

Our Mission

- Building leadership through Christian education; transforming lives, impacting society for positive change.

Our Vision

- A first-class Seventh-day Adventist institution, building servant leaders for a better world.

Our Core Values

- Excellence
- Integrity
- Accountability
- Servant Leadership,
- Team Spirit
- Autonomy & Responsibility
- Adventist Heritage

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Winners compare their achievements with their goals while losers compare their achievements with those of other people.”

- Nido Qubin

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TOP OF THE WEEK



Senior Vice President, Mmanagement Services Prof Sunday Owolabi (7th right) and Dr Bolanle Adebawojo (6th right) with principals of Babcock Schools and Academy with staff of marketing and communication and BUHS

BAR EXAMS: ABIRU GETS OVERALL BEST

A Babcock University graduate of Law, Mayowa Mubashir Abiru, emerged Nigeria's overall best at the 2019 Law School Bar Exams.

Abiru, who graduated with a Second Class Upper credit from Babcock, is one of the 10 BU alumni with a first class grade at the Bar exams.

Also, Babcock ranked third among universities that produced the highest number of students with First Class at the Law School Bar

Exams this year.

Abiru went home with 11 awards among which were the Council of Legal Education Star Prize, Most Promising Graduate Student of the Year, Prize for First Class, Overall

Best Student, Overall Best Male Student, Student of the Year, Overall Best in Corporate Law, Best Student of the Year, and 3rd Prize in Ethics Skills.

President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola S. Tayo congratulated the students and their faculty for the feat, noting that Babcock University



Mayowa Abiru

will continue to strive for excellence in every aspect of her programmes. “It is for this reason that the University was founded”, he said, “to be an academic entity of excellence, offering value in cutting-edge and functional education to her students.”

WEEKLY DIGEST

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Front Row: L-R: Chioma, Mayowa Abiru, Prof. Ademola Tayo, Kemi Alofe and Dapo Adeniyi.
Back Row standing : Eboseremen Batholomew (left) and Oreluwa Agunbiade (right).

ABIRU GETS OVERALL BEST

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Dean of the Babcock School of Law and security Studies, Prof. Deji Olanrewaju, who also was present in Abuja at the call to bar ceremony that attracted academics, captains of industries as well as family members and friends, said “Babcock remains committed to the Adventist philosophy of holistic education and transformational leadership.”

This is not the first time Babcock will be breaking records for academic excellence beyond its campus. Mo-yosore Eigbefor, Babcock University’s Accounting graduate emerged 2018 Overall Best Student, in the Institute of Chartered

Accountants of Nigeria examinations (London, Canada and Nigeria centres.

Two other alumni, Gilbert Benson Oladeinbo won the 2019 Kerry Harike Joe Decke Memorial Award for Outstanding Moot Court Board Member at Univer-

sity of Georgia School of Law. Ngozi Ukwani, a 2015 First Class graduate of Accounting of the University and a chartered accountant with the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (ICAN), was listed as 2019 Forbes Under 30 Scholar.

2019 FORBES UNDER 30 SCHOLAR



NGOZI UKWANI

ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY

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UNDER 30

WHAT THIS MATRICULATION MEANS TO US



Top row (left –right) : Temiloluwa Saliu, Olaide Adedeji, Sunday Stephen Etim

Bottom row (left-right): Samuel Ajayi, Abimbola Akinrinde



For the freshmen, the matriculation day marked a huge leap towards attaining their life dream and goals and becoming the persons they dream to be.

The editorial team was there to capture the moment and their emotions. We asked them what the day means to them. Here are excerpts:

It means I am now officially a Babcock University student and that really means a lot to me.

- Temiloluwa Saliu
Mass Communication

This matriculation was a successful one and a start of something great in my life.

- Olaide Adedeji
Law

It means I am now counted as an active student of Babcock Univer-

sity.

- Sunday Stephen Etim
Social Works

I feel good to be admitted to Babcock University

- Samuel Ajayi,
Computer Science

For me, it's a step to greatness.

- Abimbola Akinrinde
Veronica Adeleke School of

Social Sciences

It is the beginning to my success in life.

- David Adeniran
Computing and Engineering
Sciences

It was really organized and the decoration and decorum were basically on point.

- Michael Osayame-Ebohon
Software Engineering



David Adeniran



Michael Osayame-Ebohon

BU MATRICULATES A NEW SET OF STUDENTS



Ready to soar: Undergraduate students get set to take their oath of allegiance at the matriculation ceremony.

No fewer than 2,938 undergraduates and 612 postgraduates took their oath of allegiance at the University's 21st undergraduate and 10th postgraduate matriculation ceremonies last Thursday. Besides students who lit up the venues in a blitz of colours, the event also had friends, stakeholders and dignitaries in attendance.

As usual, President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Tayo used the event to shed light on the recent gains and milestone achievements of the University.

He said as a faith-based Seventh Adventist institution, Babcock University would continue to provide a strong collective identity and voice and partnership numerous stakeholders to make a difference not only in Nigeria but in the whole world.

"Babcock University is founded

on the golden principle of leadership through Christian education with the vision to transform lives," he said. "We are thankful to God and our parents for the support and contributions,"

According to him, the challenges of

near collapse of Nigeria's educational system due partly to government policy somersaults; insufficient funding from government over the years and the brain-drain syndrome informed the establishment of the institution to reverse the ugly trends and to offer a fresh lease of hope to



Clockwise: Prof. Tayo addresses the postgraduate students; cross section of PG students take their oath.





