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UNAAB Clears 2,508 Candidates for Admission

he University has reiterated its resolve to sustain the Screening Exercise as the last phase of admitting Fresh Students, owing to its success in providing reliable character evaluation and other relevant attributes of prospective students.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Professor Chryss Onwuka disclosed this while briefing *UNAAB BULLETIN* on the outcome of the recent Screening Exercise for the

under surveillance and offered assistance for adjustment.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor disclosed that 2,508 Undergraduate students were recommended for the 2009/2010 Academic Session by the Screening Panel out of the 2,564 candidates interviewed during the Screening Exercise. A total of 3,137 candidates were initially offered provisional admission by the University.



A cross section of newly admitted students undergoing ICT training at the Central Computer Laboratory, UNAAB.

2009/2010 Academic Session.

The Screening Exercise which he described as "separating the chaff from the grain", will help UNAAB in detecting potentially violent and morally corrupt candidates, disguising as genuine applicants seeking admission.

Professor Onwuka stressed that the University was not just interested in discarding candidates, but added that some candidates which manageably scaled through, would be put Professor Onwuka said the figure was initially lower, but jerked-up because some candidates were eventually able to meet the credential requirements as requested by the Screening Panels.

It would be recalled that UNAAB last year introduced the exercise, to check incessant restiveness, particularly cult activities, often orchestrated by academic hoodlums parading as students in University Campuses.

Bells Director, Students Commend UNAAB VC

he 2008/2009 Farm Practical Trainees of the University have expressed their gratitude to the authorities, for their support and assistance in securing the success of the programme.

The trainees were especially grateful for the assistance given by the authorities that facilitated their excursion to Songhai Farm Centre, Port Novo, Republic of Benin, recently.

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UNAAR ANTHEM

We Wish Our Esteemed Reader Happy Easter Celebrations

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 Forward, upward, we shall ever stay Beacons of our fatherland, to success we will sail labouring, toiling onward we shall never fail

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Unemployment:- UNAAB VC Counsels Final Year Students

he Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun has lamented the high rate of unemployment in the country with an **Brains Limited**, Mr Lekan Otun, dissuaded graduates from emigrating out of the country in search of greener pasture stressing that business and



The former Secretary of UNAAB Students Union, Com. Oyeyinka Sokefun (left) making a brief comment while one of the Guest Lecturers and scores of Final Year Students listened with keen interest at a Career Talk organised by the Graduate Records and Career Centre (GRECC) of the University, held at Julius Okojie Lecture Theatre Complex.

advice to the Final Year Students of the University to consider the option of entrepreneurial challenges to endless job searching.

Professor Balogun gave this counsel in his Keynote Address at a Career Seminar organized by the Graduate Records and Career Centre (GRECC) of the University as part of the disengagement exercise of the Final Year Students from the University and preparing them for the new phase of life.

Professor Balogun who was represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Professor Chryss Onwuka, pointed out that the University had deposited in them all they required to be self-sufficient and therefore charged them to tap into their unique potentials, while demonstrating a strong self-believe, to excel in their future endeavours.

The Vice-Chancellor however noted that employers of labour scramble for graduates of the University because of the niche the institution has carved for itself in academic excellence, urging the graduating Students to be good ambassadors of the University.

Speaking at the Seminar, the Chief Executive Officer of *Minds n*

career opportunities that abound in the country are enough, if the right principles were applied.

Elaborating on key principles of managing business, Mr. Otun said an entrepreneur must have a comprehensive knowledge of the business he is going into, be able to identify the immediate needs of his consumers and be updated on the targeted market.

The CEO mentioned catfish production, honey, poultry products, ostrich feathers, sawdust and bones, as viable business opportunities, which are in high demand within and outside the country.

Presenting his paper titled, **Design Your Way to Financial Freedom**, the Executive Marketing Manager of Fatgbems Petroleum and an alumnus of the university, Mr. Moruf Popoola noted that contrary to the notion that starting a business requires huge capital, there is no amount too little to begin with.

Mr. Popoola implored the graduating Students to desist from procrastinating while stressing that most big business moguls started on a small scale and relentlessly worked their ways to the top through planning, persevearance and discipline.

Earlier in her welcome address, the Director, GRECC, Dr. (Mrs.) Helen Bodunde urged the graduating Students to be of good behaviour and good ambassadors of the University. She encouraged them never to underrate themselves, but be brave in tackling challenges.



