

PMB Charges NUC on Periodic Curriculum Review —As NOUN Graduates 14,769

The President and commander in Chief of the Armed Forces and the Visitor to the National Open University of Nigeria, NOUN President Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR, has charged the National Universities Commission (NUC), to continue to ensure the periodic review of University Curriculum to meet national needs and be relevant to global demands.

In the Visitor's address read on his behalf by the Executive Secretary NUC, at the 7th convocation ceremony of the National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN) held on Saturday. President Buhari said that as a result of the centrality of the curriculum in the delivery of quality university education, "I have charged the National Universities Commission to continue to ensure the periodic review of Nigerian university



Former President, His Excellency, Dr. Olusegun Obasanjo and Executive Secretary, NUC, Prof. Abubakar A. Rasheed mni, MFR, FNAL

Curriculum to meet national needs and be relevant to global demands".

He said that universities needed to be innovative in their programme offering and in their approach to curriculum development and delivery, advising that "it is therefore instructive for Nigerian

universities to continue to embark on strategic capacity building to bring academics up-to-date with new trends in their respective subject areas in order to achieve the desired impact."

The Visitor also said that his administration through the National Universities

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Rep. of the Visitor, Prof. Abubakar A. Rasheed
delivering the Visitor's speech

Commission was committed to ensuring that every facet of university education including the Open and Distance Education was given due priority to provide quality university education to Nigerians, adding that Nigeria was one of the nations of the world that had produced its policy for the Open Education Resource (OER).

The President said he was aware that NUC was developing the Quality Assurance and Accreditation Protocols and instruments for Open and Distance Learning delivery systems in Nigeria based on global best practices.

"Our desire is to have a Nigerian University System, irrespective of the mode of delivery that will deliver on our national needs and aspirations, and also be strategically positioned to compete internationally," he said.

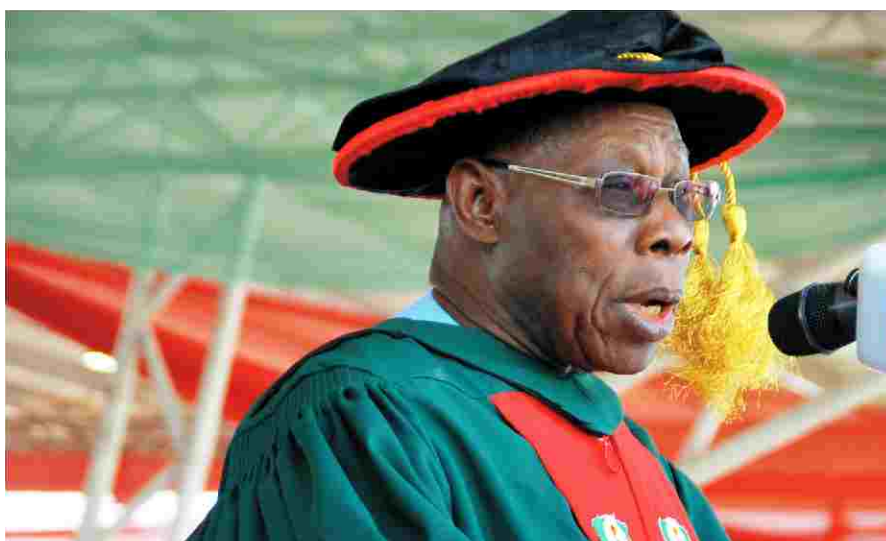
President Buhari reiterated that

no nation had undergone appreciable socio-economic development as envisaged by the present administration under its change agenda without remarkable transformation in its education system. "Education will, therefore, remain a high priority item in the administration's agenda in the drive to avail Nigerians of full access to educational services that would guarantee them competitive opportunities and advantages to effectively drive the economy," he stressed.

Mr. President maintained that his administration would continue to encourage Nigerian universities to build very strong internal quality assurance mechanisms, stressing that when this becomes a culture within the system it would guarantee quality attainment, maintenance and improvement.

He stated that, his government believed that NOUN should strengthen its learner support services in order to make its mode of delivery efficient and effective; thus ensuring that students were not disenfranchised by subscribing to the programmes of the university. "In the light of this, government will continue to accord the graduates of NOUN and those of other Distance Learning institutions in Nigeria, due recognition to buttress the fact that they are not inferior to those of conventional universities" he assured.

He emphasised that "there shall



Dr. Olusegun Obasanjo, who graduated
with a PhD in Christian Theology, delivering a speech



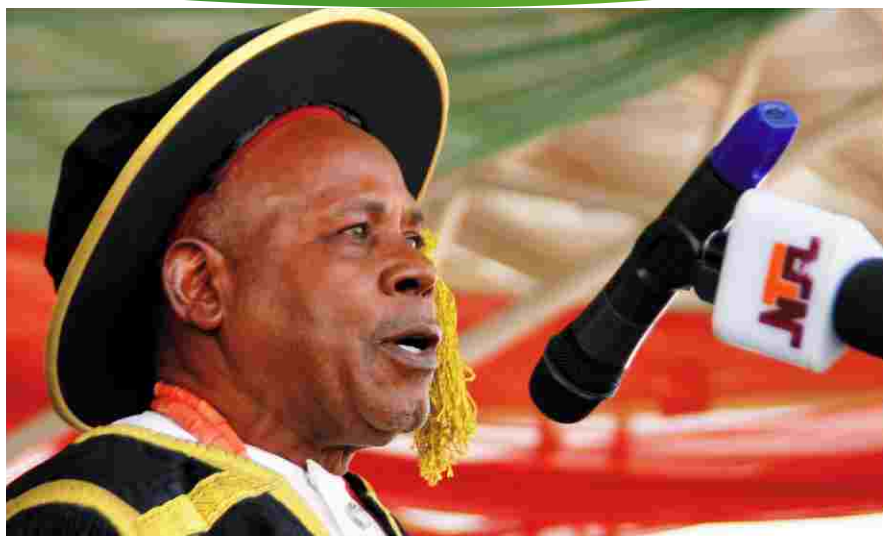


be no discrimination in terms of employability and opportunity for graduates of Open and Distance Learning programmes to pursue higher degrees either in conventional universities or the ODL setting.”

He noted that in line with global best practices, one of the reasons for the establishment of the National Open University of Nigeria was to reduce to the barest minimum if not completely eradicate the challenge of access to Nigerian Universities.

He observed that since establishment, NOUN had been able to absorb qualified university candidates who would have been denied admission into Nigerian Universities for lack of space.

According to the Visitor, the former President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Chief Olusegun Obasanjo *GCFR*, whom I refer to as the “Father of Open and Distance Education in



Chancellor
HRH Igwe, Ambassador (Dr.) Lawrence Okolo Chikezie Agubuzu, OON

Nigeria, for his belief in the opportunity the ODL provides, because of his quest for quality education, could have opted to fulfill his desire for university education in any of the Ivy League universities of the world and none of them could have denied him this opportunity. Rather than seek higher education outside the shores of Nigeria, President Obasanjo enrolled in the programme of the National Open University of Nigeria and today he is a proud Doctorate graduate of the university. The National

Open University of Nigeria and indeed Nigerians will continue to appreciate your belief, recognition and support for the Open and Distance Education in Nigeria. “We are very proud of you.”

