



CAMPUS NEWS

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AMENDED ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR 2011/2012 SESSION

First Semester: Saturday, 29th October, 2011 to Saturday, 21st April, 2012

Saturday, 29th October, 2011 - Commencement of registration process on the University website.

Saturday, 29th October – Wednesday, 30th November, 2011 - On-line registration for all students.

Monday, 21st November, 2011 - Lectures commence for all students

Wednesday, 30th November, 2011 - End of online registration for all levels

Thursday 8th December, 2011 - Matriculation Ceremony of new intakes

Wednesday, 21st December, 2011 – Sunday, 8th January, 2012 - End of year break.

Tuesday, 7th February, 2012 Resumption & Commencement of Lectures for all students

Monday, 9th - Saturday, 21st April, 2012 - Examinations for all levels (2 weeks).

Monday, 23rd – Saturday, 28th April, 2012 - First Semester break (1 week).

Second Semester, 2011/2012 – Monday, 30th April, 2012 – Saturday 11th August, 2012 (15 Weeks)

Monday 30th April, 2012 - Lectures commence for all students

Monday 30th July– Saturday, 11th August, 2012 - Second Semester Examination for all levels (2 weeks).

Monday 13th August – Saturday, 22nd September, 2012 – Second Semester Break/SWEP.

Thursday, 13th September, 2012 - School Boards to consider all results.

Wednesday, 26th September, 2012 - Senate to consider Second Semester results.

Monday, 8th October, 2012 - New Session 2012/2013 begins.

NOTE * Senate reserves the right to amend this Calendar without prior notice.

CONSULTANT HAILS FUTMINNA AS MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP ENDS

The 2 day Strategic Management Workshop for top Management staff of Federal University of Technology, Minna has ended with active participation of Principal Officers, Deans, Directors and Heads of departments.

Speaking during the closing of the workshop, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Muhammed Salihu Audu, said the forum was organized to enrich the knowledge of top level Management.



A cross section of participants at the workshop

The Vice-Chancellor who was represented by the DVC (Academic) Professor Akim Osarhiemen Osunde expressed hope that knowledge gained at the workshop would be put into practice for the good of the University.

He disclosed that plans were on for an in-house workshop for officers on other levels of Management in the University.

He thanked JENCEL CONSULTS, presenters of the workshop, for a job well done.

Earlier, the Lead Consultant, JENCEL CONSULT Ltd, Professor Jude Njoku pointed out that many academics rise to top management level without

training in Management, hence the need to expose them to basic elements in University administration.

Professor Njoku who is a former Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Owerri observed that FUT, MINNA has a culture of discipline adding that he was impressed with the orderliness in the University.

Papers presented at the workshop were “Management Principles and Practice,” by Sir Richard Chioma, Project Coordinator World Bank Project on State Governance and Capacity Building, Imo State; “Administrative Management of a University,” by Dr. (Mrs.) Sally Asagwara, former Registrar, Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike, Abia State; “The Vice-Chancellor as Chief Executive of the University: Implications for University Administration,” and “Leadership Principles and Skills,” by Professor Jude Njoku as well as “The Committee System in University Administration,” by Mall. Muhammed Dattijo Usman, Registrar, FUT, MINNA.

Others were “Introduction to Financial Accounting”, by Mr. Mufutau Alabi Bello, Bursar, FUT, MINNA; “Effective Communication in the University,” by Mr. John Undelikwo, retired Deputy Director of Education and “Time and Stress Management,” by Engr. Dr. (Mrs.) Uche Dike, Deputy Director, FUTO CONSULTS Ltd.

Director, Advancement and Development Office, Professor Emmanuel Udensi who gave the vote of thanks said they are now better equipped with the workshop. He thanked Management for the workshop and promised that lessons learnt would be put into practice.

Over 70 top ranking officials of the University attended the workshop where presenters shared their rich and varied experiences with participants.

V-C FLAGS OFF SENATE NEW CAR PARK

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Muhammed Salihu Audu, has flagged off the new Senate Building Car Park at Main Campus, Gidan Kwano.

Speaking during the ceremony, the V-C thanked Oomef Nigeria Construction Company Limited for

the quality of work done. He called on the staff to ensure good maintenance of the park.



