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## Affiliated COEs to Become University Colleges in Future

Bayero University hopes to nurture the Colleges of Education offering programmes in affiliation with it to have the capacity to offer such degrees independently in the future. The same way Ahmadu Bello nurtured University BUK, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni. MFR has said.

Briefing the Management teams of Jigawa State College of Education (JSCOE), Gumel and Sa'adatu Rimi College of Education (SRCOE), Kumbotso, on Monday January, 2014 in his office, on the positive vetting given by the National Universities Commission (NUC) during a two day (17-18<sup>th</sup> December, 2013) resource verification visit to the colleges, the Vice Chancellor congratulated them for the six programmes approved for Gumel and seven for Kumbotso, all to be delivered in full time mode.

He assured that BUK is committed to developing the staff strength of the two institutions and even doubling the number of programmes covered by the affiliation arrangement for each college, provided "you keep to quality assurance", directing that "the quality of graduates from BUK and your institutions should be the same."

"We shall offer admission to your academic staff to enable them to pursue higher degrees and by so doing upgrade their competence", the VC added, noting that once the programmes get underway the NUC would conduct a full accreditation to the same exact

standards, as imposed on all degree programmes in the nation's universities.

Prof. Rasheed however warned that "the University shall not shy away from stopping the relationship if quality is compromised" on any of the benchmarks set, ranging from admission to instruction and assessment processes. He noted that BUK staff and management have worked hard to earn a name for academic excellence and would not condone any act that would tarnish this reputation.

The programmes to be offered at degree level by COE Gumel are: B.A. (Ed) Education Education/ /English Language; Hausa: Education/ Islamic Studies; and B.Sc (Ed) Education/ Agriculture; Education/ Biology and Education/ Chemistry. Those to be offered at degree level by Sa'adatu Rimi College of Education, Kumbotso are: B.Sc (Ed) Education/Biology; Education/Chemistry; Education/ Geography; and B.A. Education/ Arabic Studies: Education/ English Language; Education/ Islamic Studies; and B. Ed. Human Kinetics.

In their separate responses, both the Provost of the JSCOE Gumel, Dr. Dahiru Abdulkadir, and the Deputy Provost of SRCOE Kumbotso, Dr. Kabiru Ahmad Gwarzo, promised to abide by all the terms of the affiliation and assured the VC that, given that over 70% of their staff are BUK graduates who are aware of the high standards, "we will do everything humanly possible to justify the confidence you have on us".

Other members of the JSCOE Gumel delegation were Dr. Nura Muhammad Ringim, the Deputy Provost and Alhaji Yahaya Aliyu Dankargo, the Registrar; while the SRCOE Kumbotso delegation included Malam

Abdulmumin Bello Imam, the Registrar and Malam Abdu Baso, the Dean, School of Undergraduate Studies.

## BUK to Establish New Faculty of Arts & Environmental Sciences

Bayero University will soon establish a new Faculty of Arts and Environmental Sciences as plans to that effect have almost been concluded, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed *mni*, MFR, has disclosed.

'A total of nine departments will be established under the faculty,' he stated.

The Vice Chancellor revealed that some of the departments to be established under the new faculty include: Urban and Regional Planning, Environmental Management, Architecture, Quantity Surveying and Estate Management, among others.

Professor Rasheed, who spoke to the leadership of the Institute of Estate Surveyors and Valuers who paid him a courtesy call on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2014, said the current infrastructural development and transformation, as well as the introduction of new academic programmes in the University, were being done deliberately to the advantage of, first, members of its immediate community, the region and the country in general.

He said Bayero University that started as an Islamic and Arabic degree awarding institution has today expanded to become one of the best citadels of learning in the country both in Science, Engineering, Social Sciences and Medical Sciences, as well as in the Humanities, adding that as part of the efforts to continue with the expansion policy, the University would soon commence with programmes on Communication,

Mechatronics and Chemical and Petroleum Engineering, as well as the introduction of Food Science and Technology, Fisheries and Forestry.

The Vice Chancellor expressed appreciation to the visitors and hoped that as professionals in their various callings, they would make the required contribution to the University in terms of professional advice and also cooperate in sourcing academic staff to successfully run the new programmes.

Earlier in his address, the leader of the delegation, who is also a professional Estate Surveyor and Valuer, Mr. Babatunde Salawu, told the Vice Chancellor that the visit was a follow-up to an earlier one to remind the university management of their request for the establishment of a department of Estate Management, saying that doing that would go a long way to bridge the dearth of professionals in that area.

#### **CORRIGENDUM**

In the Bulletin no. 3 edition of 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2014, the effective date of 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2014 for the appointments in the story titled: **4 NEW DIRECTORS AND DEAN STUDENT AFFAIRS APPOINTED** was mistakenly omitted. The error is highly regretted.

