



Campus News

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27TH CONVOCATION CEREMONY

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Abdullahi Bala, *FSSN*, on behalf of Council, Senate, Staff and Students of the Federal University of Technology, Minna, cordially invites the general public to the University's 27th Convocation Ceremony and 35th Founder's Day for the conferment of First Degrees, Post Graduate Diplomas, Higher Degrees and Prizes to its graduands on Thursday, February 1, 2018 at the Main Campus, Gidan Kwano.

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Tuesday, 30th January to Thursday, 1st February, 2018

Exhibition

Venue: Suleimanu Kumo Convocation Square, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. daily

Wednesday, 31st January, 2018

Convocation Lecture

Lecturer: Prof. Sagay Itsejuwa Esanjumi, **SAN** (Chairman, Presidential Advisory Committee Against Corruption)

Topic: *Nigeria: The Travails of an Animal Kingdom*

Venue: Caverton Lecture Theatre, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, 1st February, 2018

Conferment of First Degrees, Postgraduate Diplomas and Higher Degrees

Venue: Suleimanu Kumo Convocation Square, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano

Time: 10:00 a.m.

INFORMATION TO GRADUANDS

All graduands are required to note the following requirements/conditions for the convocation ceremony:

i. Amounts to be paid:

First Degree

Order of Proceedings	- N2,000.00
Academic Scroll	- N2,000.00
Academic Gown	- N2,000.00
Certificate	- N5,000.00

M.Eng/M.Tech/PGD

Order of Proceedings	- N2,000.00
Academic Scroll	- N2,000.00
Academic Gown	- N5,000.00
Certificate	- N5,000.00
Alumni Fee	- N2,000.00

PhD

Order of Proceedings	- N2,000.00
Academic Scroll	- N2,000.00
Purchase of Academic Gown	- N30,000.00
Certificate	- N5,000.00
Alumni Fee	- N2,000.00

- ii. All payments must be made into the University Account number 3098786009 with First Bank Plc, Minna (Account Name: FUT Micro-Finance Bank).
- iii. Graduands must be physically present at the ceremony to receive their certificates and prizes as the case may be.
- iv. Graduands are expected to present the following items to enable them collect their original certificates immediately after the Convocation Ceremony:
 - a. The original statement of results earlier issued to them by the University.
 - b. Final year clearance **form** duly signed by all concerned.
 - c. Final year identity card or letter of identification from Student Affairs Division.
- v. Invitation cards, Academic gowns and Order of Proceedings are to be collected from Secretaries of the respective Schools of the Graduands from Monday, 29th January to Wednesday, 31st January, 2018.
- vi. Issued Academic Gowns must be returned to the School Secretaries immediately after the ceremony before the collection of original certificates.
- vii. There will be a surcharge for any damaged Academic Gown.

SECURITY

Graduands and the general public should please note the following:

1. University Security personnel will direct guests to the designated parking lots.
2. Luggage and bags are not allowed into the Convocation Square Arena.
3. Hawkers and vendors of any item will not be allowed around the Convocation Square.
4. Photographers who are interested in the coverage of the Convocation should register with the University Information and Publications Unit from Monday 29th to Wednesday 31st January, 2018.

NOTE:

Graduands will not be allowed into the Convocation Square after 9:30 a.m.

While hoping for a successful and memorable occasion, we wish you safe journey throughout the ceremony.

GOV BELLO PLEDGES SUPPORT FOR FUTMINNA

The Niger State Government has pledged to give maximum support to the Federal University of Technology, Minna in the areas of research and collaborations as well as during the forthcoming 27th Convocation Ceremony and 35th Founder's Day of the University.

projects especially the Smart City Project coming up in Suleja. The University, according to him can also collaborate with the State in the areas of housing and agriculture.

Also, as part of its corporate social responsibility, the VC said the University is currently training eight (8) secondary schools, within the state on ICT. The idea, is to expose the students to the rudiments of ICT so that they will be able to meet up with today's global ICT needs.



The Executive Governor, Alh. Bello (m) flanked by the University PO's, staff and other State Government Officials in a group photograph after the courtesy visit.

The State Governor, His Excellency, Alh. (Dr.) Abubakar Sani Bello made the pledge while receiving members of the University Management who paid him a courtesy visit in his office yesterday.

The Governor congratulated the VC on his new appointment while expressing optimism of the State Government benefiting a lot from his appointment and prayed for a successful tenure.

Governor Bello also identified areas of collaboration with the University such as solar energy and agriculture.

"We can collaborate with FUT, Minna on solar as well as development of good seedlings, so as to know the right seed that is suitable for a particular community across the State," the Governor reiterated.

