministry of Education, for a period of four years, in the first instance. The Honourable Minister of Education, Malam Adamu Adamu, who made this known in a

statement said, Mr. President, in making these appointments, had taken cognisance of the provisions of the respective legislation with respect to composition, competence, credibility, integrity, federal character and geo-political spread.

The Agencies and their Chairmen are as follows:

- National Universities Commission (NUC): Prof. Ayo Banjo
- Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund): Chief Emeka Nwajiuba
- National Institute for Educational Planning and Administration (NIEPA): Hon. Dr. Ekaete Ebong Okon

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- Universal Basic Education Commission (UBEC): Dr. Mahmud Mohammed
- National Library of Nigeria (NLN): Prof. Zainab Alkali
- National Examinations Council (NECO): Dr. Abubakar Saddiq
- National Commission for Mass Literacy, Adult and Non-Formal Education (NMEC): Dr. Gidado Bello Akko
- National Commission for Nomadic Education (NCNE): Prof. Gidado Tahir
- National Business and Technical Education Board (NABTEB): Prof. Leonard Karshima Shilgba
- Teachers' Registration Council of Nigeria (TRCN): Prof. Adamu Baikie
- National Commission for Colleges of Education (NCCE): Alh. Maigari Dingyadi
- National Teachers' Institute (NTI): Sen. Mal Kaka Yale
- National Mathematical Centre (NMC): Prof. Buba Bajoga
- Joint Admissions and

Matriculation Board (JAMB): Dr. Emmanuel Ndukwe

- National Institute of Nigerian Languages (NINLAN): Chief N.N. Nnabuchi
- Nigerian Educational Research And Development Council (NERDC): Chief Paul Unongo
- Nigerian French Language Village (NFLV): Prof. Saliba Mukoro
- National Board for Technical Education (NBTE): Prof. Modupe Adelabu
- Nigerian Arabic Language Village (NALV): Prof. O. Oladusi.

The President also approved the reconstitution of the Governing Councils of 23 out of the 40 Federal Universities in the country, for a period of four years, in the first instance. The institutions affected are those, whose Governing Councils' tenures had earlier elapsed, or expired yesterday, 9th April, 2017.

The Honourable Minister's statement read in part: "In making these appointments, Mr. President had taken cognisance of the requirements for membership into Governing Councils, which include, among others: a minimum of a university degree, high integrity, and commitment to educational development of the country. In addition, consideration was also given to geo-political spread, in order to reflect federal character and foster a sense of belonging."

The affected universities and their Chairmen are as follows:

- Ahmadu Bello University (ABU), Zaria: AVM Muktar Mohammed;
- University of Nigeria, Nsukka: Chief Mike Olorunfemi
- University of Lagos: Dr. Wale Babalakin
- Federal University of Technology, Owerri (FUTO): Prof. John Ofem







- University of Calabar: Sen. Nkechi Justina Nwaogu
  - University of Ibadan: Joshua Wakleknni;
  - Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University (ATBU), Bauchi: Amb. Niniola Nimota Akanbi
  - Bayero University, Kano (BUK): Prof. Ibrahim Gambari
  - Federal University of Technology, Akure (FUTA): Sen. J.N. Waku;
  - Federal University of Petroleum Resources, Effurun (FUPRE): Prof. Shehu Abdullahi Zuru
  - Federal University of Technology (FUT), Minna: Prof. Femi Odekunle;
  - Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike (MOUAU): Engr. Bello Suleiman
  - Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola: M. Bukar Zarma;
  - Nnamdi Azikiwe University (NAU), Awka: Alh. Aziz Bello;
  - University of Abuja: Alh. Sani Maikudi;
  - Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta (FUNAAB): Dr. Aboki Zhawa;
  - University of Agriculture, Makurdi: Prof. Alkassum Abba;
  - University of Benin, Alh. Isah Ashiru;
  - University of Ilorin: Dr. Jibril Oyekan;
  - University of Jos: Prince Tony Momoh;
  - University of Maiduguri: Prof. Biodun Adesanya;
  - University of Uyo: Prof. A.C. Awujo; and
  - Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto: Rtd. Hon. Justice Pearl Enajere.
- Those not affected by the reconstitution are the Governing

Councils of the 12 new Federal Universities in Lokoja, Otuoke, Gashua, Dustin-ma, Oye-Ekiti, Lafia, Gusau, Wukari, Kashere, Birnin-Kebbi and Ndifu-Alike-Ikwo; which were inaugurated in March, 2016 as well as those of the Obafemi Awolowo University (OAU), Ile-Ife and University of Port-Harcourt that were inaugurated January, this year. The tenure of the Council of the National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN) will elapse in January, 2018.

The Boards of Parastatals and Governing Councils of universities, consisting of the Chairmen and Members, would be inaugurated at the auditorium of the National Universities Commission on a date to be announced soon.