Prof. Audu cutting the tape at the new car park

In his response, the contractor Engr. Emmanuel Obaitan, thanked the University Management for giving him the opportunity to successfully execute the project and prayed for more opportunities to serve the University.

The car park has the capacity to accommodate a total of 115 vehicles (95 open space, and 20 covered).

PTDF WELDERS TRAINING TAKES OFF

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Muhammed Salihu Audu has formally welcomed the 60 welders selected for training in the University under the PTDF Welders Training and Certification Programme in collaboration with the Nigerian Institute of Welders.



Prof. Audu (middle) and other FUT, MINNA Officials in a group photograph with the trainees

While welcoming the trainees to the University at the School of Engineering Workshop, Prof. Audu said they should consider themselves privileged to be selected out of so many that were screened from all over the federation. He urged them to make judicious use of the facilities in the University.

Speaking earlier at the occasion, the Director FUTMIN Ventures Ltd Dr. A. S. Ma'aji said the training will expose the trainees to hi-tech welding which can be useful in various sectors of the economy. He urged the welders to ensure they are found worthy in character and learning after the programme.

It would be recalled that FUT, Minna was selected as one of the seven centres in the country for the training which is practical and theoretical in nature. The training is expected to last for three months.

LIMIT OF NABTEB CERTIFICATES IN CAREER PROGRESSION

It should be noted that NABTEB is a parastatal established by Decree 70 of 1993, to among other functions, conduct examinations leading to the award of National Technical Certificate (NTC), National Business Certificate (NBC), Advanced National Technical Certificate (ANTC) and Advanced National Business Certificate (ANBC) which replace all Technical and Business Examinations hitherto conducted by the Royal Society of Arts (RSA) of London, City and Guilds (C&G) of London Institute and the West African Examinations Council (WAEC).

From the foregoing, it is clear that NABTEB Certificates are relevant for purposes of career advancement of staff in the Craftsman/Technician/Technical cadre where the qualifications of the former City and Guilds of London, RSA and WAEC Technical were required. They are therefore, not relevant for purposes of career advancement in the Clerical and Executive Officer (General Duties) cadres.

The Management wishes to notify the University staff that henceforth, NABTEB Certificates/Statements of Result submitted by staff members that are not in Craftsman/Technician/Technical cadre will no longer be accepted for career progression.

NEWS FROM DCAL: CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

DCAL wishes to bring to the notice of the University Community the following Post Doctoral research fellowships:

1) Georg Forster Research Fellowship for Postdoctoral Researchers

2) Humboldt Research Fellowship for Postdoctoral Researchers

For further information on the fellowship interested members of University Community are to visit the following websites:

Georg Forster Research Fellowship for Postdoctoral Researchers;

[Http://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/pub](http://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/pub)

Humboldt Research Fellowship

<http://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/pub> or

Director, DCAL.

CODEL WORKSHOP

The Centre for Open Distance and e-Learning (CODEL) is organizing a 5-day workshop for the training of University staff who are key pioneering facilitators on Instructional System Design Application on e-learning. The workshop is scheduled to hold from 5th March to 9th March, 2012.

The venue of the event is Senate Chambers from 9:00am daily. Participants are expected to come along with their laptops, lecture notes and possibly modems, in the event of network failure.

...ADMISSION STATUS

The Centre for Open Distance and e-Learning (CODEL) wishes to inform all candidates who applied for admission into Federal University of Technology, Minna for the 2011/2012 academic session that they are to check the Centre's website for further information on their admission status. The website address is www.codel.futminna.edu.ng.

Also, CODEL accepts two methods of payment for registration fee:

- (i) Online payment
- (ii) Bank payment
Bank: Stanbic IBTC Bank Plc
Acct Name: FUT Minna
Acct No: **9201744062**

Procedure for Bank deposit

- (i) Pay the sum of ₦5,000.00 and obtain a valid bank teller
- (ii) Scan the teller in a JPC format and send it through e-mail to codelpay@futminna.edu.ng stating your CODEL student registration number or take the Bank teller to the University Cash Office to obtain an official receipt and

submit the receipt to the IT Department of CODEL.

