

# Campus News

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## FUTMINNA GETS 5 PROFESSORS, 7 ASSOCIATE PROFESSORS

Council at its 132nd meeting held on Thursday, September 27, 2018 approved the promotions of the following from Associate Professors to the rank of Professors and from Senior Lecturers to the rank of Associate Professors:

### Professors

1. Amadi Ahamefule Agapitus, Department of Civil Engineering, with effect from October 1, 2017.
2. Okafor Joseph Onyebuchi, Department of Chemical Engineering, with effect from October 1, 2016
3. Oyedum Georgina Uchey, Department of Library and Information Technology, with effect from October 1, 2016.
4. Waziri Victor Onomza, Department of Computer Science, with effect from October 1, 2016.
5. Gambari Amosa Isiaka, Department of Education Technology, with effect from October 1, 2017.

### Associate Professors

1. John Musa Jiya, Department of Agricultural and Bioresources Engineering, with effect from October 1, 2017.
2. Samuel Mahuta Auta, Department of Civil Engineering, with effect from October 1, 2016.
3. Olatunji Isaac Ayowale, Department of Estate Management and Valuation, with effect from October 1, 2018.
4. Alabi Olushola John, Department of Animal Production, with effect from October 1, 2018.
5. Bala Christopher Katsina, Department of Mechanical Engineering, with effect from October 1, 2016.
6. Gbabo Agidi, Department of Agricultural and Bioresources Engineering, with effect from October 1, 2017.
7. Suleiman Yahaya Mohammed, Department of Geography, with effect from October 1, 2017.

## MAKE POST-OCCUPANCY EVALUATION COMPULSORY - PROF ZUBAIRU

The first female Professor of Architecture in Nigeria, Prof. Stella Zubairu has called for the enactment of laws to make Post-Occupancy Evaluation (POEs) of buildings compulsory.



Prof. Zubairu

Prof. Zubairu who is the Acting Dean, School of Environmental Technology, Federal University of Technology, Minna, made this call yesterday when she delivered the 68<sup>th</sup> Inaugural Lecture of the University at the Caverton Lecture Theatre, Main Campus,

In the lecture titled: **Post-Occupancy Evaluation: A necessary Tool for Architects, Facilities Managers and Other Professionals in the Building Industry**, she explained that such laws would help in assessing the impact and effectiveness of building spaces, structure and services on the end users, leading to better building

performance.

Prof. Zubairu defined POE as systematic evaluation of opinions about buildings in use from the perspective of people who use them, adding that it is intended to compare systematically and vigorously, the actual performance of completed and occupied buildings with explicitly stated performance objectives.

Prof. Zubairu disclosed that studies have revealed that if users of public buildings are consulted at the initial design stage, better and more user-friendly designs will be produced. She, therefore, urged legislators to make a law that will make it mandatory for opinions of potential users to be sought before final decisions on designs of public buildings are made.

She enjoined building professionals to always be mindful of the fact that they are designing for the comfort and welfare of human beings.

As part of her contribution to knowledge, Prof. Zubairu has carried out POEs on students' hostels in FUT, Minna, hotels and more than two dozens of factories in Minna.

In his remarks, the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Abdullahi Bala, *fsssn*, thanked Prof. Zubairu for delivering the lecture. He described her as a woman who has paid her dues.

Mrs. Zubairu is the only female to have held the post of Dean, Postgraduate School in the University, a position to which she held from 2011 to 2014.

Among the dignitaries at the well-attended lecture is a former Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Hamman Tukur Sa'ad.

# SSTE HOLDS 6TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

School of Science and Technology Education (SSTE), Federal University of Technology, Minna has held its 6th International Conference with the theme: ***"Enhancing Quality Education Through Innovative Pedagogy."***



VC's Rep, Prof. Emmanuel Udensi (6th from left), other dignitaries, Resource persons and participants pose for a snap shot

The conference, held from Monday, 1st - Friday, 5th October, 2018 at the CPES Hall, Bosso Campus.

Speaking during the opening ceremony, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Abdullahi Bala, *fsssn*, who was represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration), Prof. Emmanuel Udensi said, the annual conference has created a platform and an opportunity for both local and international community in education and research institutions to share their learning and research findings with various academics coming together to bring their knowledge to bear on ways to enhance science and technology education.