(Bulletin Editor)

### Prof. M. S. Abdulkadir Appointed Council Member, Kogi State Varsity

The Chairman of Bayero University Professorial Inaugural Lecture Committee, Professor Muhammad Sani Abdulkadir, has been appointed member of the Governing Council of Kogi State University, Ayingba.

In a letter of appointment signed by the Secretary to Kogi State Government, Professor Olugbemiro Jegede, conveying the approval of His Excellency, the Governor of Kogi State, Captain Idris Wada, the appointment of the erudite scholar was with immediate effect and for a period of three years from 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2013 to 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2016.

The letter hoped that Professor Abdulkadir would team up with other new members of the Governing Council and avail the institution their know-how, academic proficiency and vast knowledge in University governance to assist the management to develop the University further.

It also called on him to render selfless service to the state through the University and strive to justify the confidence reposed in him.

M. S. Abdulkadir, the new appointee, is a professor of History of many decades in Bayero University, Kano and has been a scholar with many publications to his credit.

### **Dept. of Economics Gets New HOD**

Dr. Mustapha Muktar has been appointed Head of Department of Economics for two years, commencing from 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2014. In his letter of appointment dated 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2014 the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, *mni*, MFR, urged him to "give sound academic and administrative leadership to the Department."

#### **VOICE OF TEACHING STAFF II:**

#### **Sustainability in Funding Guarantees Better Education System**

#### - BUK Lecturers

By: Nura Garba

Sustainable funding has been described as the guarantor of quality and better education system in Nigeria, lecturers of Bayero University have stated.

Speaking with the Bulletin correspondents, some lecturers said funding is the key to ensuring sustainability in the educational system in Nigeria.

Malam Gausu Ahmed of the Department of Mass communication stated that weak institutional systems, instability and lack of established systems were some of the major impediments that affected the education system in Nigeria. He said such impediments were conspicuously absent in other parts of the world. That is why their system of education is stable.

He also appealed to his colleagues to rededicate themselves to their jobs and avoid anything that would compromise the standards of their profession, as "each and everyone of us will one day account for his deeds before Almighty Allah."

On his part, Muaz Dantala Zakari, of the Department of Agric Engineering believed that as long as government continues to motivate the academic staff, there would be improved efficiency in teaching and research.

Also speaking, a lecturer in the Department of Electrical Engineering, who didn't want his name to be published, said even before the recent government commitment to increased funding, lecturers in his department were using the limited resources to ensure quality teaching and research. He said with this new development, they would triple their efforts to ensure that the University maintains excellence.

## Be More Committed To Your Work, SSANU Challenges Members

The Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU), BUK Branch has called on its members to be more committed in their work and exhibit a higher sense of

professionalism and avoid anything that will submit their contributions as part of the tarnish their image in the University.

The Chairman, Comrade Kabiru Baba Mandawari, made this call on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2014 in an interview with the Bulletin. He said SSANU members have a formidable role to play in the university, especially at this time when Prof. Abubakar Rasheed-led management strives hard to ensure excellence.

Comrade Baba described as unfortunate the attitude of some members who come to work late and depart before the closing time or stay out beyond reasonable time each day during breaks. He tasked such members to put their primary assignment ahead of other engagements.

"At this time when B.U.K. stands to be recognized as the best university in Nigeria and with the Vice Chancellor's avowed commitment to ensure that it becomes one of the best in Africa, the contribution of all and sundry is highly needed to actualize this vision", he said.

The Chairman commended the Registrar, Sani Amin Ibrahim, MNIM under whose leadership the four Directorates in the Registry Department were created, for his unalloyed stance towards ensuring excellence in the university. He also expressed appreciation to the Director, the Vice Chancellor's office, Barrister Abubakar Umar, for his immense contributions to the union, particularly on issues that affect welfare of the members.

### Review of SSANU/ FG 2009 Agreement: Members Urged to Submit Memoranda

Members of the Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU), BUK branch have been urged, as a matter of urgency, to submit their contributions as part of the memoranda that will be sent to the national secretariat of the union for inclusion in the review of the SSANU/FG 2009 agreement, to departmental representatives or the PRO.

The Chairman, Comrade Kabiru Baba Mandawari, who made this call on Tuesday, said the agreement had some shortcomings that need to be addressed and members' contributions remained sacrosanct to the renegotiation with the federal government.

Comrade Baba Mandawari said members who want to refer to the 2009 agreement should get a copy from the P.R.O. Nura Garba at the Publications and Documentation Division (Bulletin office).

### ASUU – BUK Set to Elect Exco Members February, 12

Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU) BUK branch plans to conduct elections into offices of the executive members on 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2014.

A letter signed by the Secretary of the Electoral Committee, Ummi Khaltum Mohammed, of the Geography Department, said nomination for the offices had commenced on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2014 and would end on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2014.

