



BUK's Education Arts Program Get NUC's Full Accreditation

All Education Arts Program in Bayero have been given full accreditation status by the National Universities Commission (NUC) in the accreditation exercise it conducted recently.

The programs, Education Arabic, Education English, Education History, Education Hausa and Education Islamic Studies, were visited by the NUC accreditation team in October last year led by a Professor.

A letter containing the result of the October 2012 accreditation result, written to the Vice Chancellor and signed by the Deputy Executive Secretary of the Commission, A. S. Agbaoye, indicated that the NUC was satisfied with all the programs and granted them full status.

The result is shown below:

1) Education Arabic:

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| Academic content | 16.4 (90.9%) |
| Staffing | 25.4 (93.9%) |
| Physical facilities | 25.4 (100%) |
| Library | 18.0 (100%) |

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| Funding | 2.0 (66.7%) |
| Employer's rating | 2.0 (100%) |
| Total score | = 93.7% |

2) Education English:

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| Academic content | 16.4 (90.84%) |
| Staffing | 30.0 (93.8%) |
| Physical facilities | 25.5 (94.5%) |
| Library | 17.0 (94.5%) |
| Funding | 2.0 (66.7%) |
| Employer's rating | 2.0 (100%) |
| Total score | = 92.9% |

3) Education Hausa:

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| Academic content | 16.4 (90.8%) |
| Staffing | 3.0 (93.8%) |
| Physical facilities | 25.5(94.5%) |
| Library | 17.7 (98.2%) |
| Funding | 2.0 (66.7%) |
| Employer's rating | 2.0 (100%) |
| Total score | = 93.5% |

4) Education History:

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|---------------------|----------------|
| Academic content | 16.4 (90.9%) |
| Staffing | 30.0 (93.8%) |
| Physical facilities | 25.7(95.1%) |
| Library | 17.7 (98.2%) |
| Funding | 2.0 (66.7%) |
| Employer's rating | 2.0 (100%) |
| Total score | = 93.7% |

5) Education Islamic Studies:

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| Academic content | 16.7 (92.7%) |
| Staffing | 30.0 (93.8%) |

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| Physical facilities | 24.7 (91.4%) |
| Library | 18.0 (100%) |
| Funding | 2.0 (66.7%) |
| Employer's rating | 2.0 (100%) |
| Total score | = 93.4% |

The letter that conveyed the approval for each of the programs concluded:

“Based on further analysis of the report the Commission upholds the recommendation of the **FULL ACCREDITATION STATUS** for the program”.

The maturity date for the accreditation is 2017.

Prof. Yadudu Faults Constitution Review, Says Process ill-Defined

Professor Auwalu Hamisu Yadudu has berated the ongoing constitution review in the country and described its altering process as ill-defined, not transparent and open to manipulation.

Prof. Yadudu made this known at a public lecture he delivered at the Musa Abdullahi Auditorium, BUK, organized by the University's Public Lecture Series Committee on Wednesday 13th March, 2013, titled, “2013 Proposed Constitution Review Issues at Stake”.

The lecturer opined that to a neutral observer and commentator the whole process of constitution review might

encounter a slow or a sudden death because the mechanics of the alteration process is practically deficient, citing an example of former President Obasanjo's purported third term agenda, which suffered sudden death before the second reading at the Senate.

Professor Yadudu, who is a Lecturer in the Department of Private and Commercial Law and a former Legal Adviser to two former Heads of State from 1994 – 1999, also disagreed with the dual track approach currently adopted by the two chambers of the National Assembly, saying the altering process is dilatory, leading to resource waste and bickering.

The legal luminary averred that in the event of too many issues on the agenda to contend with by the two legislative bodies, the process would be unmanageable and mutually destructive. He particularly commended the procedure of the Justice Uwais-led Electoral Reform Committee, which focused only on how to reform Nigeria's electoral system.

The former Legal Adviser explained that both chambers of the National Assembly have framed differently the issues to be addressed in the current amendment process.

“The Senate lays out the issues in an open-ended way while the House of Representatives frames their own in a

referendum fashion or specific ways”, he added.

He noted that at public hearings the people unrestrained by the agenda set have framed their own key issues: economy, security and welfare.

Prof. Yadudu identified the key roles played by the invisible hands of the executives and political parties in the constitution review, but noted that in the normal course of events, they should not play more than what role the constitution has assigned to them.

The Speaker advised that there was the need “to adopt, by way of a new legislation, a road map for constitution amendment that is truly participatory, engender, consensus building and sorts out some identified gray areas”.