Dr. Ekaette-Ebong-Okon, NIEPA



Prof. Adamu Baikie, TRCN



Prof. Modupe Adelabu, NBTE

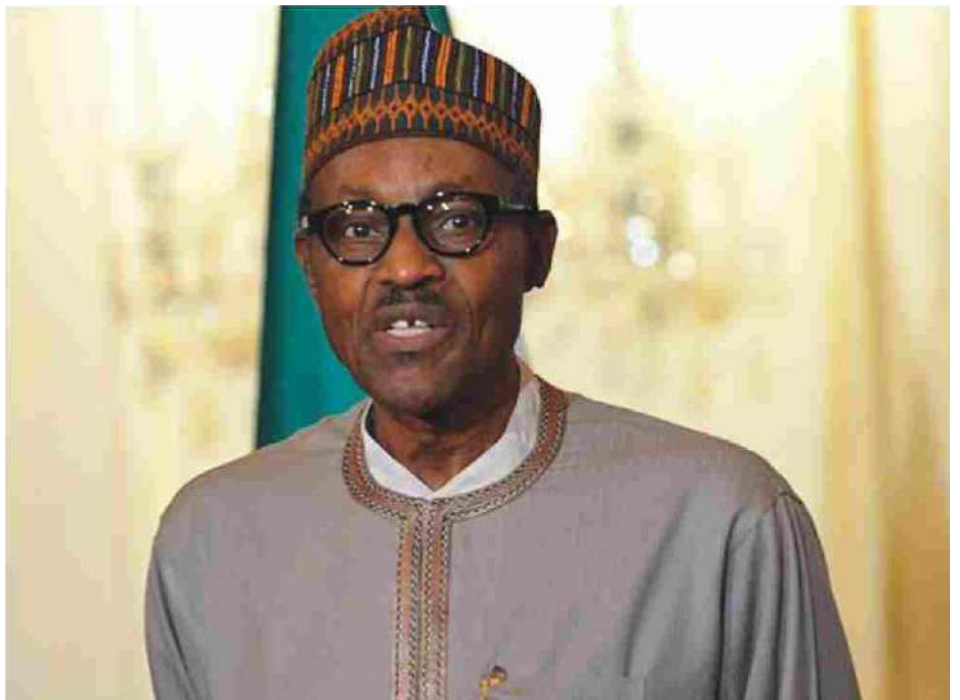


## President Buhari Tasks FUTA on Excellence

**P**resident Muhammadu Buhari, *GCFR*, has charged the Federal University of Technology, Akure (FUTA) to continue to strive for excellence in the area of its mandate as a specialised university and avoid programmes that could derail it from its original role of being the catalyst for the technological advancement of the country.

Speaking at the 28<sup>th</sup> convocation of the University recently, the President and Visitor, who was represented by the Deputy Executive Secretary 1, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Chiedu Mafiana, said, by so doing, FUTA would be contributing to attaining Nigeria's aspiration of joining the league of technologically advanced economies of the world.

In order to ensure that specialised universities remain focused on their mandate, the Visitor said, NUC and the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) were directed to work together with the institutions to streamline their programme offerings to be within their core mandates. He challenged the Vice-Chancellor of FUTA, Professor Adebisi Daramola, who is also Chairman, Committee of Vice-Chancellors of Nigerian Universities, to work with other members of the Committee to come up with strategies that would change the fortunes of the nation's universities in terms of improved Government-University-Industry partnerships, proper application of



Muhammadu Buhari  
President, Federal Republic of Nigeria

Science and Technology, judicious application of limited resources, local relevance and global competitiveness.

The Visitor advised universities, as beacons of knowledge in the society, to be the vanguard of his administration's for attitudinal change. The change mantra of the government, he said, could only be meaningful and positively impacting if people, individually and collectively, placed priority on doing what is right and honourable at all time. According to him, government was poised to entrench accountability and purposeful leadership so that Nigeria could take its rightful place in the comity of nations. He, therefore, urged Vice-Chancellors, as the managers of universities, to further entrench in the fabrics of their institutions,

change policies at all levels of governance, especially in efficient and effective service delivery.

President Buhari said despite the challenges the nation was going through, his government remained focused and resilient in promoting teaching and research that would engender self-reliance and employability. Government, had, therefore embedded opportunities for job creation in the budget, with focus on the private sector, so that graduates could be gainfully employed by leveraging on available entrepreneurial opportunities.

The President congratulated the Vice-Chancellor for ensuring that certificates and transcripts of graduands were ready for collection and commended him for other







achievements of FUTA under his watch. While also commending the Pro-Chancellor and Council for the University's achievements, he congratulated the honorary award recipient, President of African Development Bank, Dr. Akinwumi Adesina for his well-deserved honour. He applauded the efforts of the University Managers at launching a Cube Satellite through collaboration with Kyushu Institute of Technology (KIT), Japan and the National Space Research and Development Agency (NASRDA), to ensure the participation of Nigeria in the unique network of global research and space outreach/ education, among many other projects.

The Chancellor and Emir of Bauchi, HRH, Alhaji Dr. Rilwanu Suleiman Adamu, *CFR*, thanked the President for his appointment and tenure which began last year, adding that he was aware of the enormity of the job. He appealed to all stakeholders, including the unions, staff and students to allow peace to reign, in order to achieve the University's lofty goals. He stressed that FUTA was the project of all and that none of these groups should allow their personal differences to bring division to the university community.

The royal father congratulated the honorary awardee for scaling the rigours of the screening process, observing that it was in recognition of his hard work and selfless contributions to the society, both at home and abroad. He also thanked the Vice-Chancellor whom, he said, had done well to impact positively on academic and infrastructural



The Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of Council, Dr. Mohammed Shatta, with the Secretary-General, Committee of Vice-Chancellors of Nigerian Universities, Prof. Michael Faborode

development of the University in the last five years of his tenure. He also congratulated the graduands and urged them to use the opportunity that the institution had offered them for self-advancement, community service and the development of Nigeria at large.

