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## **MATRICULATION: Special Report**

## **UNAAB Bars Indecent Dressing On Campus**

t is now a taboo for any student of the University of Agriculture, Abeokuta (UNAAB) to dress provocatively on campus.

Any student caught in the nefarious act will immediately be shown the way out of the University. came imperative, moreso that the Management had severally appealed and warned the student populace against indecent dressing.

Professor Balogun noted with dismay that what is most annoying was the effrontery on the part of



Symbols of indecent dressing

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun gave the warning at the Matriculation Ceremony for the 2009/2010 Academic Session held last Wednesday at the Julius Okojie Lecture Theatre Complex.

According to Professor Balogun, internal security operatives and some eagle-eyed personnel in the Students Affair Division have been commissioned and mandated to watch out for violators and report such to the authorities for prompt punitive action.

The Vice-Chancellor, who spoke extempore outside his prepared speech said the punitive measure be

some students to adorn themselves in campus with provocative dresses which they dare not put on in the full glare of their parents and guardians at home.

His words, "Let me sound a warning here to those going about in indecent dresses. We have appealed, we have cautioned and we have educated you against indecent dressing but some are still adamant".

"It appears what such (students) cannot wear in the glare of their parents at home, they want to wear here. As from this moment, we have mandated the security and the Student Affairs (staff) to accost and bring to book any student that dresses

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#### WORDS ON MARBLE

I wish to state categorically that the Screening Exercise has come to stay in UNAAB and therefore, the University will not rely only onJAMB and Post-UTME qualifications for admissions. The University has designed the Screening Exercise to be part of our admission process, so that we can identify and stop negative and unwholesome characters from corrupting the future leaders being nurtured in UNAAB.

...UNAAB Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun at the Matriculation Ceremony of the 2009/2010 Academic Session.

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## MATRICULATION: SPECIAL REPORT ADMISSION:

#### ... UNAAB Will Rely More On Internal Screening - VC

he Vice-Chancellor, University of Agriculture, Abeokuta (UNAAB), Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun has said that the University will not rely only on the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) and the Post-UTME qualifications for admissions.

acter and face their studies squarely while reiterating that the University has zero tolerance for academic laziness, truancy, indiscipline, vandalism, disrespect for constituted authorities, youthful rascality, irresponsible Unionism and cultism.

Professor Balogun assured err-



The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun (inset) and below is a cross-section of matriculants .

Professor Balogun made this disclosure in his speech at the Matriculation Ceremony for the 2009/2010 Academic Session.

According to him, the University has designed a screening exercise as part of its admission process, so that it can identify and stop unwholesome characters from corrupting the future leaders being nurtured in UNAAB.

"Here, in University of Agriculture, Abeokuta, we do not delude ourselves with quantity but rather in the quality of our products. I am sure that by the time you complete your various programmes, UNAAB would have adequately prepared you for great challenges of life," he said.

The Vice-Chancellor admonished the students to be of good char-

ing students who have other reasons aside from academic pursuit in the University that their days in UNAAB are already numbered.

He maintained that the University would continue to build on the solid foundation laid down by its founding fathers and pride itself as a renowned centre of excellence, academically and administratively.

The Vice-Chancellor assured the matriculants of Management's commitment to constantly improve on necessary infrastructure and amenities so as to ensure a comfortable and conducive learning environment.

A total of 2,520 students took the matriculation oath for the 2009/2010 Academic Session.

Professor Balogun, who also warned against cultism reiterated his adminstration's zero tolerance for social menace and other vices.

He specifically called on the Executive of the Students' Union to join him in the campaign for moral rebirth, adding that the general conduct of the students will serve as yardstick through which the performances of their leadership would be measured and determined.

Meanwhile, the Vice-Chancellor had showered appreciation profusely on the University academic staff "for working round the clock without resting" in order to keep faith with the academic calendar.

He urged the students to reciprocate the gesture by improving on their academic performances.

