



Jubilation as VC grants Admission slots to Employees

There was jubilation across the campuses of the Federal University Oye Ekiti (FUOYE) when the news filtered in that the Vice Chancellor has granted admission slots to the biological offsprings of the institution's employees.

This gesture, the first since inception of the university, further reinforced the commitment of the administration to improve welfare and working conditions of staff.

According to a memo dated Monday, April 12, 2021 signed by the Academic Affairs Officer, Mr Babatope S. Ademiloye, this

decision was carefully taken by the Vice Chancellor, Prof Abayomi Sunday Fasina after a recommendation from the management that the institution should give consideration to the admission of qualified biological children of members of Staff.

The memo directed University Staff whose biological children are looking for admission to visit the Academic Affairs Office to fill request form.

Reacting to the development, some members of Staff who spoke to FUOYENews said that the new administration is a new dawn as they never expected this

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The Vice-Chancellor
Prof. A.S Fasina

FUOYE don ranked among global best

The Dean of Faculty of Science, Federal University Oye-Ekiti (FUOYE), Professor Olayide Samuel Lawal has been listed among the Top Ten Nigerians on The World's Top 2% Scientists.

In a report monitored on the official Twitter account of Statisence (@statisence) and its official website (www.statisence.com.ng), a Data Tech Company with expertise in Data Analysis, Market Survey, Infographics, Training and Research, the Renowned Professor of Chemistry was listed alongside nine others for his works and contributions in the field of

Science and Technology.

Also included on the list are; Professors OyeGureje, OlatundeFarombi and MayowaOwolabi, all from University of Ibadan (UI). Others are ProfessorOguzieEmeka of Federal University of Technology, Owerri (FUTO), Professor OlajireAbass of LadokeAkintola University of Technology (LAUTECH), Professor BolajokoOlusanya (CHSI), Professor Emmanuel Ezugwuof Air force Institute of Technology and ProfessorsObobhGaniyu and Kenneth KanayoAlaneme, both from Federal University of Technology Akure (FUTA).

VC promises open, inclusive administration

The Vice Chancellor of the Federal University Oye Ekiti (FUOYE), Prof. Abayomi Fasina has assured the university's Muslim Community that he would run an open and all-inclusive administration.

Prof. Fasina gave the assurance recently when a delegation of Muslims in the institution led by the Chairman, Dr Ibrahim Adeyanju, visited the Vice Chancellor to congratulate him on his new appointment.

Prof. Fasina used the occasion to announce his plan to establish a Staff School for the benefit and convenience of the university workers.

The Academic Administrator, while pledging equity, fair and justice to all, promised to look at some of the requests from the Muslim community, including request for a lecture free hour to observe Fridays Jummat prayer.

Addressing the delegation which also included the university's Chief Imam Alhaji Moruf Aroyehun, the Vice Chancellor, said, "You are my people and I have reasons for saying that. You have supported me so much and I promise you, I will give you my support at all time.

"I assure you that you will get the letter on five plots of land. I do not want bureaucracy to kill our performance", he further stated adding that, "We will also write again to those arranging our time table to stop fixing lectures between 1pm and 2pm on Fridays".

Speaking further, he said, "We will give you opportunity to be part of the university Ceremonial Committee. We will try our best to ensure that the challenge with the deductions is solved. And people should not violate the extant rules of the University".

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Prof. O.S Lawal

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kind of gesture, noting that it has never happened in the ten years of FUOYE existence.

Some said they are willing to work harder, re-dedicate themselves the vision of the administration so long it makes Staff and Students' welfare a priority.

Others prayed to God to continue to guide and protect the Vice Chancellor against detractors.

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"We are already making concrete plans on a Staff School. Ayegbaju community has donated 72 plots of land for us. And we want the students of our staff school to resume in September this year. The welfare of the people matters a lot. There won't be discrimination against anyone. We will give discount to our staff who will have their kids there so as to help reduce the burden of school fees," he further assured.