Speaking earlier, the Vice-Chancellor of the institution, Prof. Abdullahi Bala, *FSSN* said the visit was to thank the Governor for all the efforts and support given during the transition and equally brief him on the forthcoming 27th Convocation Ceremony. He highlighted the activities lined up for the event, and solicited for Government's assistance in the repairs of the road leading to the Main Campus, among others.

"This year's convocation ceremony is special in many respect as it is going to be the first under the new set of the University Governing Council led by Prof. 'Femi Odekunle; the first under my watch as the Vice-Chancellor and last for the Registrar." Prof. Bala noted.

In the area of collaboration, the VC said even though the institution is owned by the Federal Government, the University should be seen doing a lot for the State Government. He expressed his belief that there are so many things the state and the University can do together.

He further stated that the University had developed some proposals with the UN-Habitat in respect of some

COURTESY VISIT



Interim Chairman, FUT, Minna Alumni, Dr. Jiya Mohammed presenting a customised congratulatory card to the VC, Prof. Abdullahi Bala during a courtesy visit



Principal Officers in a group snapshot with other members of FUT, Minna Alumni after the courtesy visit.

27TH CONVOCATION PRESS BRIEFING

FUTMinna To Graduate 3,741, As 62 Bag First Class

Barring any last minutes change of plans, come February 1, 2018, the Federal University of Technology, Minna will be graduating 3,741 students for the 2016/2017 academic session out of which 62 bagged first class honours.

This information was disclosed by the Vice-Chancellor of the



The VC, Prof. Abdullahi Bala

University, Prof. Abdullahi Bala, **FSSSN** yesterday during a press briefing ceremony to herald activities for the 27th convocation ceremony and 35th Founder's day of the institution held at the Senate Chamber, Main Campus.

Prof. Bala stated that 1,006 students bagged Second Class Upper Division, 1,526 finished with Second class lower division, 468 earned Third class degrees while the remaining 34 finished with Pass degrees.

He further revealed that out of the 3,741 students that will be graduating, 3,096 will receive first degrees, 426 will be awarded Master's degrees while 46 will bag PhDs. The remaining 173 will be awarded postgraduate diplomas.

'The graduands are from the Schools of Agriculture and Agricultural Technology, Environmental Technology, Engineering and Engineering Technology, Entrepreneurship and Management Technology, Information and Communication Technology, Life Sciences, Physical Sciences, Science and Technology Education and two of our affiliate institutions; Federal College of Education (Technical), Akoka and Kaduna Polytechnic, Kaduna,' the VC stated.

The Vice-Chancellor informed the pressmen that the convocation activities would commence on Friday, January 26, 2018 with a special Jumma't service at both campuses by 1: 15pm, which will be followed by a special church service by 8:30 am on Sunday, 28th January, 2018 at the Chapel of Grace.

He disclosed that the Convocation Lecture titled: Nigeria: 'The Travails of an Animal Kingdom' will be delivered by an eminent professor of Law, Prof. Sagay Itsejuwa Esanjumi, SAN, who is the Chairman, Presidential Advisory Committee Against Corruption at the Caverton Lecture Theatre, Main Campus on Wednesday by 3:00 pm.

The don intimated the pressmen that the second phase of the School of Agriculture and Agricultural Technology building will be flagged off by the Executive Secretary of the Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund), Dr. Abdullahi Bichi Baffa on Wednesday, January 31, 2018 by 9:00 am at the Main Campus while the grand event which is the convocation ceremony would be on Thursday, February 1, 2018 at the Suleimanu Kumo Convocation Square where first degrees,

higher degrees, postgraduate diplomas as well as award of prizes would be conferred on graduands.

He commended the journalists for their timely and accurate reportage of the University events while looking forward for more robust coverage of the convocation ceremony and other events of the institution.

Delivering the vote of thanks, the Chairman, University Ceremonies Committee who is also the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration), Prof. Yahaya Iyaka thanked the journalists for making out time to honour the University's invitation and solicited for their continuous support during and after the convocation ceremony.

The Chairman expressed appreciation to members of the University Ceremonies Committee and other University staff for their support.

PROF IWOKWAGH TO ENHANCE SICT VISIBILITY

Determined to move the School of Information and Communication Technology (SICT) forward, the newly appointed Acting Dean, Professor Nicholas Iwokwagh, has resolved to enhance the visibility of the School among stakeholders and host communities.

Prof. Iwokwagh who disclosed this, as part of his action plan,



Ag. Dean, SICT, Prof. Iwokwagh explained a point during the interactive session with staff of the School.

during his interaction with SICT staff on Monday, January 22, 2018 said he intends to establish collaborations, partnerships and linkages with the relevant bodies.

