It’s Naira Rain for Best Graduating BUK Medical Student, Maryam Sa’id Auwal

Maryam Sa’id Auwal could not hide her feelings as she shed tears of joy when the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR showered ₦100,000 cash on her not only for carting away five of the nine prizes at stake but also for emerging as the overall best graduating medical student.

She was short of words when BULLETIN sought her opinion over her outstanding performance. She could only say, “I thank my parents for standing by me throughout my training period. I also thank my lecturers both at the College of Health Sciences and at AKTH. Overall, thanks be to Allah, The Most High for making it possible for me not only to withstand the rigours of medical training but also to excel,” she remarked.

Professor Habib said Maryam won best graduating student on Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Surgery, Medicine, Pathology (G. Edington prize) for medicine and overall best student award (Vice Chancellor’s prize) while Khadijah won best graduating student on research and dissertation, community medicine and Paediatrics (first, second and third First Bank prizes) and Sa’adatu Shehu Muhammad won best graduating student on Pharmacology.

The Provost of the College of Health Sciences, Professor A. G. Habib, who announced the prizes told the Vice Chancellor that Maryam Sa’id Auwal had remained consistent in her outstanding performance throughout her stay at the College of Health Sciences and that they were not the least surprised by her emergence as the overall best graduating student.

He said, of the 9 prizes at stake, Maryam in addition to emerging as the overall best graduating student won five prizes and another hardworking student, Khadijah Shamsu Ahmad, won three prizes while Sa’adatu Shehu Muhammad won one.
Second Semester Commences, Ends 31st Jan 2015

Monday 27th October, 2014 was the official commencement date for the second semester in the ongoing 2013/2014 session for the undergraduate students, according to a statement released by the Director, Examinations, Admissions and Records, (DEAR), Fatima Binta Mohammed.

The statement noted that students are to write their second semester examinations beginning from Monday, 19th to 31st January, 2015.

The calendar of activities is as follows:

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The statement added that, University’s Calendar expected to be fully normalized (October – June) by the 2015/2016 session.

BUK Centre for Qur’anic Studies
Created to Salvage Tsangaya System of Education - VC

The Centre for Qur’anic Studies, Bayero University was conceived purposely to ensure that eminent learned Tsangaya scholars and Qur’anic memorizers in the villages and cities, who are equal to university Professors, are supported to gain rights and privileges being enjoyed by their contemporaries in the western system of education.

Vice Chancellor of Bayero University, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni, MFR, who disclosed this while declaring open the maiden National Sensitization Workshop, with the theme “Innovative Approach to the Development of Qur’anic Education in Nigeria” which was organized by the Centre for Qur’anic Studies and facilitated by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Australia on Saturday, 25th October, 2014 at CIT Conference Hall, said the centre will serve as “the voice of the voiceless as well as those professors who are not in university, but staying in their villages and Tsangaya.”

Professor Rasheed said the centre is out to change many things in the society, saying all that the centre wanted the government to do is to identify the memorizers of the Holy Qur’an to come to the centre and earn certificates that would be recognized by the government itself for them to be employed and have access to and participate in politics as well as be elected in to public offices.
The Vice Chancellor said, “We have thousands who if we are to measure them are professors. They are highly educated in language, in literature and in science but because they do not speak English or because they do not hold certificates in western education, they can’t be employed and can’t contest elections. The centre will try to certificate these people; it will run courses equal to university decrees.”

Professor Rasheed, who thanked Sheikh Ishaq Rabiu for building and donating the centre, urged the founders, leaders and friends of the university to support the university so that the centre takes its rightful place in the promotion of Qur’anic education in Nigeria. He said the university is particularly happy that the center which was the first of its kind in West Africa had commenced academic activities.

Minister of Education, Malam Ibrahim Shekarau, represented by his Special Adviser, Professor Abdulrashid Garba, commended the Vice Chancellor, whose tenure witnessed the developments on infrastructure, research and teaching. He said the setting up of the Centre is a challenge to other universities, especially those in the Muslim dominated areas.

