



NUC Teams in BUK to Accredit 25 Programmes *By Nura Garba*

Accreditation teams from the National Universities Commission (NUC) have arrived in Bayero University to accredit 25 programmes.

The teams converged on Monday, 27th November, 2016 at the Senate Chamber and were received by the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academics, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, who formally welcomed them to the University, on behalf of the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, who was away on official assignment. He said the university had made all the necessary arrangements for the smooth accreditation exercises.

Members of the accreditation panels were cut across different universities in the country such as the

Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta; Enugu State University of Science and Technology (ESUT); University of Ibadan; University of Port Harcourt; University of Abuja; University of Maiduguri; ABU Zaria; University of Ilorin; IBB University, Lapai; University of Jos; Fountain University, Osogbo; Usman Danfodio University, Sokoto and Benue State University.

The programmes being accredited include: Law, Mass Communication, Biology, Agric Engineering, Science Education, Special Education, Economics, Geography, Adult Education, among others.

The Director, Academic Planning, Professor B. S. Aliyu, led the accreditation panels to the various departments and faculties to conduct the exercises.



Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academics (sitting 3rd right) with the staff of the Faculty of Law and NUC accreditation team members at the Faculty

Northern Nigerian Students Forum Honours Director Physical Planning, Engr. Gazzali Munir

By Nura Garba

The Northern Nigerian Students Consultative Forum has honoured the Director Physical Planning, Muhammad Gazzali Munir for his immeasurable contributions to the development of BUK, North and Nigeria at large.

Speaking at the Directorate during the investiture, on Monday, 27th November, 2016, the leader of the delegation, Comrade A.S Ohindase, said the forum's secret scouts found the Director worthy of the award.

He explained that "the forum does not lay any emphasis on politicians for its prestigious award, rather, it focuses more on the unsung heroes who have demonstrated unparalleled qualities in the services of humanity and the country. That is why we scouted for the Director Physical Planning of Bayero University, Kano."

In his response, the Director Physical Planning, Gazzali



Director, Physical Planning, receiving the award (centre)

Munir, expressed gratitude for the award and said that he dedicated it to the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, former Director, Architect Sani Ali, staff of the directorate and the entire community of Bayero University.



A cross section of female listening a lecture



Dr. Tafeeq Abubakar Hussain (left) during a lecture session



A cross section of male participants at a lecture held at CQS

CQS 5 Short Courses Commence

The Centre for Qur'anic Studies, Bayero University, Kano, wishes to inform the public that it has kicked off its training programs. The programs which are at five levels include:

- i. **Basic Qur'anic Course:** Is a program which is aimed at enhancing proficiency in Qur'anic recitation at Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced levels. The three categories are all for learners of Qur'anic recitation. The center has started teaching Basic Qur'anic courses. Members of staff of the University Community were among the pioneer candidates.
- ii. **Ijazah Certificate:** Is a special course for expert reciters of the Qur'an. It aims at giving certificate with an authentic Silsilah (chain of narration) linking to the prophet (SAW). The Programme has started with five candidates as the

first batch, the second batch consisting of 30 candidates will soon take off next week.

- iii. **Certificate Course:** Is known as *Advanced Certificate in Quranic Studies* has started with 102 candidates from Kano, Zamfara and Bauchi States. It is an intensive course in Qur'anic Sciences and Islamic Studies. This includes basic knowledge in Arabic and English Languages, teaching method and civic education.
- iv. **Students' Tahfeez:** Is a programme designed particularly for BUK students who are interested in memorizing the Qur'an. The program started with four BUK students. According to a release signed by Dr. Tafiq Abubakar Hussain on behalf of the Director, "the other remaining course i.e. Hifz Certificate will soon commence when the Instructor and the students are well set."

Professor Rabi'u Muhammad Appointed New Director of Sports

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has approved the appointment of Professor Rabi'u Muhammad of the Department of Physical and Health Education as the Director of the Sports Directorate. The appointment is for a period of two years with effect from Friday, 2nd December, 2016.



