

NUC, Major Shareholder in NUPEMCO — Prof. Rasheed

The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, MFR, FNAL, has said that with NUC's investment of Fifty Million Naira in the Nigeria University Pension Management Company (NUPEMCO), it was an important shareholder in the pension body.

In his address at the maiden consultative meeting of NUPEMCO Shareholders and Stakeholders, held last Wednesday, at the NUC conference room, Professor Rasheed expressed delight that the universities were responding to the call for investment and ownership of NUPEMCO.

While lamenting that the numbers were still low, the Executive Secretary acknowledged that when others see the seriousness of

NUPEMCO, as a viable Pension Fund Administrator (PFA) they would have no choice but to join.

He said NUC had invested an

transparency, probity and accountability for the sake of the shareholders.

He disclosed that the Commission



R-L: Executive Secretary, NUC, Prof. Abubakar A. Rasheed; Chairman, Board of NUPEMCO, Dr. Oladipo Fasina and the Ag. MD. of the Company, Mrs. Oluwakemi Ugwu

initial sum of fifty million naira and shall invest more capital at some other opportuned time, emphasising however, that the Commission would demand for

had been advising the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB); Polytechnics and other related bodies to become shareholders in NUPEMCO.

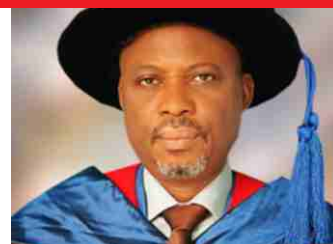
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He observed that if NUPEMCO became well-managed and coordinated, success was already awaiting the pension company as it would likely inherit over 200,000 staff presently in the academia, consisting of both, academic and non-academic staff. "With this structure in place, NUPEMCO would surely grow and make more money."

NUPEMCO, the Executive Secretary stressed, remained the property of all the stakeholders, reiterating that NUC would

given a fair knowledge of the amount they have invested so far.

The NUC scribe advised NUPEMCO not to expand unnecessarily with too many branches and offices, but to keep things as simple as possible for efficiency purposes.

He said consent form should be given to people or institutions to complete without forcing it on them and that NUPEMCO should ensure that retirees start receiving their pension immediately after retirement.

twice a year, where the investors could have opportunity to brainstorm.

He commended the National Association of Academic Technologies (NAAT), whom, he recognised, as closest to the academics as well as ASUU, Non-Academic Staff Union (NASU), Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund) and the management of NUPEMCO, for the success of the meeting.

He urged NUPEMCO to put in a functional system that would work



L-R: VC, Abeukuta, Prof. Felix Salako; ASUU President, Prof. Biodun Ogunyemi; VC, FUT Minna, Prof. Abdullahi Bala and VC, UNIUYO, Prof. Enefiok Essien at the stakeholders meeting

make sure that the entire universities in Nigeria invest in it.

He also expressed his satisfaction that the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU) was the principal partner, being the owners of the majority shareholding.

While advocating for transparency in the company, Professor Rasheed reiterated that every shareholder must be

In the present Federal Government's pension structure, he stated that many pensioners die awaiting their payment due to the cumbersome process, saying that such prompt payment would make NUPEMCO more attracting to the stakeholders.

Professor Rasheed thanked the Universities' Vice Chancellors present and those who sent their representatives, advocating also that the shareholders and stakeholders meeting be held

and told the management not to be discouraged as he believed that the body had come to stay and outlive the founders.

Chairman of NUPEMCO Board, Dr. Oladipo Fasina said that the pension company had to overcome a lot of challenges and difficulties, including recognition by the universities over a long period before its eventual registration. One of such was the tasks of convincing the Universities' Vice





Chancellors that NUPEMCO was here to stay.

It was also a huge task on the path of the VC's to convince their staff of the advantages and potentials as well as inherent benefits derivable from joining the pension company.

The Acting Managing Director of NUPEMCO, Mrs. Oluwakemi, said that the reason for the meeting was to enlighten the shareholders and stakeholders on what they stand to gain, by being members of NUPEMCO. She listed some of these advantages to include: creating an improved work

She assured shareholders that activities of NUPEMCO shall remain transparent, while excellence and dedication will be its watchword. She, however, noted that the pension body had proposed to have offices in; Awka, Lagos, Ibadan, Gombe, Port-Harcourt and Kano, for ease of its business.