He congratulated the Chancellor, the Pro-Chancellor, the Governing Council, the Vice-Chancellor, the Senate, staff, students and parents for this great achievement and singled out the graduating students for commendation for seizing the unique opportunity which NOUN offered to avail themselves of university education, particularly the former President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Chief Olusegun Obasanjo *GCFR*.

He also congratulated the graduating students on this outstanding occasion, describing them as the potential experts, future leaders and next-generation-solution providers in various sectors of our national



Vice Chancellor
Professor Abdalla Uba Adamu, delivering his convocation speech





life.

Chancellor of the university, HRH Igwe, Ambassador (Dr.) Lawrence Okolo Chikezie Agubuzu, OON in his address observed that today's convocation was very special for number of reasons, including parading the highest number of graduants and the first PhD graduate in the person of former President, Olusegun Obasanjo who graduated with a doctorate degree in Christian Theology.

He thanked President Muhammadu Buhari for his exceptional support to the university and enjoined the federal government to intervene in the lingering crises and misunderstanding existing between NOUN and the Council of Legal Education as well as the National Youth Service Corps (NYSC).

Vice Chancellor, Professor Abdalla Uba Adamu in his address explained that today marked the 7th successful graduation ceremony of the students of the university in various disciplines. A total of 14, 769 students across the disciplines, the largest number of students so far graduated by the university. The number is made up of 207 Diplomas, 6,162 Degrees, 6, 380 postgraduate degrees, out of which 41 made first class.

The Vice Chancellor said that his greatest pride, today however was the graduation of the university's first PhD student in



Bayelsa State Governor, His Excellency, Serieki Dickson
delivering his goodwill message

the person of His Excellency Olusegun Obasanjo former president and former head of state of Nigeria who at this stage becomes the oldest PhD graduating student in Nigeria. He achieved this by successful completion of a rigorous course of study and going through the examination processes leading to PhD in Christian Theology and its conferment by the University Senate thereby making a powerful statement about lifelong education.

Professor Abdalla Uba Adamu gave an account of his stewardship over the last one year, saying the university had recorded significant milestones in its transformation from evolution to revelation as a learning citadel.

He enumerated some of his achievements to include, participating in NUC's production of BMAS for Film production and Broadcasting; study center reforms; establishing

of NOUN Business School; creation of new Center for Entrepreneurship and General Studies and establishing of Microsoft Certification Examination and IT training Centers.

Others, he said, were sustaining Linkages and Partnerships with both local and international education institutions, positive resource verification of additional programmes at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels by the NUC.

In infrastructural Development, the Vice Chancellor said, the university had benefitted from the TETFund intervention and the NEEDS assessment fund which was used to construct a warehouse for study materials, a Mass Comm. Center and a Printing Press.

In a goodwill message after receiving his degree, Dr. Olusegun Obasanjo thanked and





appreciated all who made it possible for him to obtain the PhD ranging from his lecturers, friends, family as well as well-wishers. He said he was proud and happy to own a PhD from one of the best ODL University in the World and to be the first, made it more special and honorable.

The retired General explained that he joined the university in order to prove two points; one was to prove that the ODL mode of education delivery as offered by NOUN was by no means inferior to the conventional mode, second also to prove that getting education should be from cradle to grave, it had no cultural barriers, social background or limitation. He opined that ODL is cheaper.

He recalled that while in NOUN he participated in all school activities, doing class work and

project just like other students without any preferential treatment. He reiterated the importance of educating the populace especially the leaders who must know who they are leading, to where and how to get there. He appealed for funding to NOUN in order to increase access.

He said that although he is not applying for any new job with the PhD certificate, would be willing to contribute his services to God and humanity whenever he is called upon to do so.

Bayelsa State Governor, His Excellency, Serieki Dickson in his own Goodwill message stated that no meaningful Development and stability occurs without education. He said “education is the only investment that there is no loss. It is investment that does not require maintenance or repair. It is only by creating a critical

mass of knowledgeable population that we will get to our dream land of prosperity in Nigeria.”

Governor Dickson also said that the issue of education was so important that he declared emergency in the sector in Bayelsa which made it possible to build boarding schools for the first time in the state equipped with state of the art and modern facilities.

He congratulated Dr. Obasanjo and called for support from all and sundry to NOUN.

He concluded that Dr. Obasanjo taught us a lesson that going to school does not know boundary or age limit.

There were more Goodwill messages from Vice Chancellors, Registrars and other well-wishers.



Cross section of visiting Vice-Chancellors





Cross section of some Post graduands

The ceremony also featured award of prizes and a valedictory speech by the best graduating student, Mr. Adekunle Adebayo.

Other dignitaries at the occasion included, the Deputy Governor of Ogun State, Mrs. Adenuga, members of Federal

and State Legislatures from Ogun State, Registrar of Jamb, Professor Is-haq Oloyede, former Executive Secretary of NUC, Professor Peter Okebukola, former Secretary to the Federal Government Mr. Steve Oresanya, members of the Diplomatic Corps, Committee of Pro-

Chancellors of Nigerian Universities represented by their Chairmen, Barr. Wale Babalakin, Pro-Chancellor, Unilag., former Pro-Chancellor and Vice Chancellors of the University, traditional rulers as well as friends and well-wishers of the university.



Cross section of graduands





We'll Engage Executive for Full Budget Releases to NUC, Education — *House Committee*



House of Representative Committee on Tertiary Institutions and Tetfund Chairman, Honourable Aminu Fagge (5th left) and Vice-Chairman, Hon. Agom Jaribe (4th left) with other members during the budget defence

The House of Representative Committee on Tertiary Institutions and Tetfund Chairman, Honourable Aminu Fagge lamented the unfortunate lack of full budget releases to National Universities Commission which hampered most of its statutory functions.

The chairman said this at the House Committee 2018 budget defence held last Wednesday at its chambers in the National Assembly Complex, Abuja.

Honourable Fagge stated that the committee was mandated to hear from every institution on its budgetary performance and projections of the current year for proper planning. Last year the committee had visited about 80% of the institutions and

organisations under its purview by way of oversight function to ascertain the level of compliance with the budgetary provisions as appropriated and assented to by President Muhammadu Buhari.

Speaking during the 2018 defence, the result of the visit revealed abysmal level of implementation which was occasioned by poor releases of budgetary allocations. He said the unfortunate situation was mostly responsible for the non-performance of most institutions and organisations.