In his speech, the Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of Council, Dr. Mohammed Shatta congratulated the graduands and charged them to, irrespective of the class of the degree earned see their graduation as a challenge to bring about a new order in the society. He reminded them that they were, henceforth,

great ambassadors and Alumni of the University that must use their new status and skills to reform the nation.

Dr. Shatta appealed to the Federal Government to revisit FUTA's demand for the 10,000 hectares of land allocated to it for its Permanent Site, recalling that the land had been gazetted and earmarked for the School of Health and Health Technology to effectively take-off. The Institution, he said had recorded giant strides in research and other programmes, although at great cost due to funding difficulties. He observed that FUTA



Prof. Mafiana with the Vice-Chancellor, FUTA, Prof. Adebisi Daramola and the Chancellor, Dr. Rilwanu Suleiman Adamu





had for the past five months been experiencing crisis and however expressed delight that the issues had been managed such that no casualty was recorded, while academic work was going on and normalcy had been restored to the campus. He acknowledged the kind advice and interventions of the Executive Secretary, NUC, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed; Commissioner of Police, Ondo State Command, Director of State Security Service, the Deji of Akure, Oba A. A. Ogunlade and the immediate past Chancellor and Emir of Lafia, His Royal Highness, Alh. Isa Agwai, II, which restored peace to the University.

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Adebisi Daramola, in his last Convocation address, gave a progress report on the achievements of the University in the last five years of his stewardship. One of the landmarks he said, include the take-off of the School of Health and Health Technology which commenced three programmes namely, Human Anatomy, Biomedical Technology and Physiology. The University, he said, mounted three additional programmes in existing schools

such as Business Administration, Accounting and Economics in the School of Management Technology; Computer Engineering and Production Engineering in the School of Engineering and Engineering Technology as well as Information Technology and Cyber Security Science in the School of Sciences.

The University, Professor Daramola also disclosed, pioneered the development of the first Nigerian University Satellite, through collaboration with NASRDA and KIT, Japan, with the initiative resulting into a project titled, Joint Global Multi-Nation Birds (JGMNB) - a five nation institutional satellite project for Japan, Ghana, Mongolia, Nigeria and Bangladesh. The building of the first FUTA cubesat called NigeriaEdusat-1 had been completed and would be launched together with those of the other centres in Florida, USA on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April, 2017, with the operational base of the satellite to be on a ground station in FUTA.

The Vice - Chancellor gave a breakdown of the 4, 790 graduands saying, 2,889 were in the first degree

category, 68 were for Diploma, 954 Postgraduate diplomas, 767 Master's and 112 Doctoral Degrees. On the class of degrees, a total of 85 made First Class, 1,044 with Second Class Upper, 1,274 Second Class Lower, 453 Third Class and 33 Pass degrees. He reminded the graduands that they were the University's icons of peace and good conduct and charged them to go to the world and contribute their quota to the development of Nigeria and the world at large.

One of the highlights of the ceremony was the conferment of Doctorate degree of Management Technology (Honoris Causa) on Dr. Akinwunmi Adesina.

Present at the ceremony were, the Governor of Ondo State, Chief Rotimi Akeredolu; representative of the Ogun State Governor and Chief of Staff to the Governor, Chief Olu Odebiyi; Secretary-General, Committee of Vice-Chancellors of Nigerian Universities, Professor Michael Faborode; captains of industry, traditional rulers, staff and students as well as well-wishers and friends of the graduands.



Ondo State Governor, Chief Rotimi Akeredolu, SAN, 6th right; Members of Council, representative of the Visitor, Vice-Chancellor and other Principal Officers of the University at the Ceremony





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## *-Prof Rasheed at EKSU Convocation*



L-R: The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Samuel Oye Bandele; Registrar, Barr Akin Arogundele; Bursar, Mr. Tayo Taiwo and the representative of NUC, Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi, at the 22nd Convocation Lecture of Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti, held at the University's Main Auditorium

The Management and staff of Ekiti State University (EKSU), Ado-Ekiti have been charged to avoid running foul of extant regulations and provisions by complying with the provisions of its Academic brief, Master plan, and Law as recognised by the NUC. The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, *mni*, *MFR*, stressed that the Institution should not hesitate to seek clarifications on grey areas from the Commission.

The Executive Secretary, who was represented by the Director, Executive Secretary's Office, Mrs. Constance N. Goddy-Nnadi, gave these charge in his goodwill message at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Convocation ceremony of the University, held on Saturday, 1 April, 2017. He encouraged the University to continue to put in its best, pledging that NUC would always provide the needed guidance and support to

ensure qualitative teaching and learning in its academic programmes. He commended the University's efforts towards providing a conducive learning atmosphere, while ensuring that it surmounts its challenges through effective management and synergy. He called on the leadership of the University to persevere and ensure that the University attains the peak of its vision, which is to become one of the best universities in the world.

Professor Rasheed called on EKSU Alumni to continue with the good works of assisting the University, especially in the area of resource mobilisation and fostering strategic partnerships. By so doing, it will ease the burden of funding, which has been one of the foremost challenges of the Ivory tower. To the graduands, he urged them to use their acquired skills to advance their technical proficiencies and professionalism, as he was optimistic that they were prepared to

explore opportunities that would add value and improve the quality of life in their various fields.