Meanwhile, the Centre invites applications from suitably qualified candidates for admission into the following undergraduate programmes:

Programmes		Code
Computer Science	-	CS
Mathematics and Statistics	-	MS
Physics with Electronics	-	PHY
Cyber Security Science	-	CSS
Information Technology	-	IT
Mathematics/Computer Science (Education)	-	MCE
Physics/ Computer Science (Education)	-	PCE
Mathematics/Physics (Education)	-	MPE

Admission Requirements

The minimum entry requirement is five (5) O'Level (SSCE/NECO/GCE/NABTEB or other equivalent) credits at not more than two sittings including: English Language, Mathematics and Physics plus any other two from Sciences, Geography and Economics.

Applicants must have scored the JAMB minimum cut off point at Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME). However, candidates who meet the minimum O'Level requirement can also apply.

Duration of Programmes

The minimum period is 10 academic semesters. Nevertheless, a candidate is free to work at his/her own pace towards graduation.

METHOD OF APPLICATION

The entire process is online. Visit the centre's website: www.codel.futminna.edu.ng or www.futminna.edu.ng and pay a fee of five thousand Naira (₦5,000.00) only by using either Mastercard, Visacard, Vervecard or interswitch card.

Complete the application form by clicking on registration on the web page. On completion, the candidate can save and re-open the form as may be required before submission. Submit your form by clicking the "submit" button. Upon submission, you will receive a confirmation notice of the status of your application.

RESUMPTION

Professor Abdullahi Bala, Department of Soil Science, School of Agriculture and Agricultural Technology has resumed duty in his office from 10th February, 2012. It would be recalled that he was granted two years leave of absence from the University in 2010 to take up appointment as the Inoculants Delivery Specialist at the International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA), Kano Sub-station.

SABBATICAL

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the appointment of Dr. Ajetomobi Joshua Olusegun, Department of Agricultural Economics, Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomosho, as Visiting Associate Professor in the Department of Agricultural Economics and Extension Technology, School of Agriculture and Agricultural Technology (SAAT) for a period of one year.

REDEPLOYMENT

The Registrar has approved redeployment of the following staff with effect from Thursday 1st March, 2012.

S/ N	NAME	RANK	PRESENT POST	NEW POST
1	Oyaluna O. E. J. (Mrs.)	Personal Secretary II	Staff Training	Estab. Unit
2	Umogbai Philomina (Mrs.)	Personal Secretary II	Estab. Unit	Staff Training
3	Umogbai Esther O. (Mrs.)	Personal Secretary II	Academic Office	SEET
4	Aluma H. A. (Mrs.)	Chief Sec. Asst.	DCAL	Audit
5	Teni Abdullahi	Secretarial I	Audit	APU
6	Danladi K. Mohammed	Confidential Secretary I	SEET	Dean's Office SET
7	Afusatu J. Shittu	Confidential Secretary I	Estab. Unit	EMC
8	Asabe Baba	Chief Typist	Q/S	SERVICOM
9	Rhoda N. Yisa	Secretarial I	Civil Engineering	CPES
10	Maryam Yakubu	Secretarial I	CHSUD	DCAL
11	Fatima Abdulrahman	Prin. Data Processing Officer	SERVICOM	Q/S
12	Hauwa Abdulrahman	Computer Operator	UBR	UBR
13	Fadairo T. Folake	CS III	EMC	Agric. Econs
14	Ndanusa Alhassan	Computer Operator	APU	Civil Engineering
15	Dike Georgina (Mrs.)	Personal Secretary II	SET	Academic Office
16	Saidu Usman	WPM	SEET	URP
17	Tanko Ahmadu	CO	Agric Econs	SEET
18	Mary Gana Solomon	PS I	Geology	Estab. Unit

REGISTRY WELFARE

This is to inform all Registry staff that there will be distribution of Rice as part of the Registry welfare package on Saturday 3rd March, 2012.

Venue: School of Science Complex

Time: 9am to 5pm

All Registry staff are expected to attend.