The Legal Practitioner advocated the need to amend the constitution in an incremental step devoted to a few manageable issues such as deepening the electoral reform.

He tasked the National Assembly to adopt a legislative agenda from inception to address a few issues over the course of its tenure rather than many issues that cannot be addressed.

In his speech, the Chairman of the occasion, Alhaji Abubakar Mahmoud, SAN, CON said the lecture came at a time when the country had been

making effort to review its constitution.

He said given Prof. Yadudu’s over two decades in the scheme of constitution reforms in the country, his wealth of experience would add value to the public lecture.

Prof. Mahmoud, who is the Pro-Chancellor of the Kano University of Science and Technology (KUST), said the event was meant to allow for cross fertilization of ideas, as the University tradition.

On his part, the Vice Chancellor Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, *mni*, MFR, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academics, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, said the University attached great importance to the Public Lecture. He said the management revived the Public Lecture Series Committee and charged it to organize lecturers monthly.

Prof. Rasheed emphasized that the University’s Committee of Deans and Directors (CDD) sponsors up to 50 academic staff for conferences to present papers abroad. He said there was a new guideline from July this year that such staff must present their papers at the Faculty and departmental levels, in order to add value and open a room for criticism internally.



The Dean, Faculty of Arts and Islamic Studies, Professor A. B. Ahmad delivered the vote of thanks on behalf of the Chairman, Public Lecture Committee, Professor Sadiq Isah Radda, who is also the DVC Administration.

CDD Freezes Sabbatical Leave Applications till End of Session

- Approves 23 Conference, 16 Fellowship, 4 Sabbatical applications

The Committee of Deans and Directors (CDD) has decided that it would no longer consider applications for sabbatical leave until the end of the academic session commencing in early April 2013. This was one of the resolutions reached at the CDD's 125th regular meeting (and third monthly meeting for the year 2013) on Wednesday, 13th March, 2013.

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the recommendations arising from the meeting, according to a statement issued by the Chairman CDD, who is also the Deputy Vice Chancellor Academics, Prof. M.Y. Bello. The meeting meanwhile approved 23 Conference, 16 Fellowship and 4 Sabbatical related applications, as detailed below:

Conference Attendance

Local and foreign conference attendance has been approved for the following 23 staff members at the total cost of Five Million, Four Hundred and Eighty-Six Thousand, Two Hundred and Eighty Naira (₦5,486, 280) only.

| S/N | NAME | DEPARTMENT | VENUE |
|------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | Dr Ahmed A Njidda | Animal Science | Port Harcourt |
| 2 | Muhammad S Suleiman | Agric. Economics | USA |
| 3 | Prof. Mustapha A. Isa | English & French | S. Africa |
| 4 | Prof. Mukhtar A Yusuf | Nigerian Languages & Linguistics | Belgium |
| 5 | Dr Ado Y Abdulfatah | Civil Engineering | China |
| 6 | Musa Aku | Physics | Abuja |
| 7 | Mamuda Inuwa Bello | Physics | Abuja |
| 8 | A. S. Kutama | Plant Science | Umudike |
| 9 | Suleiman R. Babura | Plant Science | Umudike |
| 10 | Auwalu H. Audi | Zoology | Umudike |
| 11 | Dr. Muhammad A Isa | Accounting | UK |
| 12 | Dr Adnan Abdulhamid | Geography | Germany |
| 13 | Ibrahim M Adamu | Economics | Kaduna |
| 14 | Baffa A Gwadabe | Economics | Nsukka |
| 15 | Dr. Aisha A Isma'il | Pol. Science | Kaduna |
| 16 | Dr. Fatima O. Ibrahim | Pol. Science | Kaduna |
| 17 | Dr. Mahmud Lawan | Pol. Science | Kaduna |
| 18 | Sani Safiyanu | Pol. Science | Kaduna |
| 19 | Sani Ali | Pol. Science | Ile-Ife |

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| 20 | Dr. Sule A. Gaya | O&G | Togo |
| 21 | Dr. Musa M. Bello | Community Medicine | Ilorin |
| 22 | Dr. Anas Isma'il | Radiology | Brazil |
| 23 | Yusuf Garba | CDA | Port Harcourt |

Study Fellowships

(a) Study fellowships have been approved for the following twelve (12) staff members.