Earlier, while tabling its demands, the leader of the delegation said, "Sir, the Muslim Community in FUOYE wishes to table these demands for your consideration. We pray for the increment



The Muslim delegation at Vice-Chancellor's Meeting Room on Tuesday, March 11, 2021

of the already given 3 plots of land to 5 plots of land; To stop lectures from 1pm-3pm on Fridays to enable Moslem students perform Jummat prayers; To approve Muslim cooperative for Muslim staff in the university, and to approve the use of hijab for Muslim students in the soon-to-be established staff school in Ayegbaju".

Present at the occasion were the

Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic) Prof. Olusola Ojo, the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Administration) Prof. Sola Omotola, the University Librarian, Dr Issac Busayo, Deputy Registrar, Vice Chancellor's office, Mr Mufutau Ibrahim, the Deputy Director, Directorate of Corporate Services, Mr Yinka Ademuyiwa, and the Chief Security Officer (CSO) of the university, Mr Paul Ogidi.

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Mr. Ajewole



The Vice-Chancellor (far right) Prof. A.S Fasina, the University Librarian, Dr. Isaac Busayo and the spouse of the Vice-Chancellor, Dr. (Mrs) B.O Fasina at the seminar on Thursday, April 8, 2021.

Fasina prioritises staff Training, Conferences

The Vice Chancellor, Federal University Oye-Ekiti, Professor Abayomi Sunday Fasina has assured the Staff of Federal University Oye-Ekiti, FUYOE of trainings, conferences of their choice within Nigeria.

The University helms man gave this assurance during a one day workshop organized by the Directorate of Human and Counseling Development Centre on Thursday, April 8, 2021 at the Faculty of Science Board Room.

Fasina said, “I look at this directorate as a centre that is suppose to mentor and to counsel people and we have seen the desires of such coming now. When I came, I told the University Librarian that if the number of counselors we have in this university with population of 24,184 and additional 8000 students will be admitted to make the total population of students rise to over 32,000 this year, for me, I think we need to employ more counselors and immediately we are going to deploy resources”. He staff to identify trainings and conferences for the University bank roll. He however cautioned foreign conferences have been put on hold currently by TETFund.

FUYOE signs MOU with Best Solutions

The Federal University Oye-Ekiti, (FUYOE), has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Best Solution Polytechnic, Akure, for the operation of the university's Top Up and Conversion Programme.

This land-mark event, which took place recently at the Vice Chancellor's Office, confers on Best Solution Polytechnic the right run the Akure Centre of the programme on behalf of FUYOE.

Top Up is an external Programme designed by FUYOE to assist Higher National Diploma,

Eulogizing the administrative prowess of Professor Benjamin Omolayo, the Vice Chancellor described his appointment this capacity as around peg in round hole, a lot of things have changed for good under his watch.

On his part, the Director, Centre for Counseling and Human Development, Prof B.O. Omolayo, earlier, at the training workshop for counselors expressed his profound gratitude to the Vice Chancellor, Prof A.S. Fasina and other guests who out of his busy schedule found time to honour this invitation as well lauded the Vice Chancellor for approving a temporary office for the centre.

“The Counseling and Human Development Centre has been able to bring counseling to the doorsteps of the students by assigning counselors to all faculties, departments, units of the university. A webpage has been developed on the university website and an email account, this feat was made possible through the efforts of the Director, ICT. The centre has partnered with stakeholders within the university and held meetings with Deans and Directors, outside the university with Directors of Counseling and Human Development Centres in other

(HND), holders undergo more training that would enable them acquire bachelor's degree of the university, from the campuses of licensed institutions.

While welcoming the founder of Best Solution Polytechnic, Dr Michael Abiodun, the Vice Chancellor of the university, Professor Abayomi Fasina described the collaboration as a significant development that would widen the frontier of education and make beneficiaries more productive, more competitive with clear edge over their colleagues.

In his words, “We are looking

institutions and collaborating with relevant government agencies like Nigerian Drug and Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA), etc”.

Prof. Omolayo noted the importance of the training workshop to the counselors and asserted that the centre role out modalities of partnering with the kids and teens to guide their career paths.

He, however, concluded that the centre needs more counselors to cater for the over 24,000 students and also solicited for the support of the Vice Chancellor to build standard office structure for the centre to enable them deliver effective services.