New Director of Sports, Prof. Rabi'u Muhammad presenting penalty shootout trophy to VC, Prof. Bello (left)

Directorate Of Research, Innovation And Partnership (DRIP)

The Directorate of Research, Innovation and Partnership wishes to inform the public of the call for application for the following scholarship schemes:

1. PTDFM.Sc. and Ph.D. Scholarship schemes

The Petroleum Technology Development Fund (PTDF) invites applications for the 2017/2018 PTDF M.Sc. and PhD scholarship schemes, tenable in both Nigeria and overseas. The scholarships will be awarded for studies in the United Kingdom, Germany, Brazil, France, United States of America and Federal Universities and Centres of Excellence in Nigeria. Thirty two courses are approved for sponsorship to MSc while there are 9 priority areas for the award of PhD scholarship. These include Ship Building and Marine Technology, Refining Technology, Reservoir Engineering/ Production Technology, Renewable Energy, Civil and Marine Engineering. Others are Geology and Petroleum Geology, Flow Assurance and Pipe line Engineering, Marginal Fields development and Environmental Studies and Health Safety and Environment (HSE).

Submission of applications will be closed on 31st December 2016 while the award will take effect

from September 2017. For more information and to apply, visit:

<http://www.ptdf.gov.ng/2016/11/04/roll-out-of-20172018-ptdf-scholarship-scheme/>

2. The 2017 World Bank Robert S. McNamara (RSM) PhD fellowship

The 2017 RSM fellowship is for 35 yr old or younger nationals enrolled in a PhD program in a member developing country of the World Bank like Nigeria, who is not a dual citizen of a developed country. The applicant should have completed all coursework and exam requirements for attaining a PhD at the time you submit your application and have a PhD thesis centered on a field of development. The grant size is up to USD25,000. The scholarship covers a 6 to 10 month period starting between April and September 2017. Preference in selecting fellows will be given to applicants currently employed as a lecturer or researcher at an academic or research institution in a member developing country of the World Bank. For more information visit www.worldbank.org/scholarships.

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The Faculty of Engineering
Bayero University, Kano in collaboration with
FMTI, COREN, NBTI, MAN, NOTAP, H & M
invites members of the University Community
to a **3 Day National Conference** tagged

“ACADEMIA-INDUSTRY, 2016”

Main Theme:

Bridging the Gap between Academia and Industry in Nigeria: Refocusing Engineering Discipline

Date: 6th - 8th December, 2016

Venue: Faculty of Engineering

Centre for Gender Studies

The centre in partnership with the Kukah Centre is organizing a conference on youth tagged: "Matasan Arewa: Me Kuke So? The conference intends to discuss issues related to youth participation in leadership, politics and representation; economic empowerment at the grassroots, fundamentalism and deradicalization, problem of drug abuse among youth, among others.

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Inna-Lillahi-Wa Inna Ilaihi Raji'un Bursar, Buhari Musa Buried Amid Tears

Bursar Buhari Musa was on Wednesday, 30th November, 2016 buried amid tears from members of the University community, friends, neighbors and family members at the Rijiyar Zaki cemetery. He died on Tuesday, 29th November, 2016 after a protracted illness.

The Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academics, Professor

led members of the University community for the burial, where a large number of people attended. The DVC Academics also led the delegation of the University management to condole with the family of the bereaved. He prayed to Allah to forgive him and grant him eternal rest.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello and the Registrar, Fatima Binta Mohammed, who were in London for an official assignment sent their condolence messages to the family of the late Bursar and to the entire members of the University community.



Late Bursar, Buhari Musa

Born in 1957 at Ayogwiri-Auchi, Estakor West Local Government of Edo State, the late Alhaji Buhari Musa graduated with BSc Business Administration from the University of Benin in 1980. He did his MBA in 1992 from Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria and PGD in Accounting and Finance in 2006 at BUK.