"It is no longer news that the educational system, especially in Africa is in a state that needs urgent and serious attention and the quality of research is not what it used to be," he said.

The Dean, SSTE, Prof. Bernard Atsumbe in his welcome address said that, education is considered to be the only veritable tool for national and human development and despite the good attributes of education and what it can achieve and do for a nation, the Nigerian education system is bedeviled with uncountable number of factors that have impeded its growth.

Prof. Atsumbe defined pedagogy as an academic discipline and the study of how knowledge and skills are exchanged in educational context. He said it considers the interactions that take place during learning, adding that an effective teacher must have a range of teaching and learning tools that can be drawn upon and used in the classroom for effective learning to take place.

He said that the conference is a suitable platform for academics, industrialists, ICT guru's, researchers and all stakeholders to meet, discuss and come up with a communique that will surmount the problems bedeviling our educational system.

The keynote speaker and workshop facilitator, Prof. Marc Schafer, Mathematics Education Department, Rhodes

University, South Africa gave his lecture on the visualisation in the teaching and learning of Mathematics and Science.

He said visualisation is the ability, the process and the product of creation, interpretation and the use of reflection upon practice, stressing that imagination is more important than knowledge because we cannot assume that we all see the same thing. He added that visualisation also is a means of communicating and a key component in researching, problem solving and conceptual understanding.

According to him, visualisation is not explicitly emphasized by teachers because it allows learners to overcome the language barrier as pictures can speak volumes.

Prof. Isaac Olakanmi Abimbola, Professor of Science Education, University of Ilorin, presented the lead paper on the topic, ***"Innovative Instrumental Strategies and Perfect Understanding."***

He stated that the purpose of the teacher is to make students know all what they are taught and more importantly to find out what the student do not know. There is also the need for research, that focuses on what students fail to learn.

Prof. Abimbola said that, misconception is what we know is wrong while alternative conception is what we are not sure of and a normal instruction is usually not effective in changing students misconceptions and alternative conception to accepted or correct conception.

The lead paper presenter stressed that, teachers and students at all levels should ensure that they own standard dictionaries of their subjects, teachers should illustrate instrument using correct objects first, before thinking alternatives, teachers should also always use projection equipment, flip charts, chalk and white board to maintain students attention.

He further recommended that all education stakeholders should implement progressively the study technology principles and strategy in schools to achieve quality education because, quality education is achievable if researchers focus more attention on what learners do not know.

Other highlights of the event were goodwill messages from distinguished guests present at the conference.

## APPOINTMENT

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the renewal of appointment of ***Dr. Mustapha Abdulrazaq***, as a Visiting Senior Lecturer to the Department of Quantity Surveying for a period of one year, with effect from November 7, 2018

# FISH FARMING ENTREPRENEURSHIP TRAINING FOR ALL

The Entrepreneurship Centre, Federal University of Technology, Minna, hereby informs the University community and general public of the upcoming training on fish farming, in the following areas:

1. fish breeding and fingerling production
2. Fish production pond management and water quality management
3. Feed manufacturing
4. Post-harvest processing.

## Registration Procedure:

1. Interested applicant should pick-up the registration form at the Entrepreneurship Centre, FUT, Minna.
2. Pay certification fee of N6,000.00 (Six Thousand Naira) only at the Futminna Microfinance Bank.
3. Submitted both Registration form and teller of payment at the Entrepreneurship Centre.
4. Registration is only complete, when you receive a confirmation receipt of both registration and payment.

**NOTE:** The training qualifies the granduands to access loan from the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) for a start-up fish farming business.

Details of the programme will be made available before the commencement of the training in October/ November 2018.

# CAMPUS NEWS LAUNCHES MOBILE APP

This is to inform our esteemed readers that FUT, Minna Campus News has launched its Mobile App.

Interested persons can visit the android play store, search "***Futminna Campus News***" to download the App.

You can also follow us via our twitter handle ***@infounitfutmx*** and our Facebook page ***Futminna Infounit*** for real time update on live events, details of upcoming activities on campus, exclusive pictures of events and lots more.

## NOTICE! NOTICE! NOTICE!

This is to inform our esteemed readers that the Unit will, from today, Friday, October 5, 2018, stop the production and distribution of hardcopy version of the University Weekly Campus News.

