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ormer Vice Chancellor, University of Ibadan and Chairman, NUC Skills Development Advisory Committee, Professor Olufemi Bamiro has called for the establishment of National Skills Development Agency (SDAC) to address the Skills gaps bedeviling the nation in critical sectors of the economy.

He made the clarion call during a workshop titled: Stakeholders' Workshop On Skills Development organized by the National Universities Commission (NUC), Abuja last Thursday.

In his presentation, Professor Bamiro highlighted the findings and recommendations of the NUC Skills Development Advisory Committee, affirming that "it is the firm belief of the leadership of NUC that our

universities can address the crux of the problem of graduate problem of graduate employability in Nigeria today, was employability and skills characterised by poor funding of



Prof. Olufemi Bamiro Former Vice Chancellor, University of Ibadan and Chairman, NUC Skills Development Advisory Committee

informed the setting up of this committee in February, 2018.

development in Nigeria that tertiary institutions, undue interference by various external entities, outdated curricula, poor and bloated staffing, overcrowding as

The Chairman explained that the



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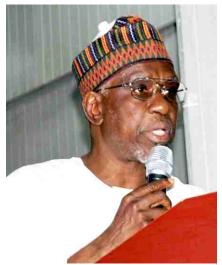
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well as incompetence in the management of tertiary institutions. These factors, he noted, has ultimately create a



Prof. Abubakar A. Rasheed Executive Secretary, NUC

challenge for employers in filling their graduate vacancies, even with the high level of youth unemployment in the country.

The speaker said "employability is a set of skills, understandings, and personal attributes that makes graduates and individuals more likely to gain employment and be successful in their chosen occupations, which benefits themselves, the workforce, the community as well as the economy". He added that skills can be broadly categorised into "hard skills" and "soft skills," noting that hard skills were basically the discipline-relevant professional skills, with knowledge and competences required to perform creditably in the profession.

While soft skills on the other hand, he said refers to attributes such as flexibility, independence and critical thinking,

communication skills, reflective learning, teamwork as well as ethics.

The former Vice Chancellor noted that most education and training programmes in the Nigerian education sector relegate the development of such soft skills to the background advising that the problem of skill mismatch must also be addressed. This he said was the gap between the skills required on the job and those possessed by individuals adding that the process of matching diversely skilled job seekers with available vacancies was not automatic. Imbalances between the supply and demand for people with different skills exist in all economies.

He said "to effectively reduce skill mismatch in our economy, requires the creation of a comprehensive long-term strategy, one involving public-private partnership among governments, employers and educational institutions to continuously develop and improve the use of skills".

While giving an overview of the Nigerian Educational and Training Institutes, the SDAC chairman pointed that as at 2017, Technical and Vocational Training (TVET) institutions in Nigeria comprised Technical Colleges 132, Innovation Enterprise Institutions (IEIs) 137, Vocational Enterprise Institutions 72, Monotechnics 97 and Polytechnics 108.

He went further to add that several studies of the TVET system had shown that their education and training programmes seemed not to be demand-driven and had generally few linkages with employers. He stressed that though, there had been some interventions in the TVET system by the governments and International Agencies, however, the TVET system when linked to the University system through the need for the Nigerian Universities to provide well-articulated education and training programmes for the production of technical teachers for TVET and provide NSO level 5 as well as competencies on the sixlevel NSO.



Dr. Mas'ud Kazaure ES, NBTE

Prof. Bamiro added that in the past, at the University level, the manufacturing Association of Nigeria (MAN) was represented in the Board of Faculties of Technology; the faculty established an Industrial Advisory Council with broader representation of industry and businesses. This he

said provided opportunity for informed feedback on programme quality in meeting the needs of industry.

The former vice chancellor went back memory lane to give an insight into how the once thriving system changed within the Nigerian Universities System, beginning with the recognition of university of Ibadan curriculum, as one of the best, by the parent body for registered engineers, thereby prescribing it for adoption by all faculties of engineering in the Country. The industrial component he said was "christened" Student Industrial Work Experience Scheme (SIWES).

The speaker argued that SIWES of varying duration was later adopted by many other programmes in the universities system. This he said led to a significant increase in the number of students requiring placements in industry while most of the ICUs set up in the universities to handle placements had limited capacity and experience. In most cases he added, students were left to scan for industrial placement themselves.

He noted that the scheme had not been adequately funded with the limited support by the Industrial Training Fund (ITF) and the general reluctance of students, particularly those in the public universities, to invest in themselves, adding that the gradual collapse of the industrial sectors of the Nigerian economy contributed to the shrinking of available places for meaningful industrial experience.

In addition to the failure of the SIWES scheme, Professor Bamiro stated that further constraint to sustainable



Mrs. F.N. Abdulraheem Rep. Min. of Budget and Nat. Planning

employment and job creation in Nigeria was the "competitive deficit" in the industrial and non-oil export sectors arising from the structural defects of the e c o n o m y a n d p o l i c y inconsistencies, including a significant lack of production capabilities, including relevant knowledge and skills.

