

NUS Must Build Credible Research Culture Now

— Prof. Rasheed

The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, MFR, FNAL, has said, the time to build a credible research culture in Nigerian universities has come, if the nation must move forward on the path of development and progress.

He stated this at an interactive meeting with Directors of Research and Innovations of Nigerian Universities, held last Thursday at the Commission's Conference Room.

Professor Rasheed noted that the focus had always been on teaching by the universities, stressing that while research brings development and progress the world over, it was deplorable that this research culture had not been very much in place in the country's higher institutions.

He said that steps must be taken by these key players of Research

in the nation's higher institutions to make research a priority in their various institutions. He added that universities must be in the lead to create a robust research system by

According to Professor Rasheed, University Professors must take advantage of research grants available all over the world. He said proposals should be written to



Executive Secretary, NUC, Prof. Abubakar A. Rasheed and Pro-chancellor, Federal University, Lokoja, Prof. Nimi Briggs

collaborating with the industries. He remarked that, in every ramification, the universities must shake hands with the industries in order to make the nation a hub for development.

various research agencies that exist, who made themselves available to invest in productive and cutting-edge research efforts.

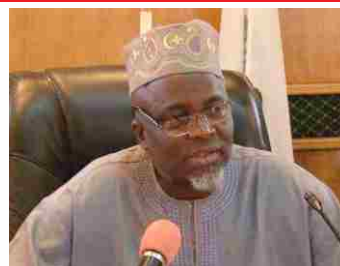
While lamenting poor funding and

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low morale as the bane of research in higher institutions, he reminded the participants that this interactive session was meant to address the research challenges prevalent in Nigeria.

He said NUC could only play the role of a facilitator, while the onus rest on the universities to do the needful arguing that without their interest in research nothing would happen. The Executive Secretary, however, expressed confidence that at the end of the day the interactive session would chart a new pathway towards resolving the challenges of research in Nigeria universities.

In his remarks, Head, Human Capital Commission of Nigeria Economic Summit Group (NESG), Mr. Tope Toogun, said

major factor in promoting our economy. The Ivory Tower, he said, should be at the fore front of this knowledge agenda.

He promised that NESG would mobilize the entire private sectors concerning research work in the higher institutions. He agreed with Professor Rasheed that more handshakes were needed between the industry, academia and government. He also requested that whenever the universities applied and get the research grants, the industries should be invited for a more meaningful partnership.

Former Executive Secretary NUC and Keynote Speaker, Professor Peter Okebukola, who spoke on the topic “Bolstering Research Impact and Relevance through Systemic Research Governance in

2019, acknowledging that TETFund made this possible because of timely release of funds.

He identified some of the challenges facing research to include; weak international collaboration; capacity deficit of research; compromised research integrity; inadequacies in research infrastructure and research for promotion only.

Professor Okebukola made some recommendations for NUC on promotion of a good research saying that NUC must establish a research capacity enhancement project to be funded by TETFund; NUC to request all universities to submit their research policies by September, 2019; NUC to publish annual research report for the Nigerian University System from



L-R: Head, Human Capital Commission, NESG, Mr. Tope Toogun; Board Chairman, NOUN, Prof. Peter Okebukola; Executive Secretary, TETFund, Prof. Suleiman Bogoro

that NESG was delighted to be associated with NUC and Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund). According to him, research and innovation was crucial and matters a lot in today's world, explaining that knowledge was important and a

Nigerian Universities”, said that research contributed to the growth of the society. This he said, impacted on teaching and learning in our environment. Nigeria universities, according to him, had recorded 20% improvement in research work between 2016 and

2019 with chapters for all universities; NUC should be encouraged to publish annually their research themes. NUC to strengthen NURESDEF and to encourage institutions; to bolster research governance;



At each universities' level faculties and department should establish research governance units at the central faculty and departmental level; each university should encourage the setting of a college of Professors that would offer advisory services to the institution (NUS) research directorate; while universities should recognize and reward the most research active professors in a year and NUC should in addition, recognize and reward the most research active professor in a year on consensually agreed criteria.

The Executive Secretary of TETFund, Professor Suleiman Bogoro commended the Executive Secretary of NUC for revolutionising the Commission. He said that through the intervention of TETFund, research work had improved from 40% to 60% and the collaboration of NUC and TETFund had impacted a lot in Nigeria's higher institutions.

He asserted that the right way to the necessary impact was to define knowledge and deepen research, emphasising that government must be involved in the relationship between the universities and industries.