| S/N | NAME | DEPARTMENT | COURSE | VENUE | DURATION |
|-----|--------------------|----------------|--------|--------------|----------|
| 1 | Hassan Ibrahim | Agronomy | MSc | FUA Makurdi | 2 Years |
| 2 | Bala Danyaro Aminu | English & Fre. | PhD | ABU, Zaria | 3 Years |
| 3 | Umma Abubakar | English & Fre. | PhD | ABU, Zaria | 3 Years |
| 4 | Ibrahim M. Muhsin* | English & Fre. | MA | India | 2 Years |
| 5 | Daniel O. Iweze | History | PhD | UNN | 1 Year |
| 6 | Yusuf Umar Madugu | History | PhD | ABU, Zaria | 3 Years |
| 7 | Kabiru Haruna Isa | History | PhD | UDUS | 3 Tears |
| 8 | Samira A. Muhammad | S&TE | M Ed | ABU, Zaria | 2 Years |
| 9 | Shehu Haruna Jido | S&TE | M Tech | FUT Minna | 2 Years |
| 10 | Yunusa Umar | Nursing Sci. | MSc | OAU, Ile-Ife | 2 Years |
| 11 | Aminu Ibrahim | Biochemistry | PhD | ABU | 3 Years |
| 12 | Ibrahim A. Bala** | Chemistry | MSc | UK | 1 Year |

*: Change of fellowship venue & starting date; **: Change of starting date

(b) The Study Fellowship of the following staff members have been extended for the periods indicated against their names

| S/N | NAME | DEPARTMENT | COURSE | VENUE | REMARKS |
|-----|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------|----------|----------------------------------|
| 1 | Abdussamad M. Abdussamad | Animal Science | PhD | Germany | One-year extension to 31/03/2014 |
| 2 | Idris Wada Aujara | Adult Education | PhD | Unimaid | Nine-month to 31/12/2013 |
| 3 | Kabiru Adamu | Public Law | LLM | UK | Three-month to 30/04/2013 |
| 4 | Shamsuddeen Rufa'i | Agronomy | PhD | Malaysia | One-year extension to 31/07/2014 |

Sabbatical Leave

One-year sabbatical leave has been approved for the following staff members:

| S/N | NAME | DEPARTMENT | PLACE | EFFECTIVE DATE |
|-----|------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| 1 | Dr Garba Sa'ad | Education | ABU, Zaria | 01/04/2013 |
| 2 | Prof. M. S. Sule | Biochemistry | BSU, Gadau | 01/04/2013 |
| 3 | Dr. Luka F. Buba | Geography | ATBU, Bauchi | 01/04/2013 |
| 4 | Dr. A. O. Musa | Physics | NWU, Kano | 01/04/2013 |



Sabbatical Appointment

The one-year sabbatical appointment of Professor Abdulbaqy Shu'aib Agaka of the Department of Arabic, Usmanu Danfodio University, Sokoto, as a Professor in the Department of Arabic has been approved.

No Consideration of Sabbatical Leave Application until End of Session

In view of the fact that the next academic session commences in early April, the Committee decided that it would no longer consider applications for sabbatical leave until the end of the session.

Launching of a Book, *Hausa Mai Dubun Hikima*

This is to invite members of the University community to a book launch titled *Hausa Mai Dubun Hikima*, written by Aliyu Muhammad Danhausa, under the distinguished Chairmanship of Professor Dandatti Abdulkadir.

A statement signed by the Chairman of the Sub-committee of the event, Professor Sa'idu Muhammadu Gusau, said the ceremony is scheduled as follows:

Special Guest of Honour: Arch Muhammad Namadi Sambo, GCON, Vice President, Federal Republic of Nigeria.

Guests of Honour:

- ✓ Engr. Rabi'u Musa Kwankwaso, Executive Governor of Kano State.
- ✓ Barr. Dr. Ibrahim Shehu Shema, Fnim, CON, Executive Governor of Katsina State.

Fathers of the Day:

- ✓ His Royal Highness, the Emir of Kano, Alhaji Dr. Ado Bayero, CFR, LLD, JP.

- ✓ His Royal Highness, the Emir of Katsina, Alhaji Dr. Abdulmumin Kabir Usman CFR.
- ✓ His Royal Highness, the Emir of Daura, Alhaji Umar Faruk Umar, CON.

Host:

Justice Mamman Nasir GCON Galadiman Katsina and District Head of Malumfashi.

Chief Host: Professor Abubakar Rasheed, *mni*, MFR, Vice Chancellor, B.U.K.

Chief Launcher:

Alhaji Dahiru Mangal

Reviewer of the Book: Professor Sa'idu M. Gusau.