While referring to the 2009 Africa Competitiveness Report (AFR), the SDAC chairman, noted that 23 African Countries out of 31 that were surveyed remain at the most basic stage of the competitiveness index of a factor-driven economy (meaning economy whose ability to compete was based on unskilled labour and natural resources).

According to the report, only five

Countries – Algeria, Mauritius, Namibia, South Africa, as well as Tunisia had reached the second stage of competitiveness which called the efficiency-driven stage (meaning the economy was driven by efficient goods, sophisticated labour and financial markets, a large market size as well as the ability to utilize technology effectively).

The speaker lamented that economic growth and unemployment in the Nigerian economy since 2000 has been characterised by high growth rates, but accompanied by persistent high unemployment rates and raising inequality. The existence of a high growth rate and high unemployment rate he said presents a paradox of "jobless growth". He went further to add that the pattern of growth and its attendant employment outcomes were neither desirable nor sustainable. He observed that the study, showed "tertiarisation" of the economy that implies that growth has been built on the dominant services sector which favours high-skilled workers, despite the fact that the majority of the unemployed population remained low skilled".

For these issues to be addressed, Professor Bamiro expressed the need to redesign the current Benchmark Minimum Academic Standards (BMAS) with inputs from industry and professional bodies towards identifying and achieving the expected skills outcomes for every programme been run in the diverse discipline; establishment of appropriate mechanism for University



Industry collaboration; establishment of appropriate mechanism for continuous capacity building of staff in content and pedagogy, particularly in handling the expected re-designed curricula to enhance graduate employability; comprehensive review by NUC of its programme accreditation scheme with particular reference to the development of accreditation instruments that encourage skills development as well as the development of sustainable funding model to enable universities recover costs of operation to achieve the optimal performance of their key functions and responsibilities as agents of national development.

To move beyond rudimentary stage of development that the In this context he said, public policy should provide a framework combining public and private initiatives, energetic entrepreneurship and the efficient functioning of institutions and market with well-defined plans and target for skills development.

Earlier in his address, the convener and Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni. MFR, FNAL welcomed the participants to the all important workshop on Skills development in Nigeria.

He said "Skill is the possession of necessary tools and/or talents needed to solve problems. I believe that it goes beyond mere possession of talent and and quality skills and positively put them to use is definitely on the path of development, stating that this country lacked the critical skills needed for development despite the huge population and numerous Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) as well as Technical and Vocational Education Training (TVET) Centres.

He posited that "A close look at the formal and informal sector in Nigeria shows that many low, medium and high level skilled manpower are imported. In the construction industry, foreigners are brought in to execute jobs that could have been done by Nigerians - including Skills required in road construction, undersea and surface wielding, automobile maintenance, etc."

The NUC scribe lamented that even



Executive Secretary, NUC, Prof. Abubakar A. Rasheed (2nd right); Chairman, NUC Skills Development Advisory Committee, Professor Olufemi Bamiro (1st right) DRI & IT, Dr. Ramon Yusuf (3rd right); ES, NBTE, Dr. Mas'ud Kazaure (4th right); DICLS, Mrs. Goddy-Nnadi; DODE, Dr. Esther Olamide and DESO, Mr. Chris Maiyaki

economy was trapped in. The speaker submitted that Nigeria must nurture pools of welleducated and highly skilled labour force that perform complex tasks and adapt rapidly to the changing environment and evolving need of the economy.

acquisition of qualifications, but has more to do with being able to productively put the talent and qualifications to positive use in order to earn a living."

Prof. Rasheed believed that any nation that can boast of abundant simple skills as block moulding, masonry, tiling etc had to be imported from neighboring west African countries by middle level industries and individuals which he described as unacceptable.

To match graduate output with national manpower needs, NUC recognized the need to focus on improving access and deepening the labour market responsiveness of skills development in Nigerian Universities.

Prof. Rasheed called for development of a balanced skills development system that combined specialized and high level skills needs at the university level as well as technical and vocational skills with foundations learning, to address skills shortages in Nigeria at all qualification levels

a im of evolving new strategies/programmes to assist all universities and other Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) to respond to the ever-changing skills needs of the economy.

The Executive Secretary that the "SDAC worked tirelessly, and looked critically at numerous factors including graduate employability; overview of the Nigerian education and training systems; overview of relevant skills to drive our economy; economic growth and employment in the Nigerian economy; effort of the National education and training systems at

workshop would be discussing and proffering solutions to the skills development issues in Nigeria including recommendations of the SDAC.

Prof. Rasheed concluded by expressing hope that participants would be frank and make useful contributions in preparation for the establishment of a balanced and functional skills development system in Nigeria.

In his remarks, the Honorable Minister of Budget and National Planning (HMBNP), Senator Odoma Udo Udoma represented by Mrs F. N. Abdulraheem expressed



Participants at the event

in a comprehensive and integrated manner including adult literacy.

To consolidate the process, NUC, in February, 2018, set up Skills Development Advisory Committee (SDAC) to advise on the development of a balanced skills development system with

addressing the identified skill gaps; and lessons on skills development from other countries."

