

Prof. Rasheed Constitutes Curriculum Reengineering Team for Undergraduate Medicine Programme

The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, *mni, MFR, FNAL* last Wednesday, constituted a Committee to reengineer and produce a final draft of the Curriculum for the Undergraduate Medical programme in Nigerian universities.

Professor Rasheed seized the opportunity to constitute the team while receiving the Committee on Post Graduate Qualification for Medicine and Dentistry Lecturers in Nigerian Universities in his office.



Prof. Abubakar Rasheed
Executive Secretary, NUC

The Committee was visiting in order to discuss admission quota into medical sciences, current status of the MBBS and Dentistry BMAS review, PhD qualifications for medical lecturers and the National Post Graduate University of Medical Sciences.

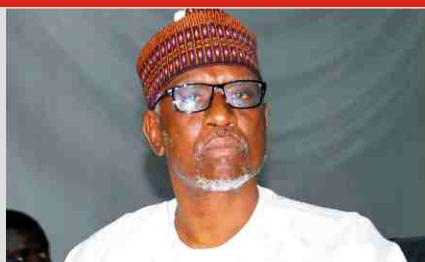
In his welcome remarks, the NUC Scribe was elated at the committee's timely visit because the Commission was in the process of overhauling the MBBS undergraduate curriculum and required a team of academic and professional experts to look at the document before onward transmission to

universities for their inputs.

He said, according to CAP A3 Section 4 sub-section B 1-3 of the NUC Law, the draft curriculum must be sent to all universities offering the programme before it could be adopted officially.

The Executive Secretary expressed hope that the final document would

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Executive Secretary, NUC, Prof. Abubakar Rasheed (4th left); L-R: Prof. Adebola, West African College of Surveyors; Asst. Sec. General, Prof. Oladipo Shittu; Leader of the Delegation, Prof. P.M. Mshelbwala; Director, Directorate of Academic Planning, Dr. Gidado B. Kumo; Hajiya Fatima Kyari; NUC Deputy Director, RI&IT, Pharm. Mohammed A. Audu

serve as a solid guide particularly in the assessment of medical schools belonging to private universities to check their proliferation and sanitise their activities.

He informed the meeting that the new BMAS document would be distributed to the Vice Chancellors for onward transmission to their senates and academic development committees at the upcoming retreat for Vice-Chancellors of all federal universities in July.

While discussing the agenda for the visit, Professor Rasheed lamented on the irregularities in the administration of the medical programme by some neighboring countries.

He added that even though NUC could not accredit programmes in other countries, it was necessary to prick the conscience of the Nigerian public through regular information gathering and press briefings to keep them abreast on the standard required by the regulatory body in Nigeria.

NUC should be able to point out those institutions in other countries whose mode of delivery and standard the Commission was comfortable with.

This, he said, was to disabuse the students' minds on cutting corners to obtain qualifications that do not meet the NUC requirements.

The Executive Secretary urged members of the committee to update themselves on global trends in their profession and give feedback to the Commission on the suitability or otherwise of members in their profession who travel to other countries to impart or seek knowledge.

He also tasked them to possess a unity of purpose within the medical profession to serve as the pillar NUC could build on to improve the quality of service delivery in the medical field.

The NUC Scribe described the lack of staff in the medical field within the Commission as an

aberration and hoped that the void would soon be filled by employing a medical staff on sabbatical each year who would work with the Director of Academic Planning in the Commission on matters of visitations, curriculum and advice pertaining to the medical field.

Professor Rasheed also explained that the NUC was not imposing the doctorate degree qualification on medical practitioners, but rather, to provide guidelines for those that seek to obtain a doctorate degree even after being fellows in their medical profession. He said, a purely research based doctorate degree was a pre-requisite for any doctor that wanted to venture into the teaching line. He advised the team to create numerous options for obtaining a doctorate degree to encourage the medical professionals to seek for it.

According to the Director, Directorate of Academic Planning, Dr. Gidado B. Kumo, the Commission had adopted a clear strategy in line with the baronial convention and employability profile on education supported by



Nigeria.

He said the Curriculum had been designed in such a way that it addresses certain courses such as Physics and Mathematics that were not too directly related to the MBBS degree but would accommodate new courses which had direct bearing with the medical programme.