Malam Shekarau said he would do his best to support the centre, assuring also that the federal government will establish similar centre in the country to serve as complementary institution that would cater for the Tsangaya system of education.

Former Vice Chancellor of Bayero University and Grand Imam of Kano, Professor Muhammad Sani Zahraddeen said the beginning of Bayero University was Arabic and Qur’anic studies; as such the university had fulfilled the dreams of its founding fathers by the setting up of the centre. Professor Zahraddeen, who was the chairman of the occasion and Chairman Advisory Committee of the Centre praised the Vice Chancellor for raising the centre and appealed to the stakeholders to support and utilize the centre.

Former Vice Chancellor, University of Sokoto, Professor S. A. S. Galadanci, in his keynote address titled “The Development of Qur’anic Education in Nigeria” said the academic and traditional trend of Qur’anic education in Nigeria is far from being adequate because Qur’anic education encompasses all the different branches of Islamic sciences including the study of Qur’an, its linguistic style, syntax, philosophy and theology.

Professor Galadanci said the advent of British colonial administration in Nigeria and the collapse of the Sokoto caliphate had stalled the community based Islamic schools, with government neglecting them in preference to their western counterparts, saying there was a breakthrough after the independence in the north when the Northern Regional Government introduced reforms in education, and particularly in the system of Qur’anic education in which it created a separate section where serious efforts were made in overhauling the system, which include giving grants to Qur’anic schools.

He said with the launching of Universal Basic Education in 1999 and UBE Act of 2004 the federal government introduced the Almajiri Education Programme. The federal
government he said has established more than 100 model Qur’anic schools, fully equipped with all the required educational facilities, saying the main aim of the programme is to provide infrastructure and educational facilities in all Qur’anic schools and give them equal treatment with other conventional schools.

Professor Galadanci urged the Centre to work closely with the Islamic Studies and Shariah Department and mount courses in various Qur’anic studies to allow specialization, along with the Centre of Islamic Studies in Usman Danfodio University, Sokoto and try to undertake researches especially in the field of the works produced by the Sokoto Reform Leaders as well as collation of dissertations in the related field presented by postgraduate students so as to use them to identify new fields of future research.

Director of the Centre, Professor Ibrahim Mohammed thanked the government of Australia, Minister of Education, Sheikh Isyaka Rabi’u, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed and a host of others who contributed to the actualization of the centre, assuring that they would work hard to achieve the set objectives.

13th Induction of Medical Graduates:
BUK Inducts 1st Radiography Graduands & 55 MBBS

Vice-Chancellor of Bayero University, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni, MFR has described the induction of the 1st set of BUK graduands in medical Radiography along with 55 graduating medical students as not only a dream come true but a realization of a sustained and focused effort to achieve set goals.

Speaking at the 1st Radiographers and 13th MBBS Induction ceremony on Thursday, 23rd October, 2014 at the Musa Abdullahi Auditorium, Professor Rasheed said, “Today is a great day for BUK. This is because it is the day we are graduating our first set of nine Radiographers trained in the newly established College of Health Sciences.”

The Vice-Chancellor added that he could say with all sense of humility that BUK had joined others who established College of Health Sciences with 4 Faculties and hoped that “our next target will be the establishment of fully equipped Centers for Advanced Medical Research and Infectious Diseases.”
He assured of the management’s resolve to continue to support and promote the College of Health Sciences to enable it to become one of the best College of Health Sciences in the country, adding that “our aim is to build a first-class College of Health Sciences that will be the envy of all very soon.”

Professor Rasheed thanked the Registrars of Radiographers and Medical Council for their support to the university and assured them that “we in BUK will not relent in our determination to make our medical training one of the best in the country.”