He added that the Committee made a number of proposals and identified responsibilities of some key stakeholders in skills development, saying that the his happiness to be of the event that combined specialized and high level skills at the university level and technical and vocational skills with fundamental learning towards addressing skills shortages in the Nigerian Economy.

He said MBNP has budgetary provisions for the improvement of



the existing vocational training centres to fill skills gaps and provide employment opportunities for the labour force.

The Minister stated that the present administration has increased school enrollment through National Home Grown School Feeding Programme (NHGSFP), thereby reducing the number of out of school children

Senator Udoma added that the N-Power Programme has provided basic and quality at the very remote parts of the country at the institutions. He commended the visionary leadership of current Honorable

management team for initiating this August meeting.

The HMBNP reiterated his commitment and availability to provide technical support on whatever steps he would be required.

While delivering his address, the Executive Secretary, National Board for Technical Education (NBTE), Dr Mas'udu A Kazaure emphasized the need to tackle the skills gap in this country, expressing his delight that the Universities through the NUC decided to be part of the efforts NBTE had been anchoring.

As part of his effort, NBTE has been collaborating with Dr Kazaure mentioned that in the course of implementation, some challenges were encountered. These challenges included funding, well trained and qualified manpower and sustainability.

He expressed his happiness that NUC has embraced the challenges of unemployability and mismatch in the training needs of this country. To address those needs, Technicians, craftsmen, Artisans etc and Engineers must be available, stating that Universities have the capacity to produce good and employable engineers that could drive this long awaited revolution.

With this initiative of NUC and synergy, Dr Kazaure said Nigeria



Stakeholders at the event

Minister of Education, Malam Adamu Adamu in driving the education sector at all levels.

He recognized also appreciated efforts of the Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni, MFR, FNAL and his

International Labour Organization (ILO) as well as other stakeholders and came up with several framework of action. He said some trades were identified as part of the skill gaps in Nigeria which NBTE set out to address, explaining that many measure were already on ground and a lot achieved.

has begun a clearer journey towards innovation-driven economy. He assured NUC and stakeholders that NBTE would continue to fully support this initiative that could guarantee national development.



NUC Has Not Ranked Nigerian Universities

....Prof. Rasheed at Bingham Convocation

The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL has said that the NUC has not done any ranking of Nigerian Universities.

He mentioned this in a goodwill

exercise would be concluded. He mentioned that, in general term, eroded ethics, weak governance and management systems impact negatively on the

efficient and effective management of financial, physical and human resources The commission under his watch has recently embarked on a number of reforms aimed at repositioning the NUS which included the commissioning of the Strategy Advisory Committee under the

Chairmanship of one of Nigeria's leading Higher Education figure,



ES NUC, Prof. Abubakar A. Rasheed (3rd right); ES, TETfund Rep. of Special Guest of Honour, Prof. Suleiman Elias Bogoro (2nd right)
Prochancellor, Gen. (rtd) M.L. Agwai (3rd left) Esu Karu and Chancellor, Luka Panya Baba; ECWA Board of Trustees,
Rev. Stephen Panya Baba; and the Ag. VC, Prof. W. B. Qurix Procession

message he delivered at the 3rd Combined Convocation Ceremony of Bingham University, Karu, Nasarawa State last Saturday. He said the National Universities Commission has not ranked any university in Nigeria in the past 14 years, stating that the purported ranking of Nigerian Universities making rounds in the social media some of which had been attributed to the NUC should be dis-regarded forthwith until such a time when the ongoing review and an actual

needed to produce world class, modern and stable universities.

Professor Rasheed enjoined universities to embark on strategic reforms aimed at building and strengthening their institutions with some of the most viable, friendly and technologically driven ecosystem, including the appointment of men of virtue and proven character into various organs of the university. In line with that perspective.

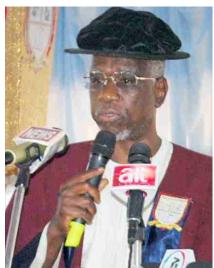
professor Peter Okebukola. Other epoch strategies included: the comprehensive review of University curricula, Benchmark Minimum Academic Standards as well as the review of the parameters which would eventually lead to an acceptable ranking regime for Nigerian Universities in line with global best practices.

The NUC Scribe recalled when Bingham University was going through some of its trying moments few months after he assumed office as Executive Secretary of the





Commission when the university was plunged into a vicious cycle of crisis to the point of near



Prof. Abubakar A. Rasheed ES, NUC

collapse of the administrative, academic and financial systems, including student unrest. As an unbiased umpire, he said the NUC was called to intervene and find lasting solution to the crisis and set the University along the path of best management practices towards notable progress and sustainable development.

Professor Rasheed also said that the commitment and determination shown by the key stakeholders, during the course of several interactions with NUC Management, has been remarkable saying the outcome of that intervention resulted to what we witness today.

He assured the Universities that NUC would continue to perform its regulatory role in ensuring the orderly development of Universities and other degree awarding institutions in Nigeria, for national development and global competitiveness in line with global best practices.