He maintained that all other issues relating to the medical document remained the same, except the introduction of a general objective for the programme, introduction of objectives according to strata in the programme and the introduction of learning outcomes for all the strata in the programme.

The learning objectives were further classified into the skills, knowledge and attitude, saying that the areas would enable the student know the specific skills required, the knowledge that must be derived on completion of the programme and the attitude a medical doctor should

have and that which he ought to display in the course of his job with his colleagues.

The leader of the team and Deputy Registrar, Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria, Dr. U. Ilevbare, thanked the Executive Secretary for giving them audience and commended his initiative at reviewing the University Curriculum for better quality delivery.

He expressed the team's willingness to work with the Commission in the production of the new BMAS and advised that the area of competencies by the graduate should be contained in the BMAS.

Dr. Ilevbare opined that, since it was a professional programme, the capabilities of the student were very paramount to the effective delivery of the programme. He also called the attention of the Commission to address the issue of repetition of courses which in his opinion tend to overburden the student.

Dr. Ilevbare further commended

the Executive Secretary for allowing training institutions make input on 10% of the content of their curriculum to accommodate innovations and desist from rigidity in the content delivery by universities.

He said the leverage would translate to a total of 28 credit units spread across 6 years of the programme. He, however, pleaded with the Commission to also consider herbal medicine in the curriculum as it is a branch of pharmacology that should not be ignored.

Members of the Committee on Post Graduate Qualification team were Prof. P.M. Mshelbwala, Prof. Oladapo Shittu, Prof. Adebola R.A, Prof. Ibrahim A. Yakasai, Prof. A.M.E Nwofor, Prof. O.A Atoyebi, Prof. S.A Adebisi and Prof. S. Anyanwu.

On the NUC team were the Director, Directorate of Academic Planning and his team, as well as Hajiya Fatima Kyari from Baze University, Abuja.



L-R: Prof. Ibrahim A. Yakasai; Prof. A. M.E. Nwafor; Prof. O.A. Atoyubi and Prof. S.A. Adebisi at the meeting



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— Prof. Rasheed Charges Academics

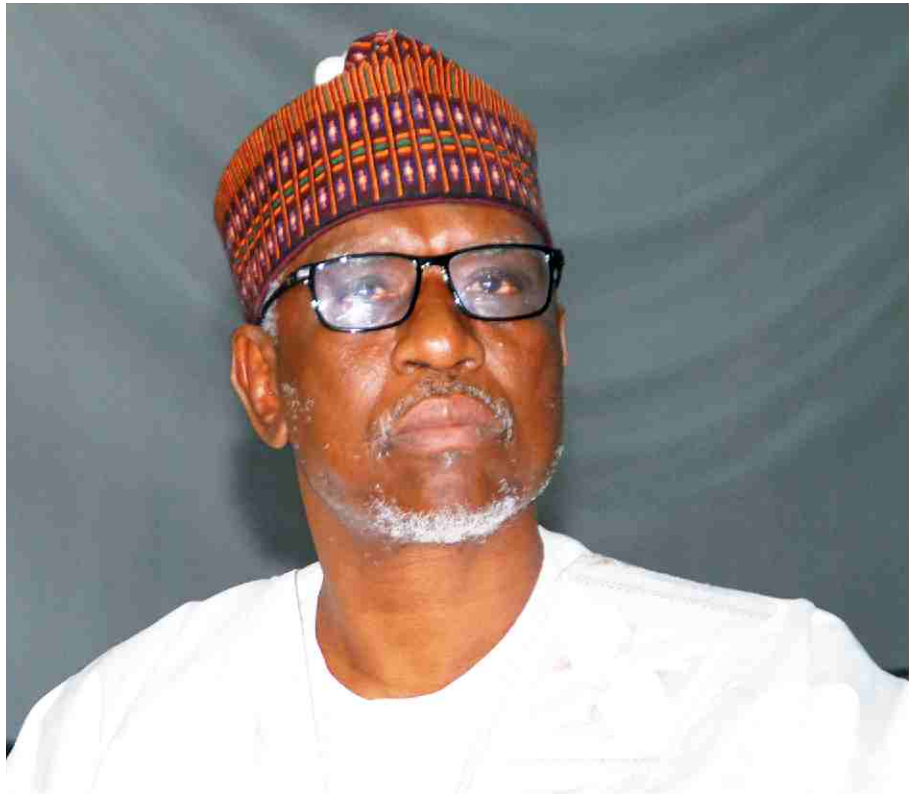
The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission, Prof. Abubakar Rasheed, has reiterated that for Tertiary Education Institutions (TEIs) in the country to achieve their goals of producing knowledgeable, creative, innovative and visionary citizenry, there was the need for strategic rejig of the sub-sector.