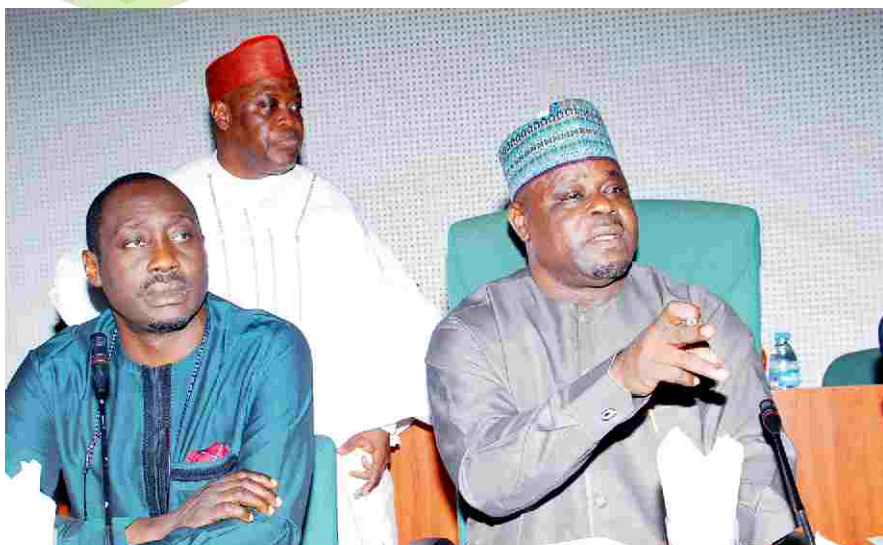
The chairman mentioned that the scenario must be addressed adding that the National Assembly cannot fold its arm to allow public servants jeopardize what has been passed and

approved by Mr. President on the grounds of bureaucratic contingency. He said “This is unacceptable and the bureaucratic constraints must be checked in order to move the country forward and be accountable to the people.”

Honourable Fagge further stated that the Committee would do everything necessary to put up a realistic and implementable budget. He therefore solicited for openness, sincere and befitting budgetary submission from every institution and organisation. He concluded his submission by pledging his support and of his colleagues in the discharge of the assignment.

The Committee members in their individual addresses





Hon. Fagge making a point while Hon. Jaribe watches

agreed with the chairman to ensure that the Commission is equipped to deliver its statutory mandate.

In his submission, the Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Abuja, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni, MFR, FNAL, assisted by Director, Directorate of Finance and Accounts, Mr. Sam Onazi and Director, Directorate of Corporate Communications, Mal. Ibrahim Usman Yakasai, presented the NUC's releases and utilization of funds approved in the 2016-2017 budget. The submission included Internally Generated Revenue accrued to the Commission, percentages of work executed on various projects as well as utilization and projections for 2018 fiscal year.

The NUC scribe expressed his deep appreciation to the House Committee for understanding the challenging issues besetting the NUC in particular and the Nigerian University System in general. The Executive Secretary pointed out the Commission's readiness to have a break on its normal operations, adding that a powerful committee has been constituted to advise on the mode

and strategy to reposition NUC on critical areas that included but not limited to:

- i. Curriculum Review
- ii. Ranking of Nigerian Universities to enhance healthy competition and
- iii. Research Policy on Postgraduate training and development, amongst other areas.

Professor Rasheed lamented, as rightly observed by the Chairman, that NUC was only able to access 16%, upto December, 2017, of its total budget. He concluded by submitting that the total revenue expected to accrue to the Commission would be one hundred and eight million for 2018 fiscal year against less than one hundred million last year.

The Executive Secretary invited



Executive Secretary, NUC, Prof. Abubakar A. Rasheed mni, MFR, FNAL at the House of Representative during the budget defence





Executive Secretary, NUC, Prof. Abubakar A. Rasheed (2nd left) L-R: NUC Director, Finance and Accounts, Mr. Sam Onazi; Vice-Chancellor, BUK, Prof. Muhammad Y. Bello; Director, Corporate Communications, Ibrahim Usman Yakasai and DD. Maintenance Mr. Jide Olukoju

the chairman and the House Committee to consider the increasing number of universities in Nigeria vis-à-vis the mandate of NUC in ensuring access, quality, promotion and equity in administration of university

education for national development and global competitiveness on the dire need to scale up application of resources to Nigerian University System.

Others who supported the Executive Secretary at the hearing were Deputy Directors; Jide Olukoju (General Services); Haruna Lawal Ajo (Information) and Mrs. Hauwa Amos (Budget Planning) among others.



R-L: Deputy Directors: Mal. Haruna Ajo, Information and Mrs. Hauwa Amos, Budget with some audience at the meeting





PASET holds Ministerial Meeting on Higher Education and Skills Development



Professor Mary Teuw Niane, the Senegalese Minister of Higher Education & PASET Chair (3rd from left), presenting his address at the event

The Partnership for Skills in Applied Sciences and Engineering Technology (PASET), last Monday, held a ministerial meeting on Higher Education and Skills Development, at the Terrou-Bi Hotel, Dakar, Senegal, aimed at sharing knowledge and experiences regarding the implementation of PASET initiatives as well as mobilising more support for PASET among participating, committed and non-committed countries in sub-Saharan Africa (SSA).

Other objectives of the Ministerial Meeting were to shore up more support amongst African countries, private sector and donor agencies as well as to share experience amongst stakeholders on adoptable strategies and plan next steps. It was expected that the partnerships between all stakeholders would promote innovation in skills development

in Africa.

Declaring the meeting open, the Honourable Minister of Higher Education, Senegal and PASET Chair, Professor Mary Teuw Niane, welcomed participants to the meeting. He noted the importance of PASET in fostering high quality Applied Science and Engineering Technology (ASET) programmes from the Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) to the Post Graduate and research level. This applied to sectors with potential for growth and employment generation and geared towards the structural transformation of SSA countries.

Professor Niane stated that PASET also focuses on building relationships with countries from Asia and Latin America that have successfully built their technical-scientific capacity to support their socio-economic development, through knowledge-sharing,

technical assistance and financial support.

In her keynote address, Chairman, Board of PASET, Professor Aminata Sall Diallo, stated that PASET is an African initiative poised to address issues concerning technical education. giving an overview of PASET, which includes partnerships with Korea, China and India, Professor Diallo highlighted the importance of PASET to the region as well as its initiatives, which include the Regional Scholarship and Innovation Fund (RSIF) being handled by the Association of Africa Universities (AAU), benchmarking of higher education and TVET institutions, regional fora of knowledge and experience-sharing as well as country ASET action plan and regional TVET centres.

In her presentation Dr. Ekua





L-R: ECOWAS Commissioner for Education, Science and Culture, Professor Hamidou Boly, Mr Andreas Blom of the World Bank, Nigeria's Minister of State for Education, Prof Anthony Anwukah and another delegate at the event

Bentil, of the World Bank, outlined some of the progress and achievements recorded by PASET in the last one year to include: an indication of interest by 15 more Africa governments to join PASET as well as the signing of an MoU between China's Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Education and the World Bank, to support PASET. She noted that, on the initiative of RSIF, PASET had received financial contributions from Kenya and Rwanda, while contributions were expected from Ethiopia, Senegal and Cote d'Ivoire, in 2018. It is expected that other countries across sub-Saharan Africa and the World

Bank would also make contributions to the Project.

Other achievements highlighted included the enrolment of the first cohort of RSIF students for PhD programmes, which is to be finalised early in 2018 as well as the Korea Development Institute's Knowledge-Sharing programme (KSP), with PASET, to help countries develop human resource development plans for priority sectors.

Participants at the meeting were drawn from sub-Saharan Africa countries and comprised mostly, Ministers of Education, ECOWAS chiefs, heads of

educational agencies, international Non-Governmental Organisations, the World Bank and the private sector.