Other guest speakers at the workshop were Dr. (Mrs) B.O. Fasina from the Department of Guidance and Counseling, FUYOE who delivered a speech on 'Ethics in Counseling'; Dr. B.A. Falana, Director, Centre for Counseling and Human Development, EKSU who spoke on 'Self care for Counselors'; Dr (Mrs) A.B. Adams from the Department of Guidance and Counseling, FUYOE who spoke on 'The Counseling Process'; Mr Martin-May Falana, a Development Specialist, Kids and Teens Resource Centre who delivered a speech on 'Counseling Skill and Competence'.

forward to working with you. I want to assure you that my team will visit the Akure Centre without prior notice to really ascertain the activities going around there. We want to thank you very much for the support the Centre has extended to the University”

Briefing FUYOENews later, an Dr Abiodun who was obviously elated at this opportunity of obtaining the nod of FUYOE to run the Programme, expressed joy at the smooth process that led to the MoU, and the unique opportunity the programme offers desirous HND holders to convert their



Prof. Oriaku presenting the Exit Report of his team to the Vice-Chancellor on Thursday, April 8, 2021



FUOYE VC, Prof. Fasina middle with delegates of NUC for Sociology programme on Thursday, April 8, 2021.

“FUOYE English curriculum adequate”- NUC

The Team Leader of National Universities Commission (NUC) Accreditation Team to Federal University Oye-Ekiti (FUOYE), Prof Remy Oriaku has expressed satisfaction over the curriculum content of English and Literary Studies Programme of the University saying the curriculum content is "adequate".

"Your curriculum content is adequate. The curriculum covers specializations appropriately, capturing the interface of language and literature in cultural Milieu; the Professor of English from University of Ibadan said when delivering the team exit report to the Vice Chancellor, Prof. A.S Adesinainhis Meeting Room recently.

Speaking further, he said, Admission requirements reflect the NUC benchmark and the academic regulations guiding the handling of examinations are explicitly stated in the handbook of students".

Prof Oriaku who led Prof. Ephraim Chukwu from NnamdiAzikiwe University (UNIZIK); Prof. G.S Omachome from University of Nigeria Nsukka and Mr O. Ugochukwu; the NUC Representative to the Vice-Chancellor also noted that "Lecturers have been fair and thorough in their assessment of students".

He also added that all the students his team interacted with have something to say about their lecturers, adding that the External Examination System is good. We saw reports of External Examiners and they are very patriotic, he added but recommended two External Examiners for the course.

"Henceforth, we recommend that two External Examiners should be used. One for Language and another for Literature", he stressed.

Concerning staffing, we observed that the Department is well staffed with 15 out of 16 academic staff possessing PhD. There are evidence of fellowships and grants won by Lecturers in the Department and this is commendable, he further stressed.

Responding, the Vice Chancellor thanked the team, commending them for a very comprehensive job. "I want to thank you very much for a very comprehensive accreditation job", he said.

FUOYE targets 24,000 bed spaces for students

Worried about the ratio of students living outside its campus, the Federal University Oye-Ekiti (FUOYE) is working in partnership with private hostel developers to shortly deliver 24,000 bed spaces for students.

This was disclosed recently by the Vice-Chancellor Professor Abayomi Sunday Fasina while receiving in audience the National Universities Commission(NUC) delegation team to Faculty of Social Science, Department of Sociology.

"The welfare of students and staff of this University is paramount in my mind", Prof Fasina began noting that the population of students living outside campus is already too large.

"Before the end of this year, students population in this university will move towards 32,000 and those outside will even be more.

This is why "we have signed 12 MoUs with private developers to build more hostels on campus for students. When ready we will have about 24,000 bed spaces", he said. On staff housing scheme, the Vice Chancellor also revealed plans to work with Staff Cooperatives to assist staff get loans to buy lands or build houses. "We will also partner with Cooperative Societies to fund staff land and housing projects", he said disclosing that he had discussed and will continue to discuss with officials of the Cooperatives on having a situation where we can partner so that staff can buy land and build houses within various cities of Ekiti State shortly. I don't joke with students or staff welfare", he further stressed.