Prof. Rasheed also congratulated the Honourary Awardees who were recognised by the University for their relentless support and service to humanity,

Speaking at the event, the Visitor to the University, Governor Peter Ayodele Fayose charged the graduandas on the need to use the knowledge and training acquired, to be creative so as to become global instruments for positive change, which is the essence of education. He stated that Ekiti State was known as the hub for education in Nigeria, adding that there would be no good university education without a sound secondary school education. He said that leaders must be in sync with their environment and the people they lead, as he commended Ekiti students for winning a number of awards both





nationally and internationally, which had made the State proud.

In his address, the Chancellor, Oba OluAdegokeAdeyemi, the Ajara of Aramoko-Ekiti, highlighted that convocation ceremonies usually provided the opportunity for any university to reflect on its achievements, challenges and prospects. He noted that EKSU had tremendously improved both academically and in infrastructure, which he attributed to the Ekiti State Government for giving priority to education at all levels and for the notable feat it has achieved in the sector. The Chancellor further expressed delight with the Management of the University for improving the staff welfare, adding that, it will serve as a long term motivation that will positively impact on the development of the University.

Delivering his speech, the Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of the Governing Council, Prince Dayo Adeyeye, applauded the remarkable initiatives of the Governing Council and the University's Management in

promoting academic excellence and infrastructural development of the Institution. He said that within the period of one year, various projects had been completed including the students' hostel, staff office building, Centre for Science Laboratory and Engineering workshop, among others.

The Pro-Chancellor pointed out that the University had placed utmost emphasis on its internal revenue generation capacity, by initiating several ventures with a view to gradually reduce its over dependence on Government subventions to be financially self-sufficient. He cited that the EKSU Water project had been completed and had commenced production for marketing, the Block industry had been resuscitated and the University Press had been repositioned for better service delivery, while the Bakery project would soon be completed. He also disclosed that the University bookshop will take off by the beginning of the second semester this year. He said that apart from the 20,000 bed space capacity students' hostel under construction

through the Public Private Partnership (PPP) initiative, EKSU was also interacting with some developers on remodelling the University's filling station, renovation of the Government hostels and construction of an Auto-care centre under the Renovate, Operate and Transfer (ROT) arrangement.

Prince Adeyeye also used the opportunity to express appreciation to Governor Fayose for regular release of subventions to the University despite the harsh economic situation in the country and for giving priority to education, which made the State to emerge the first position in the 2016 NECO examinations. He thanked the Federal Government for its support to the University through the TEFund and NEEDS Assessment Intervention Fund, especially for the completed and on-going physical structures in the university. He then urged the staff and students to join hands in supporting the Vision and Mission of the University.



L-R: University Bursar, Mr. Tayo Taiwo; Librarian, Mr. Nathaniel Ajayi and Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi at the 22nd Convocation Ceremony of Ekiti State University







The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Samuel OyeBande, pointed out that the 2015/2016 academic session was producing graduates that would become 'global instruments for positive change'. He reminded the graduands that EKSU had been a beacon of hope with an academic reputation for providing high quality educational experience, shaped by outstanding teaching and research that benefits cultures, societies and economies, stressing that the University has a pedigree for academic integrity and accountability. He said that from its humble beginning, the university was growing in leaps and bounds in terms of academics and infrastructural development.

In the area of research and capacity building, he said that most members of staff were sponsored for conferences, on-the-job training, individual research project-support system which had led to cutting-edge research outputs as well as international and local sponsorships (through TETFund), to ensure

excellence. The Vice-Chancellor further disclosed that TETFund had approved and would soon disburse eighteen million naira (N18, 000, 000) to be accessed by 24 Researchers in the University and that not less than 40 academic staff were being sponsored by both EKSU and TETFund for various Postgraduate programmes in Nigeria and abroad. In the area of Information and Communication Technology (ICT), Prof. Bandele explained that the University Management had commenced paperless system at its meetings and was making efforts to introduce Computer-Based Testing (CBT) for most examinations to curb exorbitant paper wastage, examination malpractices and supervision bottlenecks.

Prof. Bandele expressed the Management's appreciation to EKSU Alumni Association, which has lived up to its establishment by initiating and executing programmes aimed at advancing the growth of the University. He said that the Association's charitable gesture by

awarding multi-million scholarships to some indigent students of the University was remarkable, noting that it had provided a link between the University and its graduates.

The Honourary Awardees at the ceremony were the Governor of Gombe State, Alh. Ibrahim Dankwambo, Governor of Oyo State, Senator Abiola Ajimobi, Emir of Kano Emirate, Alh. Mohammad Lamido Sanusi II and a member of the House of Representatives, Hon. Oladipupo Olatunde Adetutu. In their response, the awardees recognised the many achievements of the Governor Fayose-led administration in Ekiti State, as they pledged to be good ambassadors of the University.

The Convocation featured 10, 206 undergraduates and 398 Postgraduates, out of which 37 had First class, with Miss. Damilola Eunice Adedeji of the Department of Plant Science who emerged as the best graduating student.



Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi leading a section of the procession during the Convocation





# Former Students Honour Adult Educator

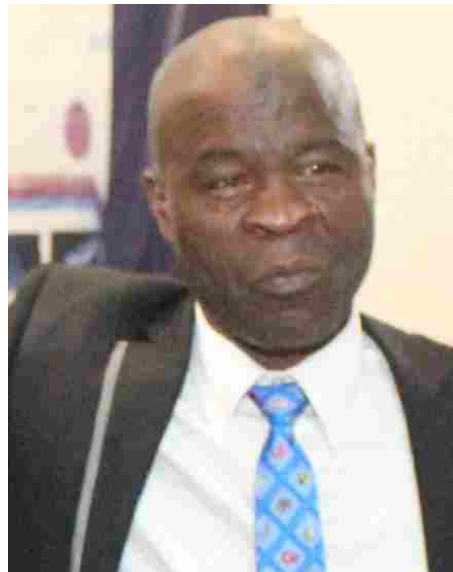
**P**rofessor Abba Abubakar Haladu, Professor Kester Ojokheta and Dr Abideen Olojede, three former students of the Professor of Adult Education, Rashid Adewumi Aderinoye, have honoured him with a book titled, *Literacy for Sustainable Development in a Knowledge Economy*.

The 776-page book, aptly described as “a Compendium of Literacy Education” by the Book Reviewer and Chief Press Secretary to the INEC Chairman, Mr. Rotimi Oyekanmi, had a total of 78 contributors, including 13 Professors, two of them Emeritus (PAI Obaiyan and Michael Omolewa). The book was divided into three broad sections: Literacy for Promoting Lifelong Learning, which contained a total of 30 papers; Sustainable Development and Other Related Issues, comprising 19 papers; while the third and final section, Future Directions - had 11 papers, making a total of 60.

Speakers at the public presentation



Deputy Director, Information, NUC,  
Mrs. Adebukola Olatunji, delivering the  
Executive Secretary's goodwill message



Prof. Rashid Aderinoye

of the book, held at the Trenchard Hall, University of Ibadan, recently, called on lecturers to strive to make positive and lasting impact on their students, not only because this was their calling, but also for the fact that honour awaited them in the future.

Chairman of the occasion and former Head of State, His Excellency, General Abubakar Abdulsalami GCFR, who was represented by the then Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of Council of the University of Ibadan, Dr Umar Mustapha, commended the efforts of the three Editors, saying it was worthy of emulation. He went further to congratulate the former Executive Secretary of the National Commission Nomadic Education (NCNE) “for the wonderful recognition by his former students.” Chief Presenter of the book, Dr. Wale Babalakin SAN also commended those, who worked tirelessly, to put together the book in honour of the one he described as “our very dear brother.” He went



Chief Presenter, Dr. Wale Babalakin

down memory lane to recall the relationship between him, Professor Aderinoye and their two fathers, Hon Justices Bola Babalakin and Mustapha Akanbi, over the years. He extolled the honouree's good qualities of positive human relations, kindness and support for poor students, among others.

The above qualities, Dr. Babalakin said, endeared Professor Aderinoye to his numerous students, which led to the honour done him. He, therefore, called on his colleagues to emulate his good qualities. The Chief Presenter bought 61 copies of the book for distribution to all libraries of Federal Universities in the country as well as those of Crescent University, Abeokuta, Fountain University, Osogbo and Al Hikmah University, Ilorin; in addition to two copies in memory of his father.

Other presenters included, Mr.







Yusuf Olaolu Alli SAN, representatives of the Governors of Oyo, Ogun, Osun, and Nasarawa States, representatives of the Deputy Governor of Kano State, Hon Ministers of Education and Health, Director of UNESCO in Nigeria as well as Executive Secretaries of the National Universities Commission, Universal Basic Education Commission, National Commission for Nomadic Education and that of the National Commission for Mass Literacy, Adult and Non-formal Education; who all presented goodwill messages and bought copies of the book. The Catholic Bishop of Sokoto State Bishop Mathew Kukah, was also represented by Father Anthony Akinwale of the Dominican University, Ibadan.

Mr. Oyekanmi, in his review of the book, observed that the cover, green, “is a unique colour that represents life, fertility, growth, harmony and freshness. It is also associated with calmness. On the other hand, the size reminded me of the Advanced Learners Dictionary.