The Executive Secretary expressed his happiness that, "Bingham celebrates its 3rd Combined Convocation ceremony. This is evidence that the institution is back on track towards greater heights, pursuant to outstanding growth and development. While we are hopeful that those dark days are now in the past, I would like to encourage the University's stakeholders to work assiduously towards improving the image of the university by ensuring that there is no repeat of reputational issues that had plagued the University before now." advised strongly that all organs of the University must abide by the rules and regulations guiding university education, to ensure that the University maintains its current tempo in its quest to becoming a world class Institution while the Management must not rest on its



Stephen Panya Baba ECWA President

oars but keep up the good work, as all stakeholders have been attuned to a level of expectation.

The NUC Scribe congratulated the Board of Trustees, the Governing Council, the Ag.Vice-Chancellor and his formidable University Management Team, the academic community and indeed, all the graduands of Bingham University, on the historic occasion and enjoined the graduands who have



Gen. (rtd) M.L. Agwai

been found worthy in both character and learning by this university, to fully contribute their quota to nation building and to be good ambassadors of their Alma mater, by pursuing greatness, honor and excellence, at all times.

He wished the graduands resounding success in their professional and career pursuits and to always remember that Talent, not even the newly earned certificates, could substitute hardwork and an entrepreneurial legacy in our knowledge driven world of today. In conclusion, he thanked the University authorities for the honour done not only to

Prof. Julius Okojie, but to the entire NUC family, over his honorary doctorate degree.

The ECWA President and Chairman, Board of Trustees of the University, Rev. Stephen Panya Baba welcomed all invited guests and stated that the



Luka Panya Baba Chancellor

journey of instituting a private university posed a lot of challenges.

He mentioned that inadequate funding, staffing, student hostels, office accommodation, classrooms, laboratories, road network, security, study of the challenging issues of the university.

The Chairman of Council insisted that Bingham must grow beyond those basic challenges and overcome the problem of funding, to become a world-class university. He said the endowment fund for Bingham University has been an old project which has not been fully realized and commended the Senate for taking the initiative with a donation of one million naira (N1,000,000.00) only.

He thanked National Universities Commission, the Executive Secretary, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni, MFR, for his good advice and full cooperation to Bingham

University with regards to accreditation exercise and approval of postgraduate courses, which has made it possible for the take-off of the Post-graduate School.

Reverend Baba also immensely appreciated His Excellency,

road on which you drove into the university.

support for Bingham University.

Apart from his personal support by

being present at major functions of

the university, the State Government under his stewardship

built and equipped the world class

standard ICT Centre for the

university as well as the beautiful

Prof. Suleiman Bogoro ES, TETfund

In his speech, the pro-chancellor, General Martins Luther Agwai (rtd) mni, CFR congratulated the three awardees for being found worthy of such honours, Prof. Eyitayo Lambo - former Minister of the Federal Republic Prof. Julius Okonjie OON - former Executive Secretary of NUC and Mrs. Ruth Shehu Garba - A Proprietor and Philanthropist as well as 696 graduands of the university.

Gen. Agwai stated that the award of the honorary degrees was in line with vision of the university to recognize excellence. He said the awardees has joined the list of distinguished Nigerians conferred with the university's honorary degrees who included: General Yakubu Gowon Rtd GCFR - Former



Prof. Rasheed (2nd left) with Honourary Awardees, Prof. Julius Okojie (1st left), Prof. Eyitayo Lambo (2nd right) and Ruth Shehu Garba (1st right)

materials, discipline, health, sports facilities constituted part

Alhaji Umaru Tanko Almakura, the Executive Governor of Nasarawa State, for his untiring



Head of State Dr. Goodluck Ebele Jonathan GCFR - Former President of Nigeria General T.Y. Danjuma GCON and current ECWA President.

The pro chancellor recognized the leadership role of the university management and the contribution of ECW A sons and daughters, individually and collectively who have made notable contributions in cash and kind.

He appreciated the management, staff and students of this university under the able leadership of the Ag. Vice-Chancellor, Prof. W.B. Qurix OFR who has provided an

effective and purposeful leadership that has improved the image of this University.

class and 2 pass degree as well as other 39 unclassified degrees in medicine were graduated.

He gave progress report of his

The Vice Chancellor emphasized that if the dream of Bingham University to be a world class university would be realised, the Management must evolved a



Cross section of Visiting Vice Chancellors

administration for the last one year to include achievements in project inplimentation, creation strategic plan aimed at transforming the university into a programme specialised university with emphasis on specific programmes within the conventional setting.

In that regard, three faculties are being proposed for takeoff in 2019/2020 academic session. Architecture, Environmental Science and Education. To actualise these Prof. Qurix suggested an endowment fund to be established at the Convocation which would target provision of scholarships to students, Infrastructural Development and establishment of University ventures.

