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FUTMINNA COUNCIL APPROVES PROF UNO'S APPOINTMENT AS DVC



Prof. Uno Essang Uno

The Governing Council of the Federal University of Technology Minna has approved the appointment of Prof. Uno Essang Uno of the Department of Physics, School of Physical Sciences, as the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration).

In a letter conveying the appointment, the Registrar, Mr. Amos Nmadu Kolo stated that Council approved the appointment at its 153rd meeting held on Wednesday, April 19, 2023.

The appointment is for a period of two years in the first instance, effective from April 19, 2023.

Prof. Uno who hails from Urue-Offong Oruko Local Government Area of Akwa Ibom State was born on December 29, 1959. He began his educational sojourn at Primary School, Eyulor-Oron, Akwa Ibom in 1967 and moved to Primary School, Oruko Oron (1970 – 1973). From 1973 to 1978, he attended Secondary Technical School, Oyubia-Oron, Akwa Ibom State.

He was admitted into the University of Calabar in 1982 where he graduated in 1986 with B.Sc in Physics, obtained an MSc in Physics from the University of Abuja in 2000 and capped with a PhD in Solid State Physics from the same university of in 2006.

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Prof. Uno began his working career as a store keeper at the Federal Government College, Enugu (1978 - 1980) and was a teacher at Federal Government College, Kano (1986-1987). He also taught at Senior Secondary Grammar School Kazaure, Jigawa State, from 1987 to 1989 at Federal Government Girls College, Bwari Abuja from 1989 to 2002.

He joined the services of the Federal University of Technology, Minna as an Assistant Lecturer in 2002 and rose to the rank of Professor of Physics in 2015.

The don has held various administrative positions and served in many committees in the University which includes Examination officer Department of Physics 2003-2006; Deputy Chairman University Board of Research from 2009 -2010 and Head of Department from 2014- 2018. He was Coordinator of the University's Electronic Examination (2013 - 2018).

Prof Uno accomplishments include several journal articles and conferences papers,

national and international linkages. He has rendered consultancy services to the Federal Ministry of Science and Technology, International Junior Science Olympic 2014, and a quiz master for NAFDAC, West African Examinations Council, Federal Ministry of Education, and Federal Ministry of Science and Technology.

He has supervised several student projects at undergraduate and postgraduate levels.

The new DVC is a member of Science Teachers Association of Nigeria (STAN), Nigerian Institute of Physics (NIP), Board Member International Young Physicists Tournament (IYPT), Board Member International Junior Science Olympiad (IJSO).

He is happily married with children.

COUNCIL EXTENDS REGISTRAR'S TENURE



Mr. Amos Nmadu Kolo

The Council, Federal University of Technology, Minna at its 153rd meeting held on Wednesday, 19th April, 2023 has extended the tenure of the Registrar and Secretary to Council, Mr. Amos Nmadu Kolo for another period of one year.

The extension would take effect from 12th June, 2023 to 11th June 2024 and is in line with the provisions of Act. No. 11, 1993 as Amended by Universities (Miscellaneous Provision) (Amendment) Act, 2012.

Recall that Mr. Kolo was appointed the 6th substantive Registrar on 12th June 2018.

RESOURCE VERIFICATION: ENTREPRENEURSHIP GETS THUMB UP

By Winifred Oritogun



Principal Officers and members of the NUC verification team in a group photograph. Front row, 5th from left, Prof. F. A. Kuta flanked by Mrs. Celine Amadi and Prof. Adekunle Binuyo.

A resource verification team from the National Universities Commission (NUC) commended the Department of Entrepreneurship, Federal of Technology, Minna for its compliance with the Benchmark Minimum Academic Standard (BMAS).

Leader of the team, Prof Adekunle Binuyo who gave the commendation on Wednesday April 19, 2023 during an exit meeting with the University Management at the Main Campus, Gidan Kwano, described the compliance as outstanding.

