



UNAAB Screens Candidates

UNAAB ANTHEM

Academic

As part of efforts toward sustaining its academic and moral excellence, the University has concluded screening of candidates offered provisional admission into the 100 Level (UME) and 200 Level (Direct Entry), for the 2009/2010 Academic Session.

Hundreds of the candidates were seen at the designated Screening Centres in response to an earlier advertorials placed by the Management in national dailies, inviting them for oral interview, scheduled between Monday, 8th and Saturday, 13th March, 2010.

best, both academically and morally were offered admission into the University.

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun spent time, visiting some of the Screening Centres, for on-the-spot assessment of the exercise.

Some of the candidates, who spoke to **UNAAB BULLETIN** crew, described the exercise as transparent and orderly. **It was observed that some of the candidates were turned back for improper dressing and other irregularities.**



Some candidates awaiting screening at one of the Centres.

According to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Professor Chyrss Onwuka, the University authorities created seven Centres with an 8-Man Panel for each, as well as seven Coordinators and a Chief Coordinator, to ensure a smooth exercise.

He further informed that each Centre was manned by highly experienced Administrators, Psychologists and Security Personnel, adding that 3,150 candidates were invited for screening.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor pointed out that the sole aim of the screening was to ensure that only the

Checks revealed that since inception, UNAAB has carved a niche as centre of academic and moral excellence with the university emerging as the best in the country in 2004 and 2005. Similarly in 2008 it took the lead as the best university in Mathematics at the undergraduate level.

Speaking during an Interdenominational Thanksgiving Service held in the first working day of the year, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun promised to sustain the standard by ensuring that admission is strictly based on merit.

1. *We have a vision great and clear
For the masses far and near
A school of farming, science and skill
To feed the land we'll till
Research, test and learning
For wisdom, we're yearning*

*Chorus: UNAAB, UNAAB, glory of our day
Forward, upward, we shall ever stay
Beacons of our fatherland,
to success we will sail
labouring, toiling onward
we shall never fail*

2. *The nature's secret we'll find
As offering to mankind
We're aiming at sound scholarship
And academic leadership
We've all needed potentials
And basic essentials*

*Chorus: UNAAB, UNAAB, glory of our day
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Council Approves IFSERAR Replaces RESDEC

The Governing Council has approved the transformation of the Research and Development Centre (RESDEC) of the University into an Institute of Food Security, Environmental Resources and Agricultural Research (IFSERAR).

Adeboye, for the Registrar and Secretary to Council, the transformation was approved, to offer the required structures and resources that can adequately address the research mandate of the University.



The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun (Left), the Pro-Chancellor, Chief Olakunle Osayemi (1st Right), a Council member, Mrs. Mabel Ozumba and the Acting Registrar, Mr. Leke Adeboye (in suit behind the VC) looking the way of IFSERAR.

The approval was given at the 62nd Statutory Meeting of the Governing Council and it came on the heels of Senate's proposal for the transformation at its 178th Statutory Meeting, held December, last year.

According to the Council's Decision Extract, signed by Mr. A.O.

.... Reinstates 500-Level Student

Meanwhile, the Governing Council has reinstated Mr. Bamidele Lebile, a 500-Level Student, in the Department of Plant Breeding and Seed Technology.

Mr. Lebile was dismissed from the University by Senate during the 2nd Semester of the 2007/2008 Academic Session for defrauding the Ondo State Government through its Bursary Award.

It would be recalled that the University Community had during the New Year thanksgiving service, pleaded for leniency for Mr. Lebile, on the ground that he had demonstrated adequate remorse and to also 'save his future' as an aspiring young adult.

The Council had therefore directed based on the plea, for the reinstatement of Mr. Lebile to 500 Level

The Council agreed with the University Senate, that the establishment of a Research Institute will further help in the delivery on new crop varieties, improved livestock breeds as well as the development of improved production and processing technologies.

in the next Academic Session.