He made this known while delivering a Convocation lecture titled: *Role of Tertiary Education Institutions in promoting social cohesion and peace: Opportunities and challenges for Nigeria* at the 22nd Convocation ceremony of Lagos State University, Ojo.

Prof. Rasheed stressed that for Nigeria to unlock its potentials and take its rightful place in the comity of nations, it must rise above all the parochial, sectional and retrogressive forces that had worked against its unity and nationhood.

He added that considering the number of TEIs in Nigeria, their statutory roles and the ever-increasing student enrolments in the institutions, the country could not afford to look elsewhere for solutions to its search for a socially cohesive nation. The NUC Scribe emphasised that the TEIs must be models of national complexity and unity.

"I believe that the sheer number



Prof. Abubakar Rasheed
Executive Secretary, NUC

of staff and students in our TEIs provides us a unique block towards entrenching social cohesion and peace in our society, given the diverse backgrounds of the population, in TEIs and the fact that they come from and will go back to the larger society upon graduation, our staff and students represent a veritable tool for creating the much needed environment for our society to live in peace and make progress".

He lamented that despite concerted efforts by Gen. Yakubu Gowon's administration to make tertiary education an instrument of national unity, peace and social

cohesion, the vision was yet to be attained. He further expressed concerns over the situation whereby merit was being jettisoned for ethnic considerations in the leadership of Nigeria's institutions.

Prof. Rasheed said that the nation would only be seen to be serious when a qualified academic from any ethnic extraction would be allowed to head any institution in whatever part of the country based on merit.

The NUC Scribe noted that recent developments in the country had continued to challenge peaceful coexistence among the citizens, citing that erstwhile peaceful



communities had become mini-theatres of war, especially the perpetual conflicts between Fulani herdsmen and farmers.

He said more worrisome was the seeming silence of the academic community in terms of identifying the root causes and proffering solutions or ways of addressing the menace.

“... I still submit that there is little intellectual contribution to the way the issues are being addressed. It appears clearly, to me, that there is a disconnect between government and the academia in this important issue, as is the case with our technological and agricultural development..., I should be excused for thinking that we (and I mean the TEIs) ought to have made more significant intellectual contributions to governmental and non-governmental approaches to addressing these conflicts, Let me quickly add that my thoughts on this are not about beautiful Ph.D theses and other chitchats that end as theoretical exercises and stimulants, but rather, practical and implementable solutions.”

Prof. Rasheed said that it was high time TEIs made direct contributions to the economic and technological development of the nation beyond human capital training, wondering why the government must continue to invest heavily to employ and patronise foreign services, rather than the TEIs addressing such issues.

On funding of institutions, Prof. Rasheed called for a new strategy where the government continues to give block grants as usual with a little extra for investments for a certain period to enable reasonable endowment.

He explained that the institution should only be allowed to benefit from the investments, while the type of investment and where the proceeds could be applied, essentially research, should be determined by status.

“I would like to see a more regulated Internally Generated Revenue (IGR) regime in our TEIs. This should entail allowing more flexibility in the areas of IGR that can be exploited, including some cost sharing mechanisms. More importantly, there should be greater accountability in the management of IGR. The current IGR practice in our TEIs should not be allowed to continue as it denies the system of much needed funding, while the little collected is mostly spent in an unaccountable manner”.

He urged TEIs to re-strategise by undertaking self-assessment of their operations to be able to cope with the challenges of social cohesion and peace. He addressed that they must be able to work closely with the governments at all levels and engage in more practical and realistic research.

Prof. Rasheed, on a whole blamed the inaction of the elites and the academic circle for the present conflict in the Country.