In her words "We want to be the PFA of choice, the PFA to associate with". Reacting to the Executive Secretary's request, the management of NUPEMCO listed the names of Institutions and the amount they had invested so far. These include: University of Ilorin, N25million;

University Kano, N10million; National Open University of Nigeria, N10million; Obafemi Awolowo University, N10million and University of Uyo, N10million.

Others are NUC, N50million; ASUU, N474million; TETFund, N200million; NASU, N40million; Ahmadu Bello University, N10million; Benue State University, N10million; Michael Opara University of Agriculture, N10million and Federal University of Technology Akure, N10million.

Present at the meeting were the Deputy Executive Secretary (DES), Barr. Victor Onuoha;



The consultative meeting in session

environment; participating shareholders being part of the decision making body; NUPEMCO members being shareholders and enjoying after retirement their benefits.

University of Nigeria Nsukka, N20million; Ebonyi State University, N15million; University of Jos, N10million; University of Ibadan, N10million; University of Abuja, N10million; Bayero

Directors of Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. Christopher Maiyaki; Inspection and Monitoring (DIM), Mr. Boniface Odum, some Vice Chancellors and other stakeholders.



Amended ACT Guarantees NYSC, Law School For NOUN Graduates

— *Prof. AbdAllah*

The Vice-Chancellor of the National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN) Professor Abdalla Uba Adamu has disclosed that President Muhammadu Buhari had assented to NOUN Amendment Act which in every capacity would enable graduates to participate in the mandatory one-year National Youth Service Corp (NYSC) Scheme and also attend the Nigerian Law School. He made the disclosure in his remarks last Wednesday during the 13th Inaugural Lecture of the University titled “That All May Eat”, delivered by Distinguished Professor Okagbare.

He stated by this Presidential assent to the NOUN Amendment Act, all barriers were now eliminated which meant that the Open University was now at par with every other Universities’ Act in the country.

The implication, he said, enthusiastically was that the old perception people had on NOUN that it operated on part -time basis or by correspondences was gone. He explained that right from its inception in 1983; it had never been a part-time institution or offered knowledge by correspondence. It was all a figment of the peoples’ perception, he reiterated.

He pointed out that between 1983 and 2003, a new narrative entered into the educational debate in Africa and that was the Open and Distant Learning

(ODL). By 2003 people had begun to realise that ODL was different from correspondence.

According to Professor Abdalla correspondence education referred to when one sit at home



Prof. AbdAllah Uba Adamu
Vice-chancellor, NOUN

and lectures are brought to you by radio or sent to you, in this case there is no contact with the University. In ODL, he said, study centers are created, with study materials provided to the students in the centers, while the students engage with facilitators.

He said that one of NOUN’s conditions for the operation to open a study centre anywhere include the existence of a facility room, where students could engage with a facilitator.

He said that by the time ODL

became part of the narrative, the Open University of Nigeria made sure that its Law Programme were amended to reflect ODL and online. With the President’s

assent, it meant that the institution operated like any other University, he added.

He stressed that Law School prevented students from studying Law at NOUN because they were under the impression that NOUN was a part- time institution and their (law school) rules and regulations do not allow part-time students.

The Vice-Chancellor of NOUN said that with the changes, the school was now entering into negotiation with the authorities of Law School to know what to do and was willing to accept whatever conditions the Law School would provide.

He lamented that most of the northern states were lagging behind in ODL. He said that if one pick up the northern states with the number of students they have in 2019, one would find out that they are not up to student population in south west alone. So, the total number of students from south-west was more than the number of students from the entire northern states.

He said part of the reason was lack of awareness on what NOUN was all about but, noted that with the





movement of the headquarters of the university from Lagos to Abuja, and with greater advocacy by northern study centre directors, the Open University had been getting more students from that region.

He believed that by January next year NOUN would start a number of programmes that would attract a lot of people from the North.

Professor Abdalla said that NOUN was going to establish a study centre in Niamey, Niger Republic, as they had Nigeriens, who were interested in Mass Communication, Arabic and Hausa Languages.