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun has been reiterating that no erring student would be spared the rod, insisting however, that justice will be tempered with mercy when there is reasonable plea for pardon.



Prof. Chryss Onwuka, DVC (Academic)

UNAAB BULLETIN Gets Board Chairman

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun has approved the nomination of a veteran Journalist and revered Media Consultant as the Chairman, Editorial Board of the University new publication, **UNAAB BULLETIN**.

He is Dr. Taofeek Salisu, the Director of the University Centre for Human Resources Development (CENHURD) and former University Librarian.

Dr. Salisu has made a landmark especially in Print Journalism, having served meritoriously on the Board of some frontline national dailies.

Dr. Salisu's wealth of experience is expected to add impetus to the quality of the Bulletin.



Head of the Directorate of Public Relations, Mr. 'Lasun Somoye (L) presenting copies of UNAAB News magazine to Dr. Salisu, moments after presenting his letter of Acceptance as Chairman, Editorial Board of UNAAB BULLETIN.

Other members of Board of the Bulletin are the Assistant Director/Head, Public Relations, UNAAB, Messrs 'Lasun Somoye, Kolawole Joseph Adepoju, Principal Public Relations Officer, Media/External Relations and Adewale Kenneth Kupoluyi, Principal Public Relations Officer, Protocol/Passages.

Dr. Salisu has formally accepted the appointment, with a pledge to add his "modest contributions to the qualitative development of the Bulletin so as to justify the confidence reposed in me for this assignment".

CORRUPTION: VC Counsels New Staff

The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Agriculture, Abeokuta, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun has said that the fight against corruption in Nigeria, must be a collective responsibility.

means of Fighting Corruption", the Director, Executive Affairs, Mrs. Christianah Kuforiji, pointed out that corruption in our society goes beyond dishonesty or illegal behaviour to individual's negative disposition to work



A cross-section of new staff listening with rapt attention at the lecture

Professor Balogun dropped this hint at a One-Day Training Workshop organized by the Anti-Corruption and Transparency Monitoring Unit (ACTU) of the University to inculcate the spirit of transparency and honesty in the newly recruited staff.

Professor Balogun who was represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Development), Professor Segun Lagoke, called for a change of orientation in people, who believed that it was only those in authority that perpetrate corruption.

According to him, every individual that is capable of differentiating between right and wrong, but fails to do the right thing or awaits monetary inducement before carrying out his duty, is guilty of the offence.

Delivering a Paper titled **"Upholding Work Ethics as a**

and ethical values.

Mrs. Kuforiji observed that prior to the oil boom, public servants in Nigeria were highly respected, but lamented the downturn, orchestrated by lack of discipline, honesty, accountability, punctuality and productivity.

To restore the lost glory, the Director advised that it was imperative for organisations to have laid down rules and guidelines, which must be made available to workers, to guide them in the discharge of their duties.

She called on organizations to adopt the 'carrot and stick' diplomacy in rewarding and sanctioning staff as appropriate, while departmental heads should be exemplary in their conduct, adding that no worker should be above the law.

NYSC Lauds UNAAB Management

The Ogun State NYSC Coordinator, Mr. A. O. Arokoyo has commended the Management of the University of Agriculture, Abeokuta (UNAAB), for actively engaging Corps members, thereby developing their innate potentials.

Mr. Arokoyo gave the commendation at a Send-Forth ceremony organised by the University for the 2009/2010 'Batch A' Corps members.

The State Coordinator noted that the University system did not give room for redundancy, which in turn has helped in boosting the confidence of the Corps members.

Mr. Arokoyo pointed out that with the work experience garnered in UNAAB, the disengaging Corps members will fit easily into any work environment and therefore called on other organizations to emulate UNAAB, while encouraging the University Management not to relent in absorbing diligent Corps members into its service.

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun in his remarks, lauded the Corps members for being worthy ambassadors of their respective families and the NYSC, while at the University.