The Vice Chancellor further disclosed that since he assumed duty, he keeps encouraging all staff to attend Conferences and Seminars in a bid to develop themselves recalling that he was also a beneficiary of such Conferences and Seminars when he was the Deputy Vice Chancellor Administration. "These are all measures being taken in fulfillment of my Inauguration promise to ensure and promote staff development and welfare on campus", he stated.

Earlier, Professor G.E Gyong from Ahmadu Bello University (ABU) Zaria who led the NUC accreditation team to the Vice-Chancellor commended him on a good job he is doing at the university. *Continue on page 5*



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"Truly as your Public Relations Officer (PRO) has said, this is Africa's fastest growing University. I observe the speed at which facilities are springing up here and there in your dual campuses and want to encourage you to continue", he said. Speaking further on his teams observations, he said, "the facilities in place were all okay and students are satisfy with their environment and lectures.

Joining Prof Gyong in the accreditation assignment were Professor I.O.Agweda of Ambrose Alli University Ekpoma and Mr Jude Akubue of the Nigeria Universities Commission (NUC)

The Exit Report session was witnessed by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Admin) Prof. Sola Omotola, The Director Academic Planning /Ag dean Social Science Rev Sr Dr Chika Asogwa, Head of Department of Sociology, Professor O.O Fazoranti and the Deputy Director Corporate Services Mr. Yinka Ademuyiwa.

All Academic Staff in FUOYE Theatre Arts have PhD- says NUC

One hundred percent (100%) of Academic Staff at the Department of Theatre and Media Arts (TMA) Federal University Oye-Ekiti (FUOYE) have doctoral degrees"

This was disclosed recently by the National Universities Commission (NUC) Accreditation Team Leader, Prof Saint Libilera from University of Abuja.

Prof Libilera who led Prof. Austin's Anigala of Delta State University and Mrs Ezeugo Chinonyerem, the NUC Representative to the Vice Chancellor, Prof Abayomi Sunday Fasina added that two out of twenty (20) non teaching staff also have PhDs.

Noting that the ration within academic rank is adequate, the visiting professor of Arts said there are five (5) Professors; seven senior lecturers and Lecturer 1 and five Lecturer 2. He added that the Arts Theatre is impressive.

Responding, the Vice-Chancellor thanked the team for a thorough and detailed observation and promised them to expect even more when next they come around.



A cross section of staff of the Department of Theatre Arts, where all academic staff have PhD. Thursday, April 8, 2021



FUOYE VC, Prof. Fasina signing the Exit Report of the NUC accreditation team to the department of Demography and Social Statistics on Thursday, April 8, 2021. With him is Team Leader Prof.. U.C Isiugo-Abaribe

Alumni Compendium in the offing, says VC

The Vice Chancellor, Federal University Oye-Ekiti (FUOYE) Prof Abayomi Sunday Fasina has disclosed plans to help Alumni Centre of the University produce a detailed, comprehensive Alumni database called Alumni Compendium.

Prof. Fasina who made this known last Thursday April 8, 2021 while receiving the National Universities Commission (NUC) Accreditation Team to the Department of Demography and Social Statistics of the Faculty of Social Science, further said such a compendium would help exploit Alumni goodwill and manage continuous interaction in them long after leaving school.

"I have said it before, let me say it again, Alumni are a unique body with a lot of contact network and resources that a growing University cannot ignore. This administration will continue to support the Alumni Centre", he stressed commending the Head of Department of Demography and Social Statistics for her hard work and scholarly attitude.

He revealed that funding has been a challenge to several other support projects the administration wants to do for other organs of the university and that explain why we are working tirelessly to improve our Internally Generated Revenue (IGR) by establishing Pre-Degree, JUPEB and Part-Time Programmes.

Earlier, the Team Leader to Demography Programme, Prof.. U.C Isiugo-Abaribe from University of Ibadan, had commended the cordiality between staff of the department particularly between the Vive-Chancellor and his deputy saying such cordiality is important for the smooth running of the administration.

Prof. Isiugo-Abaribe, who led Prof. E.C Onyenechere from Imo State University, Prof. T.I Yahaya from Federal University of Technology Minna and Mrs Gloria A. Iziren (NUC Representative), also commended the philosophy and objective of the programme saying it provides direction to the lecturers.