#### **UNIS Clears UTME**

he first set of students of UNAAB International School (UNIS), have passed the maiden (2010) edition of the Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME), held on Saturday, April 17 2010 in flying colour.

According to a release, signed by the Principal of the School, Mrs. Adeola Olumide, out of the twenty-two (22) candidates presented for the examination, only one candidate scored below 200.

A breakdown of the students' scores made available to UNAAB Bulletin showed that eighteen (18) out of the twenty-two (22) students scored well over 220.

Odusola, Abiodun topped the score chat with 270 and was closely trailed by Cole, Salewa, who scored 265.

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwfemi Olaiya Balogun who was impressed by the students' performances had directed the Acting Registrar, Mr. Adeleke Adeboye to forward a commendation letter to the Chairman, UNIS Board and the Principal for a job well done.

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he Vice-Chancellor pointed out that if not quickly checked, such students, who indulged in provocative dresses would sooner or later be texting messages to him, accusing fellow students and staff of sexual harassment.

He stressed that in furtherance of the University's academic and moral excellence, Management is firmly committed to graduating students who are academically-sound and morally upright.

## **MATRICULATION: Special Report**

## Freshers Set Campus Agog

reshers, on Wednesday, delved into celebration galore moments after they were matriculated at the Julius Okojie Lecture Theatre Complex.

The new students, most of who were adorned in their matriculation

and American trained ace photographer, Saba, Ajayi Emmanuel caught the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun felicitating with a fresher who is most likely to be the University youngest student, as captured candidly in the picture below.



The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun felicitating with probably the youngest (so to say) Matriculant.

gowns went agog with jubilation and in the process, threw the entire campus into festive mood.

The aesthetic parts of the campus, like the Olumo Rock and Open Lawns, among others, suddenly became centres of attraction which the freshers besieged in their scores and hanged out for photographs, danced, wined and dined with their parents and well wishers.

In fact, the lens of our Indian

Besides, some of the new students, who took advantage of mock broadcast studio mimicked a nationwide broadcast as typical of those in power while others climbed the

glamour to the matriculation as its stand became a popular joint where Golden-morn beverage was freely

"Olumo Rock". Nestle Nigeria Plc also added

served.

parture from his time as Council Mem-

The Council boss commended the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun, whom he described as God-sent, for taking the University matriculation ceremony to the next level.

According to him, "This (matriculation) is a great departure from the past. I can see expansion in the quality of the matriculants, I can see expansion in the quality of matriculation in general. I can see expansion of Colleges and the University at large. I think the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun is God -sent while other Principal Officers attached to him are very progressive", he added.

Imoisili charged the new students to work hard, in order to graduate in flying colours, warning that failure to do so will be disastrous.

His words, "They (freshers) should know that it is only when you work hard that you can reach the sky because there's no food for lazy man".

The former Council member. who recalled his days in the University said till date he was still missing his colleagues in the Council, as well as other internal members of the Univer-



Chief Felix Imoisili (left) in hearty chart with the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun

## **UNAAB Matric Has Moved To The Next Level** — Imoisili

former member of the University's Governing Council, Chief Felix Imoisili has expressed joy over the sharp improvement in the level and quality of the University Matriculation Ceremony.

Imoisili, who graced the ceremony for the 2009/2010 Academic

Session, in company of his wife spoke after the event in an exclusive chat with UNAAB Bulletin.

Imoisili, who is currently the Chairman, Igueben Local Government of Edo State marveled at the qualitative level of the University's matriculation saying it was a great de-

#### **UNAAB VC Bags Nkrumah leadership Award**

... Dedicates it to Varsity
— Counsels on global best practice

tudents of higher institutions of learning, particularly, their Union leaders have been advised to imbibe current global initiatives in bargaining and negotiation if they intend to make positive advancement and remain relevant in nation building.