Upon completion of his NYSC in 1981 at UBA in Kano, he took up an appointment with the Kano State Planning and Budget Commission, rising to the rank of Assistant Chief Accountant and Head of the Commission in 1993.

His first appointment with BUK was in 1995, but within the same year he went back to the Commission as Acting Director, heading it until 2004, when he returned as Chief Accountant and Head of Budget and Project Unit of BUK Bursary Department. He became a Deputy Bursar in 2001.

The late Alhaji Buhari Musa will be fondly remembered for his kindness, simplicity, generosity, professionalism and the fear of God.

Sagir Adamu Abbas, on behalf of the Vice Chancellor,

BUK Guest House Ltd Suspends Normal Services on Credit

The management of Bayero University Guest House Limited wishes to inform the university community that it has temporarily suspended its normal services on credit basis in view of the present cash crunch.

A statement signed by the management of the company, said it can only provide the services with the authorization of the Registrar. It added that normal services will resume when its financial position improves.

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Health Advice from Health Services Department

Know more about typhoid fever:

- Typhoid fever is a sanitation related infection: which means proper sanitation expels it, while poor sanitation harbors it.
- It is an endemic disease next to malaria in Nigeria
- It is a bacterial disease caused by *salmonella typhi* of different species.
- Its mode of transmission is through contaminated food, water, vegetables and through contact with faeces of an infected person.
- Signs and Symptoms develop gradually at about one to two weeks after exposure to the infective agent (salmonella).
- The signs and symptoms include; fever that start low and increases daily which may be as high as 104.9f (40.5c), headache, body weakness, joint pain, diarrhea, vomiting, sweating, abdominal discomfort, constipation, loss of appetite, dry cough etc.
- More health advice about typhoid fever next week.

School of Postgraduate Studies: Plans For 2016/2017 Registration Exercise

Attention of students is drawn to the following plans for registration for the 2016/2017 Academic Session. Students should take note of the plans and abide by them.

Registration Procedure: The registration procedure is still through the myBUK link. Thereafter, follow the procedure explained on the site and on billboards. A student who pays an amount different from what is on the invoice shall not be able to continue.

Registration Timetable: The following time table will be strictly enforced:

| S/N | ACTIVITY | PERIOD |
|-----|--|---|
| 1 | Normal Registration Fresh (1 st Batch) and Returning Students | 23 rd January-6 th February, 2017 |
| 2 | Late Registration for Fresh (1 st Batch) and Returning PG Students (with surcharge) | 7 th -14 th February, 2017 |
| 3 | Normal Registration for Fresh (2 nd Batch) | 7 th -21 st February, 2017 |
| 4 | Late Registration for Fresh (2 nd Batch) with surcharge | 22 nd -28 th February, 2017 |

Note:

1. Registration means paying the appropriate registration fees AND REGISTRATION FOR COURSES.
2. Senate has directed that any student who fails to register within the specified time has to apply for suspension of studies for the session within *two weeks*. Those who fail to apply for suspension of studies, within that time would be considered withdrawn from the University. The Senate decision would be strictly enforced. **YOU HAVE BEEN INFORMED IN ADVANCE!**
3. ALL Postgraduate Students should submit to the Secretary SPS and to their Departmental Coordinators copies of all registration document not more than three (3) weeks after registration. Thereafter, each student would be given a copy of General Regulations Governing Postgraduate Studies (2016).

Signed
M. T. Jikamshi,
Secretary Postgraduate Studies

CENTRE FOR QUR'ANIC STUDIES Invitation to 1st National Conference On Alarammomi (Quranic Memorizers)

The Centre for Qur'anic Studies, Bayero University, Kano in conjunction with Sheikh Muhammad Rabiu Islamic Foundation, Kano is organizing a two day 1st National Conference on Alarammomi (Quranic Memorizers).