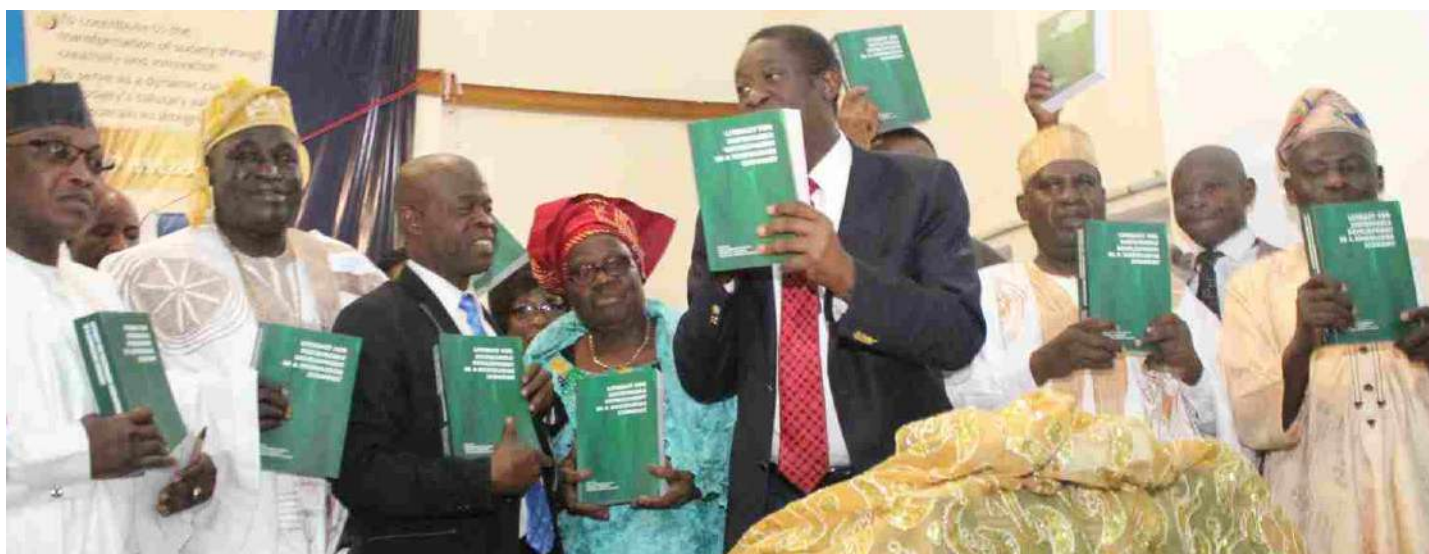


L-R: Profs. Kester Ojokheta, Michael Omolewa and Deborah Egunyomi with the Book reviewer, Mr. Rotimi Oyekanmi

It was fashionable in the early 80s to be seen with big books, because as secondary school students, we felt, erroneously though, that being seen with big books gave an impression that we were studious. But some of us were really not. To me, the book’s intimidating size is a bold announcement of the arrival of a new Sheriff in town. The new Adult Literacy Sheriff.”

Present at the occasion were, the Vice Chancellor, University of Ibadan, Prof. Idowu Olayinka, his Osun State University counterpart,

Professor Labo Popoola, Emeritus Professor PAI Obanya, Chairman of Lagos State Universal Basic Education Board, Dr. Ganiyu Sopenyin; royal fathers: the Timi of Ede, Oba Munirudeen Adesola and Olufon of Ifon, Alhaji Moroof Adekunle Magbagbeola ; Chief Imam of the University of Ibadan, Professor Abdurrahmon Oloyede, who gave the opening prayers and former Nigerian Ambassador and Permanent Delegate to UNESCO, Emeritus Professor Michael Omolewa, who offered the closing prayer.



Dr. Wale Babalakin, supported by other dignitaries, presenting the book with Prof. and Mrs. Rashid Aderinoye (3rd and 4th right)





# Photo Gallery



Honorary Awardee, Dr. Akinwunmi Adesina, exchanging pleasantries with Prof. Chiedu Mafiana at the recent convocation ceremony of FUTA



Prof. Rasheed with the Vice-Chancellor, Benson Idahosa University, Benin City, Edo State, Prof. Ernest B. Izevbigie



L-R: Hon. Obuke Ogbodu, President General, Isoko Development Union, High Chief, Iduh Amadhe; Prof. Rasheed and Dan Odhomo, when the Isoko Union of Delta State paid the Executive Secretary a courtesy visit



L-R: Ag. Director Academic Planning, Kings University, Ode-Omu, Dr. Mrs. Kehinde Famurewa; Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Diran Famurewa; Prof. Rasheed; Dean, Faculty of Health and Medical Science of the University, Prof. Adewale Adesina; NUC, Directors of Management Support Services, Barr Victor Onuoha and Executive Secretary's Office, Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi, when the University team visited the Commission







## NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION IPSAS IMPLEMENTATION

 Nexia  
Agbo Abel & Co

### Introduction:

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

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

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

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

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

### Implementation Approach:

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

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

• Results Based Management  
• Easy Comparison  
• Competitive Advantage

• Quality  
• Consistency  
• Comparability

**IPSAS**

• Transparency  
• Accountability

### Expected Benefits:

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





## Implementation Committee

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

**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**  
**Member**  
**Member**  
**Member/Secretary**

## RE-NOTICE OF VACANCIES AT ITU

The National Universities Commission (NUC), has received, through the Federal Ministry of Communication Technology, a circular notice on existing vacancies at the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Geneva, Switzerland, for the post of Head, Financial & Budget Administration with notice no. 2P-2017/BDT-DDR/EXTERNAL/P5 and Head, Fixed Mobile Services Division with notice no. 3P-2017/BR-TSD/EXTERNAL/P5.

**N.B** Interested candidates are required to complete an on-line application form. The applicants are to refer to the section 'HOW TO APPLY,' on ITU web site: [http:// www.itu.int/employment/Requitment/index.html](http://www.itu.int/employment/Requitment/index.html), to download other requirements and the completed applications should be forwarded through the Federal Ministry of Communications Technology, not later than 6/03/2017, for the position of Head, Financial & Budget Administration and 20 March, 2017, for Head, Fixed Mobile Services Division, to the following address:  
The Secretary General,

International Telecommunication Union,  
Place de Nations, CH-1211 Geneva 20,  
Switzerland.

**Through:** The Honourable Minister, Federal Ministry of Communications Technology, 2nd Floor, Annex 111, Federal Secretariat Complex, Abuja.  
Attention: Director (Spectrum Management).







## Approved Open Universities and Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria

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

### List of approved Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria

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

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



## NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

### ADVERTORIAL CONFIRMATION OF APPROVAL OF THE NIGERIAN UNIVERSITIES

#### e-LEARNING PROGRAMME

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

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

The four Participating Universities are:

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

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

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

Signed

Ibrahim Usman Yakasai

Director Information and Public Relations

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## NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

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

#### PROGRAMMES

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

1. From 1st September 2015, both current and prospective proprietors of Medical and Dental Schools should:
  - a. Write a letter to the Executive Secretary stating their intent and provide relevant information as available.
  - b. On receipt, (if NUC has no obvious reasons to disqualify the application), they would be sent a copy of the BMAS for MBBS/BDS and advised firmly to ensure that they are strictly complied with.