He also said on the issue concerning the NYSC, NOUN was trying to reach out to the Corp Management to ask them

for the way forward.

The Don revealed that NOUN had so far graduated 58,000 students since the school started without these students embarking on the youth service scheme. Ordinarily, he said, these numbers would overload the system but luckily, that not all of them were qualified because of being older than 30 years.

Start On Strong ICT Foundation

— Prof. Rasheed Advises BSU

The Executive Secretary has charged the Management of the Borno State University on the need for Academic Discipline and laying a solid foundation for academic success.

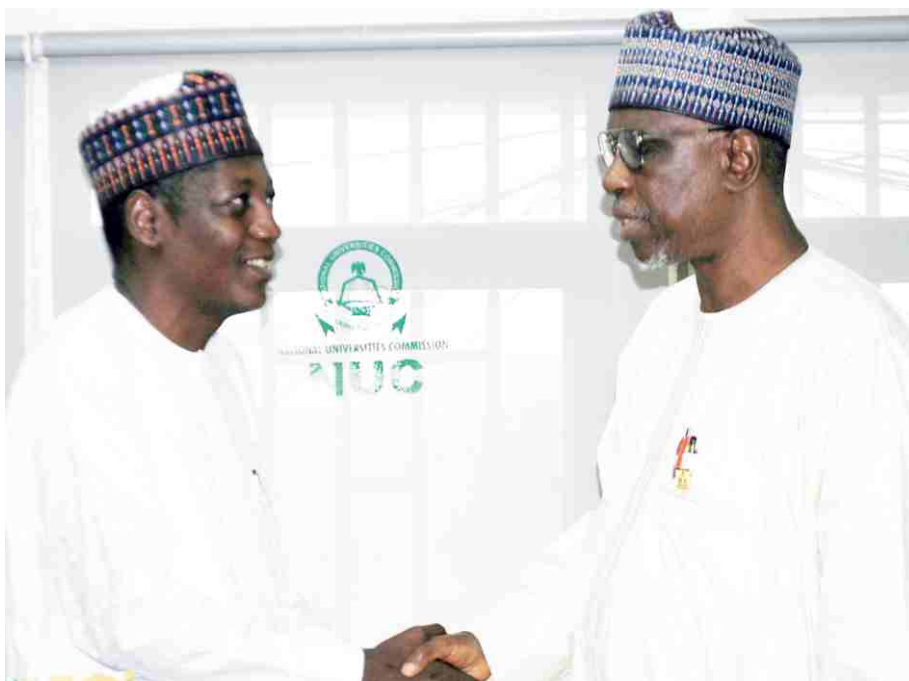
Speaking during a courtesy call by the management of the university, Prof. Rasheed reminded the Vice-Chancellor and his team that as the one of the most recently founded Universities – specifically the 44th of the 48 State universities in Nigeria, they ought to start on a very strong ICT Foundation.

He said that the NUC, had noted that the university has put in place facilities sufficient of commencement of academic activities in five (5) faculties.

He urged the university to make the request to the commission for resource verification and the

attendant permission to commence academic activities in the facilities. When this process is complete, the NUC

concluded by the last week of September so that ab initio, the university could commence



Prof. Abubakar A. Rasheed with the Vice-chancellor Borno State University, Prof. Umar Kyari

shall then inform JAMB of the University's readiness to take on students for academic

He encouraged the university to ensure that admissions were

running a stable academic calendar.

He also encouraged them to a culture of consistency which





would help in building a strong positive reputation for the university as a stable academic environment.

Prof. Rasheed noted that being a young university, the university would not have to deal with university trade unions for the first few years of their commencement and encouraged them to therefore take advantage of these unencumbered years to forge a strong tradition of stability, discipline and academic excellence.

He reminded the university of the enormous goodwill pledged by the State towards the university and the interventions that would come its way from the Tertiary Education Trust Fund and warned that this goodwill must not be squandered or taken for granted. He urged the management to eschew any bad habits and

systems learnt from older universities in the country and only march forward with sound academic traditions, proven good strategies and systems that will ensure that they are a contemporary world class education to which many would aspire for education.