Expressing delight with the impact of the exposure that students of the University currently enjoy, Professor Balogun said, "the responses I have been receiving since the students came back from the Workshop in Ghana, concerning their experience delights me, particularly that of



The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) Prof. Chryss Onwuka(Right) who represented the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun at the recent Nkrumah Leadership Award Ceremony in Ghana,

The Vice-Chancellor of the University, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun, who gave the advice observed that radicalism that was still craved by students in the nation's higher institutions had since been jettisoned by their colleagues in other climes, whom he said now adopt more responsible, responsive and progressive approach as tools for Unionism.

The Vice-Chancellor made these known while receiving the plaque of the Kwame Nkrumah Leadership Award, bestowed on him by the All Africa Student Union, which was received on his behalf in Accra, Ghana by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Academic, Professor Christopher Onwuka.

Professor Balogun said he was delighted that the University's Student Union President, Comrade Taiye Semighan, with the Chairman of Umar Kabir Hall, Mr. Tobi Ogunlesi were sponsored to attend the Access to Success Workshop, which coincided with the Award.

According to the Vice-Chancellor, the experiences gained by the duo would rub positively on their perceptions of issues and further re-sharpen them for future leadership roles.

the Student Union President, who said he imbibed many positive attributes of leadership".

The Vice-Chancellor said his administration will not relent in guiding the orientation of the students towards internationally-acceptable best practices, adding that the University, will in July this year, sponsor four of them to the World Youth Congress, holding in Turkey.

Professor Balogun said he had adopted this leadership pattern because of his conviction that "you can only drive people who share the same aspiration and vision with you".

Commenting on his conferment, Professor Balogun, who appreciated the honour however, said he does not care much about awards, as "most of them are lacking in value. As for me, whether you give me award or not, what matters to me is to work according to the dictates and satisfaction of my conscience".

The Vice-Chancellor praised Professor Onwuka for standing-in for him and dedicated the Leadership Award to the entire University Community, for the opportunity given him to serve and exhibit his potentials.

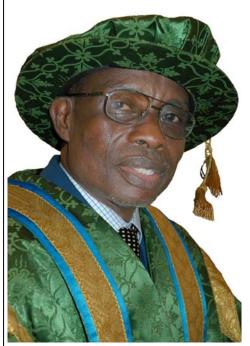
#### ... TREFAD Commends VC

he Deputy Director, Teaching and Research Farms' Directorate (TREFAD) Mr. J. J. Olobashola has commended the University Management, under the leadership of the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun for the allocation of a Toyota Tacoma Pick Up to the Directorate.

In a letter of appreciation, Mr. Olobashola acknowledged that the delivery of the vehicle would sharply reduced the constraints being encountered by the Directorate with respect to vehicular movement.

According to him, the gesture was an indication of the Vice-Chancellor's commitment at providing necessary support towards achieving the Directorate's objective.

The Deputy Director assured the University Management that the Vehicle would be judiciously used.



The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun

## **UNAAB Academic Ranking:**

... Animal Physiology Leads Others

nimal Physiology Department has been rated the best in the University of Agriculture, Abeokuta (UNAAB), in the just-concluded, Local Ranking Exercise of Academic Departments, conducted by the University's Webometric Centre.

According to the Score Sheet, signed by the Co-ordinator of Webometrics Centre, Dr. Biodun Badmus, Animal Physiology Department came First (1st) with a score of 66.10 per cent.

Similarly, on the list of the First Five Departments were Soil Science and Land Management, which came Second (2<sup>nd</sup>) with 59.02 percent, and was closely trailed by Chemistry which emerged Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) with 56.89 per cent.

Others in the category were Physics which came fourth scoring 56.88 per cent while Veterinary Microbiology and Parasitology emerged Fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) with a score of 56.67 percent.

The Score Sheet further informed that the underlisted criteria was used for the ranking:

-	Academic staff profile -	10 Marks
-	Publication with url	25 "
-	Students' Enrolment	10 "
-	Course Synopsis	5 "
-	On-going Research	5 "
-	Admission Requirement	5 "
-	Laboratory Status	5 "
-	Professional Affiliation	5 "
-	Course Level	5 "
-	Aids/Scholarship	5 "
-	Lecture materials	20"

high cost of University education on the students.