The new Ag. Dean also said that he would promote quality research, improve the quality and quantity of staff publications, just as he would ensure proposal writing and research collaborations.

Explaining that the interaction was predicated on the need to understand the challenges facing the different departments in SICT and brainstorm on how to move the School forward, he declared his readiness to encourage and support new ideas from staff and students.

He also informed them of the new guidelines for considering academic staff publications for promotion, effective from 2019 and urged them to strive to meet the requirements.

Prof. Iwokwagh also said that he was already making efforts to address the power and infrastructural challenge in the School.

In a vote of thanks, the Head of Department, Cyber Security, Dr. John Alhassan thanked the new Acting Dean for the interaction which he hoped would move the SICT forward.

APPOINTMENTS

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the appointments and re-appointments of the following for a period of one year each:

(i) Ag. Dean/Deputy Dean

1. Prof. Nicholas S. Iwokwogh, Ag. Dean, School of Information and Communication Technology with effect from January 8, 2018.
2. Prof. Elizabeth N. Onwuka, Ag. Dean, School of Electrical Engineering and Technology with effect from January 8, 2018.
3. Dr. Manase Auta, Deputy Dean of Students for a period of one year with effect from October 1, 2017.

(ii) Directors/Deputy Directors

Serial No 1 –7 are new appointments, while 8 - 17 are re-appointments:

1. Prof. Jonathan Yisa, Industrial Liaison Officer/SIWES, with effect from January 8, 2018.
2. Dr. Chinma C. Enyinnaya, Deputy Director, Academic Planning, with effect from January 8, 2018.
3. Dr. Aliyu Mohammed Kawu, Deputy Director, Centre for Human Settlement and Urban Development, with effect from January 8, 2018.
4. Dr. Ismaila Mohammed Bello, Deputy Director, Centre for Preliminary and Extramural Studies with effect from January 8, 2018.
5. Dr. Mairo Mohammed, Deputy Director, Centre for Disaster Risk Management and Development Studies, with effect from January 8, 2018.
6. Dr. Ismaila Idris, Deputy Director, Information Technology Services, with effect from January 8, 2018.
7. Mal. Aminu M. Ashafa, Coordinator, Futmin Ventures, with effect from January 8, 2018.
8. Prof. Y. A. Yahaya, Director, Academic Planning, with effect from October 1, 2017.
9. Prof. A. S. Ibrahim, Director, Quality Assurance and Productivity, with effect from October 1, 2017.
10. Dr. A. M. Adamu, Acting Director, Information Technology Services, with effect from October 1, 2017.
11. Dr. A. T. Uthman, Director, University Health Services, with effect from October 1, 2017.
12. Prof. J. N. Nmadu, Deputy Director, Quality Assurance and Productivity, with effect from January 8, 2018.
13. Dr. Shehu Usman Onuduku, Deputy Chairman, Anti-Corruption and Transparency Unit, with effect from January 8, 2018.
14. Dr. Saratu Usman Ibrahim, Deputy Director, West

African Science Service Centre on Climate Change and Adapted Land Use (WASCAL), with effect from January 8, 2018.

15. Dr. Amosa Isiaka Gambari, Deputy Director, Centre for Distance and e-Learning (CODEL), with effect from January 8, 2018.
16. Dr. Abdulkadir Usman, Deputy Industrial Liaison Officer/SIWES, with effect from January 8, 2018.
17. Mrs. Shitu Maryam Danjuma, Deputy Focal Officer, Servicom Unit, with effect from October 1, 2017.

(iii) Head of Departments

Serial No. 1 - 13 are new appointments while 14 - 39 are re-appointments:

1. Dr. Yakubu DanAsabe Mohammed, Head, Department of Quantity Surveying, with effect from January 8, 2018.
2. Dr. Abdulkarim Nasir, Head, Department of Mechanical Engineering, with effect from January 8, 2018.
3. Dr. Kemiki O. Adebawale, Head, Department of Estate Management, with effect from January 8, 2018.
4. Dr. Jude Tena Kur, Head, Department of Information and Media Technology, with effect from January 8, 2018.
5. Dr. Yusuf Drisu Opaluwa, Head, Department of Surveying and Geoinformatics, with effect from January 8, 2018.
6. Dr. Caroline O. Alenoghena, Head, Department of Telecommunication Engineering, with effect from January 8, 2018.
7. Dr. Matthew O. Adebola, Head, Department of Plant Biology, with effect from January 8, 2018.
8. Dr. Ocheme B. Ocheme, Head, Department of Food Science and Technology, with effect from January 8, 2018.
9. Dr. Jacob H. Tsado, Head, Department of Agricultural Extension, with effect from January 8, 2018.
10. Dr. Philip A. Tsado, Head, Department of Soil Science and Land Management, with effect from January 8, 2018.
11. Dr. Yahaya Baba Alkali, Head, Department of Geology, with effect from January 8, 2018.
12. Prof. F. O. Arimoro, Head, Department of Animal Biology, with effect from October 1, 2017.
13. Dr. Faruk A. Kuta, Head, Department of Microbiology, with effect from December 1, 2017.
14. Prof. Audu Isah, Head, Department of Statistics, with effect from October 1, 2017.
15. Prof. Egwin Evans Chidi, Head, Department of Biochemistry, with effect from October 1, 2017.
16. Prof. (Mrs.) C. I. Alemede, Head, Department of Animal Production, with effect from October 1, 2017.