He said that universities had dwelt too long on teaching and must move forward to Research and Development (R&D).

According to Professor Bogoro, Israel was a good example of a

country whose research efforts had been able to turn its desert into an agricultural farmland.

He noted that in a knowledge-



Mr. Roti Balogun
Global Talent Leader for General Electric Power, Africa

based economy, people are developed through the use of research. Nigerian universities, he

“TETFund will continue to partner NUC in the area of research for the universities. The universities should always come out with problem solving strategies in research not publications in our universities.” he concluded.

Leader, Global Talent for General Electric Power in Africa, Mr. Roti Balogun, who spoke on “Research- the Industrial Perspective,” said that General Electric (GE) was an industry that had about 300,000 employees across the world, including global research centers. This company, he said, had been at the forefront of global partnership with universities. Emphasising on the importance of Industry and Academic partnership, Mr. Balogun stated that GE delivers equipments to universities and



NUC Directors: DICLS, Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi and DRI&IT, Dr. Suleiman Ramon Yusuf

argued, must continue to remain the residual of knowledge without which Nigeria cannot move forward, stating that there must be an end to celebration of charlatans, he said.

educate the students by teaching them skill acquisition and the right tools.

In his presentation, NUC Director, Research Innovation and



Information Technology, Dr. Suleiman Ramon- Yusuf, explained that some of the modest research activities being undertaken in Nigeria universities go virtually unacknowledged partly because many of these works remained in 'Silos.' The situation was exacerbated by the lack of an organized institution-based collation, dissemination and processing mechanism, occasioned by the general lack of a centralized office of research administration.

He said that "there are 4P's of research including: publication,

Echoing rhetorically, Dr. Ramon-Yusuf asked, what type of research projects are ongoing in a Nigerian universities? Are they completed researches? Is there any record of research? What are the lists of Thesis? List of patents? What are the Dissertation Abstracts? What are the research focuses of each university? What are the researches capacity development plans? Are there deliberate policies on grant winning? What of the record or inventory of research assets?

He acknowledged the fact that universities needed to set up such institutional research agenda that

gaps; institutional research culture and inadequate funding.

Dr. Ramon-Yusuf said that NUC intervention would come in the way of; sensitization and organization of advocacy workshops; organisation of stakeholders consultative meeting; capacity building workshop on specialized aspect of research; mapping of institutional research agenda towards developing a research agenda for the NUS; development of a database for research directors as well as establishment of a network of researchers and promotion of community research



Participants at the interactive session

patents, products and policy. The emphasis in Nigeria was still largely on publications for promotion and academic advancement." He noted that lack of organized institution-based research was responsible for the poor ranking; low citation index; poor reputational institution and inability of Nigerian universities to attract research funding.

would influence a National Research Agenda in each sector of the economy. He said that there was the urgent need to put in place in the Nigeria university System (NUS) modalities and framework for the professionalization of research administration.

He mentioned the massive capacity gaps that needed to be filled to include; research infrastructure; professor capacity

administration practice.

The meeting was attended by Directors of Research and Innovations of Nigerian Universities and the Pro-Chancellor of Federal University, Lafia, Professor Nimi Briggs.

Also present was the Director of the Directorate of International Cooperation and Liaison Services, Constance Goddy -Nnadi.





Coventry University To Partner NUC on Entrepreneurship

The Director, International Centre for Transformational Entrepreneurship (ICTE), Coventry University, United Kingdom (UK), Ms. Lilian Biglon, last Thursday said Nigeria has the capacity to be an entrepreneurship development hub of Africa with the capability of attracting student all over the African Continent.

She stated this while on a courtesy visit to the Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, MFR, FNAL, to seek partnership with the Commission on improving Entrepreneurship Education in Nigerian Universities.

Giving a historical background to the emergence of entrepreneurship education as an international interventionist programme, she said it all started in 2007, during which Coventry University went through revolutionary phases. According to her, the University used the period to promote enterprise, entrepreneurship and innovation.

By the following year 2008, she noted, the Institute for Applied Entrepreneurship (IAE) was created, which became instrumental in winning various

Transformational Entrepreneurship (AITE) in Ghana. It also has others situated in the South Asia Institute for Transformational



ES, NUC, Prof. Abubakar A. Rasheed and ICTE Director, Coventry University, Ms. Biglon

awards on behalf of Coventry University such as Times Higher Entrepreneurial University of the Year 2011 and Incubation Awards.