"Curriculum of the course is adequate and gives students good education", he noted adding that all students meet the NUC academic standard.



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POSTGRADUATE ADMISSION FOR 2020/2021 ACADEMIC SESSION

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for admission into the Postgraduate Programmes of the School for 2020/2021 Academic Session as indicated below:

1. AVAILABLE PROGRAMMES

FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE

Department

Dept. of Agric. Economics & Extension	M.Agric & Ph.D
Dept. of Animal Production & Health	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept of Crop Science & Horticulture	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept. of Fisheries & Aquaculture	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept. of Food Science and Technology	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept. of Soil & Land Management	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept. of Water Resources and Agro-Meteorology	M.Sc & Ph.D

FACULTY OF ARTS

Department

Dept. of English Language	M.A & Ph.D
Dept. of Theatre and Media Arts	M.A & Ph.D

FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

Department

Dept. of Agriculture and Bio-Resources Engineering	M. Eng & Ph.D
Dept. of Civil Engineering	M. Eng & Ph.D
Dept. of Computer Engineering	M. Eng & Ph.D
Dept. of Electrical & Electronics Engineering	M. Eng & Ph.D
Dept. of Material and Metallurgical Engineering	M. Eng & Ph.D
Dept. of Mechanical Engineering	M. Eng & Ph.D
Dept. of Mechatronics Engineering	M. Eng & Ph.D

FACULTY OF SCIENCE

Department

Dept. of Animal and Environmental Biology	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept. of Biochemistry	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept. of Computer Science	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept. of Geology	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept. of Geophysics	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept. of Industrial Chemistry	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept. of Mathematics	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept. of Microbiology	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept. of Physics	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept. of Plant Science and Biotechnology	M.Sc & Ph.D

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

Department

Dept. of Demography and Social Statistics	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept. of Economics	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept. of Psychology	M.Sc & Ph.D
Dept. of Sociology	M.Sc & Ph.D

Postgraduate Diploma Programmes (PGD) are also available.

2. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

(a) Ph.D DEGREE PROGRAMMES-

These Programmes are available to holders of Master degrees, with a minimum of 60% score in their Master degree Programmes.

A Ph.D. degree Programme runs for a minimum period of 36 calendar months and a maximum period of 48 calendar months for full-time students OR a minimum period of 48 calendar months and a maximum period of 60 calendar months for part-time students.

Note that relevant courses will be taken for the Ph.D studies where prescribed and a supervised Thesis.

(b) M.Phil /Ph.D. DEGREE PROGRAMMES-

Candidates who score between 55.00% and 59.99% Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) at Master's level can apply for admission into the M.Phil/Ph.D Programme on full-time basis.

The Programme runs for a period of 18 calendar months after which the candidate, on good performance can transit to the Ph.D Programme.

Candidates in this category are eligible for conversion to Ph.D. candidature, following a progress assessment report to be made by a Panel of Examiners at the end of the first session of registration. Candidates must score not less than 60% (aggregate) at the end of the first session to be eligible for conversion for the Ph.D. Programme.

(c) MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMMES-

A candidate applying for the Master's degree Programme must have made a minimum of Second Class (Lower Division) in his/her Bachelor's degree Programme. Master's degree Programmes run for a minimum period of 18 calendar months (that is, two semesters) and a maximum period of two years (24 calendar months; that is, four semesters) for full-time candidates OR a minimum period of two (2) years (24 calendar months; that is, four semesters) and a maximum period of 36 calendar months; (that is, six semesters) for part-time candidates depending on the peculiarities of the Department. All Master's Degree Programmes are by course work in addition to a research work/report at the end of which a dissertation is produced.

(d) OTHER INFORMATION-

Applicants are to note that, a Programme automatically lapses at the expiration of the maximum duration for each Programme. However, a candidate may apply for an extension of not more than 12 months.

Candidates in regular employment must submit with their applications, formal letter of release for postgraduate studies issued by their employers.