The Executive Secretary urged that strong systems must be set up for the statutory academic processes - ranging from admissions, matriculations, examinations and convocations and encouraged the University to serve its host community well and ensure a harmonious relationship between town and gown.

He however cautioned against undue political interference and advised that all stakeholders must be made aware of the guiding principles of the university so that Management would not have to deal with

difficult requests from stakeholders.

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Umar Kyari Sandabe thanked the Executive Secretary for his words of advice and his demonstrated interest in the welfare of the young university.

He informed the Executive Secretary that the Management recognize the central role of the NUC in the life of the university and had therefore made the decision to come and acquaint themselves with the commission and other relevant education parastatals with whom the university would be interacting.

He requested the support of the National Universities Commission particularly during these early days of the university's life pledging to abide by the guidelines and regulations of the Commission.



Profs. Rasheed and Kyari (6th and 7th R) in a group photo with the University's delegation



106 Bag First Class, as UNIPORT Graduates 9,452

No fewer than 106 graduands bagged first class as the University of Port Harcourt (UNIPORT) recently graduated 9, 452 students during its 32nd Convocation Ceremony. The graduands are for the combined 2016/2017 and 2017/2018 academic sessions.

The University also reaffirmed its policies of “no payment of charges, “no examination” and zero tolerance for cultism and examination malpractices.

Addressing Journalists in Port Harcourt as part of activities marking the convocation ceremony, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Ndowa Lale said 4,681 graduates received higher degrees from the School of Graduate Studies for the two sessions, while a total of 4, 771 are for the undergraduate category with 3,205 for the 2016/2017 and 1,556 for the 2017/2018 session.

On the payment of university charges, Professor Lale stated that there was nowhere in the world where universities run on credit or are free.

He regretted that parents pay exorbitant fees for nursery, primary and post-primary education but raise eyebrows to meagre charges in the universities, yet they expect high standards.

“I have seen parents that pay

more than N2million for their children in private secondary schools, but when it comes to UNIPORT, they quarrel with the payment of N45,000. That was wickedness. Yet when you go to Ghana, more than 70 per cent of foreign students are Nigerians and they pay much higher fees in dollars.

“To make it easy, we have even asked the students to pay N22,



Prof. Ndowa Lale
Vice-chancellor, UNIPORT

500 in the first semester and pay the balance in the next semester, yet they are complaining. “

He also stated that even when some parents give monies to their children to pay their fees, the students use the funds for frivolities only to claim one excuse or the other.

He also noted that the university

gives students more than six months to pay the fees but they would rather wait till the last day and claim there was congestion in the banks and that was why they could not pay their fees.

“So we stand by the policy of no payment of charges, no examination' but it is not to victimise any student. We are doing our best to provide the students and lecturers the best facilities and these things cost money,” he stated.

He recalled that some students took the university to court some years ago over the policy, but the students lost the legal battle.

“I am glad to report that despite the initial setback, management of the university recently floored these misguided students in their own case against us.

“Unfortunately, these students have merely wasted their time and delayed their career progression on the misguided advice of their 'godfathers' and 'patron saints' who have now abandoned them to their fate. It is my hope that students will confine themselves to the main reason they are here and play by the rules.”

He however said the university would pardon the affected students if they come back to complete their programmes and abide by the rules of the institution.



UNIOSUN Partners African Varsities on Data Usage for Research Reproduction

Osun State University (UniOsun), in partnership with the Association of African Universities (AAU), has initiated a research model on how African universities can use 'stata' to do analysis on reproduction of research.

The initiative was discussed at the second research/training and Skills for Reproduction of Research Findings Using Stata,' held at MicCom Golf and Hotel, Ada, Osun State.

Speaking at the event, the Project Officer for AAU, Mr. Samuel Nyarko Agyapong said the workshop was aimed at training the next generation of African researchers on data analysis tools and practices to enhance the transparency and openness of research.

He explained that the focus of the workshop was to make participants gain basic understanding and skills in analysing research data in a reproducible manner.

In his remarks, the Vice-

Chancellor of UNIOSUN, Professor Labode Popoola said the most pressing problem facing the world today is the increasing complex approach to research.