Prof. Binuyo who hailed the team spirit among staff of the Department of Entrepreneurship and commended the Management for the quality of staff and the leadership of the department.

He also commended the University Library for the currency of materials available, active database as well as its policy on borrowing.

Earlier during a courtesy visit to the Management, the team leader stated that the essence of the resource verification was

to ensure that the capacity required for effective delivery of content of the programme is up to the required standard globally, adding that the exercise is not a witch-hunt but a peer review to strengthen the programme.

In his remarks, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof Faruk Adamu Kuta, while receiving the team, appreciated them for accepting to embark on the assignment despite current challenges. He commended the NUC for consistently ensuring the peer reviews.

Prof. Kuta assured that Management was determined to ensure that the programme will come to life after the verification and that work will commence soonest to ensure that everything is in place so that students will have a perfect learning condition.

He appealed to the management to provide adequate computers as the existing ones will not be able to cope with the students population.

FUTMINNA GETS 13 PROFESSORS, 15 ASSOCIATE PROFESSORS

The Council at its 153rd meeting held on Wednesday, 19th April, 2023 approved the promotions of the following from Associate Professor to the rank of Professors and from Senior Lecturer to the rank of Associate Professors.

PROFESSORS

| 1 | 2 | 3 |
|--|-----------------------------|---|
| S/N | NAME | POST/DATE |
| SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE AND AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY (SAAT) Department of Agricultural Extension & Rural Development | | |
| 1 | AJAYI, Oladipo Joseph | Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| SCHOOL OF INFRASTRUCTURE, PROCESSING ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY (SIPET) Department of Agricultural & Bioresources Engineering | | |
| 2 | ORHEVBA, Bosede Adelola | Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| Department of Mechanical Engineering | | |
| 3 | BALA, Christopher Katsina | Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| SCHOOL OF ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY (SET) Department of Quantity Survey | | |
| 4 | IDIAKE, John Ebhomen | Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| SCHOOL OF INFORMATION & COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY (SICT) Department of Information and Media Technology | | |
| 5 | ABDULWAHEED, Kayode Agboola | Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| SCHOOL OF LIFE SCIENCES (SLS) Department of Microbiology | | |
| 6 | ADABARA, Nasiru Usman | Professor 1 st Oct., 2021 |
| SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES (SPS) Department of Geography | | |
| 7 | SULEIMAN, Yahaya Moh'd | Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| 8 | OJOYE, Samsideen | Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| Department of Geology | | |
| 9 | ONUDUKU, Shehu Usman | Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| 10 | AMADI, Okbundu Nwanosike | Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| Department of Physics | | |
| 11 | UMARU, Ahmadu | Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| SCHOOL OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION (SSTE) Department of Industrial & Technology Education | | |
| 12 | RAYMOND, Emmanuel | Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| Department of Library & Information Technology | | |
| 13 | MADU, Everest Chibuogwu | Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |

ASSOCIATE PROFESSORS

| 1 | 2 | 3 |
|---|----------------------------|---|
| S/N | NAME | POST/DATE |
| SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE AND AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY (SAAT) Department of Agricultural Economic and Farm Management | | |
| 1 | Mohammed, Usman Shaba | Associate Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| Department of Agric. Extension and Rural Development | | |
| 2 | Salihu, Ibrahim Tyaba | Associate Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| Department of Soil Science | | |
| 3 | Eze-Chukwu, Peter | Associate Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY Department of Mechatronics | | |
| 4 | Alkali, Babawuya | Associate Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| SCHOOL OF ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY Department of Estate Management and Valuation | | |
| 5 | Sule, Abbas Iyanda | Associate Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| Department of Quantity Surveying | | |
| 6 | Shittu, Abdulateef Adewale | Associate Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| 7 | Saidu, Ibrahim | Associate Professor 1 st Oct., 2021 |
| SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES Department of Chemistry | | |
| 8 | Lafia, Araga Anayimi Ruth | Associate Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| Department of Geology | | |
| 9 | Aliyu, Isah Goro | Associate Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| 10 | Alkali, Yahaya Baba | Associate Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| 11 | Waziri, Salome Hephzibah | Associate Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| Department of Geophysics | | |
| 12 | Usman, Defyan Alhassan | Associate Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| Department of Mathematics | | |
| 13 | Raihanatu, Muhammad | Associate Professor 1 st Oct., 2021 |
| SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION Department of Industrial and Technology Education | | |
| 14 | Abdullahi, Muhammad Hassan | Associate Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |
| 15 | Owodunni, Ayanda Samuel | Associate Professor 1 st Oct., 2020 |