Professor Balogun who was represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Development), Professor Segun Lagoke, disclosed that the NYSC scheme has not failed in inculcating the spirit of service, unity, and oneness in its citizenry and charged Corps members to build on their experience during the service year, for the benefit of humanity and the nation.



Prof. Segun Lagoke, DVC, Development

Thinking Corner

*Don't Give Bribe; Don't Take Bribe; Corruption is Evil!
Integrity Pays, Let's Join Hands to Lift Our Nation to Greater Heights
Good People, Great Nation!*

Courtesy: ACTU, UNAAB

UNAAB Students Win MTN Scholarship

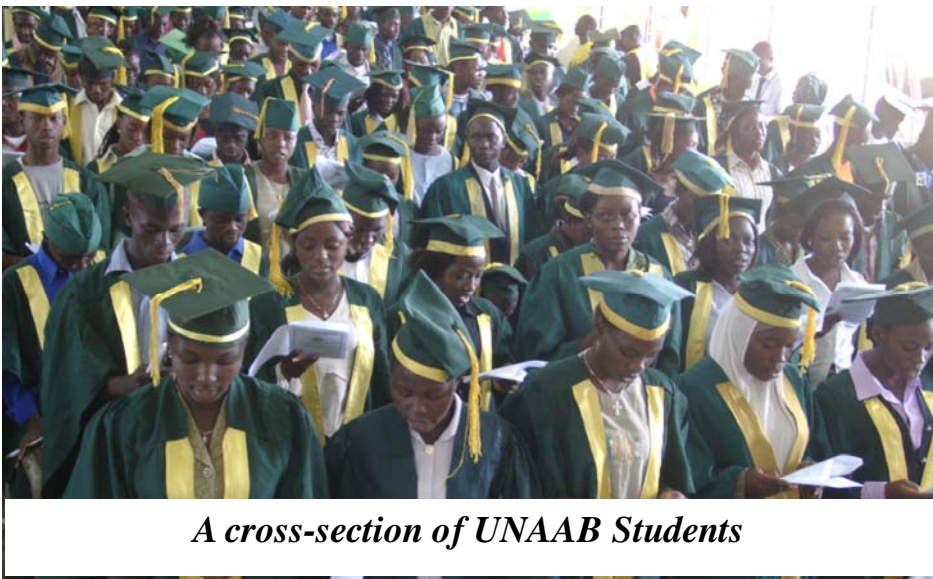
Five UNAAB students were part of the 500 Nigerian students that benefited from the foremost telecomm giant, MTN's Scholarship Award.

They are, Ademolu, Tolulope Ebenezer and Afolagboye, Kolawole Emmanuel of Mechanical Engineering.

Others are Okuneye, Kamaldeen Olatunde (Mathematics) Tedela, Motolani Charles (Computer Science) and Fashina, Ibrahim Olufemi (Electrical Engineering).

The award ceremony, held at the University of Lagos, was witnessed by the Deputy Governor, Lagos State, Mrs. Sarah Sosan, the Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission, Prof. Julius Okojie and Principal Officers of Universities.

In his Welcome Address, the MTN Foundations Director, Mr. Dennis Okoro, disclosed that the award is worth N200,000.00 to each benefiting student annually, provided they maintain CGPA of 3.5, without changing their individual course of study.



A cross-section of UNAAB Students

NASU Boosts DPRDonates Megaphone

The Non-Academic Staff Union of Universities (NASU), UNAAB Branch has boosted the operations of the Directorate of Public Relations (DPR) with the donation of a mobile High Power Megaphone.

Presenting the electronic gadget, the Union Chairman, Mr. Ibukun Fadairo said the gesture was borne out of the desire to support the University Management, for its welfare disposition to both staff and students.

Mr. Fadairo described the Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun-led Management team as one deeply routed in welfarism and that NASU felt genuinely

touched by such humane disposition.

Receiving the equipment, the Assistant Director and Head of Public Relations, Mr. 'Lasun Somoye described the gesture as timely, stressing that the Directorate still required some vital tools, despite the Management's effort of improving its facility base.