Professor Labode Popoola
Vice-Chancellor of UNIOSUN

He said some of the factors responsible for lack of global recognition for African research are low research quality, lack of appreciation of data manipulation, among others.

“Exchanging data and other research outputs among researchers could open up new avenue for discovery and innovation that might never

have been anticipated by the original data generators. Also, access to the data underlying research findings is critical to ensure that these claims can be scrutinised and reproduced.

“Additionally, it is no longer news that most African researchers still face difficulties in publishing their research findings. Among other factors, these difficulties could be attributed to the lack of research quality, poor data, lack of appreciation of the data manipulation process and lack of research integrity.

“I believe this workshop is poised to address some of these important research challenges for improved research quality, integrity and output on the African continent.

“Osun State University is committed to high quality research and we are glad to work with the Association of African Universities in relevant capacity building,” he submitted.



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NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

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 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, 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.
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



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.

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1. Crescent University, Abeokuta, Ogun State
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6. Benson Idahosa University, Benin – City, Edo State
7. Wesley University of Science and Technology, Ondo, Ondo State
8. Fountain University, Osogbo

Dr. Gidado Kumo

Director, Academic Planning

For: Executive Secretary

GUIDELINES ON PART-TIME AND SANDWICH PROGRAMMES IN NIGERIAN UNIVERSITIES

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

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

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

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

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

Signed

Management

LIST OF APPROVED UNIVERSITIES IN NIGERIA

FEDERAL UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	University of Ibadan, Ibadan	1948	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	Federal University, Dutsin-Ma, 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 Maritime 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 Technology, Owerri	1980	29	Federal University, Lafia, Nasarawa State	2011			
15	Federal University of Technology, Akure	1981	30	Federal University, Kashere, Gombe 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	18	Nasarawa State University, Keffi	2002	35	Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rumuolumeni	2010
2	Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma	1980	19	Adamawa State University, Mubi	2002	36	Bauchi State University, Gadau	2011
3	Abia State University, Uturu	1981	20	Gombe State University, Gombe	2004	37	Maitama Sule University, Kano	2012
4	Enugu State University of Science & Tech, Enugu	1982	21	Kaduna State University, Kaduna	2004	38	The Technical University, Ibadan.	2012
5	Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye	1982	22	Cross River University of Technology, Calabar	2004	39	Sule Lamido University, Kafin Hausa	2013
6	Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti (formerly University of Ado-Ekiti)	1982	23	Plateau State University, Bokkos	2005	40	Ondo State University of Medical Sciences	2015
7	Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos	1983	24	Ondo State University of Technology, Okiti Pupa.	2008	41	Edo University, Iyamho	2016
8	Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomosho	1990	25	Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai, Niger State	2005	42	Eastern Palm University, Ogboko	2016
9	Imo State University, Owerri	1992	26	Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun	2005	43	University of Africa, Toru-Orua	2016
10	Benue State University, Makurdi	1992	27	Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina	2006	44	Borno State University	2016
11	Delta State University, Abraka	1992	28	Yobe State University Damaturu, Yobe State	2006	45	Moshood Abiola University of Science and Technology, Abeokuta	2017
12	Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba - Akoko	1999	29	Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Aliero	2006	46	Gombe State University of Science and Technology, Kumo	2017
13	Kogi State University, Anyigba	1999	30	Osun State University, Osogbo	2006	47	Zamfara State University, Talata-Mafara	2018
14	Niger-Delta University, Yenagoa	2000	31	Taraba State University, Jalingo	2008	48	Bayelsa Medical University Yenagoa, Bayelsa State	2019
15	Odumegwu Ojukwu University Uli	2000	32	Kwara State University, Ilorin	2009			
16	Kano University of Science & Technology, Wudil	2000	33	Sokoto State University, Sokoto	2009			
17	Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki	2000	34	Akwa Ibom State University, Ikot Ikpaden	2010			