Also, all applicants who are not graduates of the Federal University Oye-Ekiti (FUOYE) must request their former Universities or institutions to forward directly to the Secretary, School of Postgraduate Studies the academic transcripts of their First Degrees or Master's degree with respect to applicants for Master's and Doctoral Degrees, respectively.

(3) PAYMENT PROCEDURE-

Candidates should pay a sum of fifteen thousand naira (N15,000.00) through REMITA platform MDA: Federal University Oye Ekiti- 1000134.

ACCOUNT NAME: REMITA REVENUE ACCOUNT

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 0320496861013

(4) APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS-

On the home page of the Federal University Oye-Ekiti website, click on Postgraduate Portal.

On the home page displayed, click Application Instruction and read carefully.

Click on apply now to start a new application or click on login to continue application after payment

Use your Application Number as username and SURNAME as password. Carefully type in your Application Number as any error committed will not allow your details to be displayed.

Thereafter,

Candidates should click OK button on the dialog box displayed and enter your names.

After Login, click on Continue Registration link on the main menu.

Fill in your other bio-data and necessary details truthfully on the webpage. All candidates should upload their Passports pictures by clicking on Browse button and select your picture. Your Passport pictures must not be more than 20KB.

On completion of bio-data, click on Next Step button then click OK on the message dialog box.

All candidates should complete the programme of choice and click on Save then click OK on the message dialog box.

On completion of choice of programme click Next Step button.

3. Closing Date

This application shall close six (6) weeks from the date of this publication.

(Signed)

Mr. Olatunbosun Odusanya

Registrar



FUOYE hosts ITF, SIWES Directors

The Vice Chancellor, Federal University Oye Ekiti (FUOYE), Professor Abayomi Fasina has lauded the Industrial Training Fund (ITF) for what he called 'the critical role' of the institution in equipping Nigerian undergraduates with the requisite and relevant skills and capacity to cope with professional challenges at work-place after graduation.

Professor Fasina made this remark at a recent quarterly meeting of the Directors and Coordinators of Students Industrial Work Experience Scheme (SIWES), held in FUOYE.

Welcoming ITF officials and other participants to the event the Vice Chancellor represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Professor O.J. Ojo warmly welcomed the dignitaries to the university and expressed his pleasure that the FUOYE was hosting the meeting barely six weeks after his assumption of office as Vice Chancellor.

Prof. Fasina noted that economy all over the world, is driven by knowledge and

skill and any employee who lacked the requisite skills in work methodology and techniques to handle machinery would encounter stiff difficulties to deliver effectively and efficiently.

He acknowledged SIWES' significant role in midwifing students seamlessly from schools to engage in practicals through industrial training which will fully translate them into true professionals, brighten their job prospects and make them highly competitive in the labour market.

Putting it succinctly he said, "Partnering with ITF through SIWES, we hope the Faculties will be able to impart the requisite knowledge and practical skills to help realise the dreams of making our graduates key players in global economy", he said.

He challenged SIWES Directors and Coordinators to be pro-active in identifying difficulties that could impede smooth and effective mobilisation of students for the programme and efficient delivery of their overall goals, with a view to seeking solutions to

them.

On the recurring issue of securing placements for industrial training, he urged the officials to look into the possibility of deploying technology to reduce cost, and enhance safety.

Speaking at the occasion, FUOYE Director of SIWES, Dr. A.A. Satimehin, gave a general overview of the activities of the scheme, but lamented the negative effects of the global COVID-19 pandemic on students that had been mobilised for the scheme.

Dr. Satimehin disclosed that a total of 598 students had been mobilised for the 2020 SIWES exercise adding that the Master list would be forwarded to the NUC as soon possible as the issue of funding is being sorted out with ITF.

He expressed worries over increasing reduction in the number of organisations and firms willing to accept students for industrial training, which he attributed to the dwindling in their fortunes which had adverse effects on the capacity for placement.

Registrar requests for annual leave roster from Unit Heads

The Registrar of Federal University Oye-Ekiti (FUOYE), Mr. Olatunbosun Odusanya has directed the Heads of various Faculties, Departments and Units to forward the 2021 Annual Leave Roster for staff in their respective Faculties, Departments and Units to him not later than Monday, May 3rd 2021.