The Nigerian delegation was led by the Honourable Minister of State for Education, Professor Anthony Anwukah, who was accompanied by the Deputy Director, Science and Technical Education, Mrs. Tina Eyearu and Mr. Philip Njoku, both of the Ministry of Education. Also in the delegation were the Africa Centres of Excellence Project Coordinator, Dr. Joshua Atah and ACE Project Management Officer, Mr. Peter Tobrise.



Group photograph of Ministers and other delegates





...Holds ACE Impact Consultative Meeting

In a related development, the Africa Centres of Excellence for Development Impact (ACE Impact) Ministerial Consultative meeting took place last Tuesday to discuss the performance of the first phase of ACE (ACE 1), overview of Africa Centres of Excellence Development Impact (ACE Impact) as well as sector prioritisation, thematic areas and the selection process for ACE Impact (ACE 3).

The meeting, which was declared open by the Senegalese Minister of Higher Education, Professor Mary Teuw Niane, was co-chaired by the ECOWAS Commissioner for Education, Sciences and Culture, Professor

Hamidou Boly.

The ACE Impact was as a result of the gains and successes recorded by ACE I and II in the area of increased quality and quantity of postgraduate education, through regional specialisation and participation.

Based on the lessons learned under ACE I and II, ACE III aims to work better across sectors, promote more industry collaboration, simplify flow of funds and support more policy harmonisation initiatives in higher education across sub-Saharan Africa.

The proposed thematic areas for

ACE impact include Power & Energy, Health, Public Health/Economics, Nursing, Environment, Agriculture, Transportation, Water, Urban Planning and Design, Housing/Land Development, Education (STEM teaching), Higher Education Management, Mining, Forestry Management, Migration and Security, Information & Communication Technology, Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning/Data Analytics, Quantitative Economics, Environment/Climate and environmental safeguards.



Cross section of participants at the event





Fountain University Graduates 287 at 7th Convocation



L-R: Chancellor, Shk. Ahmad Lemu, Governor of Ondo State, His Excellency, Ra'uf Aregbesola, JAMB Registrar, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede and rep. of the Executive Secretary, NUC, Mal. Ibrahim Iro Dan'iya

The Minister of Education, Malam Adamu Adamu charged universities to fast-track the pace of knowledge generation to meet national needs and address several practical national problems that currently confront the nation.

The minister was represented by the Deputy Executive Secretary, Administration, Mal. Ibrahim I. Dan'iya. He said this while delivering his address at Fountain University's 7th Convocation Ceremony held last Saturday at Osogbo.

The minister said it was imperative and necessary in view of the fact that considering that universities were the engine for development. He said the present administration had continued to lay emphasis on education considering its important role as the bedrock for any form of national

development and advancement.

In his good will message delivered at the 10th year anniversary and 7th convocation ceremony of Fountain University, Osogbo, the Minister congratulated the graduating students for being found worthy both in character and learning to be awarded with the various degrees, certificates and diplomas of the university. The Minister informed the graduates that they had been equipped with the basic tools to assist them navigate through the stormy waters of life.

He assured them that though the credentials they had been given may not immediately result in paid employment, the vast entrepreneurial and other life-supporting skills which had formed part of their education in the university will not only equip them to be self-employed but also employers of labour.

The Minister appreciated institutions that ensured peace reigned in their respective domains as according to him, "Education and indeed other facets of our national life can only thrive in an atmosphere of peace and harmony".

In his Convocation address titled "Moving forward slow and steady winning the race", the Acting Vice Chancellor, Professor Abdullateef Usman informed the gathering that the University had been growing from strength to strength as it had made giant strides in academic activities. Some of the areas he said included the attainment of full accreditation status for all its programmes that were duly visited by the NUC and other relevant professional bodies; approval by the Council for additional programmes to take off next academic session as well as its visibility in internet. He said that Student enrolment had increased from 195 at inception to about 315 in January 2017 and by the end of 2018 the student enrolment was expected to grow above 400.

On infrastructural development, Professor Usman noted that the University had been moving forward slowly and steadily with the donation of facilities by some good spirited individuals. Some of the projects included S. O Babalola Senate Building, multi million naira masjid, a forty bed





Mal. Ibrahim Iro Dan'iya
Deputy Executive Secretary II, NUC

space luxury hostel, six units of two bedroom flat and a block of four class rooms among others.

The Acting Vice Chancellor stated that in keeping faith with its mandate of rewarding academic excellence, the pioneer Master of Science Degree was conferred on four students having met all the requirements and conditions for the award of Master of Science (M.Sc.) degree in Biological Sciences and Chemical Sciences of Fountain University, Osogbo and in accordance with international best practices.

Similarly, two hundred and eighty-three students were also conferred with the Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) degree from various departments. This was made up of one hundred and seventy seven (177) from the College of Management and Social Sciences and one hundred and six (106) from the College of Natural and Applied Sciences.

He disclosed that the best graduating student had a total CGPA of 4.96. adding that the

current sets of graduands recorded the highest number of First Class and Second Class Upper Divisions since its establishment. He gave a further break down of the graduands to include 12 First Class, 78 Second Class (Upper Division), 76 Second Class (Lower Division), and 11 third class.

According to him, the natural climate in Osun State had been very friendly, as such, the university made use of the opportunity to establish Teaching and Research Farm in addition to



Acting Vice-Chancellor,
Prof. Abdullateef Usman

the establishment of Center for Herbal Research. This, he said, enabled their graduates to improve their skills in simple agricultural practices capable of enhancing self-engagement.

In his speech the outgoing Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of Council, Professor Is-haq Oloyede recalled that he accepted to be Chairman of Council of Fountain University, Osogbo in 2015. He appreciated the prominent individuals as well as the Parents Forum for their immense contribution to the

development of the University with the donation of several facilities.

Professor Oloyede stated that his appointment as the Registrar of JAMB necessitated his resignation as Chairman of Council of the university, he however expressed optimism that his successor would enhance the physical and academic development of the university.

In his goodwill message the Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL said he was optimistic that the graduands would apply the knowledge they acquired to become productive citizens of the country and create jobs for themselves rather than seeking for white-collar jobs which were becoming competitively difficult to find.

Professor Rasheed said that with the increase in the demand for the establishment of Private Universities in Nigeria, which currently stands at 74, the survival of each private University obviously depended on the quality of its products as well as its ability to generate or key into cutting edge ideas that promote academic excellence.

The NUC Scribe informed the gathering that as part of the NUC's efforts towards re-positioning the Nigerian University System (NUS) for optimum performance and global competitiveness, the Commission had within the last two years, initiated a number of reforms. These include; the





Academic procession

streamlining of Programme Accreditation and Resource Verification for new Programmes to be conducted at specific periods annually for operational cohesion in the system; Accreditation of programmes on programme basis as against discipline for a more in depth assessment; Institutional Accreditation, which was on the process was expected to be a precursor to the national ranking of Nigerian Universities; The commencement of accreditation

of part-time Programmes and the resumption of the Nigerian University System Annual Review Meetings (USARM) amongst others.

The Executive Secretary said that the Commission, under his leadership, had recently constituted a strategic advisory committee comprising of very senior credible academics under the chairmanship of a former Executive Secretary of the Commission, Professor Peter Okebukola, with former Vice-

Chancellor of Bayero University, Kano and former Chairman, Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) Professor Attahiru Jega, among others as members.