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17. Prof. Tanko Likita, Head, Department of Agricultural Economics, with effect from October 1, 2017.
18. Prof. Uno E. Uno, Head, Department of Physics, with effect from October 1, 2017.
19. Dr. Jacob Tsado, Head, Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, with effect from October 1, 2017.
20. Prof. A. M. Aibinu, Head, Department of Mechatronics Engineering, with effect from October 1, 2017.
21. Dr. Alhaji Mustapha Mohammed, Head, Department of Civil Engineering, with effect from October 1, 2017.
22. Dr. Abdulkadir Mukhtar, Head, Department of Chemical Engineering, with effect from October 1, 2017.
23. Dr. (Mrs.) M. M. Adeyeye, Head, Department of Entrepreneurship and Business Studies, with effect from October 1, 2017.
24. Dr. J. K. Alhassan, Head, Department of Cyber Security Science, with effect from October 1, 2017.
25. Dr. Katamba A. Saka, Head, Department of Library Information Technology, with effect from October 1, 2017.
26. Dr. Sulyman A. Olarewaju, Head, Department of Urban and Regional Planning, with effect from October 1, 2017.
27. Dr. Ayuba Philip, Head, Department of Architecture, with effect from October 1, 2017.
28. Dr. I. A. Diugwu, Head, Department of Project Management, with effect from October 1, 2017.
29. Dr. Richard A. Jimoh, Head, Department of Building, with effect from October 1, 2017.
30. Dr. Jonathan Gana Kolo, Head, Department of Computer Engineering, with effect from October 1, 2017.
31. Dr. Asipita S. Abdulrahman, Head, Department of Materials and Metallurgical Engineering, with effect from October 1, 2017.
32. Dr. Tajudeen M. Salaudeen, Head, Department of Crop Production, with effect from October 1, 2017.
33. Dr. Ramatu W. Gimba, Head, Department of Science Education, with effect from October 1, 2017.
34. Dr. R. O. Okwori, Head, Department of Industrial and Technology Education, with effect from October 1, 2017.
35. Dr. Thomas Omotayo Alabi, Head, Department of Education Technology, with effect from October 1, 2017.
36. Dr. R. O. Olayiwola, Head, Department of Mathematics, with effect from October 1, 2017.
37. Dr. Abdullahi Mann, Head, Department of Chemistry, with effect from October 1, 2017.
38. Dr. (Mrs.) Aishatu Abdulkadir, Head, Department of Geography, with effect from October 1, 2017.
39. Dr. Mohammed Bashir Abdullahi, Head, Department of Computer Science, with effect from January 8, 2018.

Money Matters

Weekly Financial Digest (Tuesday, January 15, – Sunday, January 21, 2018)

N	RECEIPTS	₦
1	Clearance Fees	546,000.00
2	Collection of Certificate	51,000.00
3	Academic Transcript Fees	70,000.00
4	Semesterial Result	500.00
5	Turnitin	42,500.00
6	Commercial Activities	73,500.00
7	Proficiency in English	2,000.00
8	Change of Course Form	2,280,000.00
9	Teaching Practice	108,000.00
10	Campus Radio	76,100.00
11	Bus Service	1,000.00
12	Hostel Fees	10,972,250.00
13	Undergraduate Fees	100,185,300.00
14	Postgraduate Fees	3,826,750.00
15	Pre Degree	1,408,500.00
16	Sales of Pre-degree Forms	194,250.00
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	119,837,650.00
	PAYMENTS	
17	Contractors/Suppliers	
	(a) ORACO TECH SOLUTIONS	2,220,000.30
	(b) Refund	1,822,525.00
	TOTAL PAYMENT	4,042,525.30

FITNESS! FITNESS!!

The University Sports Committee weekly special dance and aerobics exercise for both campuses will hold as follows:

Date: Saturday, January 27, 2018

Time: 6:30 a.m. prompt

Venue: Bitrus Sawa Sports Complex, Bosso Campus and School Gym, Main Campus.

For details, please call 08035966255 or 08033733709.