Consequently, we advise our readers who are not on our e-mail data base to forward their e-mail address to any of the following: [info@futminna.edu.ng](mailto:info@futminna.edu.ng), [ayo.olubiyi@futminna.edu.ng](mailto:ayo.olubiyi@futminna.edu.ng) and [ayoyemifavour@gmail.com](mailto:ayoyemifavour@gmail.com) or any of these phone numbers: **08037276484**, **08036537032** or **08060893490**.

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## WEDDING CEREMONIES

**Mal. Abubakar Mahmoud Muhammed**, Deputy Registrar, Vice-Chancellor's Office, cordially invites the University community and the general public to the Wedding Fatiha of his son, **Muhammed Jibril Bala** with **Fadilat Ishaq Suleiman**, which will In-Sha-Allah take place as follows:

**Date:** Saturday, October 6, 2018

**Time:** 11:00am prompt

**Venue:** No. KK7B, Lain Mai Guda, Unguwan Galadima Hayin Taro-Taro, Off Abuja Road, Rigasa, Kaduna State.

**Reception** at CPES Hall, Bosso Campus, Federal University of Technology, Minna, Niger State by 7:00pm. Traditional Dance follows up immediately at Groom's Residence, House No. 10B, Senior Quarters, Maikunkele, Minna, Niger State.

**Jankaro (Sam)** with **Mariam Hyelni Musa (Narimam)**, which will by the grace of God take place as follows:

**Date:** Saturday, October 6, 2018

**Time:** 10:00am prompt

**Venue:** St. Michael Catholic Cathedral, Bosso Road, Minna, Niger State.

**Reception** follows immediately at Justice Idris Legbo Kutigi International Conference Centre, Opposite Government House, Minna, Niger State.

**Chief Saleh Jankaro (KSM)** of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor's Administration Office, cordially invites the University community and the general public to the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony of his son, **Uba Saleh**

# ANUPA CORNER

Self-discipline and self-control develop great character.

## COUNSELLING TIP

Stay away from those who undermine your potential and rarely see any good in you. Get closer to those who affirm your individuality, talent, efforts and achievements.

*Guidance and Counselling Unit,  
Students' Affairs Division.*

## APPRECIATION

**M**rs. *Deborah Usman* of the Evangelical Church Winning All (ECWA), Bosso Low-Cost, Minna has, on behalf of her family, expressed sincere appreciation to the University Management, Staff and students for their prayers, words of consolation, gifts, visits and other forms of support during the burial of her late husband, **Mr. Usman Isah Jikuchi**. She prayed God Almighty to bless and reward everyone abundantly.

# Money Matters

Weekly Financial Digest (Monday, September 24, – Friday, September 28, 2018)

N/S	RECEIPTS	₦
1	Clearance	24,000.00
2	Certificate	209,750.00
3	Transcript	435,000.00
4	Turnitin	37,500.00
5	Semesterial Result	500.00
6	Verification/Confirmation of Certificate	18,000.00
7	Replacement of I.D Cards	1,000.00
8	Student Hire of Academic Gown	30,000.00
9	Hire of Hall	60,000.00
10	Log Book	27,300.00
11	Campus Radio	21,500.00
12	Teaching Practice	6,000.00
13	Post Graduate School Fees	1,495,000.00
14	Pre Degree Forms	813,750.00
15	Post UTME Scratch Card	58,000.00
16	Post UTME Fees	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,299,300.00</b>
	<b>PAYMENTS</b>	
17	<b>Contractors/Suppliers</b>	
	<b>(i) Staff</b>	
	(a) Advance	5,231,300.00
	(b) Refund	12,339,386.00
	<b>(ii) Contractors/Suppliers</b>	
	(a) NUC Abuja (Accreditation)	681,400.00
	(b) A. G Office Equipment (Supply)	381,805.00
	(c) Funde Electrical Work (Supply)	1,289,625.00
	(d) Niger State Water Board (Water Bill)	314,000.00
	(e) Nipost (Courier Services)	251,288.58
	(f) Nipost (Courier Services)	251,425.84
	(g) Nipost (Courier Services)	72,116.30
	(h) Glostores Cards Nig. Ltd. (Supply)	261,250.00
	(i) O. Oladejo (Supply of Newspapers)	618,030.00
	(j) A.D.E.C Ltd. (Electricity Bill)	5,311,213.33
	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>27,002,840.05</b>