The Committee, he said was charged with the responsibility of offering strategic guidance to NUC in the implementation of its flagship projects such as curriculum review, ranking of Universities, data for educational planning, administration and policy development, development of policy briefs on research policy, ICT policy, ODL/OER policy, Post Graduate training, internationalization among others.

He urged stakeholders to articulate their views and contributions to the realization of the projects, whenever a call was made for memorandum by the Committee.

Professor Rasheed re-assured



Commissioning of the Parents' Forum Building, donated by the parents





Student procession

Prof. Usman with the best graduating student
Abdulmumin Rahmah Ibrahim with
a CGPA of 4.96

members of the university community of the Commissions commitment to provide the required technical support and guidance to help Nigerian universities attain global competitiveness. According to him “We will continue to work with you towards mainstreaming quality assurance mechanisms in your academic and other operations with a view to raising your international profile”

In his convocation lecture titled, “The damaging effects of corruption in a growing economy”, the Acting Executive Chairman, Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC), Mr. Ibrahim Mustafa Magu, emphasised the role of religion in the fight against corruption. According to him “I am a passionate believer in the role that religion and culture could play in the fight against corruption”.

He observed that the establishment of the EFCC at the time it was created was most essential as it was almost

becoming difficult for people to engage in any honest and legitimate business in the country.

According to him “At a point in the history of this country it was getting difficult if not impossible to do honest and legitimate business within the country and with others from outside the country. Corruption has so permeated the nation, it looked like there were no honest and descent individuals. Within the the public service a culture of

impunity had taken roots, massive looting of public resources and wholesale graft was the order of the day. Officers entrusted with the common wealth saw that as an opportunity to enrich themselves to the detriment of the poor and impoverished masses”. He assured the country that the anti graft agency would continue to strive to ensure that corruption was eradicated.



Cross section of graduands





Gallery:



L-R: Prof. Rasheed, Dr. Obasanjo and Prof. Okebukola, at the VC's office



Prof. Rasheed, HRH Igwe, Amb.(Dr.) Chikezie Agubuzu and Dr. Obasanjo



L-R: Prof. Rasheed, Prochancellor, UniLag, Wale Babalakin; Dr. Obasanjo; HRH Igwe, Amb.(Dr.) Chikezie Agubuzu and Vice-Chancellor, FU Dutse, Fatima Batul



Profs. Rasheed and Uba Adamu



Prof. Rasheed and Dr. Obasanjo



Prof. Adamu Issuing a document to Dr. Obasanjo





Gallery:



L-R: Profs. Okebukola, Rasheed, Adamu and Oloyede behind



Prof. Adamu and HRH Igwe, Amb.(Dr.) Chikezie Agubuzu discussing while Prof. Rasheed watches



Deputy Gov. Ogun State, Her Excellency Yetunde Onanuga, HRH Igwe, Amb.(Dr.) Chikezie Agubuzu, Dr. Obasanjo, Gov. Seriake Dickson of Bayelsa State, and some dignitaries



Governor Dickson and Mrs. Obasanjo congratulating the celebrant Dr. Obasanjo



Cross section of Visiting Professors during the convocation



Best graduating student Adebayo receiving his award from the Chancellor





Gallery:



L-R: Prof. Oloyede, Babalakin, HRH Igwe, Amb.(Dr.) Chikezie Agubuzu and Profs. Rasheed and Adamu



Other guests at the event



Some graduands





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VACANCIES FOR THE POSTS OF REGISTRAR AND DEPUTY REGISTRAR

The Council of the Federal University Gusau hereby announces that the post of Registrar of the University will become vacant with effect from 18th February, 2018.

Similarly, there is also a vacancy for the position of Deputy Registrar. The Governing Council has therefore, decided to commence the process to fill these vacancies. Consequently, the University hereby invites application from suitably qualified candidates as follows:

REGISTRAR

THE POSITION AND DUTIES

The Registrar is the Chief Administrative Officer of the University and shall be responsible to the Vice Chancellor for the day-to-day general administrative work of the University. The Registrar shall also be the Secretary of the Council, the Senate, Convocation and Congregation of the University and shall perform any other duties that may be assigned to him/her. The successful candidate will be required, among other things, to train, give good professional leadership to administrative staff to ensure efficient and effective professional administrative performance.

QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates must:

- Possess at least a Second Class Lower degree in Social Sciences or Humanities from a recognized University
 - Be proficient in IT and must be current in deploying it at the level required for efficient job performance
 - Be a member of at least one relevant professional body e.g. NIM, IPMN, ANUPA
- Possession of higher degree in relevant subject will be an advantage.

EXPERIENCE

- Candidate must have at least twelve (12) years post-qualification experience in management, ten of which must be in University Administration.
- The applicant should have been at the level of Deputy Registrar in a recognized University for a minimum of five (5) years.

AGE

Candidate must not be older than 60 years at the date of appointment.

HEALTH

The applicant should be of good health, sound judgment, pleasant disposition, and unassailable integrity.

TENURE AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

The appointment is for a single term of five (5) years only. Salary and other conditions of service shall be as approved for Registrars of Federal Universities by the Federal Government of Nigeria and as maybe modified from time to time by competent authorities.

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QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

Candidates must:

- Possess at least a Second Class Lower degree in Social Sciences or Humanities from a recognized University
- Candidate must have at least twelve (12) years post-qualification experience in Management, ten of which must be in University Administration
- Must have served for at least 3 years in a position not below the grade of Principal Assistant Registrar at an institution of

higher learning at the time of application.

- Be proficient in IT and must be current in deploying it at the level required for efficient job performance
- Be a member of at least one relevant professional body e.g. NIM, IPMN, ANUPA

Possession of higher degree in relevant subject will be an advantage.

AGE

Candidate must not be older than 60 years at the date of appointment.

HEALTH

The applicant should be of good health, sound judgment, pleasant disposition, and unassailable integrity.

METHOD OF APPLICATIONS

Interested applicants are required to submit to the Vice Chancellor, 25 copies of their applications and curriculum vitae which will include the following in the order listed below:

- **FULL NAME:**
- **DATE OF BIRTH:**
- **PLACE OF BIRTH:**
- **STATE OF ORIGIN/LGA:**
- **NATIONALITY:**
- **PERMANENT HOME ADDRESS:**
- **CURRENT POSTAL ADDRESS:**
- **E-MAIL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER:**
- **MARITAL STATUS:**
- **NUMBER OF CHILDREN (With names and ages):**
- **INSTITUTION ATTENDED (With dates):**
- **ACADEMIC and PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS with DATES:**
- **HONOURS, DISTINCTIONS AND MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES (General and Specific with dates):**
- **PRESNT EMPLOYMENT, STATUS, SALARY & EMPLOYER:**
- **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:**
- **ANY OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION, and**
- **NAMES and ADDRESSES OF THREE REFEREES (two of whom must be Professionals or authorities in University administration, and one of whom must be from the applicant's current place of work):**

MODE OF SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION

Applications and Curriculum Vitae should be forwarded (in a sealed envelope marked "Application for the Post of Registrar" and "Application for the Post of Deputy Registrar") respectively to reach the Vice Chancellor, Federal University Gusau P.M.B. 1001, Gusau, Zamfara State not later than **six (6) weeks** from the date of this publication.