THE YEAR 2023 CALL NOTICE FOR SUBMISSIONS ON SENIOR STAFF PROMOTIONS EXERCISE

Notice is hereby given that the Appointments and Promotions Committee (A&PC) will be meeting soon to consider Promotions, Confirmation of Appointments and other related cases of Senior Staff for the 2023 promotion year.

2. All cases of Senior Staff due for Promotion and/or confirmation and other related cases of appointment should be carefully and dispassionately screened by the Schools/Units/Centres' Sub-Committee and submissions made in five (5) copies to the Registrar, not later than **Six (6) weeks effective from 11th April, 2023. Any submission made after the deadline, 23rd May, 2023 will not be entertained.**
3. Deans and Heads of Department/Unit/Centre are to conclude action as outlined in the guidelines for the Promotion of Senior Staff within the above stated deadline. Any submission made after the deadline will not be entertained.
4. The highlights of the guidelines are as follows:

(A) Confirmation of Appointment before Promotion:

For the avoidance of doubt, there should be a minimum period of three (3) years of satisfactory probation before confirmation. This period includes the One (1) year National Youth Service Corps (NYSC). All cases of confirmation must be accompanied with up-to-date Curriculum Vitae. All staff employed on Senior rank, that is, from CONTISS 6 and above, are expected to possess either NYSC discharge certificate or Exemption Certificate before being considered for confirmation.

- (ii) Academic staff with first degree should not be presented for confirmation of appointment, until after completion of Master's Programme.
- (iii) Staff applying for confirmation of appointment should include their academic qualification(s) in the body of their application and this should be captured in the Department's summary.
- (iv) If an employee is absent on Study Fellowship for part or all of the first three (3) years from the date of commencement of his/her appointment, he/she shall not be eligible for confirmation until he/she has successfully completed the Study Fellowship and spent a total of two (2) years in post at the University. However, staff in the rank of Assistant Lecturer and above who are **on part-time** Study Fellowship and are effectively carrying out their academic work in the Department would be considered for Confirmation of Appointment and Promotion if they have met the required years of service.

(B) Promotion:

- (i) Promotions shall be subject to availability of **established and funded vacancies**, attainment of requisite educational and/or professional qualifications, and the NUC approved guidelines/ structure on staffing.
- (ii) A minimum of three (3) years satisfactory service must be spent after the last promotion or appointment of an officer, excluding periods spent on Leave of Absence. However, four (4) years is the minimum waiting period for non-teaching staff moving to CONTISS fourteen (14).
- (iii) A staff who was promoted during Study Fellowship must spend a minimum of One (1) year after Study Fellowship before he/she can be considered for another promotion provided he/she has met all the other conditions for promotion.
- (iv) Acquisition of Professional registration is compulsory for Academic Staff applying for promotion to the rank of Senior Lecturer and above and for Non-teaching staff moving to CONTISS 13 and above. **However, staff on Architect and Builder officers' cadres will be required to obtain Professional registration when applying for promotion to CONTISS 11 as provided by the University Scheme of Service**
- (v) Those that are not due for promotion either as a result of disciplinary measures or for some other reasons should be clearly indicated in the submissions.
- (vi) In addition to the requirement for five (5) copies of up-to-date Curriculum Vitae of the members of staff being put up for promotion, the third year's Annual Performance Evaluation Report Form should be completed by Non-Academic staff, duly assessed (see (*) below), and forwarded to the Registrar along with the write-up on promotion. ***(Note that the earlier circular directing staff to complete the APER form annually and to forward same still stands).** Promotion cases forwarded with lumped APER Forms will not be considered.

