Excellent Performance: Prof. Maiwada, Dr. Suwalba Receive Awards, Medal

Two distinguishing academics at the Faculty of Education, Bayero University, Professor Danjuma Abubakar Maiwada and Dr. Suwaiba Sa’id Ahmad, have received awards during the second international conference on Science, Engineering and Social Sciences organised by the Universiti Technologi Malaysia from May 29th to June 1st, 2016.

Professor Danjuma Maiwada, who presented a keynote speech titled “Education, Environment and Peace for Sustainable Development” received the award for the brilliant speech.

Dr. Suwaiba Sa’id Ahmad was awarded a medal and a certificate of excellence for presenting the best assessed paper titled “The Impact of Content-Based Instructional Approach on Students Academic Achievement and Retention of Hydrocarbon Concepts among Science Secondary Students in Kano State, Nigeria” out of 192 papers presented during the conference.

Professor Danjuma Maiwada, in his paper, highlighted that quality education, environment and peace were central to human survival, saying in some countries, such as Nigeria, quality education, especially the basic education, had eluded the children largely because the quality of post-basic education had been adversely affected.

He faulted some top government officials found wanting in terms of patriotism and national service due to their selfishness and greed. He said nations, such as Malaysia, India and Egypt, had surpassed Nigeria in sustainable development. He added that “Just as quality education, continuous degradation of the environment, has adverse effects on sustainable development; governments should strive to create awareness on the consequences of land, water, air and atmospheric pollution.”

The university Don said the solution to restoring peace the world over rested on the prevention of war, suggesting that the government should maintain conflict resolution mechanism through negotiation at round table discussion in an effort to prevent war.

Dr. Suwaiba Ahmad in her paper concluded that Content-Based Approach is more effective in increasing the achievement of senior secondary students in Chemistry than the Lecture Method, saying further that students taught using the Content-Based Approach retained more learned Chemistry concepts than students taught by the Lecture Method.

Have You Obtained Your National ID Card?

All B.U.K. Staff, students and their families who have not obtained their national ID card are reminded that the National Identity Card Management Agency staff are still expecting them to come and be registered for issuance of the document. They can bring along dependants, 16 years and above.

VENUE: Advancement Office, behind Musa Abdullahi Auditorium
TIME: 8a.m. to 4p.m.
The university Don recommended that science teachers should look for alternative and more effective means of instruction to avoid the under-performance of their students and that teachers should adopt the Content-Based Approach in teaching, just as organisations such as Science Teachers Association of Nigeria (STAN) should incorporate the approach in science secondary schools curricula.

She further noted the need for curriculum planners and textbook writers to take into cognisance the Content-Based Approach in developing the curriculum and textbooks as the context for each unit of learning to be identified.

Meanwhile, on Saturday, 11 June, 2016, Professor Maiwada was awarded Life-Time Achievement Award by the Institute of Human and Natural Resources during an event which took place at Arewa House, Kaduna.

### Student Suicide: Call for Information

The University Management has set up an Investigating Committee to investigate the circumstances surrounding the suicide of Miss Sarah Imoleayo (EDU/LIS/00195). Anybody who has any information on the circumstances of the suicide of the deceased should please contact this number, 0802 321 4862, or send an email to, findoutcommittee@gmail.com. All information should reach the contacts given on or before 26th June, 2016. All information will be treated as confidential.

### New MacArthur Competition to Award $100 Million to Help Solve a Critical Problem of Our Time

A new competition launched on 3rd June, 2016 will award a $100 million grant to a single proposal designed to help solve a critical problem affecting people and places of the planet. The MacArthur competition, called 100&Change, is open to organizations working in any field of endeavour anywhere, according to Professor Ado Dan-Isa, the Grants Liaison Officer and Dean of Engineering.

Applicants must identify both the problem they are trying to solve and their proposed solution. Competitive proposals will be meaningful, verifiable, durable and feasible.

For more details members of staff are urged to visit: www.100andchange.org.

### 2016 JUNIOR STAFF PROMOTION EXERCISE

This is to request you to submit to the Junior Staff Office your recommendations for the 2016 annual promotions of Junior Staff in your Faculty, Departments/Centres/Units.

