



The Vice-Chancellor, Pro. Kayode Soremekun along with other Principal Officers and Dean's of the university rendering the University and national anthems during the virtual matriculation ceremony for 2019/2020 academic session on Tuesday July, 28, 2020 at the university Auditorium.... see story on page 3

Yahuza is FUOYE's 4th Pro-Chancellor

By Adeyinka Ademuyiwa

The Federal Government has named Dr Mohammed Lawan Yahuza as the Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of the Governing Council of Federal University Oye Ekiti, (FOUYE).

He was inaugurated along with four others on Monday July 13, 2020 at National Universities Commission (NUC) Auditorium by the Minister for Education, Mallam Adamu Adamu thus becoming the 4th person to occupy the highly exalted position in the history of the university.

Dr Yahuza who hails from Yobe State succeeds Engr Bawa Magaji, the first

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Dr. Mohammed Lawan Yahuza

Fasina explains what FUOYE is doing to re-open

By Adeyinka Ademuyiwa

As if responding to the demand of Federal Government from public universities to submit information for an on-going evaluation of public universities to resume from COVID-19 break which government announced on March 23, 2020, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Administration of Federal University Oye Ekiti (FUOYE), Prof Abayomi Sunday Fasina in a meeting on Wednesday August 5, 2020, explained what the university is doing

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FUOYE Post-UTME Screening begins Aug 1-15th

By Nifesimi Ogungbe

The Federal University Oye-Ekiti (FUOYE) has announced the dates for her Post-UTME screening exercise for candidates who chose the university as their preferred institution of choice for the 2020/2021 academic session.

In a document signed by the University Acting Registrar, Mr. Mufutau Ibrahim the screening exercise is expected to last for two weeks starting from Saturday, August 1 2020 to Saturday, August 15, 2020.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor Academics, Prof. Olusola Ojo, told FUOYENews that over 2000 candidates have already done the examination since commencement.

Interested candidates may wish to visit the university website through this link for more information.

www.fuoye.edu.ng/en/home-en/22-fuoyetheme/fuoyeslideshow/870-2020-2021-admission-screening-exercise

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Pro Chancellor and Chairman of Council from Kaduna; Prof Mrs Saidat Mabadeje; and immediate past Pro Chancellor, Prof Babatunde Samuel who has been reassigned in the same position to Federal University Otuoke, Bayelsa State.

The new Council Chairman who is a Veterinary Scientist and a retired Director of Administration at the Federal Ministry of Health will be supported on the Council by very experienced and trusted allies of President Muhammadu Buhari like Alhaji Ali Kolo, Engr sabo Inuwa, Prof Ibrahim Buba and Mr. Femi Okeowo.

Announcing government consideration in these appointments which also include those of twelve other universities, the Minister said, 'the composition of the Councils took cognizance of the performance of the previous Governing Councils.....and the need to maintain a measure of stability and continuity in the system'

"It is on your able shoulders that the efforts of government to improve the quality of output of our tertiary institutions lie in the next four years" Mallam Adamu stressed and added that "we are confident that you will bring your wealth of experience,

adherence and respect for the rule of law and due process into the discharge of your responsibilities.

He further expressed government expectations that the Councils will ensure good management, growth and development of the universities without undue interference in the day to day running of the institutions, advising them to be abreast of current laws, policies, white papers, circulars, gazettes and other relevant documents that will help in taking decisions.

He pointed at effective guidance and oversight on broad policy issues, adopting best practices, monitoring institutional projects and getting more funds outside government to improve the facilities and infrastructure in our universities as areas demanding their attention.

The Minister further listed inadequate funding as well as prudent and judicious use of scarce funds; respect for the principle of Federal Character in recruitment; compliance with relevance laws and guidelines and harmonious working relationships with managements as additional areas of attention.