- (vii) A Committee comprising the Heads of Department/Unit/Centre and Senior Colleagues in the Department/Unit/Centre should assess the Annual Performance Evaluation Report Form of Non-Academic staff recommended for promotion comprehensively; it should **not** be the responsibility of the Head of Department/Unit/Centre **alone**.
- (viii) Library Staff who are classified as Academic Staff will be assessed on the existing approved Academic Staff Promotion Guidelines.
- (ix) Where a member of staff has served less than SIX (6) months in a Department/Unit/Centre, the previous Department shall be responsible for his/her appraisal for promotion or confirmation.
- (x) Abbreviation of names of staff recommended for promotion or confirmation should be avoided. Names should be written in full, beginning with **Surname and a coma before other names (e.g) Kolo, Amos Nmadu**.
- (xi) The date of last promotion of staff on Transfer of Service to Federal University of Technology, Minna should be written in the column "Date of Last Promotion of Staff on TOS" provided in the promotion summary.
- (xii) For the avoidance of doubt, Senior Lecturers applying for promotion to the rank of Associate Professors and Associate Professors applying for promotion to the rank of Professor must both have evidences of International Conference attendance and Postgraduate supervision. **The International Conference must be off-shore**.
- (xiii) Promotion examination for Non-Academic staff will be conducted at least four (4) weeks to the promotion exercise. Adequate information on the exercise will be made available in due course.
- (xiv) All the qualifications and scores of staff recommended for promotion should be explicitly and fully stated in summary sheets. This implies that areas of specialisation should also be included.
- (xv) Please, note that originals of published works of Academic staff put up for promotion will be assessed by the Appointments and Promotions' Publication Sighting Sub-committee and if necessary also sighted at the floor of A & PC meeting.
- (xvi) All submissions should be separated into the following categories:
 - (a) Academic Staff;
 - (b) Senior Administrative Staff; and
 - (c) Senior Technologist/Technical Staff.
- (xvi) Submissions lumped together will be rejected.
- (xvii) Publications in journals from Tertiary Institutions other than University will not be considered for assessment.
- (xviii) Publications in Predatory Journals after 2016 will not be used for promotion.**
- (xix) For promotion to the rank of Senior Lecturer, Publications should not be more than 50% in local journals and proceedings and not less than 20% in international ones. For the Professorial ranks, at least 30% of the publications must be international with no more than 40% in local outlets. **Table of content and list of Editorial Board members should also be submitted. Reviewer's comments on online publications of articles submitted for publication since January, 2016 should be submitted along with the publications.** Please, note that acquisition of a PhD has been mandatory for promotion to the rank of Senior Lecturer with effect from 2009/2010 Promotion Exercise.
- (xx) Academic Staff applying for promotion are requested to **upload their Publications on the University Website**. Staff that refuse to upload their Publications will not be considered for promotion.
- (xxi) Please note that Guidelines for Promotion remain the same. However, copies are attached as a reminder.
- (xxii) Staff with Diploma Certificate on CONTISS 6 and above should not be presented for promotion. Note that those with National Diploma Certificate are not affected. Their terminal point is CONTISS 9.
- (xxiii) Non-teaching staff employed with Third Class Degree and PASS in ND/HND before 10th May, 2012 can apply for promotion provided they have met other requirements for the promotion.
- (xxiv) Please, be informed that it is necessary to underscore the need for writing the Curriculum Vitae in the approved format. Curriculum Vitae that are not written in that order will not be treated. Please be guided accordingly.