As usual, Heads of Department are requested to note the following guidelines:

1. The candidate(s) being presented for promotion should be confirmed staff and must be qualified academically and professionally. Such staff must have demonstrated exceptional performance meriting promotion.
2. He/she must have served the University for at least 3 years after his/her last promotion.
3. He/She that has spent two years and seven months is deemed to have spent 3 years.
4. Candidate(s) for promotion to the rank of Caretaker must have at least three (3) credits in SSCE/GCE or its equivalent.
5. Trade Test Certificates from the Federal Ministry of Labour and Productivity can be presented where applicable.
6. A member of Staff on study fellowship or who has been granted study fellowship this year could be presented for promotion.
7. Staff member with a warning letter in the last 6 months should not be presented for promotion.
8. All re-designation cases (upgrading, change of cadre and conversion) should not be presented at the Junior Staff A & PC; instead it should be directed to the Registrar.
9. Departments should not re-submit cases for promotion which were earlier rejected without acquiring the needed relevant qualification.

10. Staff members with the following qualifications are allowed to present their submission for promotions:
   i. Certificate in Public Administration
   ii. Professional Diploma in Computer Studies (of at least six month duration) from recognized institutions
   iii. Clerical Officer Certificate
   iv. Assistant Library Officer Certificate
   v. Certificate in Science Laboratory Technology
   vi. Military Police Special Investigation Course III

11. All Chief Porters on CONTISS 04 are regarded as Senior Porters and for those who have stayed up to three years on that position can present their submission for consideration to the rank of Chief Porter on CONTISS 05, if the candidate meets the minimum requirement of three (3) credits in WAEC, GCE or its equivalent.

12. Fifteen (15) copies of the attached forms should be completed and submitted in respect of each candidate.

13. All submissions and recommendations are to be submitted to the Junior Staff Office on or before 15th July, 2016. Late submission would not be accepted.

**NB:** Officers presenting candidates for promotion shall be required to come and defend their submissions before the Junior Staff A&PC with their departmental files and photocopies of relevant credentials on the scheduled date.

**ALARAMMA QUR'ANIC COURSE**
The Centre for Qur’anic Studies, Bayero University, Kano informs the general public, particularly Qur’anic memorizers (Alarammomi), that it has concluded arrangements to run a six months capacity building course for Alarammomi. Interested Alarammomi may obtain application form at the rate of ₦500 at the Centre, Khalifa Ishaq Rabi’u Building, New Campus, Bayero University, Kano.

**Muslim Forum**
The Muslim Forum-BUK invites the general public to its annual Ramadhan Lecture Scheduled as follows:-

**Topic:** Fitinar Shi’ah da Hanyoyin Warware su a Nijeriya (Challenge of Shi’ah in Nigeria and Way Forward)

**Presenter:** Dr. Bashir Aliyu Umar, Director CICID

**Date:** Saturday, 13th Ramadhan 1437 (18/06/2016)

**Time:** 9:00 a.m.

**Venue:** Central Mosque, BUK Old Campus

**Dr. Kabir Mustapha Umar Re-appointed Deputy Director, Research and Publications**
The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has approved the re-appointment of Dr. Kabir Mustapha Umar as Deputy Director (Research and Publications), Centre for Dryland Agriculture.

According to a letter signed by the Registrar, Fatima Binta Mohammed, MNI the re-appointment is for another two years, from 1st July, 2016.

**Prof. Sanusi Gaya Mohammed Re-appointed Deputy Director, Training and Outreach**
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BUK Inducts 37 Newly Qualified Doctors

Bayero University has inducted 37 newly qualified Medical Doctors, who have successfully satisfied the requirements of the Medical Profession and have been found worthy in character and learning.

Administering the oath of allegiance on the graduands, the Registrar, Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria (MDCN), Dr. Abdulmuminu Ibrahim, charged the new Doctors to uphold the ethical standard of the profession. He said “by this oath taking, you are now fully licensed by the MDCN to practice anywhere in the world.”

In his remark, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, congratulated the graduands and said the University had provided state of the art facilities for the training and smooth graduation of the new Doctors, saying that because of the University’s compliance to the standard rules of the MDCN, its admission quota was increased from 100 to 150.

Meanwhile, Hafsat Isma’il Abdullahi emerged as the overall best graduating Medical Student.

SUG Counsels Students on Examination

The Students’ Union Government (SUG), Bayero University prays for the success of the undergraduate students at the ongoing first semester examination.

A statement signed by the SUG Public Relations Officer, Abubakar Sadeeq Isa, urged the students to be vigilant and hard-working to record success in the examinations.

The statement advised students to be good ambassadors of the University and shun all forms of examination malpractice by obeying examination rules and regulations.