Applicants should also request each of their referees to send his/her referee's report, under confidential cover, direct to the Vice Chancellor, marked "Referee's Report for the post of Registrar" and "Referee's Report for the post of Deputy Registrar" respectively.

Only shortlisted applicants will be invited for the interview.

Signed
Ibrahim Bawa Kaura
Registrar
Federal University Gusau
P.M.B 1001 Gusau
Zamfara State
Nigeria.





NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

ADVERTORIAL

NUC MAKES HISTORY IN RANKING OF OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES (OER)

The National Universities Commission has made history in conducting the first-ever ranking of Open Educational Resources (OER) held in institutional repositories. It is the first exercise of its kind in the world and it was initiated by the Executive Secretary of NUC, Professor Abubakar Rasheed, mni, MFR for application in the Nigerian University System. The exercise showed that with 12,070 quality OER holdings presented by 50 universities for the inaugural exercise, Nigerian Universities are now among the best in Africa in OER. It is estimated that with full release of the OER holdings and participation by all universities, this number may quadruple in the next two years making the Nigerian University system the richest in OER in Africa. The OER ranking exercise is to be conducted twice a year.

Open Educational Resources (OER) are teaching, learning and research materials in any medium, digital or otherwise, that reside in the public domain or have been released under an open license that permits no-cost access, use, adapt and redistribute by others with no or limited restrictions. They are technology-enabled, open provision of educational resources for consultation, use and adaptation by a community of users for non-commercial purposes. Materials that constitute OER include curriculum maps, course materials, textbooks, streaming videos, pictorial materials, multimedia applications, podcast, and any other materials that have been designed for use in teaching and learning environment.

The OER ranking exercise was conducted by the 12-member National Experts Group on OER Ranking (NEGOR) and a four-person team of external experts from outside Nigeria.

Fifty universities that participated in the inaugural edition were ranked by (a) ownership (federal, State and private) and (b) generation within ownership. The results are shown below.

2017 NUSOER RANKING

Federal-First Generation (out of 6 universities)

Rank	University	Total Count	Total OER Score
1	University of Lagos	1244	25
2	University of Ibadan	1015	25

Federal-Second Generation (out of 9 universities)

Rank	University	Total Count	Total OER Score
1	Federal University of Technology, Owerri	891	30
2	Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Akwa	522	19
3	University of Port Harcourt	295	13
4	University of Maiduguri	795	12
5	Usmanu Danfodio University	532	10
6	Federal University of Technology, Minna	41	0

Federal-Third Generation (out of 11 universities)

Rank	University	Total Count	Total OER Score
1	University of Abuja	385	10
2	Federal University of Technology, Akure	354	5
3	Modibbo Adama University of Technology	32	0

Federal-Fourth Generation (out of 10 universities)

Rank	University	Total Count	Total OER Score
1	Federal University, Ndufu-Alike Ikwo	98	6
2	Federal University, Kashere	13	0

State Universities-First Generation (out of 21 universities)

Rank	University	Total Count	Total OER Score
1	Lagos State University	375	16
2	Cross River University of Technology	142	4
3	Abia State University	53	1
4	Ekiti State University	9	0

State Universities-Third Generation (out of 12 universities)

Rank	University	Total Count	Total OER Score
1	Edo University, Iyamho	563	25.1
2	University of Medical Science, Ondo City	679	19.4

Private Universities-First Generation (out of 23 universities)

Rank	University	Total Count	Total OER Score
1	Covenant University	634	25
2	Redeemer's University	656	21
3	Babcock University	480	15
4	Crawford University	257	10
5	Afe Babalola University	221	5
6	Caleb University	92	5
7	Salem University	7	0
8	Al-Hikmah University	0	0
8	Bells University of Technology	0	0
8	Joseph Ayo Babalola University	0	0
8	University of Mkar	0	0

Private Universities-Second Generation (out of 20 universities)

Rank	University	Total Count	Total OER Score
1	Mountain Top University	535	26.3
2	Landmark University	724	16
3	Wellspring University	131	6.9
4	Arthur Jarvis University	46	3.4
5	Adeleke University	117	2
6	Coal City University	65	1.1
7	Kings University	50	1
8	McPherson University	15	0
9	Edwin Clark University	2	0

Overall Ranking out of 160 Universities

Rank	University	Total Count	Total OER Score
1	Federal University of Technology, Owerri	891	30
2	Mountain Top University	535	26.3
3	Edo University, Iyamho	563	25.1
4	University of Lagos	1244	25
5	University of Ibadan	1015	25
6	Covenant University	634	25
7	Redeemer's University	656	21
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14	University of Maiduguri	795	12
15	Usmanu Danfodio University	532	10
16	University of Abuja	385	10
17	Crawford University	257	10
18	Wellspring University	131	6.9
19	Federal University, Ndufu-Alike Ikwo	98	6
20	Federal University of Technology, Akure	354	5
21	Afe Babalola University	221	5
22	Caleb University	92	5
23	Cross River University of Technology	142	4
24	Arthur Jarvis University	46	3.4
25	Adeleke University	117	2
26	Coal City University	65	1.1
27	Abia State University	53	1
28	Kings University	50	1
29	Federal University of Technology, Minna	41	0
30	Modibbo Adama University of Technology	32	0
31	McPherson University	15	0
32	Federal University, Kashere	13	0
33	Ekiti State University	9	0
34	Salem University	7	0
35	Edwin Clark University	2	0

Ibrahim Usman Yakasai
Director Corporate Communications





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
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Member
Member/Secretary

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.

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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



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.



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A. B. Baffa, PhD.

To: All Heads of TETFund Beneficiary Institution
From: Executive Secretary, TETFund
Subject: Disclaimer
Date: November 13, 2017

The attention of the Management of the Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund) is drawn to the mischievous activities of some unscrupulous elements that are visiting public Universities, Polytechnics and Colleges of Education and some regulatory agencies and presenting themselves as staff of, and working with, the Chairman-designate of the Board of Trustees of TETFund. They usually meet the head of an institution, the bursar and/or director of works/physical planning to make all sort of offers/promises of TETFund intervention projects to be allegedly brought to the institution by the Chairman-designate. In exchange, they make different frivolous requests including nominating contractors/consultants and, in many cases, request for financial gratifications.

The Management of the Fund therefore wishes to inform the beneficiary institutions of TETFund in particular and entire public in general that these mischief-makers have nothing to do with TETFund and all their entreaties should be ignored. Anyone that enters into any transaction with them does so at his/her own risk.

All TETFund Staff on official assignment to any institution carry identification and an introduction letter to the head of the institution.

Heads of our beneficiary institutions or members of the public who require any clarification on the activities of the Fund may also call **0800-TETFUND (0800-8383863)** or visit our website www.tetfund.gov.ng.

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Executive Secretary

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CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE AUSTRALIA AWARDS-AFRICA SCHOLARSHIPS

The National Universities Commission is in a receipt of a notification from the Australian High Commission for applications from eligible candidates for the 2018 Short courses and the 2019 Postgraduate Australia Awards-Africa Scholarships. The Scholarship scheme is part of Australia's development assistance to Africa in building critical skills and knowledge, through strategic foreign policy, economic diplomacy and development objectives across key sectors.