Earlier in his welcome address, the Executive Secretary of NUC, Prof

Abubakar Adamu Saheed referred to the Ministerial Strategic Plan of 2018-2020 calling attention to NUC's programmes and activities that should be key into as : Curriculum Re-Engineering; Revision of Accreditation and Quality Assurance Instruments; Developing Governance Codes for Private Universities; Promoting Research and Post Graduate Development; Fostering Skills Development and Entrepreneurship; Improving Pedagogical skills of academics; Addressing inadequacies in facilities for teaching, learning and research; Promoting ICT driven universities through enhanced digital delivery, Open Distance Education and E-Learning; Revamping partnerships and international portfolios and Improving access and broadening equity as well as empowering women in Higher Education.

"Today marks another watershed in the development of what is generally referred to as twelve universities in Nigeria" the NUC boss continued, and added that "today marks the beginning of a new phase in the orderly development of federal universities in the country..."

Double feather to Akande, FuoYE's bursar cap @ 50

For the Bursar of Federal University, Oye Ekiti (FuoYE), Mrs Bolatito Roseline Akande, July 2, 2020 was a red letter day.

For many reasons she had cause to celebrate her 50th birthday that day. One, she clocked the golden age against the vicissitudes of life particularly in Nigeria where life expectancy is shortened by assailants, assassins, herdsmen attacks, poverty, diseases and pandemic and brutal ritualists and armed robbers.

Again, in February, 2020, she became the Bursar of FuoYE, Africa's fastest growing university. And as if that is not enough, on May 18, 2020, the Council of the

prestigious Institute of Chartered Accountants (ICAN) conferred on her the highest honour a member can have, the Fellowship of the Institute.

At FuoYE, the mood has been upbeat as staff members rejoice with the top accountant for the recent honour and accomplishment, as well as attaining the golden milestone.

At the end of the party presenting her the bouquet of accolades and goodwill is the management of the university which wished the bursar many more years of professional fulfillment and marital bliss.

The Vice Chancellor, Prof Kayode Soremekun, in a statement by the Director of Corporate Services, Mr. Adeyinka Ademuyiwa, expressed

delight, saying he was happy and grateful to God for blessing the university with such a dedicated, hardworking financial Amazon.



Mrs. Bolatito Akande



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to reopen.

According to him, FUYOE has set up a 13-man COVID-19 Committee with members drawn from University Health Centre, The Students Affairs, The Directorate of Corporate Services, The ICT Directorate, the Vice-Chancellor's Office, Counseling Unit, Maintenance Unit, and many others.

Fasina, who is also the Chairman of university COVID-19 Committee, explained that World Health Organisation (WHO) protocols are being domesticated and adopted in the university. "The university has bought thermometers, sanitisers, and disinfectants. We hope to disinfect the university environment again apart from the one we did in April. Public awareness and Health Education on the virus is ongoing. Soon we will buy disinfectant tunnels and deploy them to critical areas where people are passing"

He further listed the reopening strategies to include: Grouping faculties such that those that can go online fully to teach like Arts, Social Sciences, Education etc will go online almost totally leaving lecture spaces for

Sciences, Engineering and Agriculture Faculties to observe COVID-19 social distancing rule.

Also, courses with large population of students like General Studies will go online totally while practical courses in Sciences, Agriculture and Engineering will be taking in groups through alternating the days, shifting of morning and afternoon session, deployment of virtual laboratories and adoption of theory of practical.

The COVID-19 Committee Chairman further said, final year students are likely to open first while others will experience phased resumption.

"The university will deploy ICT to compliment teaching and training will be done for all university staff particularly the academic on uses of online teaching expectations. No one will lose his/her job due to adoption of ICT to teach", he said.

Data will be purchased in bulk at discounted and cheaper rate and shared to students who will need more data to learn online. The university will also

encourage students to acquire necessary ICT tools to facilitate e-learning.