GUIDE TO BETTER GRAMMAR

With Sheriff Ahmed

Common Mistakes in Subject-Verb Agreement (6)

Following our previous lessons on subject-verb agreement (over the last five weeks), we are dedicating this week to grammar exercise to test our aptitude in what we have studied so far. Some of the readers of this column say they are learning a lot, and the only way they can test their understanding is through more exercises.

I want to state that outpouring of commendations on this column is coming not only from students and non-teaching staff, but also from academic staff. As we have said before, comments, corrections are welcome. Many thanks to all those who have offered me sound advice and made some observations on how to improve the column. I’ve learnt a lot from their bookish acumen.

Now attempt the exercise below.

A. Which of the following sentences are standard and which are non-standard?

1. There is more than enough booklets to go round.
2. Here is several widely varying interpretations of the same poem.
3. Here is the items you ordered, Mr Ahmad.
4. Do every one of your relatives live in Kaduna?
5. Each of the women has been to the art show.
6. Every one of these socks have a hole in the toe.
7. Have any of the students turned in their compositions?
8. Soap and water is the best cleanser for my face.
9. Neither of the candidates has run for office before.
10. Where was the fullback and the halfbacks at the moment?

B. Study each of the following sentences. Identify the faulty sentences and rewrite them. There may also be errors in the use of modifiers.

11. The two books were discovered by firefighters that could not be identified.

12. Replying to reporters, the Super Eagles’ coach said this year’s team was better than any other team he had coached.

13. Hajiya plans to work before she enters university for a little while.

14. Listen very careful to the two recordings and tell me which one you prefer.

15. Students are excused from last-period study that have B+ average.

16. While doing this exercise, the telephone interrupted me five times.

17. Approaching Arewa House, armed bandits confronted the visiting American delegation.

18. An award was presented to Abba Ibrahim for meritorious service by the managing director.

Correct answers will be provided next week, God willing.

Health and Safety Advice from the Health Services Department

STDs could remain uncured…

- Coition partners must be treated simultaneously; in case of polygamous all the other partners must be treated accordingly.
- Effective STDs management should only come from highly qualified medical staff.
- Most of the drugs given for treatment of STDs are for long duration e.g. from seven (7) days to ten (10) days and at times from two (2) weeks to one (1) month. No matter how long duration your doctor prescribed, you should do it religiously.

- In case of drugs prescribed by health professionals for virginal insertion, the applicator or inserter must be disinfected before and after every use.
- Total sex abstinence between the couple throughout the period of treatment must be observed.
- Toilet of the infected couple must be disinfected continuously.
- Panties, towels and sponge of the infected person must be seriously disinfected by using extremely hot water plus salt, dettol or any effective liquid disinfectant. Allow the material to be disinfected for at least fifteen (15) minutes, then wash it and dry it in sun. In the case of pant and towel, press it with pressing iron before use. Otherwise the STDs causative agents (microorganism) would remain and cause RE-INFECTION.

SEMINARS

The following Faculties/Departments/Centre invite the University Community to their seminars/workshop scheduled as follows:

Department of Civil Engineering: M. Eng. Internal defence

Presenter 1: Musa Haruna (SPS/13/MCE/00030)
Topic: Water Treatment Using Piliostigma Thonningh Schum Tamarindus Indica L, Leaves Extracts
Supervisor: Prof. M. H. Bichi

Presenter 2: Habiba Abdullahi (SPS/13/MCE/00041)
Topic: The Efficiency of Hibiscus Sabdariffa Linn in Treating Turbidity and Disinfection in Water
Supervisor: Engr. H. A. Daura
M. Eng. Proposal  
**Presenter 1:** Nurudeen Isah Yakubu  
(SPS/14/MCE/00015)  
**Topic:** Reliability Based Evaluation of Reinforced Concrete Bridge Columns Subjected to Dynamic Load  

**Presenter 2:** Mujitaba Daihuru Abdulmalik (SPS/14/MCE/00002)  
**Topic:** Characteristics of Trip Making in Kano. (A Case Study of Kurna Residential Area in Fagge L.G.A.).