To the graduands, Professor Rasheed admonished them to always uphold the ethics of the medical profession, saying that by so doing they would be seen to be not only good ambassadors of BUK but also of the medical profession.

Earlier in his address, Chairman of the occasion, Professor Aminu Zakari Mohammed, who is also the Chief Medical Director of Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital, said the induction ceremony was unique because it was a joint exercise with the 1st set of nine Radiographers graduands.

The Chairman who was represented by Dr. Sani Mijinyawa advised the graduands to stick to the oath they subscribed to, saying that “it is the only license you have which will make you excel in the profession”.

The Guest Lecturer on the occasion, Professor Abba Abdullahi, a Consultant Pulmonologist, who spoke on ‘Changing Face of Postgraduate Medical Education’ advised the medical graduands to quickly make up their minds and begin to think of pursuing postgraduate programme in medicine, saying that “wherever you introduce yourself as a medical doctor people will want to know your calling. This calling or specialty can only be obtained at postgraduate level.”

He took the graduands through the requirement for postgraduate programme and advised them to make use of the opportunity and quickly choose areas of specialization.

The Registrar of the Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria, Dr. Abdulmumini Ibrahim inducted the medical graduands while Mr. M. S. Okpaleke, Registrar of Radiographers Registration Board of Nigeria administered the oath to Radiography graduands.

A total of 55 MBBS graduands and 9 Radiographers were inducted with additional 4 Radiographers who graduated from the University of Maiduguri but could not be inducted due to circumstances beyond the university’s control.

**No BUK Medical Graduate Ever Charged for Professional Misconduct**

**- Registrar MDCN**

BUK medical graduates now practising in the country have distinguished themselves among their peers and are daily making inroads and excelling in medical profession. This might not be unconnected with the level of training they went through while at the BUK medical school.

This was disclosed by the Registrar of the Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria, Dr. Abdulmumini Ibrahim, while speaking at the 13th MBBS Induction ceremony for BUK Medical graduates on Thursday, 23rd October, 2014 at the Musa Abdullahi Auditorium.

“As a result of their professional competence, no BUK medical graduate now practising has ever been found wanting let alone be arraigned before the Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria Tribunal for professional misconduct,” Dr. Abdulmumini remarked.
He charged the newly inducted graduands to take their cue from their predecessors by being worthy ambassadors of not only their alma-mata but that of the medical profession.

Dr. Abdulmumini Ibrahim congratulated the Vice-Chancellor on the bold initiative he had taken to establish College of Health Sciences with 4 faculties, a development he said had been long overdue, but was commendable.

In his address, the Provost, College of Health Sciences, Professor A.G. Habib said it had not been easy for the students who had been in the university’s medical school for over 6 years, saying that with hard work and dedication on the part of the students and commitment of the teaching staff coupled with the support of the university’s management under the dynamic leadership of Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed ‘we are able to graduate students every year from the College of Health Sciences’.

The Provost advised the graduands to continue to be BUK’s standard bearers wherever they found themselves and charged them to always put into practice all they have learnt from the medical school, saying contrary to graduands of other fields who are of the habit of throwing away their books after graduation, ‘in your own case the reverse is the case, because if there is any time you will need your books, it is now that you have graduated. You must read and consult your books at all times’, he counselled.

Religious Studies Should be Made Compulsory in Basic and Post Basic Schools, Says Communiqué

The National Sensitization Workshop conducted by the Centre for Qur’anic Studies, Bayero University from Saturday 25th October to 26th October, 2014 at the CIT Conference Hall had recommended that religious studies should be made compulsory in all the basic and post basic schools across the country.

A communiqué signed by the Chairman Organizing Committee of the Workshop and Chairman, Communiqué Committee, Professor Abubakar Mustapha and Dr. M. B. Muhammad respectively calls for active collaboration between the Centre and its intellectual contemporaries so as to achieve the aims of setting up of the centre for the benefit of the nation.