“The elite class in Nigeria is even more fractious and more bigoted than ever before, ethnicity and religious intolerance reign supreme, almost 58 years after independence and after the Ashby Report.

Today, our disunity has become more pronounced and rather than the language of peace and progress, our so-called educated elite is spewing out noises of hate, secession and war”.

He charged TEIs to take to the challenge of creating national elite that would facilitate the emergence of a truly united nation.



Lagos State University



Pamo University of Medical Sciences Matriculates Pioneer Golden Students

History was made on Saturday 2nd June, 2018 when in the Garden City of Port Harcourt in Rivers State, the first to be activated private medical university, PAMO University of Medical Sciences, matriculated 123 pioneer golden students to mark the commencement of full academic activities in the new institution.

In his welcome address, the Founder and Pro-Chancellor of the university, the former Executive Governor of Rivers State, His Excellency Dr. Peter Otunuya Odili, recalled with a deep sense of fulfilment, the remarkable trajectories and build up to what has turned out to be successful licensing process in the annals of private provision of Higher Education in the country.

He recounted that he first met the Executive Secretary of the National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed *mni, MFR, FNAL*, at the airport who in his usual characteristics of encouraging well meaning Nigerians to venture into the noble legacy of setting of a private university, first mooted the idea and sowed the seed of the university on 19th December, 2016.

He informed that with the encouragement of the NUC, the Planning and Implementation Committee swung into action



Former Head of State, Gen. Abdulsalam Abubakar, *GCFR*,
Chancellor of the University,

and developed a very strong proposal for the first private medical university following which, the university was to be later licensed by the Federal Government on the notable date of 19th December, 2017, one year after the initial contact was made.

The Pro-Chancellor also noted that three months ago, when the investiture ceremony of the Chancellor, General Abdulsalam A. Abubakar, *GCFR* took place, there was no single student in the university's fold. He remarked that it was gratifying to note that the university could now boast of 123 pioneer students, a development reminiscent of the adage that 'a good dance begins with a good step'.

The Founder charged the

students to be a source of pride to their families, country and humanity at large. He assured the parents that the best faculty and facilities had been put in place to give the students a world class learning experience. He also promised that no student would be harassed in the university, while also urging parents to allow staff to carry out their assigned duties including keeping away from the students to enable them concentrate fully on their studies. He added that there would be zero tolerance to social vices, including cultism and drug addiction etc.

In a goodwill message the Chancellor of the university, former Head of State, General Abdulsalam Abubakar, *GCFR*, thanked the Founder for the opportunity to serve in the assigned capacity of a Chancellor. He



H.E. Dr. Peter Otunuya Odili
Former Gov., Rivers State and Founder of the University

commended the founder for embarking on a noble cause of providing services to humanity by training the next generation of medical personnel.

He prayed that the university would grow from strength to strength. He also acknowledged with gratitude, the role played by all stakeholders which greatly helped in bringing the university to fruition in line with the vision of the founder. He counselled the students to shun indiscipline but rather use the opportunity provided to work hard and by so doing, relate very well with the community.

In a goodwill message, the Executive Governor of Rivers, Chief Nyesom Wike expressed his delight at celebrating the commencement of what he considered the newest, unique and promising first private medical university in the country. He congratulated the parents and benefactors of the students as well as their friends for what remained a special day

in their lives.

Governor Wike recalled that at the investiture of General Abubakar as Chancellor of the new university, he promised at that occasion that Rivers State Government would support a special scholarship award for 100 indigenous students to be trained on annual basis by the new university in the next five years.

He enthused that it was with pride that he was able to report

the fulfilment of that promise, which had been in line with the cardinal objective and as an integral part of his administration's policy aimed at transforming the Healthcare system of the State through the production of skilled manpower in addition to the provision of the requisite modern facilities for affordable healthcare delivery system.

He charged the students to be serious with their studies in order to justify the sacrifices made by their parents so as to actualise the purpose for which they were sent to study at PAMO University. He wished them resounding success, as he looked forward to their graduation and eventual contribution to Rivers State and the nation in general.