The ICT Director added that ICTE believed it cannot transplant its successes to other region but could share best practices and from that bases work with partners to contextualise information.

Ms. Biglon disclosed that her University was currently running this same proposed initiative at the African Institute for

Entrepreneurship (SEAITE), Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia as well as Latin American Institute for Transformational Entrepreneurship (LAITE), in Brazil. These institutes, she said, were open laboratories on enterprise and entrepreneurship and that Coventry University was striving to contextualise all its findings for the region and country.

With a similar initiative currently running in Ghana, under the



AITE, the team leader stressed that the Institute found it necessary to partner NUC on its initiative to introduce enterprise and entrepreneurship education to Nigerian Universities.

The reason was not only because the Commission was the regulatory body for universities in the country, but due to the fact that it has the capacity to broker and attract international collaboration for the desired growth of entrepreneurship education for the universities in Nigeria.

She disclosed that AITE focuses mainly on virtual and blended networking, knowledge transfer, education and training support,

she said, the vision of AITE was to stimulate sustainable and innovative socio-economic development on the African continent through transformational entrepreneurship support, networking and intervention.

Ms. Biglon, noted that ICTE defined its mission as using “Enterprise and entrepreneurship to foster leadership that can organise resources, act upon opportunities and create economic and social impact beyond the local level.” She added that to promote enterprise and entrepreneurship through systemic approach was key to transformation in socio-economic development.

interventions and collaborations in the university system.

He disclosed that the Commission was currently collaborating with the World Bank through the African Centres of Excellence (ACE) scheme, to provide manpower development in some selected programmes in the field of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

Professor Rasheed noted the Commission sought to reform the Student Industrial Work Experience Scheme (SIWES) and develop an all-inclusive curriculum for entrepreneurship development. He added that to foster mutual relationship between the industries and the ivory tower,



Meeting session

university enterprise zones, business incubation and acceleration as well as policy formulation. To achieve these,

Responding to the visitors, the Executive Secretary stated that the NUC had always kept its doors open for international

the Commission went into partnership with the Nigerian Economic Summit Group (NESG)



in order to bridge the gap by ensuring that universities produced graduates that could meet the manpower needs of industries in the country.

While commending the Coventry University for its strides in entrepreneurship in the United Kingdom (UK), the Executive Secretary said the University had risen and today sits among the top five Universities in the UK Universities by ranking.

In his words: “in a region with the topmost universities in the world, you have distinguished yourselves, as a University with the capacity to promote socio-

economic development through your entrepreneurship programme.”

The NUC scribe charged Coventry University delegation to come up with a workable proposal to the Commission, outlining areas of intervention and cost implication in order to bring in other critical stakeholders and ensure success of the collaboration.

Contributing, the NUC Director, Student Support Services, Dr. Maryam Sali, said entrepreneurship development in the Nigerian University System (NUS) was an area in dire need of intervention, citing that AITE's

intervention was apt. She reiterated the Executive Secretary's position that the Commission would maximise the opportunity to effect the needed change for socio-economic development of the country.

Others from the Coventry University's team were the Head of Operation, Ada Kelechi and a Research Student, Egere Odafe.

Present at the event were the NUC Directors of Research, Innovation and Information Technology (DRICT), Dr. Suleiman Ramon-Yusuf; Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. Chris Maiyaki, Some Visiting Professors and Deputy Directors.



Group photograph with the visiting ICTE Director, Coventry University, Ms. Biglon (7th right).



JAMB Releases Result this Week

The Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), stated that it would release the 2019 UTME results this week after undergoing thorough screening to identify and apprehend examination cheats.

This was disclosed by the Head of Media and Publicity, JAMB, Dr Fabian Benjamin, who addressed reporter in Abuja on the issue said that the results would be officially released as soon as the report from the 687 computer based Test Centres used for the conduct of the exercise were reviewed within the week.

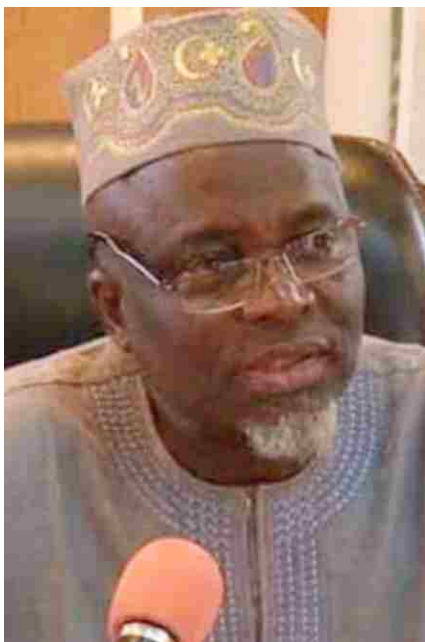
The Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) on Monday said that it was yet to release results of the 2019 Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME).