It further urged the Muslim Community, Endowments, NGOs, individual philanthropists and government to adequately fund the Centre to enable it innovate in its training and capacity building programmes. It recommends standards based model, with a level playing field to both western and Qur’anic systems of education, saying based on the model, government should put minimum standards that must be fulfilled by any system in terms of curriculum and other basic requirements.

In his lead paper titled “History of Government Intervention in Qur’anic Education,” Professor Abubakar Mustapha said present Qur’anic education did not seem to enjoy more than verbal support and sentiment while in reality it had not got enough attention it been adequately focused and directed towards the achievement of its mission.

Professor Mustapha said the national policy on education has not been amended nor modified to create access and channel for integration. He said since the Sokoto declaration made by former President Obasanjo, which stipulated that Qur’anic education should be integrated with western education, to date the curriculum of the integrated system is yet to be adequately developed towards integrating the two systems of education.

He said that integration should aim at classifying and recognizing the qualifications offered by the Qur’anic education system, realizing and appreciating its relevance; stating clearly and categorically the level, methods and
tools for its alignment with the national policy on education.

Professor Mustapha expressed concern that only the teaching of Arabic and Islamic studies are regarded as Qur’anic education, stating however that with the initiatives and innovations in the Qur’anic system by Sheikh Ahmed al-Ilory, Sheikh Ahmed al Deen al-Adabi of Ilorin, School for Arabic Studies, Kano, Arabic Teachers Colleges and effort of Sheikh Mahmood Abubakar Gumi, the products of the schools now compete with the so-called conventional western education schools for places in universities.

In his paper titled “Reforms for the Promotion and Development of Tsangaya Schools in the Context of the Nigerian Educational System,” Dr. Bashir S. Galadanci said many countries facing similar challenges with Nigeria have opted to create and support two parallel systems of education; the modern secular and the traditional Islamic system.

He said a number of countries such as Egypt and Saudi Arabia are successfully implementing this model, saying it is the simplest to implement in a country like Nigeria, where the two systems are operating side-by-side except that currently only the secular system is recognized and supported by the government.

He said the major tasks in addressing the problems would be transforming the various schools that represent the entire spectrum of the Islamic education system so that they fulfill the minimum standards and thereby get the required support and recognition from government. He added that the Tahfeez and Islamiyyah are transformed to fulfill such requirements rather than the Makarantun allo and minimum Tsangaya schools.

He pointed out that the starting point may well be a strong policy framework which will address issues including the status of Islamic education, government intervention in the system, the type of interventions envisaged and responsibility of government in implementing the interventions and providing adequate funding, with the system having legal backing.

Other papers presented during the workshop are “History of Qur’anic Education Before the Colonial Rule”, by Dr Kalli Ghazzali, “Qur’anic Education in Post Colonial Nigeria with Special Reference to the Northern Nigeria”, by Dr Usman Sani Abbas and “The Innovative Approach to Qur’anic Education in Nigeria: Some Reflections to the Development of Qur’anic Education in Katsina from the Period of Nigerian Independence to the Present Times”, by Dr. Salihu Lawal Malumfashi.

On the occasion, awards were given to those that contributed to the creation of the centre for Qur’anic studies.

BUK is Gradually Becoming Centre of Excellence in Medicine - Prof. Rasheed

With the successful induction of the first set of graduands in Radiography and Medical Laboratory Science, Bayero University is in the process of becoming a centre of excellence in Medicine, Vice-Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR has disclosed.

The Vice-Chancellor who was represented by the Registrar, Sani Ibrahim Amin, MNIM was speaking at the 1st induction of pioneer graduands of the Department of Medical
Laboratory Science, Faculty of Allied Health Sciences.

He said the university management would continue to give special attention to the College of Health Sciences and its affiliates faculties and departments as deliberate efforts to make them excel in teaching and research in the field of medicine.

Professor Abubakar Rasheed counselled the graduands to at every time endeavour to adhere strictly to the code of conduct and the ethics of laboratory scientists as well as project the good image of Bayero University wherever they might be.