This is in line with the University Regulations governing the conditions of Service of Senior Staff on CONTISS 06 and CONUASS 01 and above.

In an Internal Memorandum signed on his behalf by the Personnel Affairs Officer, Mr Sunday A. Akinwunmi the conditions for Leave for Academic Staff and Technologists Shall normally be taken at the end of every academic year during the long vacation. For other categories of Senior Staff, Leave Shall be taken any time during the year.

According to the regulations governing the conditions of Service, Junior members of staff on CONTISS 05 and below can enjoy any of the following; Annual, Casual, Examination, Maternity and Study Leave. Annual and Casual Leaves are granted subject to the exigencies of service and in consultation with Departmental Heads.

Their leave entitlements according to the said memo states that staff on CONTISS 03 to CONTISS 05 shall be entitled to 21 days while CONTISS 01-CONTISS 02 shall be entitled to 14 days. All contract staff regularly employed for at least six months may be granted fourteen (14) days Leave.

I felicitate with all Staff and Students of Federal University Oye-Ekiti particularly those of Muslim faith on the occasion of 2021 Ramadan season.

The essence of the Ramadan season is to remind everyone of the poor and less fortunate, create a time for charity, compassion, abstinence, and forgiveness. In His infinite mercy, God has sent the light of Ramadan to erase darkness.

He has sent the month of the Quran so that He might elevate us and bring us from our isolation to His presence.

May this holy month of Ramadan be a month full of blessings. Also, may you be showered with joy, peace and prosperity.

Prof. Abayomi Sunday Fasina

Vice-Chancellor
Federal University Oye Ekiti



SPECIAL REPORT

VC ends faculties tour, promises funding to PG School

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Abayomi Fasina concluded his tour of faculties with a visit to Post Graduate School promising better funding for the School.

"I believe the Post Graduate School is the hub of research in any university. The mandate of the School and its profile is directly proportional to that of the entire university. We will not joke with our PG school", he disclosed.

In addition, we are ready to improve facilities across all the faculties of the institution so as to enhance, teaching research and community service, he further stressed.

According to Professor Fasina, his administration is poised to do everything possible within its powers and available resources to ensure equitable distribution resources across the various faculties and thus ensure steady growth and development of the University.

Speaking earlier at the Faculty of Pharmacy, the Chief Executive Officer of the university said he is already aware of the needs of the faculties and would stop at nothing to address them as soon as possible.

"I want to assure you that students will be admitted into the faculty of Pharmacy before May 2021 and by the special grace of God your curriculum will go to the Senate next week,"

He emphasized that faculty of Pharmacy has the require manpower to kick start its programmes and added that, "during recruitment, I saw brilliant Academics coming to the faculty. I know and believe we have experienced and very versatile lecturers in this faculty.

"Your Faculty can push for

more experienced staff who can in turn mentor the young ones. The Faculty should also be able to create wealth by producing consumables such as hand sanitizers, liquid soaps, q detergents and the like."

Speaking at the Faculty of Basic Medical Sciences earlier, the Vice Chancellor said the Faculty is already on his priority list, stressing that "One of my visions is to first establish a College of Medicine. We are making serious plans to admit the first set of students this October. Concrete plans are in top gear to ensure this dream materialize this year October".

The Academic Administrator also assured that the on going work at the Faculty is nearing completion after which furnishing of the classes, offices and laboratories would commence immediately.

The Professor also assured staff at the Post Graduate school that his administration raise their profiles because of his prior experiences in Post Graduate programmes and his familiarities with other peculiarities of the school.

"I was on the Board of Postgraduate Studies for 16 years. So I know how PG school is being run. For you to achieve, you need to work with Committees. One is Academic Research, Scholarship and Ethic Research Committee" he said, adding that Research Grants for the Senate under his wachth will be under the Dean of the Post Graduate School, assuring there be reward for hard work and vice viser. He further assured that the entire work force in the Institution will be duly motivated.

"I want to motivate to innovate" he stressed.

"We are also planning to have a Staff School and we have already chosen one of our facility where the school will take off from.