NAAT, FUT, MINNA GRAND RECEPTION

National Association of Academic Technologist (NAAT) FUT, Minna wishes to inform the University community that it will be organizing a grand reception in honour of the President, Comrade Alhaji Sani Suleiman.

The event is scheduled to hold on Wednesday 7th March, 2012 at CPES Hall, Bosso Campus, Federal University of Technology, Minna by 2pm.

SSANNU WELFARE COMMITTEE SALES OF FOOD ITEMS

This is to inform the SSANU Welfare financial members of the sale of the following commodities:

1. Semovita
2. Semolina
3. Rice 25kg and 50kg
4. Spaghetti
5. Indomie
6. Sachet milk, bournvita/milo
7. Vegetable oil

Interested members are to make their bookings as from 5th – 14th March, 2012 with the following people:

1. Mrs. V. A. Ojo, Staff School **08027055218**
2. Mallam Ndako, Microbiology, SSSE **08061688823**
3. Aminu A. Ibrahim, Academic Office **08029517626**
4. Usman Isah Jikuchi, Animal Production SAAT **08052158800 or 07063055608**

Items will be delivered on 16th March, 2012 after Jumat Prayers at Works Department, Bosso Campus.

WEDDINGS

Ibrahim Zubairu and Saratu Abubakar of University Security Division wish to invite the University Community to their Wedding Fatiha which will Insha Allah take place as follows:

TRADITIONAL

Date: 1st March, 2012

Time: 8:30pm

Venue: Allawa Village

WEDDING

Date: 2nd March, 2012

Time: 2:30pm

Venue: Mallam Abubakar's Residence
Gidan Kwano Village

Reception follows immediately after Wedding Fatiha at Mallam Abubakar Residence

SIMILARLY

Mr. Joel J. Kolo of University Library cordially invites the University Community to the solemnization of Holy Matrimony of his daughter Salome S. Kolo with Terfa W. Abraham which will take place as follows:

Bachelor's Even:

Date: 2nd March, 2012

Time: 4pm

Venue: Mr. J. J. Kolo's House, No. 35,
Bosso Estate, Minna

Date: 3rd March, 2012

Venue: Chapel of Grace, Federal University
of Technology,
Bosso Campus,
Minna, Niger State

Time: 10:00am

Reception follows immediately at the Centre for Preliminary and Extra-Mural Studies (CPES) Hall, Bosso Campus, FUT, Minna



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ANNUAL REGISTRATION

All returning students that have manually registered for their carryover 100 level course are advised to proceed and register online for those courses and the following GST course.

GST 103
 GST 104
 GST 105
 GST 110
 GST 211
 GST 311

A link has been opened on the University's website for this purpose. The deadline for the completion of this registration is Friday, 9th 2012.

Failure to register will result in the affected students not being able to sit for continuous assessments and examination for the courses at the E-Exam Centre.

RENEWAL OF APPOINTMENT

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the appointment of the following with effect from 1st March, 2012.

1. Engr. Professor Dauda D. Yusuf, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaira, visiting Professor for year in the Department of Agricultural and Bioresources Engineering, School of Engineering and Engineering Technology (SEET)
2. Arc. Emmanuel Olafimihan Olajide, as a Senior Lecturer for one year, in the Department of Architecture, School of Environmental Technology (SET)
3. Arc. Muhammad Bako Ismail, Visiting Lecturer for one year, in the Department of

Architecture, School of Environmental Technology (SET)

RENEWAL OF CONTRACT APPOINTMENT

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the appointment of the following.

1. Dr. Nasiru Bello, Department of Library and Information Technology for a period of one year with effect from 1st April, 2012.
2. Mal. Danjuma Mohammed, Works and Maintenance Services for a period of one year with effect from 1st January, 2012.

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3	Mrs. Abdullahi F. Fati	Snr. Comp. Operator	CPES	IPU
4	Ndanusa Alhassan	Computer Operator	Civil Engineering	EMC
5	Hassan Cecilia	Conf. Secretary III	IPU	CPES

RENEWAL OF CONTRACT APPOINTMENT

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the appointment Hussaini Garba Kuta Work and Maintenance Dept. for a period of one year with effect from 20th February, 2012 expire on 19th February, 2013.