In his own goodwill message, the Executive Governor of Ebonyi State, His Excellency, Engr. David Omahi congratulated the founder, students and management of the new university for contributing in no small measure in expanding the frontier of knowledge. He promised to send a number of



Chief Nyesom Wike
Executive Governor, Rivers State





Ebonyi State students to study medicine on scholarship, beginning from next academic session. He then donated the sum of ten million naira (N10M) in support of the university project.

The Pioneer Vice-Chancellor, Professor Michael Diejomaoh, stated that it was with absolute pleasure for him to be part of history and to be the first Vice-Chancellor to superintend over the matriculation ceremony for the university's first set of students. He paid glowing tribute to the governor of Rivers State for his generous support and magnanimity. He also commended the Rivers State Government for providing full scholarships to the Rivers State students.

He informed that the golden students were drawn from the three foundation faculties; faculty of basic medical sciences, faculty of clinical sciences and Applied Health Sciences, where they were expected to be nurtured.



Prof. Abubakar Rasheed
Executive Secretary, NUC

He thanked the parents for entrusting their wards into the university's care for the next 5-6 years. He reminded the matriculating students that as they begin their journey in building a professional medical career, the university would provide high tech facilities, comparable with the ones to be found in other top class

universities.

He also assured, among others, of uninterrupted academic activities to be driven by modern teaching techniques, laboratories, well equipped library and some of the best manpower to give impactful education and enhance their learning experience in an environment full of concentration. He therefore counselled them to study hard without any distraction in order to achieve these high standards and excellence for their own good and for their families.

The Vice-Chancellor requested the students to be well prepared for a society waiting for their services in the face of shortages in professional medical manpower for which Nigeria has been placed below globally accepted standards. He noted with concern that the ratio of professional medical personnel in the Nigerian context was



Prof. Michael Diejomaoh
Vice-Chancellor





L-R: DMSS, Barr. Victor Onouha; Dr. Peter Odili; Prof. Rasheed; DESO, Mr. Chris Maiyaki and DD. RI&IT, Pharm. Mohammed A. Audu

regrettably disproportionate to the daunting medical challenges, characterised by drug abuse, poor upbringing and use of illicit substances, high maternal and child mortality rate which have all increased the need for more and highly skilled manpower.

Thus, PAMO University students were expected to leverage on the unique educational delivery which has been designed to make them independent in their judgement, critical in their analysis and innovative in developing solutions. These, he argued, were attributes of a new breed of medical personnel which would take over in a constantly and rapidly changing world.

In his address, the Executive Secretary, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, remarked that he was participating in the event

in a dual capacity, to in one breadth convey the goodwill of the Honourable Minister of Education and that of the entire Federal Ministry of Education, to the Chancellor, founder and other stakeholders. The Minister expressed his happiness to note that these great Nigerians worked closely to chart a new course for medical education which would make the necessary positive impact on Nigeria's educational and health system in line with the Government's desire to improve the country's human capital development index.

Professor Rasheed further informed that he had also come in his own right, to offer a special goodwill message from the management and staff of the NUC from whose perspective, had considered the commencement day to be a special day in many respects. He submitted that for the Pro-

Chancellor, today signified a fulfilment of a decade long dream to be associated with an enduring legacy for a world class medical facility in Nigeria and Portharcourt in particular.

The day was also special for what it means to Nigeria's medical development as well as Nigeria's complex and complicated university system. Today, Nigerian universities stood at 174; 75 private, with two exclusively medical in orientation but only one of the two was actually activated to fully commence academic activities, i.e PAMO. The day was again special for the matriculating students and their loved ones, because its a celebration of hope and lofty dreams as well as an occasion to be remembered for the rest of their lives.

On behalf of the NUC and by extension the Nigerian University System, the Executive Secretary



Matriculating students

while wishing the matriculating students every success during their stay and afterwards, enjoined them to relish the day.

He wished the Pro-Chancellor and Founder more successes as he continued to commit more of his time, resources and goodwill to build a befitting legacy for generations yet unborn.

Secretary promised the maximum support of the NUC in the provision of technical support. He posited that the Nigerian University Community stood united in sharing the sense of pride for the successes recorded so far and in the hope for a better educated Nigerian youth.

entourage were: Director, Management Support Services, Barrister Victor Onuoha, Director, Directorate of the Executive Secretary's Office, Chris Maiyaki, and Deputy Director, Research, Innovation and Information Technology, Pharm Mohammed Asuku Audu.