The Registrar announced on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor and the Governing Council of BUK automatic offer of appointment to the overall best graduating student, Malam Hamza Haruna Abubakar who won three of the six prizes while the remaining three were won each by Bashir Haruna Abubakar, Aisha Abubakar Jibril and Nuruddeen Shehu Barde.

Also speaking, the Special Guest of Honour, Senator Bello Hayatu Gwarzo, CON, Senate Chief Whip, congratulated Bayero University for graduating its first set of Medical Laboratory Scientists, saying that the feat goes on show how purposeful the management of BUK under the leadership of Professor Rasheed had been.

He charged the graduands to show appreciation to their alma-mata by being worthy ambassadors of not only their profession but their parents and the lecturers who trained them.

The Senator who is currently among some members of the National Assembly, who are assisting the university with the construction of some structures, assured the management of his continued support.

In his address, the Provost of the College of Health Sciences, Professor A.G. Habib, who represented the Chief Medical Director of Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital as the chairman of the occasion drew the attention of the graduands on the need for them to uphold all the ethics of the profession.

He urged them to uphold the virtues of honesty, integrity, sincerity and commitment to duty, if ever they wanted to succeed as medical lab scientists.

Professor Habib revealed that the Medical Laboratory Science Department started with 28 students but that only 6 have successfully completed the programme and were being graduated that day.

He thanked the Vice Chancellor for all the support College of Health Sciences had been receiving and assured that the sky was going to be their limit.

**Prof. Ahmad Sa’idu Babura Appointed Chairman DTLC**

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Rasheed, mni, MFR in a letter dated 28th October, 2014 has approved the appointment of Professor Ahmad Sa’idu Babura, Dean Postgraduate School, as Chairman of the Committee of Direct Teaching and Laboratory Consumables (DTLC) for a period of two years in the first instance and with immediate effect, on the following terms and conditions:

a) To receive, manage and coordinate DTLC releases.

b) To review the current DTLC allocation to various Units in view of Government directives that only academic units directly involved with teaching and laboratory activities qualify for it.

c) To advise Management on the distribution of the annual budgetary DTLC allocations.
d) To consider and approve proposals from department on the utilization of their DTLC allocations.

e) To organize and coordinate the utilization of DTLC allocation so that it is done in an orderly manner by all departments each quarter.

f) To advertise for the Committee’s quarterly meeting, receive request from departments/ units and make recommendations to the Vice Chancellor.

g) To provide at least 20% of the DTLC allocation centrally for the purpose of examinations and laboratory costs.

h) To submit quarterly reports on its activities to the Management.

i) To advise on any matter related to DTLC.

Dr. Muhammad Abba Suwaid Appointed HOD Radiology

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Rasheed, mni, MFR has approved the appointment of Dr. Muhammad Abba Suwaid as the Head of Department of Radiology for two years with effect from 27th October, 2014.

Bayero Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies

Bayero Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies is a biannual publication (June and December) of Bayero University, Kano, Nigeria. It provides a forum for the interdisciplinary exchange of ideas within the broad areas of social sciences, the humanities, pure and applied sciences, law, environmental studies, agriculture, education, technology and medicine.

This journal welcomes specifically well researched articles and reviews on issues within the aforementioned disciplines, especially those that are society-development driven. Preference will be given to contributions which are presented in a clear, refreshing and accessible style and which analyze or discuss issues from a multidisciplinary perspective.

Articles should not exceed 15 A4 pages or 10,000 words (double space) and reviews 5 A4 pages or 3000 words. Longer manuscripts may be published if they are found to be exceptional. All citations should conform to the APA style sheet. Contributions must be written in accessible and impeccable English and be sent in three hard copies accompanied with an assessment fee of Five Thousand Naira (₦5,000.00). All enquiries and submissions should be sent to the following address:

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SEMINARS

The following College(s)/ Centre(s)/ Faculties and Departments invite the University Community to their seminars, scheduled as follows:

Faculty of Social & Management Science:

Faculty Seminar Series

Presenter 1: Dr. Mustapha N. Malam
Title: ‘Deconstructing Broadcasting Investment Myth in Northern Nigeria: Prospect for the Next Century.’