It will be recalled that federal government in letter through National Universities Commission (NUC) referenced NUC/ES/138/Vol.63/122 to all Vice Chancellors of Federal Universities, including FUYOE's VC, Prof Kayode Soremekun, requested for information on student's enrollment vis-a-vis physical facilities like capacities of lecture halls, theatres and classes.



Prof. Abayomi Fasina

FUYOE matriculates pioneer Law students for 2019/2020 session

By Bamidele Eleniola

The Federal University Oye Ekiti (FUYOE) has matriculated pioneer law students for the 2019/2020 academic year.

This revelation was made by the Vice-Chancellor Professor Kayode Soremekun at the 9th Matriculation Ceremony which was online held on Tuesday, July 28, 2020 at the University Main Auditorium.

Delivering his address at the ceremony, Professor Soremekun said, "Permit me to state here that history is also being made today. For the first time, we are matriculating pioneering students in our new Faculty of Law."

In the nearest future; our first set of Pharmacy Students will also be taking their own matriculation oaths, he further said.

Professor Soremekun, however, congratulated the newly admitted students, "you are a selected group of

over 41,000 candidates who chose to be in this University, of which only about 7,500 have been admitted. This means, for every one of you admitted, about 5 others were kept out. Therefore, I enjoined you all to face your studies squarely because University education is not far laggards and the indolent; grasp this opportunity with both hands, lets it slips off."

The traditional oath-taking exercise was thereafter conducted by the Ag. Registrar, Mr. Mufutau Ibrahim.

Addressing the journalists after the session, Professor Kayode Soremekun said the university, like other tertiary institutions, is faced with challenge of the corona virus pandemic that is currently ravaging the world, by this; FUYOE is concentrating more on digital technology. This is a way to go now and in the nearest future.

The Vice Chancellor also charged

other head of universities in the country to take advantage of the present situation to embark on virtual learning, saying, this gesture embarked upon by Federal University Oye Ekiti is the new way to go during the COVID-19 pandemic which is ravaging the whole world. Prior to now, we have put in place, plans for a distance learning programmes. As regards distance learning, we have been very proactive. We have as a consultant, Professor Olagbemiro Jegede who has been doing a lot to put us on the platform of this new norm of education. I was at Vancouver and Commonwealth of learning (COL) where I interacted with colleagues, on how to bring this young university to this particular level. So, what I'm saying therefore, prior to the pandemic, we have already put plans in place. The pandemic is now catalyzing our intentions.



PhotoSpeak: 9th Matriculation





Ceremony for 2019/2020 session.....





REGISTRY

Notice on Conversion Exercise

This is to inform all members of staff who had earlier applied for conversion based on the Internal Advert Ref: FUOYE/REG/PEO/ADV/04/Vol.2//296 dated 27h January, 2020 that the Conversion Assessment Test has been fixed as follows:

Date: Monday, 10th August, 2020

Venue: ICT Centre, Behind UBA, Oye-Ekiti

Time: 10.00am prompt

All the shortlisted candidates are hereby invited for the Conversion Assessment Test.

The list of shortlisted candidates has been posted on the Notice Board at the Central Administrative Building (Oye Campus). Candidates are hereby required to check the list for necessary update. For further clarification on the shortlisted candidates, please contact Personnel Office.

Please note that in line with the measures to guard against COVID-19 Pandemic, all applicants are required to use their **face-mask** while coming for the test. Any candidate without a face mask will not be allowed into the venue.

Thank you.

Signed

Omolara R. Abe

Personnel Affairs Officer

Important notice on the Conversion Examination

This is to inform all the shortlisted candidates for the upcoming conversion examination to visit the Personnel Affairs Office on Friday, 7th August, 2020 for their Examination Numbers (Please note that the examination number cannot be collected by proxy).

They are also required to note that all candidates who applied for the positions of Higher executive officer (Registry) and Executive Officer (Registry) will write their examinations by 10:00a.m, while the candidates on all other categories will write their examinations by 2:00p.m prompt on the same date earlier scheduled for the examination (i.e. 10th August, 2020).