- c. The setting up of medical schools is not an emergency exercise. To this end, prospective proprietors must own and have in place (prior to a request for a Resource Verification), a fully functional and well run tertiary type hospital. In the circumstance of the above not being in place, consideration for an affiliation with a tertiary government-owned institution may be given only when the said university owns a medical institution fully functional with a minimum of 150 beds and a rural health medical unit. (See Appendix 4 of the BMAS).
  - d. A Pre-clinical Accreditation would be expected to take place within two years of a positive Resource Verification. Students can only sit for the second MBBS professional examination (Anatomy, Physiology and Biochemistry) when they have a successful preclinical accreditation. The preclinical accreditation would, amongst others, concentrate largely on the Department of Anatomy, Biochemistry, Physiology, Pathology and Pharmacology and to a lesser extent, Community Health. All evaluated departments must have the minimum requirements in terms of academic staff, non academic staff and laboratory facilities. (See Appendix 3 of the BMAS)
  - e. The Commission has now approved a Clinical Accreditation expected to take place within twelve months of a successful preclinical accreditation. Subsequent to that, a reaccreditation exercise will take place every five years.
2. With respect to established medical schools, (and irrespective of their accreditation status), it should be noted that only institutions that (by the deadline of March 20th, 2016) have requested and obtained formal approval from the National Universities Commission for a re-evaluation based on the following considerations would be allowed to admit students into the MBBS/BDS programmes from the 2016/2017 academic year:
    - a. All Medical and Dental schools must have an approved, and appropriately utilized, Clinical Skills/Simulation centre.
    - b. Ensure strict adherence to the proper use of the course system for all approved programmes in Nigerian Universities. The implication of the above is that a particular programme (subject) is taught not only broken into cluster units of 1-4 but also have the components of university supervised examinations. For clarity, current end of posting examinations (practiced by some medical/dental schools) that neither have units allocated nor follow the standards of a University examination, do not conform to the Minimum Academic Standards as established by the National Universities Commission.
    - c. Universities are strongly urged to immediately review their current methods of teaching medical and dental students to include more tutorials, self study group teaching, use of IT in the delivery of courses and simulation/competency based evaluations that must be signed by a lecturer not below the status of a senior lecturer. It must be noted that the confirmation of a successful simulation/competency based evaluation should be a mandatory requirement before the students are eligible to sit for the various professional/sessional examinations
  3. Proprietors are urged to note the Essential Component changes of the new curriculum expected to be in use from the 2016/2017 academic session. Details of these changes are available in the New Minimum Academic standards booklet and at the National Universities Commission website. ([www.nuc.edu.ng](http://www.nuc.edu.ng).) Major components include the following:
    - (a) The approval of three alternative models viz;
      - i. A seven year MBBS/BDS programme that encompass a mandatory seamless four-year acquisition of the B.Sc. (Basic Medical Science) with interest in either Anatomy/Physiology/Biochemistry. At the end of seven years, students would have acquired the Bachelor of Basic Medical Science, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degrees. In case of the dental programmes, the students would have acquired a degree in Basic Dental Science and Bachelor of Dental Surgery.
      - ii. In order to allow for career change for interested non-medical health professionals, the Commission has also approved a four year programme leading to MBBS/BDS for interested and qualified graduates of Nursing, Pharmacology, Physiotherapy, Image Science, Paramedics, Anatomy, Physiology, Biochemistry and Pharmacology. It must be noted for such to be considered for admission they must have at the WAEC/NECO levels minimum credit scores in Mathematics, English, Physics, Chemistry and Biology at one sitting, prior to the admissions for their first degrees. They must also have a good CGPA.
      - iii. Admission into universities based on the current six year programme would be allowed to continue as suitable alternative based on the discretion of the University.
      - iv. It should be noted and emphasized that all the above degrees have the Bachelor appellation as they remain undergraduate programmes.
    - (b) Specific periods of posting to the department of Family Medicine. The obvious implication here is that, the Universities should create the Department of Family Medicine following their due process.
    - (c) Redesignation of the Department of Pharmacology to the Department of Pharmacology and Therapeutics. The department is now expected to provide relevant basic clinical teaching and conduct relevant professional examination in Pharmacology. They will also be expected to provide relevant clinical teaching in Therapeutics. All Universities should set in motion the machinery to achieve the above.
  4. In view of the above essential component changes of the new curriculum, the Commission will be organising a National training for Medical teachers in Nigerian Universities. Details of the training would be made available shortly.
  5. Interested stakeholders are invited to send comments/suggestions on the above to: The Executive Secretary, NUC, [rasheed3h@gmail.com](mailto:rasheed3h@gmail.com) and copy to [chiedu.mafiana@gmail.com](mailto:chiedu.mafiana@gmail.com)





## 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, Umunya, Anambra State
8. Wesley University of Science and Technology, Ondo, Ondo State

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

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

##### A. Federal Universities

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





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

**C. Private Universities**

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

**Dr. Gidado Kumo**

Director, Academic Standards

For: Executive Secretary

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

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

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

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

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

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

*Signed*

**Management**







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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 Ekpene, 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