He pointed out that the beneficiaries should not think that the Association is rich, stressing that it almost squeezed itself dry to raise the gesture.

Speaking in the same vein, the Association's Relations Officer, Mrs. Olufunmilola Adenuga described the body's gesture as an investment on the beneficiaries, expressing hope that in future, they too will plough back into the system.

The beneficiaries included a physically-challenged, Mr. Soetan Abayomi, a 400-level student in the Department of Agricultural Extension and Rural Development.

Others were a twin brother, Kehinde and Taiwo Ibrahim Daud who are 200— Level students in the Department of Statistics and Mathematics, respectively.

Twelve out of the twenty beneficiaries of the Alumni Association welfare scheme turned-up at the Pension House of the University, to receive their cheques.

It would be recalled that about two weeks ago, the Alumni Association offered its alma mater free ride for ten days to enhance movement of students during the registration exercise.

#### Alumni Clears 20 Students' School Fees

niversity of Agriculture, Abeokuta, Alumni Association has paid the tuition fee of twenty (20) indigent students.

The beneficiaries of the Association Welfare Scheme included a physically-challenged and twin brother.

Cheques, covering the tuition fees

ing the money on youthful ostentation and jamboree like the Biblical prodigal son.

The Dean, who described money as a spirit that could disappear in a jiffy like a flash in the pan said the purpose for the gesture would be defeated if not judiciously used.

Corroborating him, Director



Director, GRECC Dr. (Mrs.) Helin Bodunde presenting the cheque for tuition fee to one of the beneficiaries who is physically challenged, while Alumni Director of Finance Dr. Sam Wobo (R) watches

were formally presented to the students by the duo of the Dean, Student Affairs, Professor Samuel Oluwalana, who was represented by Mr. Jamiu Odunjo and Director, Graduate Records and Counselling Centre (GRECC), Dr. (Mrs.) Helen Bodunde.

Speaking at the occasion, held at the Pension House Conference Room, Professor Oluwalana charged the beneficiaries to take advantage of the gesture to better their academic performance.

He warned them against squander

GRECC, Dr. (Mrs.) Bodunde commended UNAAB Alumni Association for bettering the lots of its alma mater.

She charged the beneficiaries to reciprocate the gesture by always putting the needy in mind, especially when they attained greater heights in life.

Baring the mind of the Alumni Association on the gesture, the President, Professsor Lateef Sanni, who was represented at the occasion by the Director of Finance, Dr. Sam Wobo said the gesture was aimed at cushioning the effects of the

## ... Egba Club too

ifteen students of the University of Agriculture, Abeokuta (UNAAB) are to benefit from the 2009/2010 Academic Session Scholarship Scheme of the Egba Club of New York.

A release by the Liaison Officer of the Club, Mr. H. A. Adeyemo, indicated that the Scholarship, which is to the tune of Four Hundred and Fifty Thousand (N450,000) Naira, was ready to be awarded to the students.

The names of the beneficiaries are Babatunde Mayowa, Omotosho Benjamin, Majekodunmi Tolulope, Akinsanya Oluseyi and Adebayo Olalekan, Olalekan Olawale, Shodimu Oluwatobi, Nimola Joseph, Akibo Titilayo and Somefun Azeez.

Others are Oniyide Moturayo, Ogunmuyiwa Tunde, Salami Alimat, Adeyemi Adeyanju and Fasina Ibrahim.

## PHOTO SPLASH ON 2009/2010 MATRIC



.. Awwuf: Matriculants waiting for their turn at the Golden Morn stand.



Elated matriculants cutting ceremonial cake



Sweet Sixteen? .... So she looks but far more than that. This picture says it all as Mrs. Olusola Adeoye of the Bursary Department added another year some days ago.



These twin brothers, Kehinde and Taiwo Daudu are also beneficiaries of the Alumni Welfare Scheme.