On the Executive Secretary's

In conclusion, the Executive



Cross section of guests at the event



Call for Application for the ISESCO Research Grant for Young Scientists

The National Universities Commission (NUC) is in receipt of a call notice from the Islamic Educational, scientific and Cultural organization (ISESCO), in Rabat, Morocco, inviting suitably qualified teachers from the Nigerian Universities System (NUS) for the ISESCO Research Grants for Young Scientists.

The Research Grant is for young Scientists under the age of 40 in the following scientific areas: Nanotechnology, Health Biotechnology, Agricultural Biotechnology, frontier areas of Science and Technology, Applied Sciences and Biological Sciences for Masters and PhD categories respectively. The value of the research grant is \$10,000 USD to be paid for a period of two years to Researchers who hold a position in Public Sector University or Government research institute where project is proposed to be executed. Women researchers will be given priority.

Admission Requirements for Masters Programmes:

Candidates must satisfy the following conditions:

- Undergraduate degree from a recognised university, with at least a second class upper division or its equivalent, in a relevant field;
- Certified copies of relevant certificates, transcripts (from University and high school), national I.D card and passport personal details page;
- Recommendation letters from 2 Professors
- Clear coloured passport size photograph (2cmx2cm)
- Maximum age of 30 years for male and 35years for female applicant.
- Candidates may be required to undergo written/oral examination after pre-selection.
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interpreting and translation programmes are required to have excellent knowledge of at least two of African Union's official languages (Arabic, French, English and Portuguese).

Admission Requirement for Doctoral Programme:

Candidates must satisfy the following conditions:

- A masters degree in a relevant field from PAU or any internationally recognised University;
- Certified copies of relevant certificates, transcripts, and national I.D. card and passport personal details page.
- A 3 to 4 page research concept note (tentative title, research questions, objectives, significance of the research (etc);
- Recommendation letter from 2 Professors;
- Clear coloured passport size photograph (2cmx2cm)
- Maximum age of 35years for male and 40years for female applicants.

N.B Interested Researchers are required to meet the criteria and submit their projects on the specified research grant application form using the electronic version of the form from which can be downloaded directly from the ICPSR's website at: <http://www.scien4innovation.org/index.php/followsh ips/>.

In addition, universities are to forward their nominees project proposals to the office of the **Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Education** while soft copies are to be sent to aboalamin@gmail.com not later than Monday, 16th July, 2018 for endorsement and onward transmission to ISESCO.

FG Renames FUNAI as Alex Ekwueme Federal University Ndufu-Alike

The President Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR, has approved the renaming of Federal University, Ndufu-Alike (FUNAI), as Alex Ekwueme Federal University, Ndufu-Alike, Ebonyi State.

In view of the above, the National Universities Commission wishes to notify all stakeholders in the Education sector, including JAMB, NYSC, TETFund and other relevant agencies as well as the general public, of the change of name of the University.

All stakeholders and the general public are to kindly take note of the change of name, to enable proper communication with the university.

Signed
Management





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Students from all universities in the world are invited to participate in the prestigious Nelson Mandela, World Human Rights Moot Court Competition in 2018. The year 2018 will not only mark the tenth year in the life of the competition, but it will also be an opportunity to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and the 100th birthday of human rights icon Nelson Mandela. The final rounds will be held at the United Nations Headquarters in Geneva from 15 to 20 July.

Each year undergraduate and masters level students who wish to participate in the competition submit written legal arguments for the opposing sides in a fictional dispute involving some of the burning human rights issues of the day. The teams with the highest scores from each of the five UN regions are then invited to participate in the final oral rounds in the Human Rights Council Chamber in the Palais des Nations. The case is heard by a panel of eminent international jurists, including judges from international tribunals. Many participants have described participation in the moot as the highlight of their studies.

In 2018 the competition will for the first time be presented not only in English, but also in French. In future years the other UN languages, namely Spanish, Chinese, Russian and Arabic, will also be used.

The teams that are selected to participate in the final rounds in Geneva are expected to cover their own traveling costs as well as accommodation and meals, although limited financial assistance is available.