During his speech, Special Guest of Honour, Gen. T.Y. Danjuma represented by Professor Suleiman Bogoro expressed delight as an alumnus of the University having been awarded an Honorary Degree previously observed that there has been progress in the development of the University in terms of



Overall best graduating student Onyeaka Daniella with the Chancellor, Luka Panya Baba and Vice Chancellor, Prof. Qurix

In his address the Vice Chancellor, Professor William Barnabas Quirix, OFR explained that a total of 696 graduands made up of 33 first class, 299 second class upper, 278 second class lower, 45 third

of new academic programmes and units, collaborations and partnerships with external bodies as well as accreditation of academic programmes by the NUC and start off of Postgraduate school.



infrastructure and academic programme expansion.

He thanked specially the Nassarawa State Government for their remarkable contribution towards the development of the University. He commend the leadership of ECWA for taking bold steps to correct the ugly situation the University had found itself recently.

Gen. Danjuma equally congratulated the three distinguished Nigerians who have been conferred with Honorary Doctorate degrees and said the name of Professor Okojie became synonymous with Educational Development who indeed distinguished himself as an astute Educational Administrator; Professor Eyitayo Lambo a Health Economist was described as one of the best Ministers of Health the nation ever had whose tenure

was publicly the most peaceful in terms of industrial harmony in the Health sector. While Mrs. Garba's contributions through University has a great future looking at the Educational System in Nigeria today calling all wellmeaning individuals to avail their



Traditional rulers at the event

her humanitarian activities given hope to the less privileged in the society.

Gen. Danjuma was very optimistic that Bingham

support to the fund being suggested for infrastructural development as well as purchase of learning equipment, among others to build on the future of our children.



Cross section of graduands



Varsities Must Imbibe Global Best Practices —— VC MTU

The Vice Chancellor, Mountain Top University (MTU), Prof. Elijah Ayolabi, has said that imbibing the spirit of global best practices can improve the standard of education nationwide.

He made the remark during the fourth matriculation ceremony of the institution, stated that the school was envisioned as dynamic centre of excellence in the liberal tradition for the production of top rated morally sound graduates for outstanding impact on Nigeria global development.

The Professor explained that universities provide excellent facilities for the training of men and women in various academic, professional and vocational disciplines to enhance the simultaneous development of their spiritual, mental and physical faculties.

He said by "By reason of today's matriculation, you are entitled to all the rights and privileges of MTU students. Congratulations on your admission and chance of MTU as you embark on the academic journey that would define your career in life. Today's gathering is unique because it marks your official entry into this university and confers on you the full membership of this institution."

Ayolabi noted that MTU has high class facilities that could compete with other prestigious universities globally in the 21st century standards.

According to him, the university was envisioned to raise top rated morally sound graduates of distinctions who would be globally competitive for outstanding impact, not only on the Nigerian society, but engender global development.

Prof. Ayolabi charged them to key into the vision of excellence and make the most of time during their stay in the university."



Prof. Elijah Ayolabi Vice Chancellor, Mountain Top University (MTU),

The vice chancellor advised the students to study and earn a degree that would give them leverage for future career consequent of their belief in global best practices.

He counselled them that "Your studies must be given the highest attention on your scale of preference. Your lecturers and other members of staff are on ground to help you adjust to life here on campus. Do not hesitate

to seek, counsel from them if you have trouble trying to settle down, cooperate with your lecturers in any assignment given to you, as their sole aim is to give you sound education, Read the materials recommended by them, and make out time for private study. Make sure you attend, as regularly as you are expected."

Professor Ayolabi further encouraged them to take advantage of the world class facilities that the university provided and make the best out of their time. They should learn new things, acquire new knowledge, develop new skills and enhance their personal attributes in special ways that would equip them for life after graduation.

He enjoined them to remember that the journey started today must end in a successful Convocation ceremony which could only be achieved through focus, hard work and resilience. The vice chancellor reiterated that the Governing Council, Senate management and members of staff were committed to help the students settle down and achieve their expected goal.

In his earlier address the Chancellor of the university, Dr. Daniel Olukayo, said the institution was relatively new and focused, irrevocably committed to the training and education of new generation of Nigerians to be imbued with a new vision, new value system, new learning and working ethics with a resolute commitment to the norms of excellence where members of staff and students pursue their activities, assignments and responsibilities in an atmosphere of peace



Nigeria Needs Education Bank ---Ibidapo-Obe

Professor Oyewusi Ibidapo-Obe, has joined other Nigerians to urge the Federal Government to establish, as a matter of necessity, a financial institution dedicated strictly to the course of education sector in the country.

He stated this in his speech at the convocation ceremony of Crawford University, Igbesa, Ogun State, recently.

Speaking as the chairman of the governing council of the university, Ibidapo-Obe, Professor of engineering, said such bank would grant schools, especially private universities, single-digit loans to build infrastructural facilities that would boost their effectiveness and stem the high rate of educational tourism and its attendant huge capital flight from the country.

According to him, more than a trillion naira Nigerians spent to study abroad on yearly basis, and this must be drastically reduced to the barest minimum. On his part, the vice chancellor of the university, Professor Isaac Ajayi, said four things set Crawford University apart from the rest: quality service

curricular activities and moral training.

According to him, nine per cent of the total 304 graduating students from across three colleges of the



Professor Oyewusi Ibidapo-Obe,

delivery, standardised curriculum, excellence supervision and small classroom size.