Presenter 2: Tukur Muhammad Ali
Title: ‘The Psycho-Social Aspect of Sanitation Practices.’

Date: Thursday, 6th November, 2014
Time: 12:00am prompt
Venue: Faculty New Conference Room (FSMS)

Department of Islamic Studies & Shari’ah: M. A. Internal Defense

Presenter 1: Haruna Muhammad Buhari (SPS/11/MIS/00013)
Topic: ‘The Contributions of some Islamic Scholars towards the Development of Islam in Dekina Local Government of Kogi State.’

Supervisor: Dr. Usman Sani Abbas
Panel of Examiners: Mal. Musa Maiyaki, Dr. Aminullahi A. El-Gambari and Dr. Nura Abdullahi
Date: Wednesday, 5th November, 2014
Presenter 2: Sadiq Sani Shu’aibu
(SPS/10/MIS/00012)
Topic: ‘The Contribution of Shaykh Abubakar Ramadhan in Development of Qur’anic Schools in Kano Metropolis.’
Supervisor: Dr. Abdulmu’in Ali Jedy
Panel of Examiners: Dr. Umar Abdulkadir Abbas, Dr. Usman Sani Abbas and Dr. Yahya Gwani Yahuza
Date: Thursday, 6th November, 2014
Time: 10:30am
Venue: HOD’s Office

Department of Political Science: Internal Defense
M.Sc. (Political Science)
Presenter 1: Ibrahim Jafaru (SPS/09/MPS/00006)
Supervisor: Prof. Habu Mohammed
Internal Examiner: Dr. Aisha Abdul-Isma’il

Presenter 2: Haruna Mohammed Isma’il (SPS/09/MPS/00009)
Supervisor: Prof. Habu Mohammed
Internal Examiner: Dr. Aisha Abdul-Isma’il

Presenter 3: Sunday Uwadiegwu Ekeh (SPS/09/MPS/00010)
Topic: ‘Political Corruption among Political Office Holders under President Obasanjo Administration.’
Supervisor: Dr. Bawa Hassan Gusau
Internal Examiner: Dr. Mahmud M. Lawan

Presenter 4: Kabiru Umar Musa (SPS/09/MPS/00016)

Topic: ‘Poverty and the Politics of Thuggery among Youth in Katsina State.’
Supervisor: Dr. Mahmoud M. Lawan
Internal Examiner: Dr. Fatima O. Ibrahim

Presenter 5: Abubakar M. Chubado (SPS/09/MPS/00017)
Topic: ‘The State and Sustainable Development: A Case Study of Industrial Pollution in the Sharada Industrial Estate of Kano State.’
Supervisor: Prof. Habu Mohammed
Internal Examiner: Dr. Bawa Hassan Gusau

Supervisor: DR. mAhmoud M. Lawan
Internal Examiner: Mal. M. M. Yusif
Chairperson: Dr. Aisha Abdul-Isma’il
Date: Tuesday, 4th November, 2014
Time: 10:00am
Venue: Departmental Seminar/Conference Room

Appreciation

Malam Musa A. Auyo, the University Librarian of Jigawa State University, Kafin Hausa wishes to express his gratitude and appreciation to the Bayero University, Community for attending the wedding events of his daughter Fatima Musa Auyo which took place from Thursday, 23rd to Sunday 26th October, 2014.

He prays that God Almighty will continue to support the good cause of the University and its Community at all times.

“I appreciate and continue to count on your goodwill and support.”

Loss Item

A staff I.D, National I.D. card, voter card and GSM handset belonging to Hafsat Abubakar.

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