### - BOOK OF THE MONTH -

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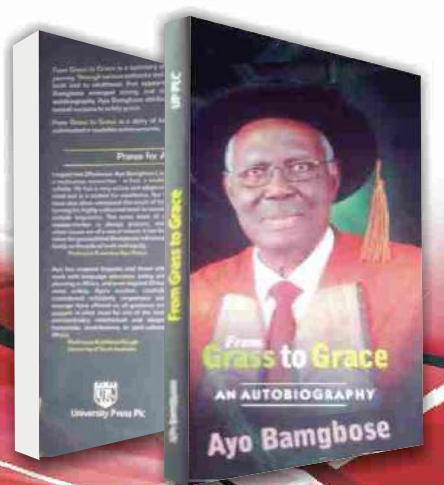
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## List of Universities with Approved Postgraduate Programmes

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 :

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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                             | 14. Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomosho              |
| 2. Adamawa State University, Mubi                           | 15. Lagos State University, Ojo.                                     |
| 3. Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba-Akoko                | 16. Nasarawa State University, Keffi                                 |
| 4. Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma                          | 17. Niger-Delta University, Wilberforce Island                       |
| 5. Anambra State University, Uli                            | 18. Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye                           |
| 6. Benue State University, Makurdi                          | 19. Rivers State University of Science and Technology, Port Harcourt |
| 7. Cross River University of Technology, Calabar            | 20. Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina                          |
| 8. Delta State University, Abraka                           | 21. Gombe State University, Gombe                                    |
| 9. Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki                       | 22. Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai                              |
| 10. Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti                       | 23. Kano State University of Science and Technology, Wudil           |
| 11. Enugu State University of Science and Technology, Enugu | 24. Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Aliero         |
| 12. Imo State University, Owerri                            | 25. Kwara State University Malete                                    |
| 13. Kogi State University, Anyigba                          |  |

### Private Universities :

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

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

**Signed:**  
**MANAGEMENT**

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

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

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

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

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## NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**

### List of Illegal Universities Closed Down by NUC

The National Universities Commission (NUC) wishes to announce to the general public, especially parents and prospective undergraduates, that the under-listed “Degree Mills” have not been licensed by the Federal Government and have, therefore, been closed down for violating the Education (National Minimum Standards etc.) Act CAP E3 Law of the Federation of Nigeria 2004. The “Universities” are:

- 1) University of Accountancy and Management Studies, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 2) Christians of Charity American University of Science & Technology, Nkpor, Anambra State or any of its other campuses
- 3) University of Industry, Yaba, Lagos or any of its other campuses
- 4) University of Applied Sciences & Management, Port Novo, Republic of Benin or any of its other campuses in Nigeria
- 5) Blacksmith University, Awka or any of its other campuses
- 6) Volta University College, Ho, Volta Region, Ghana or any of its other campuses in Nigeria
- 7) Royal University Izhia, P.O. Box 800, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State or any of its other campuses
- 8) Atlanta University, Anyigba, Kogi State or any of its other campuses
- 9) United Christian University, Macotis Campus, Imo State or any of its other campuses.
- 10) United Nigeria University College, Okija, Anambra State or any of its other campuses.
- 11) Samuel Ahmadu University, Makurdi, Benue State or any of its other campuses.
- 12) UNESCO University, Ndoni, Rivers State or any of its other campuses.
- 13) Saint Augustine’s University of Technology, Jos, Plateau State or any of its other campuses
- 14) The International University, Missouri, USA, Kano and Lagos Study Centres, or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 15) Collumbus University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 16) Tiu International University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 17) Pebbles University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 18) London External Studies UK operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 19) Pilgrims University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 20) Lobi Business School Makurdi, Benue State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 21) West African Christian University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 22) Bolta University College Aba or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 23) JBC Seminary Inc. (Wukari Jubilee University) Kaduna Illegal Campus
- 24) Westlan University, Esie, Kwara State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 25) St. Andrews University College, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 26) EC-Council University, USA, Ikeja Lagos Study Centre.
- 27) Atlas University, Ikot 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.
PASCHAL AIDOGHEDA ERUAGA	10 April	DESO
OGWU OKOLO	10 April	DPP
ODEGUA FLORA ONI	10 April	DIM
GABRIEL TIJANI SALIFU	10 April	DRI
PETER OTAMERE TOBRISE	11 April	DICT
IDACHUMA SAMUEL ATOKALA	11 April	DESO
HAUWA AMOS	12 April	DFA
TREASURE AGBENU OSAKWE	12 April	DMSS
SALIHU AZARE MUSTAPHA	12 April	DAS
CHIANU AKA EDEMODU	12 April	DPP
ALEX TERUNGWA UVAH	13 April	DICT
MARGARET AHUOIZA OYEDELE	14 April	DSSS
MUNET MARY IBADIN	14 April	DFA
ROSEMARY EGO ALU	14 April	DAS
DANIEL OJO AYENIM	14 April	DAS
OCHUDO AGBENU AYI	14 April	DPP
SUNDAY EMMANUEL YAKUBU	14 April	DESO
MOSES YARO	15 April	DFA
NAFISATU MUSA HASSAN	16 April	DAS
CHINONYE RITA ODUMEGWU-OKONKWO	16 April	DICT

### "VOYAGE OF DISCOVERY"

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(b) African Independent Television (AIT) on

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