He said those qualities were responsible for what he called outstanding performance of students in academic, extrauniversity had first class honours, 47 per cent made second class upper division and the rest had lower degrees.

He urged all of them to be good ambassadors of the faith-based university and agents of positive change in the society.



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Subject: Recruitment of Qualified Persons to Fill Positions at the University of the West Indies St. Augustine Campus Trinidad and Tobago

I should be grateful if the attached advertisements and further particulars could be brought to the attention of all persons likely to be interested, on behalf of The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago.

The posts to be advertised are:

1. Senior Lecturer/Lecturer in Chemical Engineering (2 Posts)

Department of Chemical Engineering Faculty of Engineering The University of the West Indies St. Augustine

2. Senior Lecturer/Lecturer in Immunology

Department of Parachemical Sciences Faculty of Medical Sciences The University of the West Indies St. Augustine

3. Senior Lecturer/Lecturer in Public Health & Primary Care Faculty of Medical Sciences

Department of Para clinical Sciences Faculty of Medical Sciences The University of the West Indies St. Augustine

4. Senior Lecturer Lecturer in Haematology

Department of Paraclinical Sciences Faculty of Medical Sciences The University of the West Indies St. Augustine

7. Computer Programmer/IT Specialist

Seismic Research Centre
The University of the West Indies
St. Augustine

In this regard, kindly note that the deadline date for submission of all applications is **13th January 2019**. Should you require further clarification please do not hesitate to contact this Mission.

Sincerely,

f/High Commissioner

5. Senior Lecturer/Lecturer in Marketing Department of Management Studies

Faculty of Social Sciences
The University of the West Indies

Ct. Association

St. Augustine

6. Lecturer/Assistant Lecturer in Removable Prosthodontics

School of Dentistry

Faculty of Medical Sciences The University of the West Indies St. Augustine







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28th August, 2018

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The above is for your information and necessary action.

With regards,

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cc: Vice-Chancellor Executive Secretary, NUC Secretary General (AVCNU)

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DISCLAIMER: L.I.F.E LEADERSHIP UNIVERSITY, BENIN CITY

L.I.F.E. Leadership University, presently situated in Benin City, Edo State, claims to be an existing private institution affiliated to Oral Roberts University, USA to run open university programmes under the umbrella of the Mutual Faith Ministries International.

Life Lerdership University, is not an approved university, licensed by the National Universities Commission to operate within the Nigerian University System. It should also be noted that Oral Roberts University, USA has not been given approval by the Commission to award degrees through affiliation arrangement with the purported L.I.F.E. Leadership University or any other University in Nigeria.

The general public is therefore hereby informed that L.I.F.E. Leadership University, its operations and its offerings in Nigeria are illegal and its purported affiliation to Oral Roberts University, USA is non-existent.

Candidates seeking admission into degree programmes purportedly on offer at the University, consequently do so at their own risk.



Approved Open Universities and Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria

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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

Eleven 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, ObafemiAwolowo 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.
- 9. Lagos State University Open and Distance Learning and Research Institute
- 10. Joseph Ayo Babalola University Centre for Distance Learning
- 11. University of Nigeria, Nsukka Centre for Distance and e-Learning







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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.

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	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 Azikwe 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 9	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	

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 Avo 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 Javis 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, Ivamho	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 Azikwe University	522	19	
10	Landmark University	724	16	
11	Lagos State University	375	16	
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28	Kings University	50	1	
29	Federal University of Technology, Minna	41	0	
30	Modibbo Adama University of Technology	32	O	
31	McPherson University	15	O	
32	Federal University, Kashere	13	0	
33	Ekiti State University	9	0	
34	Salem University	7	D	
35	Edwin Clark University	2	0	

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Executive Secretary

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 Chairmandesignate. 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.

Executive Secretary

All correspondence should be addressed to the Executive Secretary





NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

RE: MORATORIUM ON PART-TIME PROGRAMMES

he 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. Moddibbo 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 Uyo7. University of Jos
- University of Jos
 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, Eboyi 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
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- 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