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., Owrode, 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, Owerri, Abia State	2016
12	Caritas University, Amorji-Nke, Enugu	2005	38	Paul University, Awka, Anambra State	2009	64	Coal City University, Enugu, Enugu State	2016
13	Bingham University, Auta-Balefi, Karu, Nasarawa State	2005	39	Rhema University, Obeama-Asa, Rivers State	2009	65	Crown Hill University, Eiyenkorin, Kwara State	2016
14	Al-Qalam University, Katsina	2005	40	Wellspring University, Evbuobanosa, Edo State	2009	66	Dominican University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016
15	Renaissance University, Enugu	2005	41	Adeleke University, Ede, Osun State	2011	67	Koladaisi University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016
16	Bells University of Tech, Ota, Ogun State	2005	42	Baze University, Abuja	2011	68	Legacy University, Okija, Anambra State	2016
17	Lead City University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2005	43	Landmark University, Omu-Aran, Kwara State	2011	69	Admiralty University, Ibusa, Delta State	2017
18	Crawford University, Igbesa, Ogun State	2005	44	Samuel Adegboyega University, Ogwa, Edo State	2011	70	Spiritan University, Nneochi, Abia State	2017
19	Kwararafa University, Wukari (formerly Wukari Jubilee Uni.)	2005	45	Elizade University, Ilara-Mokin, Ondo State	2012	71	Precious Cornerstone University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2017
20	Crescent University, Abeokuta	2005	46	Evangel University, Akaeze, Ebonyi State	2012	72	PAMO University of Medical Sciences, Portharcourt, Rivers State	2017
21	Novena University, Ogume, Delta State	2005	47	Gregory University, Uturu, Abia State	2012	73	Atiba University, Oyo, Oyo State	2017
22	University of Mkar, Mkar	2005	48	McPherson University, Seriki Sotayo, Ajebo, Ogun State	2012	74	Eko University of Medical Sciences, Ijanikin, Lagos State	2017
23	Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State	2006	49	Southwestern University, Okun Owa, Ogun State	2012	75	Skyline University, Nigeria Kano State	2018
24	Caleb University, Lagos	2007	50	Augustine University, Ilara, Lagos State	2015	76	Greenfield University, Kasarami Kaduna State	2019
25	Fountain University, Osogbo	2007	51	Chrisland University, Owode, Ogun State	2015	77	Dominion University, Ibadan Oyo State	2019
26	Obong University, Obong Ntak	2007	52	Christopher University, Mowe, Ogun State	2015	78	Trinity University, Laloko Ogun State	2019
						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
27. Federal University, Lafia
28. Federal University, Dutse
29. Federal University of Petroleum Resources, Effurun

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
26. Bauchi State University, Gadau
27. Yobe State University, Damaturu
28. Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rumuolumeni

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, Uguwuomu-Nike, Enugu State
19. Adeleke University, Ede

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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Executive Secretary, NUC
Announcer





NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION **PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT**

List of Illegal Universities Closed Down by NUC

The National Universities Commission (NUC) wishes to announce to the general public, especially parents and prospective undergraduates, that the under-listed “Degree Mills” have not been licensed by the Federal Government and have, therefore, been closed down for violating the Education (National Minimum Standards etc.) Act CAPE 3 Law of the Federation of Nigeria 2004. The “Universities” are:

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



NAMES			DATE OF BIRTH
UGWUANYA	VICTOR	ONUOHA	8 April
TEMITOPE	CHRISTIANA	OLAOYE	9 April
PASCAL	AIDOGHEDA	ERUAGA	10 April
OGWU		OKOLO	10 April
ODEGUA	FLORA	ONI	10 April
GABRIEL	TIJANI	SALIFU	10 April
PETER	OTAMERE	TOBRISE	11 April
IDACHUMA	SAMUEL	ATOKALA	11 April
HAUWA		AMOS	12 April
TREASURE	AGBENU	OSAKWE	12 April
SALIHU	AZARE	MUSTAPHA	12 April
CHIANU	AKA	EDEMODO	12 April
ALEX	TERUNGWA	UVAH	13 April
MARGARET	AHUOIZA	OYEDELE	14 April
MUNET	MARY	IBADIN	14 April
ROSEMARY	EGO	ALU	14 April
DANIEL	OJO	AYENI	14 April
OCHUDO	AGBENU	AYI	14 April
SUNDAY	EMMANUEL	YAKUBU	14 April

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



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