All members of the University Community are invited as follows:

Date: Saturday, 10th December, 2016

Time: 10:00am

Venue: Mahmoud Tukur Theatre, Old Campus BUK

Geophysical Society Appoints Dr. Rabia Sa'id Vice President

Dr. Rabia Salihu Sa'id of the Department of Physics has been appointed as Vice President of the African Geophysical Society at the Annual General Meeting

held in Abidjan, Cote D' Ivoire from 7th-11th November, 2016. The conference was held at the Felix Houphouet-Boigny University, Cocody Campus, deBingerville.

CDA: 2nd International Conference on Drylands

The Centre for Dryland Agriculture, Bayero University, Kano invites members of the University community and the general public to the 2nd International Conference on Drylands with the theme: **Agricultural Diversification: A Panacea to**

Food Insecurity in the Drylands as follows:

Date: 12th -16th December, 2016

Venue: Centre for Dryland Agriculture, Bayero University, Kano, New Campus

SEMINARS

The following Faculties and Departments invite members of the university community to their seminar as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY: Ph.D Seminar

Presenter 1: Murtala Uba Mohammed (SPS/14/PGE/00030)

Title: Spatio-temporal analysis of Noise Pollution in Kano Metropolis, Nigeria

Presenter 2: Mahmud Abba (SPS/14/PGE/00038)

Title: The Return of Walls and Gates: The Growth of Gated Communities and its Implications in Urban Centres

Chairman: Professor Julius Afolabi Falola

Date: Thursday, 8th December, 2016

Time: 10:00am prompt

Venue: CB 17, Geography Department

Note: Attendance for Seminar is compulsory to all M.Sc I, M.Sc II, PhD I and PhD II students

Department of Physics: MSc Seminar Presentation

Presenter: Maryam Tijjani Jibril (SPS/14/MPY/00022)

Topic: Optimization of Some Photovoltaic Module Parameters using Global Maximum Technique

Chairman: Dr. A. Yunusa

Date: Thursday 8th December, 2016

Time: 10:00am

Venue: Physics Research Laboratory

Department of Medical Laboratory Science: Monthly Seminar Series

Presenter: Mal. Salmanu Hamza

Topic: Establishment of Reference Values of Reticulocytes Count Among Apparently Health Individuals in Zaria, Nigeria

Chairman: Mal. Ahmad Muhammad B.

Date: 7th December, 2016

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Conference Room, Department of Medical Laboratory Science, BUK (within AKTH)

Wedding Ceremony of Prof. U.G Dambatta's First Daughter

Professor U.G Dambatta, the executive Vice Chairman of the Nigerian Telecommunications Commission (NCC) invites members of the University community and the general public to the wedding fatiha of his first daughter, Surayya Umar

Dambatta, scheduled to hold as follows:

Date: Saturday, 17th December, 2016

Time: 11:00 am

Venue: Bayero University, Kano Old Campus Central Mosque.



APPRECIATION

I, Dr. Haruna Musa, the Head, Department of Mechatronics Engineering, on behalf of myself and the entire family, wish to express my profound appreciation to the entire members of the University Community, who sympathized with me personally, through phone calls and text messages over the fire outbreak at my house at Tudun Maliki Hausawa Quarters, which got burnt on Sunday night, the 27th

November, 2016.

In particular, my special appreciation goes to the University Management and the entire staff of Faculty of Engineering and others that are too numerous to mention.

May Allah (SWT) reward them abundantly Amin.

Do You Know:

- That BUK consumes a lot of Energy Daily?
- That Power Supply by PHCN is Poor?
- That The University Relies on its Generators for Power Supply at Staff Quarters, Administrative, Academic and Students Areas?
- That The University Spends a lot of money on Diesel and Generators' Maintenance?
- That Some Staff members Leave Offices Without Switching-off Electrical Appliances?
- That 1 Extra Hour of Air-conditioning in a Room Uses Enough Energy to Power A TV for a Year?
- ✓ To Reduce Cost and for Safety, Help the University by Putting-off all Electrical Appliances