The UTME were conducted between April 7 - 11, 2019. Dr. Benjamin said some candidate abused some of the innovations introduced by the board saying that the delay come as a result of screening by the board to ensure it did not released a compromised examination.

He said: "We are comparing reports from the field, and as soon as we finish - either today or tomorrow - we will commence the process of releasing the results.

"We are collecting reports from 687 centres. The results will be released as soon as we finished what we are doing."

This, he explained was because candidates would expect the results from the first two days of the week but might be disappointed as the board has yet to conclude the process of the exercise.



Prof. Ishaq Oloyede
Registrar, JAMB

Benjamin said, "We will not release it today, Monday and will not release it tomorrow, Tuesday.

"What we said was anytime within this week. By implication, we are concluding the screening exercise this week and results can be released anytime within the week."

Benjamin urged the public to

fully comprehend media reports to avoid misconception as the board was committed to ensuring sanity in the system.

Benjamin, earlier said that the 2019 UTME results would be ready anytime from Monday, April 29, after a rigorous process.

He had noted that the board was still screening the results but hopefully, the results would be ready soonest.

The Head of the Media also said the board will investigate issues bordering up biometric verification challenge in some centres during the examination.

There were reports of biometric verification callenge in some centres during the examination.

Benjamin said the board would look into it as soon as it finishes releasing the UTME results to ensure that candidates with genuine biometric issues are not made to suffer.

"As soon as we finish releasing results, we will look into it. If there is any candidate with genuine reason, we will see what we can do.

"We will investigate all issues of biometric verification. If we find the cases to be genuine, we will do the needful," he said.



Re: Recruitment of Qualified Persons to fill positions at the University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Campus Trinidad and Tobago

The National Universities Commission (NUC) has received, through the High Commission of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, a University of West Indies (UWI) circular, requesting for qualified persons to fill the positions of Director of the Montserrat Volcano Observatory, in the Seismic Research Centre of the St. Augustine Campus of the University.

The University of West Indies (UWI) is a well-established Independent university that serves 17 countries of the Commonwealth Caribbean. It is the oldest, fully regional institution of higher learning in the Commonwealth Caribbean. The UWI began at the Mona Campus, Jamaica, in 1948 as a College of the University of London; and in 1962 achieved full university status.

The St. Augustine Campus in Trinidad and Tobago was established in 1961 and in 1963 a third Campus was established at Cave Hill in Barbados. In 2008 the University established a fourth Campus-The Open Campus-to better manage and expand multi-mode delivery of its programmes.

The eight faculties of the UWI offer a wide range of Undergraduate,, Master's and Doctoral programmes in Engineering, Food and Agriculture, Humanities and Education, Law, Medical Sciences, Science and Technology, Social Sciences and Sport. Several of these programmes are delivered through the distance mode.

N.B Interested Universities' personnel should visit online and download the application form from the University's website www.uwi.edu or www.sta.uwi.edu for more on how to complete the form.

Furthermore, the completed applications should be forwarded to the undersigned with soft copies via e-mail to hcabuja@foreign.gov.tt and the website <http://foreign.gov.tt/hcabuja> on or before 28th April, 2019 for processing and onward transmission.

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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, Port Harcourt
10. Delta State University, Abraka, Delta State
11. Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomoso
12. Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos State
13. Niger Delta University, Amasoma, Bayelsa State
14. Anambra State University, Uli, Anambra State
15. Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State
16. Cross River State University of Technology, Calabar
17. Abia State University, Uturu, Abia State
18. Osun State University, Osun State
19. Nasarawa State University, Keffi, Nasarawa State

C. Private Universities:

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

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

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

A. Federal Universities

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





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

C. Private Universities

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

Dr. Gidado Kumo
Director, Academic Planning
For: Executive Secretary

GUIDELINES ON PART-TIME AND SANDWICH PROGRAMMES IN NIGERIAN UNIVERSITIES

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

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

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

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

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

Signed

Management



LIST OF APPROVED UNIVERSITIES IN NIGERIA

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., Owode, 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, River 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





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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, 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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