In view of this, it is pertinent to note that the Short-term award commences in 2018, is a 1-3 months professional development training programme in specialised fields for African professionals. Eligible candidates for the short-term scholarship are Middle-Senior level professionals with Bachelor's degree or equivalent and currently employed in a relevant field. The training is delivered in Australia and various locations in Africa.

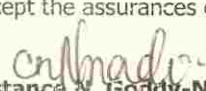
In the same vein, the postgraduate scholarship award which commences in 2019 is specifically for Masters Degree level and is opened to applicants from Public and Private sectors as well as Civil Society Organisations. The Scholarship is aimed at providing high quality training for talented Africans who on completion are expected to return and contribute to the development of their respective nations or regions.

The Scholarship Scheme has highlighted key areas of focus for both the Short courses and postgraduate awards, to include; Agricultural productivity, Extractives, Public policy etc, which provides an equal opportunity for women, people with disabilities requiring special assistance and HIV positive individuals to apply.

More information on eligibility and application forms for interested applicants is available at www.australiaawardsafrica.org and the closing date for the postgraduate award is 15 December, 2017 while for the Short-term courses award is 15 January, 2018.

Consequently, I am to request Vice-Chancellors of Nigerian Universities, to do a wider circulation in your respective universities.

Please, accept the assurances of the Executive Secretary's highest regards.


Mrs. Constance N. Goddy-Nnadi
Director, International Cooperation and Liaison Services
For: Executive Secretary

Website: <http://www.nuc.edu.ng>





NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

ADVERTORIAL ON 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, Corporate Communications

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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





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, Eboyi 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
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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 Planning

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 UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	University of Ibadan, Ibadan	1948	15	Federal University of Technology, Akure	1981	29	Federal University, Lafia, Nasarawa State	2011
2	University of Nigeria, Nsukka	1960	16	Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola	1981	30	Federal University, Kashere, Gombe State	2011
3	Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife	1962	17	Federal University of Technology, Minna	1982	31	Federal University, Wukari, Taraba State	2011
4	Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria	1962	18	Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna	1985	32	Federal University, Dutsin-Ma, Katsina State	2011
5	University of Lagos, Lagos	1962	19	University of Abuja, Abuja	1988	33	Federal University, Dutse, Jigawa State	2011
6	University of Benin, Benin City	1970	20	Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi	1988	34	Federal University, Ndufu-Alike, Ebonyi State	2011
7	Bayero University, Kano	1975	21	University of Agriculture, Makurdi	1988	35	Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2011
8	University of Calabar, Calabar	1975	22	Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta	1988	36	Federal University, Otuoke, Bayelsa	2011
9	University of Ilorin, Ilorin	1975	23	University of Uyo, Uyo	1991	37	The Nigeria Police Academy, Wudil, Kano State	2012
10	University of Jos, Jos	1975	24	Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka	1992	38	Federal University, Birnin-Kebbi, Kebbi	2013
11	University of Maiduguri, Maiduguri	1975	25	Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike	1992	39	Federal University, Gusau, Zamfara	2013
12	Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto	1975	26	National Open University of Nigeria, Lagos	2002	40	Federal University, Gashua, Yobe	2013
13	University of Port-Harcourt, Port-Harcourt	1975	27	Fed. Univ. of Petroleum Resources, Effurun	2007			
14	Federal University of Technology, Owerri	1980	28	Federal University, Lokoja, Kogi State	2011			

STATE UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	Rivers State University of Science & Technology, Port Harcourt	1979	17	Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki	2000	33	Sokoto State University, Sokoto	2009
2	Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma	1980	18	Nasarawa State University, Keffi	2002	34	Akwa Ibom State University, Ikot Ikpaden	2010
3	Abia State University, Uturu	1981	19	Adamawa State University, Mubi	2002	35	Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rumuolumeni	2010
4	Enugu State University of Science & Tech, Enugu	1982	20	Gombe State University, Gombe	2004	36	Bauchi State University, Gadau	2011
5	Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye	1982	21	Kaduna State University, Kaduna	2004	37	Maitama Sule University, Kano	2012
6	Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti. (formerly University of Ado-Ekiti)	1982	22	Cross River University of Technology, Calabar	2004	38	The Technical University, Ibadan.	2012
7	Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos	1983	23	Plateau State University, Bokkos	2005	39	Sule Lamido University, Kafin Hausa	2013
8	Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomosho	1990	24	Ondo State University of Technology, Okiti Pupa.	2008	40	Ondo State University of Medical Sciences	2015
9	Imo State University, Owerri	1992	25	Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai, Niger State	2005	41	Edo University, Iyamho	2016
10	Benue State University, Makurdi	1992	26	Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun	2005	42	Eastern Palm University, Ogboko	2016
11	Delta State University, Abraka	1992	27	Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina	2006	43	University of Africa, Toru-Orua	2016
12	Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba - Akoko	1999	28	Yobe State University Damaturu, Yobe State	2006	44	Borno State University	2016
13	Kogi State University, Anyigba	1999	29	Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Aliero	2006	45	Moshood Abiola University of Science and Technology, Abeokuta	2017
14	Niger-Delta University, Yenagoa	2000	30	Osun State University, Osogbo	2006	46	Gombe State University of Science and Technology, Kumo	2017
15	Odumegwu Ojukwu University Uli	2000	31	Taraba State University, Jalingo	2008			
16	Kano University of Science & Technology, Wudil	2000	32	Kwara State University, Ilorin	2009			