IST OF APPROVED UNIVERSITIES IN NIGERIA

		FED)E	RAL UNIVER	RSIT	Ш	S	
S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	University of Ibadan, Ibadan	1948	16	Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola	1981	31	Federal University, Wukari, Taraba State	2011
2	University of Nigeria, Nsukka	1960	17	Federal University of Technology, Minna	1982	32	Katsina State	2011
3	Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife	1962	18	Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna	1985	33	Federal University, Dutse, Jigawa State	2011
4	Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria	1962	19	University of Abuja, Abuja	1988	34	Federal University, Ndufu- Alike, Ebonyi State	2011
5	University of Lagos, Lagos	1962	20	Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi	1988	35	Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2011
6	University of Benin, Benin City	1970	21	University of Agriculture, Makurdi	1988	36	Federal University, Otuoke, Bayelsa	2011
7	Bayero University, Kano	1975	22	Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta	1988	37	The Nigeria Police Academy, Wudil, Kano State	2012
8	University of Calabar, Calabar	1975	23	University of Uyo, Uyo	1991	38	Federal University, Birnin- Kebbi, Kebbi	2013
9	University of Ilorin, Ilorin	1975	24	Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka	1992	39	Federal University, Gusau, Zamfara	2013
10	University of Jos, Jos	1975	25	Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike	1992	40	Federal University, Gashua, Yobe	2013
11	University of Maiduguri, Maiduguri	1975	26	National Open University of Nigeria, Lagos	2002	41	Nigeria Maritine University Okerenkoko, Delta State	2018
12	Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto	1975	27	Fed. Univ. of Petroleum Resources, Effurun	2007	42	Air Force Institute of Technology, Kaduna	2018
13	University of Port-Harcourt, Port-Harcourt	1975	28	Federal University, Lokoja, Kogi State	2011	43	Nigerian Army University, Biu	2018
14	Federal University of Tech- nology, Owerri	1980	29	Federal University, Lafia, Nasarawa State	2011			
15	Federal University of Technology, Akure	1981	30	Federal University, Kashere, Gombe State	2011			

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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,	2012
7	Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos	1983	23	Plateau State University, Bokkos	2005	39	Ibadan. Sule Lamido University,	2013
8	Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomoso	1990	24	Ondo State University of Technology, Okiti Pupa.	2008		Kafin Hausa Ondo State University of	2015
9	Imo State University, Owerri	1992	25	Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai, Niger State	2005	40	Medical Sciences	2013
10	Benue State University, Makurdi	1992	26	Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun	2005	41	Edo University, Iyamho	2016
11	Delta State University, Abraka	1992	27	Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina	2006	42	Eastern Palm University, Ogboko	2016
12	Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba - Akoko	1999	28	Yobe State University Damaturu, Yobe State	2006	43	University of Africa, Toru-Orua	2016
13	Kogi State University, Anyigba	1999	29	Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Aliero	2006	44	Borno State University	2016
14	Niger-Delta University, Yenagoa	2000	30	Osun State University, Osogbo	2006	45	Moshood Abiola University of Science and Technology, Abeokuta	2017
15	Odumegwu Ojukwu University Uli	2000	31	Taraba State University, Jalingo	2008	46	Gombe State University of Science and Technology, Kumo	2017
	Kano University of Science & Technology, Wudil	2000	32	Kwara State University, Ilorin	2009	47	Zamfara State University, Talata-Mafara	2018



LIST OF APPROVED UNIVERSITIES IN NIGERIA

	PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES								
S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	
1	Babcock University, Ilishan Remo	1999	27	Salem University, Lokoja	2007	53	Hallmark University, Ijebu, Itele, Ogun State	2015	
2	Madonna University, Okija	1999	28	Tansian University, Umunya, Anambra State	2007	54	Kings University, Ode Omu, Osun State	2015	
3	Igbinedion University, Okada	1999	29	Veritas University, Abuja	2007	55	Michael and Cecilia Ibru Uni., Owhrode, Delta State	2015	
4	Bowen University, Iwo	2001	30	Wesley University of Science & Technology, Ondo	2007	56	Mountain Top University, Ogun State	2015	
5	Covenant University, Ota	2002	31	Western Delta University, Oghara, Delta State	2007	57	Ritman University, Ikot Ekpene, Akwa Ibom State	2015	
6	Pan-Atlantic University, Lagos	2002	32	The Achievers University, Owo	2007	58	Summit University, Offa, Kwara State	2015	
7	Benson Idahosa University, Benin City	2002	33	African University of Science & Technology, Abuja	2007	59	Edwin Clark University, Kiagbodo, Delta State	2015	
8	American University of Nigeria, Yola	2003	34	Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2009	60	Hezekiah University, Umudi, Imo State	2015	
9	Redeemers University, Ede, Osun State	2005	35	Godfrey Okoye University, Ugwuomu-Nike, Enugu State	2009	61	Anchor University, Ayobo, Lagos State	2016	
10	Ajayi Crowther University, Oyo	2005	36	Nile University of Nigeria, Abuja	2009	62	Arthur Jarvis University, Akpabuyo, Cross River State	2016	
11	Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin	2005	37	Oduduwa University, Ipetumodu, Osun State	2009	63	Clifford University, Owerrinta, Abia State Coal City University, Enugu.	2016	
12	Caritas University, Amorji- Nke, Enugu	2005	38	Paul University, Awka, Anambra State	2009	64	Coal City University, Enugu, Enugu State Crown Hill University,	2016	
13		2005	39	Rhema University, Obeama- Asa, Rivers State	2009	66	Eiyenkorin, Kwara State Dominican University,	2016	
14	Al-Qalam University, Katsina	2005	40	Wellspring University, Evbuobanosa, Edo State	2009	67	Ibadan, Oyo State Koladaisi University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016	
15	Renaissance University, Enugu	2005	41	Adeleke University, Ede, Osun State	2011	68	Legacy University, Okija, Anambra State	2016	
16	Bells University of Tech, Ota, Ogun State	2005	42	Baze University, Abuja	2011	69	Admiralty University, Ibusa, Delta State	2017	
17	Lead City University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2005	43	Landmark University, Omu- Aran, Kwara State	2011	70	Spiritan University, Nneochi, Abia State	2017	
18	Crawford University, Igbesa, Ogun State	2005	44	Samuel Adegboyega University, Ogwa, Edo State	2011	71	Precious Cornerstone University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2017	
19	Kwararafa University, Wukari (formerly Wukari Jubilee Uni.)	2005	45	Elizade University, Ilara- Mokin, Ondo State	2012	72	PAMO University of Medical Sciences, Portharcourt, River State	2017	
20	Crescent University, Abeokuta	2005	46	Evangel University, Akaeze, Ebonyi State	2012	73	Atiba University, Oyo, Oyo State	2017	
21	Novena University, Ogume, Delta State	2005	47	Gregory University, Uturu, Abia State	2012	74	Eko University of Medical Sciences, Ijanikin, Lagos State	2017	
22	University of Mkar, Mkar	2005	48	McPherson University, Seriki Sotayo, Ajebo, Ogun State	2012	75	Skyline University, Nigeria Kano State	2018	
23	Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State	2006	49	Southwestern University, Okun Owa, Ogun State	2012	76	Greenland University, Kasarami Kaduna State	2019	
24	Caleb University, Lagos	2007	50	Augustine, University, Ilara, Lagos State	2015	77	Dominion University, Ibadan Oyo State	2019	
25	Fountain University, Osogbo	2007	51	Chrisland University, Owode, Ogun State	2015	78	Trinity University, Laloko Ogun State	2019	
26	Obong University, Obong Ntak	2007	52	Christopher University, Mowe, Ogun State	2015	79	Westland University, Iwo Osun State	2019	