Somoye also appreciated the Country Director of Cassava: Adding Value for Africa (C:AVA), Prof. Lateef Sanni who earlier donated a Zain Internet Modem to facilitate activities in the Directorate, assuring donors that the equipment would be judiciously utilized.

UNAAB Hosts CCB

The Management of the University of Agriculture, Abeokuta, will on Wednesday, March 17, 2010 play host to officials from the Code of Conduct Bureau of the Presidency.

The delegates of the Bureau are expected to brief members of staff (Academic & Non-Teaching) on CONTISS 07/CONUASS 01 and above on the modalities of completing the Assets Declaration Forms.

A release signed by the Acting Registrar, Mr. Adeleke Adeboye indicates that the briefing is mandatory for members of staff that falls under the aforementioned categories as they would be expected to fill their Asset Declaration Forms during the exercise.

The venue of the briefing is **Julius Okojie Lecture Theatre (JAO 3)** at **10.00 a.m.** Staffers are enjoined to bring along clean sheets of paper, pen and pencils for the exercise.

Workshop

In a bid to help develop its human capacity, the Management of the University is sponsoring eight members of staff to a national workshop, organised by the Association of Nigerian Universities Professional Administrators (**ANUPA**).

The 3-Day intensive workshop is scheduled to hold at the Orange Hall, Danic Hotels, Enugu, between Monday, 15th and Wednesday, 18th March, 2010.

A release by the Acting Registrar, Mr. Adeleke Adeboye, said the Workshop will avail participants, which include Administrative and Executive Officers, further insights into the rudiments of administrative chores with a view to adequately equipping them for career challenges.

CLASSIFIED: Change of Names

S/N	Name	Dept	New Name
1.	Miss. Omigade, Blessing Basirat	COLVET	Mrs. Akiode, Blessing Basirat
2.	Miss. Odor, Grace Chioma	CENHURD	Mrs. Osuji, Grace Chioma
3.	Mr. Odegbola, Quadri	COLERM	Mr. Odegbola, John Adewole
4.	Miss. Jimoh, Taiwo Morufat	COLAMRUD	Mrs. Sowunmi, Taiwo Morufat
5.	Miss. Ojo, Oluwatosin Ruth	COLPLANT	Mrs. Saba, Oluwatosin Ruth
6.	Miss. Adekeye, Modupe Temitayo	PUBLIC RELATIONS	Mrs. Abiala, Modupe Temitayo
7.	Mrs. Olatunbosun, Lydia Kehinde	„	Mrs. Ayooluwa, Lydia Kehinde
8.	Miss. Oyinloye, Olufunmilayo Christiana	EMT	Mrs. Praise-Ofuani, Olufunmilayo Christiana

Termination/Dismissal

S/N	Name	Dept/Unit	Punishment
1.	Mr. A. O. Akande	Security	Termination
2.	Mr. S. O. Oniyinde	COLNAS	Termination
3.	Mr. B. I. Olaonipekun	Works	Dismissal

FAFIOLU WINS BEST DOCTORAL THESES AWARD*Dr. Fafiolu Olusesan*

Dr. Fafiolu Adeboye Olusesan, a Lecturer in the Department of Animal Nutrition of the University has won the 2006/2007 Nigerian Universities Doctoral Theses Award Scheme (NUDTAS).

Dr. Fafiolu won the award, organized by the National Universities Commission (NUC) through his thesis titled, 'Utilization of Enzyme (ROVABIO ®) Supplemented Undecorticated Sun

flower Seed Meal-based Diets by Domestic Chickens'. He was supervised by Professor O.O Oduguwa.

For his exemplary efforts, Dr. Fafiolu will be decorated with the NUDTAS Best Thesis in Agriculture for 2007, on April 8, 2010 at the Ladoké Akintola University, Ogbomosho, venue of the award ceremony.

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun who was highly thrilled by the news, in his congratulatory message, described the feat as "heart-warming and has brought another honour to the University".

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