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PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	Babcock University, Ilishan Remo	1999	26	Obong University, Obong Ntak	2007	51	Chrisland University, Owode, Ogun State	2015
2	Madonna University, Okija	1999	27	Salem University, Lokoja	2007	52	Christopher University, Mowe, Ogun State	2015
3	Igbinedion University, Okada	1999	28	Tansian University, Umunya, Anambra State	2007	53	Hallmark University, Ijebu, Itele, Ogun State	2015
4	Bowen University, Iwo	2001	29	Veritas University, Abuja	2007	54	Kings University, Ode Omu, Osun State	2015
5	Covenant University, Ota	2002	30	Wesley University of Science & Technology, Ondo	2007	55	Michael and Cecilia Ibru Uni., Owode, Delta State	2015
6	Pan-Atlantic University, Lagos	2002	31	Western Delta University, Oghara, Delta State	2007	56	Mountain Top University, Ogun State	2015
7	Benson Idahosa University, Benin City	2002	32	The Achievers University, Owo	2007	57	Ritman University, Ikot Ekpene, Akwa Ibom State	2015
8	American University of Nigeria, Yola	2003	33	African University of Science & Technology, Abuja	2007	58	Summit University, Offa, Kwara State	2015
9	Redeemers University, Ede, Osun State	2005	34	Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2009	59	Edwin Clark University, Kiagbodo, Delta State	2015
10	Ajayi Crowther University, Oyo	2005	35	Godfrey Okoye University, Ugwuomu-Nike, Enugu State	2009	60	Hezekiah University, Umudi, Imo State	2015
11	Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin	2005	36	Nile University of Nigeria, Abuja	2009	61	Anchor University, Ayobo, Lagos State	2016
12	Caritas University, Amorji-Nke, Enugu	2005	37	Oduduwa University, Ipetumodu, Osun State	2009	62	Arthur Jarvis University, Akpabuyo, Cross River State	2016
13	Bingham University, Auta-Balefi, Karu, Nasarawa State	2005	38	Paul University, Awka, Anambra State	2009	63	Clifford University, Owerinta, Abia State	2016
14	Al-Qalam University, Katsina	2005	39	Rhema University, Obeama-Asa, Rivers State	2009	64	Coal City University, Enugu, Enugu State	2016
15	Renaissance University, Enugu	2005	40	Wellspring University, Evbuobanosa, Edo State	2009	65	Crown Hill University, Eiyenkorin, Kwara State	2016
16	Bells University of Tech, Ota, Ogun State	2005	41	Adeleke University, Ede, Osun State	2011	66	Dominican University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016
17	Lead City University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2005	42	Baze University, Abuja	2011	67	Koladaisi University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016
18	Crawford University, Igbesa, Ogun State	2005	43	Landmark University, Omu-Aran, Kwara State	2011	68	Legacy University, Okija, Anambra State	2016
19	Kwararafa University, Wukari (formerly Wukari Jubilee Uni.)	2005	44	Samuel Adegboyega University, Ogwa, Edo State	2011	69	Admiralty University, Ibusa, Delta State	2017
20	Crescent University, Abeokuta	2005	45	Elizade University, Ilara-Mokin, Ondo State	2012	70	Spiritan University, Nneochi, Abia State	2017
21	Novena University, Ogume, Delta State	2005	46	Evangel University, Akaeze, Ebonyi State	2012	71	Precious Cornerstone University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2017
22	University of Mkar, Mkar	2005	47	Gregory University, Uturu, Abia State	2012	72	PAMO University of Medical Sciences, Portharcourt, River State	2017
23	Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State	2006	48	McPherson University, Seriki Sotayo, Ajebo, Ogun State	2012	73	Atiba University, Oyo, Oyo State	2017
24	Caleb University, Lagos	2007	49	Southwestern University, Okun Owa, Ogun State	2012	74	Eko University of Medical Sciences, Ijanikin, Lagos State	2017
25	Fountain University, Osogbo	2007	50	Augustine University, Ilara, Lagos State	2015			





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. Ladoké 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
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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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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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 CAPE 3 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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NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION
ANNOUNCER





This Week's Birthdays



NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	DEPT.
MORAKINYO OMOLANWA	22 Jan.	DQA
DOROTHY WACHORI BAGU	22 Jan.	DMSS
OLUWOLE OLAOYE	23 Jan.	LO
OLUCHI HELEN OGBONNA	23 Jan.	DRI
VALENTINE NNAMDI NKESHITA	23 Jan.	DIM
JAFARMHAMMED KUKAWA	23 Jan.	DQA
NASIRU GARBA BAYERO	25 Jan.	DMSS
AGNES IZEHINOSEN BAMGBALA	26 Jan.	DODE
BLESSING NNEKA EDOMA	26 Jan.	DESO
SAMUEL ADEKUNLE ASABI	26 Jan.	DICT
ANTHONY IKENORO	26 Jan.	LO
CAROLINE N. ADEKOYA	27 Jan.	DMSS
SOLOMON OBAKA OCHALA	28 Jan.	DFA
ONYEKA AZUKA NDOH-ALEX	28 Jan.	DPP

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



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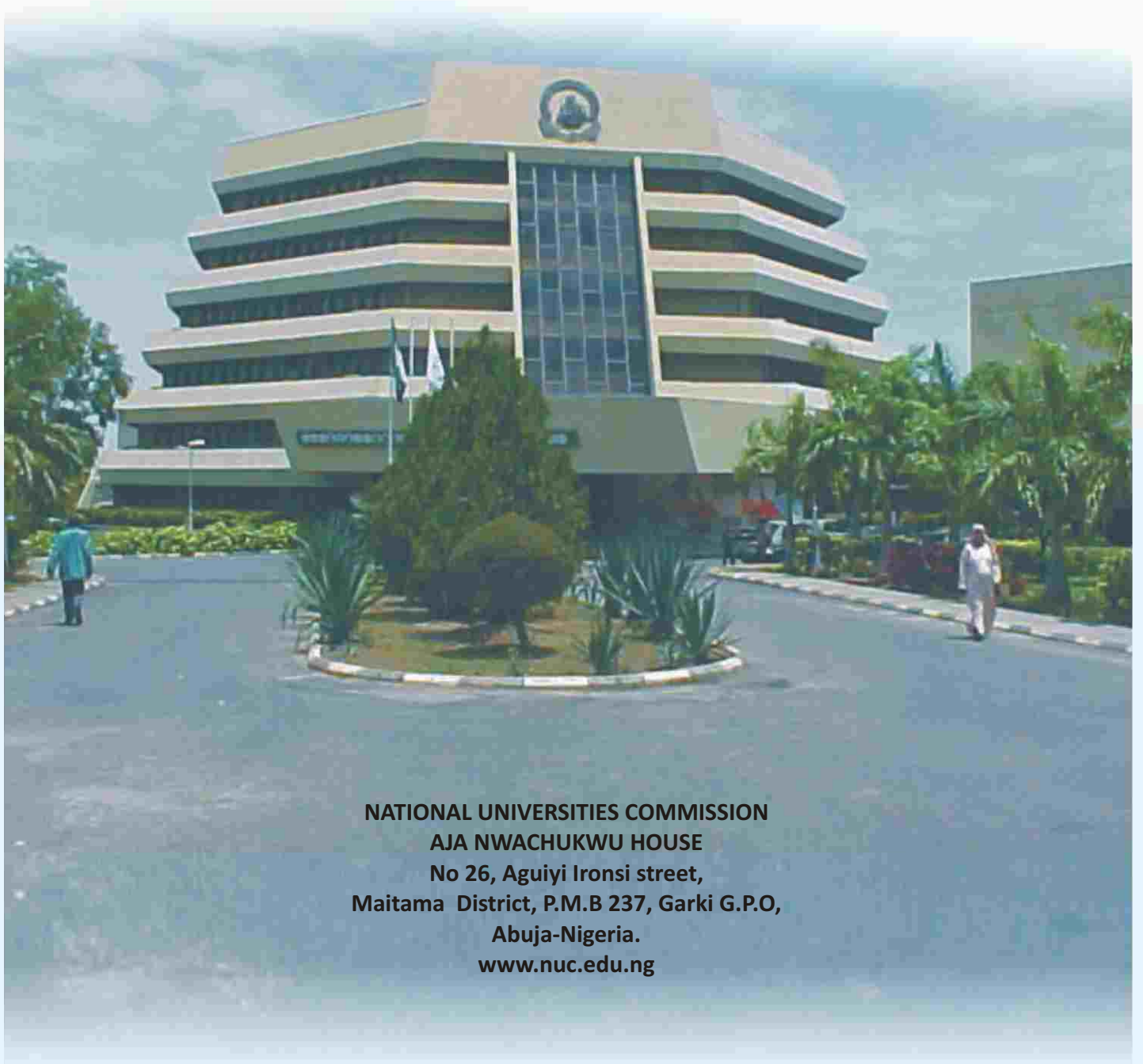
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