Date: Saturday, March 23, 2013

Time: 10:00am

Venue: New SMS Theatre.

Vacancy for Editor-In-Chief of Nigerian Journal of Basic & Clinical Sci.

This is to call for applications for the post of Editor-in-Chief for the Nigerian Journal of Basic and Clinical



Sciences (NJBCS). Interested members should send a written application to the current Editor-in-Chief on Monday 18th March, 2013. The application should be accompanied by Curriculum Vitae. This should include details such as scientific publications, professional achievements and previous editorial experience and training. The application should also state in not more than 250 words why he/she is interested in being the editor-in-chief as well as his/her 5 year-vision for the journal. The application should be addressed to:

The Editor-in-Chief,
Nigerian Journal of Basic and Clinical Sciences,
Department of Medicine,
Bayero University,
Kano.

The Vice Chancellor

Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed,
mni, MFR,

Cordially invites the entire University community and the general public to the **Tenth [10th] Professorial Inaugural Lectures** set out as follows:

Lecturer: Professor M.S. Sule.

Department: Biochemistry.

Topic: *'Enzymology and Radiation Biology in the Understanding of Biochemistry'*

Date: Saturday, March 23, 2013

Time: 10:00am prompt

Venue: Professor Musa Abdullahi Auditorium.

Staff Football Team

Call for Training

The Management of Staff Football Team hereby calls on all the players who have absconded training to resume immediately in view of the forthcoming Nigerian staff games and other competitions.

The Acting Coach, Dr. M. Y. Waziri, said their participation is very vital. He called on all the players to be regular in training from Monday 18th March, 2013.

Department of Electrical Engineering

Departmental Seminar Series

The Department of Electrical Engineering under the **What's New Initiative** cordially invites members of the academic community to its monthly seminar series:

Title: *'Introduction to Genetic Algorithms'*

Presenter: Dr. Nuraddeen Magaji

Date: Wednesday, March 27, 2013

Time: 10:00am prompt.

Venue: Departmental Conference Room



Department of Arabic

PhD & M.A Thesis Defense

The Department of Arabic invites the University community to its PhD and M.A Thesis defense as follows:

A) Candidates:

1. Kabore Salfu - SPS/08/AIS/02568 (M.A)
2. Yusuf Aliyu Musa - SPS/08/AIS/00015 (M.A)
3. Ahmad Adam Abdurrahman - SPS/08/AIS/00622 (M.A)

B) Supervisors:

1. Dr. Y. I. Sulaiman
2. Dr. M. H. Isma'il
3. Prof. M. A. Abubakar

C) International Examiners:

1. Dr. S. U. Ahmad
2. Dr. Y. I. Sulaiman
3. Prof. Sarki Ibrahim

D) External Examiner:

1. Dr. Abdulkadir Sani, Department of Arabic, Usman Danfodiyo University, Sokoto.

Date: March 18, 2013

Time: 10:00am prompt.

Venue: A.03 Seminar Room, New Campus

M.A. Arabic Thesis Defence

A) Candidates

1. Umar Isa Mani -SPS/08/AIS/00006 (MA)
2. Muhammad Dahiru Muhammad Abdurrahman - SPS/08/AIS/01258 (MA)

B) Supervisors:

1. Dr. S. U. Ahmad
2. Dr. S. U. Ahmad

C) Internal Examiners:

1. Prof. Sarki Ibrahim
2. Dr. A. Salisu

D) External Examiner

1. Dr. Kamal Babikir Department of Arabic Usman Danfodiyo University, Sokoto.

Date: March 20, 2013

Time: 10:00am prompt.

Venue: A.03 Seminar Room, New Campus

M.A. Arabic Thesis Defence

A) Candidates:

1. Sammani Binyamin - SPS/08/AIS/00379 (M.A)
2. Sunusi Bala Muhammad - SPS/08/AIS/00340 (M.A)
3. Nasiru Hamisu Ciromawa - SPS/08/AIS/00200 (M.A)

B) Supervisors:

1. Dr. S. U. Kabara
2. Prof. M. S. Khamisu
3. Prof. M. S. Khamisu

C) Internal Examiners:

1. Prof. M. A. Abubakar
2. Dr. S. U. Ahmad
3. Dr. M. H. Isma'il

D) External Examiner:

1. Dr. M. A. Muhammad Department of Languages and Literary Studies (Arabic, Kwara State University).

Date: March 23rd, 2013

Time: 10:00am prompt.

Venue: A.03 Seminar Room, New Campus.

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