- (xxv) Assessment of publications of Academic Staff for promotion should be tied to their areas of specialization especially those applying to Professorial ranks.
- (xxvi) There should be evidence of lead authorship in publications for candidates applying for promotion to the rank of Professor.
- (xxvii) Deans should advise staff of their respective Schools to be consistent in the way they write their names. Also, they should be advised to adhere strictly to the approved format in preparing Curriculum Vitae.
- (xxviii) Promotion to the next rank would be hinged on evidence of Publication after last promotion.
- (xxix) Any staff that presents the same article in journal publication and conference proceedings, would not be scored.
- (xxx) Any Publication that was not listed and scored at the school level will not be scored by the Publication Sighting Committee.
- (xxxi) The download copy used at the various school levels should be forwarded along with publications to the Sighting Committee.
- (xxxii) Staff that deliberately changed the arrangement of their name in the uploading list would be penalized.

6. Other Administrative Points for Noting:

- (a) All submissions to Appointments and Promotions Committee should be separated as categorised in (xvi) above.
- (b) Submissions are to be forwarded in the appropriate attached format. Any submission that is not in conformity with the appropriate format will not be considered.
- (c) Copies of the Minutes of each School/Department/Unit/Centre's Sub-Committee meeting(s) on promotion should be attached for the Appointments and Promotions Committee's information and guidance.
- (d) The Deputy Registrar (Establishment) should be contacted at least one (1) week before the School/Unit/Centre's Sub-Committee meeting(s) to enable him send a representative.
- (e) All applications should be forwarded to Appointments and Promotions Committee whether or not staff are recommended from Schools/Units/Centres.

7. Conclusion

- a. I appeal for your maximum co-operation to enable us undertake a hitch-free Promotion Exercise.
- b. Please, feel free to consult me for clarification on any matter arising from this Circular.
- c. The Chairman of the Appointments and Promotions Committee is also willing to avail interested Deans, Heads of Department/Unit and Directors/Coordinators/Chairmen of Centre/Board of his advice so as to ensure the total success of this exercise.

Thank you once more for your anticipated cooperation.

Mr. A. N. Kolo

Registrar/Secretary Council

COUNSELLING TIPS

Don't give your thrust to a man who refuse to give you his details. Depending on an unreliable person in crisis is like trying to chew with a loose tooth or work with a cripple foot.

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

MONEY MATTER

Weekly Financial Digest for 9th April - 16th April 2023

| N/S | RECEIPTS | N |
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| | DETAIL | AMOUNT |
| 1 | ACCEPTANCE FEES | 460,000.00 |
| 2 | TRANSCRIPT | 706,360.00 |
| 3 | POST UTME | 3,000.00 |
| 4 | CERTIFICATE (UNDER GRADUATE) | 261,000.00 |
| 5 | CERTIFICATE (POST GRADUATE) | 28,000.00 |
| 6 | POST GRADUATE SCHOOL FEES | 4,179,750.00 |
| 7 | POSTGRADUATE FORMS | 555,000.00 |
| 8 | REGISTRATION FEES PRE-DEGREE | 249,750.00 |
| 9 | CODEL ACCEPTANCE | 25,000.00 |
| 10 | CODEL REGISTRATION | 61,350.00 |
| 11 | TURNITIN PG | 36,000.00 |
| 12 | VERIFICATION OF RESULT | 5,000.00 |
| 13 | CLEARANCE FEES | 9,000.00 |
| 14 | UNDERGRADUATE FEES | 180,450.00 |
| 15 | PURCHASE OF ACADEMIC GOWN | 38,000.00 |
| 16 | SALE OF FORMS PRE-DEGREE | 28,000.00 |
| 17 | COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES (SHOP) | 60,000.00 |
| 18 | PREPAID METER | 48,500.00 |
| 19 | MOTORCYCLE REG. FEES | 33,000.00 |
| 20 | SIWES LOG BOOKS | 45,000.00 |
| | TOTAL | #7,021,160.00 |
| | PAYMENTS | |
| 21 | (i) Staff | |
| | (a) Refund | 845,660.00 |
| | (b) Advance | 717,400.00 |
| | TOTAL PAYMENTS | #1,563,060.00 |