The Dean, Student Affairs, Prof. Samuel Oluwalang

Director, Students Commend VC

In his letter of appreciation, the Farm Practical Year Students' Coordinator, Mr. Oderinwale Olatunde said the 190 Students that were privileged to be part of the trip will forever cherish the experience they were exposed to. He said the Students were able to interact with experts on the farm, learnt new farm techniques and also gained numerous practical experiences.

Mr. Olatunde therefore thanked the Vice-Chancellor and numerous Staff of the institution for their contributions to the success of the excursion.

In the same vein, the Director of Physical Planning and Works of the Bells University of Technology, Mr. Fred Ogugua Esenwa (Jnr), has commended the monumental achievements recorded under the leadership of the current Vice -Chancellor.

Mr. Esenwa (Jnr.) who expressed his satisfaction over the positive development in the University through a letter of appreciation, said "your achievements since you became the Vice-Chancellor are enviable and reassuring of greater things to come".

The Director also appreciated the complimentary copy of the current edition of the *UNAAB News*, and prayed that the tenure of the Vice-Chancellor would be more rewarding and witness more giant strides.

UNAAB Hosts Renowned Scholars

he University will play host to two erudite scholars from the United Kingdom.

They are Professor H.G Dales from the University of Leeds and Dr. Joel Feinstein from the University of Nottingham.

The visiting dons who are expected in the University on Friday, April 16, 2010, will pay a Courtesy Visit on the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun and thereafter give a Recruitment Talk on possible opportunities for Students and Staff at the University's Senate Chamber.

A release issued by Dr. O.T Mewomo of the College of Natural Sciences, said the visitors will also on the same day, deliver a Departmental Seminar for Staff and Postgraduate Students in Mathematics and other related Departments.



The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Chryss Onwuka

ROAD ACCIDENTS... Alarming Rate Worries VC

he Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun has attributed the frequency in road accidents in the country to non-compliance of road-users, to traffic rules and regulations.

Professor Balogun made this observation at an Intensive Re-

He implored drivers and other road users to be more responsible while emphasizing that aggressive driving is illegal and criminal.

Earlier in his speech, the Director, UNAAB CONSULT, Professor Akin Omotayo, discloSed that the Re-orientation Course will run



Drivers, Mechanics and Tractor Operators posed for a group photograph with top Officials of the University and Consultants, shortly after the Refresher Course

orientation and Refresher Course, organised by the UNAAB CONSULT for Drivers, Mechanics and Tractor Operators in Public and Private Agencies in Ogun State.

The Vice-Chancellor pointed out that in 2008, the country recorded 6,661 motor accidents, with a daily average of 28 mortality, saying some of the accidents could have been averted if road users had exercised restraint and adhered to safety measures.

Professor Balogun, represented by the Director, Works and Services, Professor Samuel Adejuyigbe identified aggressive driving, over speeding, stress and driving under the influence of alcohol as causes of accidents.

twice in a year for the next three years, so as to make new knowledge, skills and modern driving ideals available to as many professional drivers as possible, across the nation.

Highlights of the programme included basic elements of vehicle maintenance, modern techniques of detecting and correcting faults in automobiles as well as defensive and offensive driving, safety guides in night driving and traffic regulations.

Resource Persons from the Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC), Vehicle Inspection Office (VIO) and Lizzy Oyinlola CONSULT, were at the programme.

<u> ATTENTION UNAAB STAFF</u>

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DECORATION OF NEW BADGES OF RANKS BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL UNIT



Principal Environmental Officer, Mr. A. I. Osaya being decorated by Prof. A. O. Dipeolu while the Director, Vce-Chancellor's Office, Mrs. C.B Kuforiji admires



Environmental Officer, Mr. S. A. Konigbagbe being decorated by Mrs. C. B. Kuforiji and Prof. A. O. Dipeolu



A salute of delight and appreciation by the newly decorated Environmental Officers



A Group Photograph of officials with the newly decorated staff

Appointments

S/N	Name	Dept	Designation	Effective Date	Tenure
1	Dr. J. K. Adesodun	Soil Science and Land Management	HOD	24/03/2010	2 years
2	Prof. A. O Dipeolu	Agric. Econs & Farm Mgt.	HOD	29/03/ 2010	2 years

Change Of Name

S/N	Former Name	Dept	New name
1.	Miss Ibinola-Saliu, Rashidat Omowunmi	Royal Greens	Mrs. Ibrahim, Rashidat Omowunmi
		Guest House	