The last day for submission of memorials is 16 April 2018

More information on the Competition is available at <http://www.chr.up.ac.za/worldmant>





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Policy, Standards and Ethics	Technology policies, technology standards, ethics, culture, quality assurance, responsible wellbeing

**Northwest University
Kano, Now
Yusuf Maitama Sule
University**

The National Universities Commission has been notified of the official change of name of former Northwest University, Kano, to Maitama Sule University, Kano,

The Commission therefore, wishes to notify all stakeholders in the Education sector, including Federal and States Ministries of Education, JAMB, NYSC, TETFund and other relevant agencies as well as the general public, of the change which took effect from 2nd August, 2017.

All stakeholders and the general public are to kindly take note of the change of name, to enable proper communication with the university.

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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.

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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
8	University of Medical Sciences, Ondo City	679	19.4
9	Nnamdi Azikiwe University	522	19
10	Landmark University	724	16
11	Lagos State University	375	16
12	Babcock University	480	15
13	University of Port Harcourt	295	13
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

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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.

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From: Executive Secretary, TETFund
Subject: Disclaimer
Date: November 13, 2017

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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.





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
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.

NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION





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
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 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	41	Nigeria Maritime University Okerenkoko, Delta State	2018
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	47	Zamfara State University, Talata-Mafara	2018
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. Ladake 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)
18. Godfrey Okoye University, Ugwuomu-Nike, Enugu 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 and the following telephone numbers: 08027455412, 07054407741, 08067787753, 07039254081 and 07082024412 (FAX). Further information can also be obtained from the Commission's website: www.nuc.edu.ng

Signed:
MANAGEMENT

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

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

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

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

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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 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 Udo Uko, Uyo Akwa Ibom State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 28) Concept College/Universities (London) Ilorin or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 29) Halifax Gateway University, Ikeja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 30) Kingdom of Christ University, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 31) Acada University, Akinlalu, Oyo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 32) Fifom University, Mbaise, Imo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 33) Houdegebe North American University campuses in Nigeria.
- 34) Atlantic Intercontinental University, Okija, Anambra State
- 35) Open International University, Akure

- 36) Middle Belt University (North Central University), Otukpo
- 37) Leadway University, Ughelli, Delta State
- 38) Metro University, Dutse/Bwari, Abuja
- 39) Southend University, Ngwuro Egeru (Afam) Ndoki, Rivers State
- 40) Olympic University, Nsukka, Enugu State
- 41) Federal College of Complementary and Alternative Medicine, Abuja.
- 42) Temple University, Abuja
- 43) Irish University Business School London, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 44) National University of Technology, Lafia, Nasarawa State.
- 45) University of Accountancy and Management Studies, Mowe, Lagos - Ibadan Expressway and its Annex at 41, Ikorodu Road, Lagos.
- 46) University of Education, Winneba Ghana, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 47) Cape Coast University, Ghana, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 48) African University Cooperative Development (AUCD), Cotonou, Benin Republic, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 49) Pacific Western University, Denver, Colorado, Owerri Study Centre.
- 50) Evangel University of America & Chudick Management Academic, Lagos
- 51) Enugu State University of Science and Technology (Gboko Campus)
- 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.
- 58) Gospel Missionary Foundation (GMF), Theological University. 165 Iselo road, Cele bus stop, Egbe-Ikotun, Lagos.

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, Arochuku, 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
BANJI KOLAWOLE	4 JUNE
SAADATU IBRAHIM	5 JUNE
ADERIBIGBE PHILIP OGUNDEYI	5 JUNE
ISHAKU SULAIMAN	5 JUNE
FUNMILAYOJUMOKE MOREBISE	6 JUNE
BONIFACE OTE ODEY	6 JUNE
FELIX UDEY	6 JUNE
PAUL CHINAKA ONWU	6 JUNE
FRANCIS C. IDOKO	6 JUNE
ANGELA O OGBEIDE	7 JUNE
FUNMILOLA ADAMOLEKUN	7 JUNE
JOSHUA MUYIWA AGBAOYE	7 JUNE
LAURETTA NNENNA ACHOR	8 JUNE
BOLAJI AYODELE BALOGUN	9 JUNE
ABDULLAHI YA'U	10 JUNE

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



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