The offices are: Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Financial Secretary, Internal Auditor, Welfare Officer, and Investment Secretary.

The statement further reads: Nomination forms can be obtained at the ASUU Secretariat, Old Campus and all completed forms for the posts enumerated above should be submitted to the

Secretary, Electoral Committee, Ummission Khalthum Mohammed.

### **Staff Housing Loan Committee**

This is to inform all the applicants of the Bayero University Staff Housing Loan who filled the staff housing loan form as well as the Federal Mortgage Bank form that deductions of the 2.5% of the applicants' basic salary for six months being payment for the upfront to credit the Federal Mortgage Bank Account have been targeted to commence in February, 2014, details will follow in due course, according to the Secretary of the Committee, Aliyu Abubakar.

# **IIIBF: Seminar on Islamic Fiscal Policy**

The International Institute of Islamic Banking and Finance (IIIBF) invites member of the University community to its staff seminar, scheduled to hold as follows:

**Title of the Paper:** 'An Exposition of the Principles of Islamic Fiscal Policy.'

Presenter: Mal. Muhammad Auwal Ishaq

Chairman: Prof. Kabiru Isa Dandago,

Department of Accounting, BUK.

Date: Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2014

**Time:** 11:00am

Venue: Conference Room IIIBF (New Site).

## **DEPARTMENT OF ARABIC:**Defence Proposal

The Department of Arabic invites the University community to its Defence Proposal, scheduled to hold as follows:

**Candidate 1:** Khadija Sagir Sulaiman (SPS/11/MAR/00010)

**Title:** 'Attashkilul-iikaa'ii fi Diwaani Taisiiril-Wusuul Lish-Sheikh Ibrahim Inyas Al-Kaulakhi.'

**Supervisor:** Dr. Ibrahim Ahmad Makari **Discourser:** Dr. Muhammad Ashir Auwal

**Candidate 2:** Abubakar Dhahiyya Gambo (SPS/11/MAR/00030).

**Title:** 'Shi'irut-Tawassuli 'Indash-Sheikh Ash-Sharif Ibrahim Saleh Al-Hussainii, Dirasaasatun Adabiyyatun Tahliiliyyah.'

**Supervisor:** Dr. Matabuli Shehu Kabara **Discourser:** Dr. Mustapha Hussaini Isma'il

**Candidate 3:** Ibrahim Auwal Ibrahim (SPS/11/MAR/00016)

**Title:** 'Al-muusiikash-Shi'iriyyati' Indash-Sheikhani: Muhammad Mustapha Hausawa, wa Muhammad Kani al-Gausawii, Muqaranah.'

Supervisor: Dr. Muhammad Rabi'u Auwal Sa'ad

**Discourser:** Prof. Sarki Ibrahim

Date: 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2014

**Time:** 10:00am

Venue: AO3

### Wedding fatiha

Dr. Muntari Bala of Biochemistry Department invites members of the University community to his wedding fatiha scheduled to take place as follows:

**Date:** Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2014

**Time:** 2:30pm

Venue: Mal. Ahmad Falalu's residence, near A. Sani Yellow's house, S/Gari, Jibia



### **2014** Seminars for the Department of Physiotherapy

The Department of Physiotheraphy has released its plan for a series of seminars and workshops for the year 2014.

A statement by the Ag. Head of Department, Rufa'i Yusuf Ahmad called on staff to note that in case of staff scheduled to present a paper in a conference that is not part of the schedule below, a special Departmental seminar will be arranged for such staff.

S/N	EVENT	TOPIC	PRESENTER(S)	DISCUSSANT(S)	DATE
1	Seminar	Development of a Toll for Measuring Muscle Synergy in People with Stroke: A Pilot Study	Rufa'i Yusuf Ahmad, PhD	Department of Medicine Department of Mathematics Department of Physics	February, 2014
2	Seminar	Effect of Lumbar Stabilization Exercise on Electrical Activity of Multifidus Muscle among Individuals with Chronic Low Back Pain	Bashir Bello, MSc	Department of Medicine (Neurology) Department of Surgery (Orthopaedies)	April, 2014
3	Workshop	Data Analysis using SPSS: Descriptive Statistics, Comparisons and Correlations	Shmaila M. Hanif, MSc Isa usman Lawan, MSc Rufa'i Yusuf Ahmad, PhD		June, 2014
4	Seminar	Task-Oriented Circuit Training in Ambulant Children with Cerebral Palsy	Umaru M. Badaru, MSc	Department of Paediaterics	August, 2014
5	Workshop	Use of endnote and Plagiarism Software	Rufa'i Yusuf Ahmad, PhD Shmaila M. Hanif, MSc		October, 2014
6	Seminar	Effects of Therapeutic Exercise on Post-partum Diastatsis Recti	Shmaila M. Hanif, MSc	Department of O & G Department P.H.E (Exercise Physilogy)	December, 2014