List of Universities with Approved Postgraduate Programmes

The National Universities Commission (NUC) has observed with great concern that some Nigerian universities are running unapproved postgraduate programmes, leading to the award of Masters and PhD degrees. The Commission has also observed that some Parastatals and Institutes are awarding these same Postgraduate degrees, either on their own or through unapproved affiliations with Nigerian and foreign Universities. Such practices are not only unethical, but also antithetical to time-tested quality assurance best practices. The qualifications/awards resulting therefrom are not recognized. The Commission hereby notifies the general public that only the following universities have approval to offer postgraduate programmes at the Masters' and Ph.D levels in Nigeria, as of 30th July, 2012:

Federal Universities:

- 1. Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi
- 2. Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria
- 3. Bayero University, Kano
- 4. Federal University of Technology, Akure
- 5. Federal University of Technology, Minna
- 6. Federal University of Technology, Owerri
- 7. Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike
- 8. Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola
- 9. National Open University of Nigeria, Lagos.
- 10. Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna
- 11. Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka
- 12. Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife
- 13. University of Abuja, Gwagwalada

- 14. University of Agriculture, Abeokuta
- 15. University of Agriculture, Makurdi
- 16. University of Benin, Benin City
- 17. University of Calabar, Calabar
- 18. University of Ibadan, Ibadan
- 19. University of Ilorin, Ilorin
- 20. University of Jos, Jos
- 21. University of Lagos, Akoka
- 22. University of Maiduguri, Maiduguri
- 23. University of Nigeria, Nsukka
- 24. University of Port Harcourt, Port Harcourt
- 25. University of Uyo, Uyo
- 26. Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto

State Universities:

- 1. Abia State University, Uturu
- 2. Adamawa State University, Mubi
- 3. Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba-Akoko
- 4. Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma
- 5. Anambra State University, Uli
- 6. Benue State University, Makurdi
- 7. Cross River University of Technology, Calabar
- 8. Delta State University, Abraka
- 9. Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki
- 10. Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti
- 11. Enugu State University of Science and Technology, Enugu
- 12. Imo State University, Owerri
- 13. Kogi State University, Anyigba

- 14. Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomoso
- 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, Iwo6. 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
- Intensive review/analysis of documents by experts in relevant NUC departments
- Revision of documents by proprietors, based on report of SCOPU

- 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

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

- University of Accountancy and Management Studies, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 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
- United Christian University, Macotis Campus, Imo State or any of its other campuses.
- United Nigeria University College, Okija, Anambra State or any of its other campuses.
- Samuel Ahmadu University, Makurdi, Benue State or any of its other campuses.
- 12) UNESCO University, Ndoni, Rivers State or any of its other
- 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.
- Lobi Business School Makurdi, Benue State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 21) West African Christian University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- Bolta University College Aba or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
 JBC Seminary Inc. (Wukari Jubilee University) Kaduna Illegal
- 23) JBC Seminary Inc. (Wukari Jubilee University) Kaduna Illega Campus
- 24) Westlan University, Esie, Kwara State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 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
- Concept College/Universities (London) Ilorin or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- Halifax Gateway University, Ikeja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 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) 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, Lafía, 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.
- 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.

- 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.
- 9) L.I.F.E Leadership University, Benin City, Edo State.

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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BLESSING	NNEKA	EDOMA	26 January
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Wishing You Many happy returns! Best Wishes for the week.



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