**Presenter 3:** Adam Bashir Mohammed  
(SPS/14/MCE/00040)  
**Topic:** Environmental Audit of Mobile Base Transceiver Stations (BTS) A Case Study of Kano Municipal, Kano State of Nigeria

**Chairman:** Dr. H. M. Alhassan  
**Date:** Wednesday, 22nd June, 2016.  
**Time:** 12:00 noon  
**Venue:** Faculty Conference Room

Department of Medical Microbiology and Parasitology: M.Sc. Seminar Proposal  
**Presenter 1:** Hauwa Sani Dauda  
(SPS/14/MMM/00021)  
**Topic:** Screening of Blood Donors for Malaria Parasites by Microscopy and Rapid Diagnostic Tests at Hadejia general Hospital, Jigawa State  
**Supervisor:** Dr. Yusuf Mohammed

**Presenter 2:** Muhammad Lawal Kangiwa  
(SPS/14/MMM/00020)  
**Topic:** Helminthiasis and Anaemia in Pregnancy: A case study of the Antenatal Clinic Clients of Usman Danfodiyo University Teaching Hospital, Sokoto  
**Supervisor:** Assoc. Prof. Faruk S/Fada

**Presenter 3:** Abdullahi Sani Gadama  
(SPS/14/MMM/00028)  
**Topic:** Seroprevalence of Cytomegalovirus among Pregnant Women attending ANC Clinic at General Hospital Jahun, Jigawa State  
**Supervisor:** Assoc. Prof. Faruk S/Fada

**Presenter 4:** Muhammad Murtala Yusuf  
(SPS/14/MMM/00028)  
**Topic:** Molecular Epidemiology of Human Pegivirus (HPgV) and Response to HAART among HIV Clients in Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital, Kano, Nigeria  
**Supervisor:** Dr. Babangida Suleiman

**Presenter 5:** Musa Abubakar Umar  
(SPS/14/MMM/00015)  
**Topic:** Prevalence of Hepatitis C Viral Infection among Patients with Cutaneous Lichen attending Yadarunya Hospital, Kano  
**Supervisor:** Assoc. Prof. Azeez Akande

**Chairman:** Assoc. Prof. Faruk S/Fada  
**Date:** Tuesday, 21st June, 2016.  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m.  
**Venue:** Departmental Board Room

**LOST ITEM**
The following items are reportedly missing:  
**Owner:** Shu’aibu Tahir Lawan  
(ENG/15/AGE/00047 of Agricultural Engineering Department lost his BUK ID card at the Postgraduate Class Electrical Engineering Department.  
If found, please call 0806 605 0948.

**LOST AND FOUND ATM CARD**
An ATM card bearing Hadiza Mohammed has been found. The owner should go to Information, Publication and Documentation Division with an ID card for collection.

**GENERAL STUDIES CERTIFICATE FOUND**
A brown card certificate, dated 31st August, 1990, issued to Mohammed Aminu Abdu of the Faculty of Technology, BUK, issued by the General Studies Unit, has been found. The owner should come to the Bulletin Office with identification to claim it.
**TimeTable for the Completion of 2015/2016 Academic Activities**

This is to announce the release of Timetable for the completion of academic activities for the 2015/2016 presentation of 1st Semester Examination Result based on the Senate-approved guidelines for such activities as follows:-

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<td>Faculty Committees on Examination Misconduct and Leakage to consider all suspected cases of Examination Misconduct.* (Within 2 weeks of last paper)</td>
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- Faculty Examinations Officers should notify all students accused of involvement in examination misconduct (in writing) that they should stay behind/return to defend themselves as soon as each case arises.

- This is the latest date for this activity. Departments should encourage examiners to submit their results before this date whenever possible and level coordinators to start compiling the results as soon as some examiners submit their raw marks.

- Arrangements will be made for the prompt payment of External Examiners’ claims. Departments are advised to complete the claim forms, so that the examiners sign them immediately on arrival. In line with the new e-payment policy, the payments will be made directly into the External Examiners’ accounts.
There has been renewed focus recently in the care of people with disability to ensure improvement of their quality of life. Some of the challenges facing the care of people with disability are lack of integration of research findings in developing policies and the minimal implementation of policies especially in developing countries. The Department of Physiotherapy, Bayero University Kano wishes to provide a forum were researchers from multidisciplinary areas could come together to brainstorm on ways of harmonizing research, policy and implementation for the purpose of improving the quality of life of people with disability.

**Theme:**

**Promotion of Quality of Life of People with Disability: Research, Policy and Implementation**

**Sub-Theme:**

- Economic empowerment of people with disability
- Accessibility of people with disability
- Physical rehabilitation for people with disability
- Community integration of People with disability
- Psychosocial impact of disability

**Dates:** 23rd to 25th August, 2016

**Time:** 10am to 5pm daily

**Venue:** Musa Abdullahi Auditorium, Bayero University Kano, Nigeria

**Guest Speakers**

**Dr. Tomasz Tasiemski**
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College of Education and Therapy Poznan, Poland

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