Please note that accreditation for each of the group commences an hour earlier to the scheduled time for the examination.

All candidates are hereby advised to comply strictly with these directives.

Thank you.

Signed

Omolara R. ABE (Mrs)

Personnel Affairs Officer

APPOINTMENT/RENEWAL

S/N	NAME	DEPARTMENT	NATURE OF APPOINTMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE
1	Miss Iyabode Opeyemi AJISAFE	Theatre and Media Arts	Temporary	Feb.10, 2020
2	Mr. Babatope Sunday ADEMILOYE	Registry (PAR)	Renewal	Apr. 18, 2020- Apr.17,2021



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The Vice-Chancellor
Prof. Kayode Soremekun

On behalf of the Council, Senate and Management of this great university wishes to felicitate with our Muslim brothers and sisters on this occasion of Eid-el Kabir 2020.

The entire university community celebrates this occasion with you all and appreciates your comradeship, devotion and dedication to the growth of our dear university.

The peace and harmony on campus as well as the exponential growth we are experiencing would not have been possible without the cohesion and support of all and sundry, of which you are a critical part.

Thus as you celebrate this year's Eid-el Kabir, remember to stay safe. Keep social distancing rules—wear face masks and shields and also wash and sanitise your hands regularly etc.

May the peace of Allah rest on you and your families.

Let us also remember to pray for our nation and communities. Let us together pray against this pandemic believing that together we shall win.

Barka de Salah



FOR THE RECORDS



The address of the Vice-Chancellor, Federal University Oye Ekiti (FUOYE) Prof. Kayode Soremekun on the occasion of the 2019/2020 matriculation ceremony held at the University main auditorium phase I on Tuesday July 28, 2020



Prof. Kayode Soremekun

to be in this University, of which only about 7,500 have been admitted. This means, for every one of you admitted, about 5 others were kept out. Therefore, I enjoin you all to face your studies squarely because University education is not for laggards and the indolent; grasp this opportunity with both hands, lest it slips off.

I am very happy to inform you that many of our FUOYE students continue to win laurels. One of such, is Paul Oluwaseyi Okeowo who graduated in 2015 as the best graduating student. Mr. Okeowo has proven that the quality on offer here is of world standard. He left FUOYE to bag a Distinction in his Master's degree programme at the University of Salford in Manchester City. Meanwhile two other students have also received fellowship awards from the United Nations I am looking forward to hear and announce your own exploits in due course.

Let me use this occasion to appreciate all our colleagues for their efforts as regards the organisation of this event. It is a testimony to the cohesion which hallmarks this administration. This virtual matriculation ceremony speaks to the desire of this administration to lead this University to greater heights despite all the obstacles and challenges.

Once again, Congratulations to you all. The journey has just begun.

Thank you for listening.

Prof. Kayode Soremekun
Vice-Chancellor
Federal University Oye Ekiti

Protocols

I am delighted to preside over another matriculation ceremony of our great institution, Federal University Oye Ekiti; (FUOYE). This is the last time that I will be performing this particular function in (FUOYE).

The University like other tertiary institutions is faced with the challenge of the Corona Virus Pandemic that is currently ravaging the world. It is this untoward situation which has delayed this ceremony until now.

By way of response, the Education industry is concentrating more resources on digital technology.

This is to ensure delivery in areas like; teaching, research and management of statutory meetings as well as events. An instance is this

matriculation ceremony that is being conducted online, real time and seamless.

This is the challenge of our times and this University which by the Grace of God, I am privileged to lead; will not shirk its responsibilities. Rather, we will rise to the occasion by deploying more technology to deliver the University's functions and mandates on the platform of this 'New Normal'.

In another fundamental sense, permit me to state here that History is also being made today. For the first time, we are matriculating pioneering students in our new Faculty of Law.

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