The future is bright: Undergraduates look optimistic during the matriculation ceremony

millions of citizens of this country and beyond.

He said Babcock University is poised to personalize the 'salt' and 'light' impact to penetrate the earth, preserve true knowledge, promote godly growth, and permeate the world with the light of salvation through the provision of Christian education, believing that "to educate a man without God is to educate an intelligent devil".

He said ten alumni of Babcock University emerged in First Class category in the recently released result of Nigerian Bar Examination. Among them is Mr. Mayowa Mubashir Abiru, who graduated with a Second Class Upper division from Babcock University but emerged as the overall best graduating student in the whole of Nigeria. Babcock University is also ranked among the best in Nigeria in Nursing and Computer Science just to mention a few.



A cross section of the procession of staff, faculty and students as they file out for the undergraduate matriculation ceremony.

BABCOCK CYCLING CLUB FLAGS OFF CAMPAIGN



Cyclists begin registration before the awareness campaign

The Babcock University Cycling Club flagged off its membership drive with a 20km-ride awareness campaign, the first of its kind in the University.

The event was in collaboration with the Ogun State Cycling Club. In his opening remarks, the Director of Student Activities, Dr. Wole Oyerinde,

said beyond leisure, the campaign was also to encourage the University community to take their exercises more seriously.

Among the more than 40 cyclists, was 10-year old who took off from the sports complex at the main campus. The ride covered the

stretch from Ilisan-Remo through the Lagos Benin expressway and the Iperu mini campus to Irolu and back.

Club Chair/Director of Physical Planning, Architect Mykell Jegede said the exercise was not new to the child who had participated in an 80-km road show.

“Our goal is to expand membership, encourage people to bike and promote health.”

In addition, he said the long term plan is to create points on campus from where people can pick up bicycles and drop off at designated points.

As a result, the club is looking at a proposal from team members of a bicycle manufacturing firm to study its feasibility.

For faculty member, Dr. Margaret Anaeto, the cycling experience was “exciting.”

She added that the awareness was also aimed at building support towards the 2020 edition of the *Tour de Babcock* marathon cycling programme.

The first edition held in 2017, raked in a lot of enthusiasm. She promised the next would be “huge and a lot more chal-



David Makinde leads the way during the ride



CYLCLING IN PICTURES



Cycling Club flagged off its membership drive with a 20km-ride awareness campaign. Pictures show some of the exciting moments while it lasted.

SIWES ORIENTATION



ITF Abeokuta Area Office Manager, Mrs. Funmi Coker stresses a point at the orientation.



Ahead of the 2020 internship programme, the University's Unit for Student Industrial Work Experience Scheme (SIWES) hosted a one-day student orientation last week.

Held in collaboration with the Abeokuta Area office of the Industrial Training Fund (ITF), the programme presented a platform for information sharing and interaction amongst participants.

According to the ITF Area Manager Mrs. Funmi Coker, apart from enabling students acquire industrial skills, the scheme was to provide hands on experience to bridge the gap between theory and practice.

Mrs. Coker who was accompanied by a SIWES officer, Mr. Ibrahim Yusuf, said the programme is a six units compulsory course that any student who misses must repeat it.

She said it was not enough to have theoretical training but additional practical training that would

provide knowledge in real work situation.

She also urged prospective interns to ensure active internship with functional companies not simply because of the obvious grade advantage, but to add value to their career development.

She further stressed on the need for proper documentation and compliance to organizational regulations to avoid undue stress.

Before their departure, the ITF team paid the President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Tayo a courtesy visit.

Professor Tayo noted that ITF was an important stakeholder in the institution's quest to deliver academic excellence.

Mrs. Coker thanked the Vice Chancellor for the continuous co-operation of Babcock University and support in all ITF activities.



Prof Ademola (left) exchanges views with Mrs Funmi Coker (2nd left) as Dr Fajuyigbe (2nd right) and a staff of Abeokuta ITF (1st right) watch.

VC SAYS STAFF WELFARE IS KEY

The welfare of staff and faculty remain a top burner issue for this administration, says President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola S. Tayo while addressing the congregation recently.

To buttress this point, he promised an upward review of salaries as soon as outstanding loans were liquidated.

He said while the University had fully liquidated some of its loans, it remained committed to meeting all its financial obligations for the others.

He thanked the congregation for their “stout support” during the University’s 60/20 anniversary celebration and called for more cooperation on all fronts with the administration. He also asked all to refrain from actions that would jeopardize the university’s progress.

On academics, he said besides the outstanding performance of 10 Babcock alumni who made first class in



L-R: Profs Yacob Haliso, Ademola Tayo, Sunday Owolabi, Joseph Olanrewaju and Dr Sunday Audu.

the 2019 Bar Exams at the Nigerian Law School, the School of Nursing Sciences also recorded a brilliant performance with a one making a 98.6 % success in the professional examination.

He used the platform to encourage staff attendance at the morning devotion and not to play down its relevance, adding that necessary mechanism would soon be put in place to ensure compliance.

“Let’s continue to come together in the morning to pray for God to continue to be with us in this

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- Prof. Ademola Tayo

land,” he said. “Let’s therefore take morning devotion seriously.”

In the same vein he urged early upload of courses with associated lecturers by submission of relevant materials to registry ahead of the January 2020 resumption.



Some members of staff and faculty at the Congregation meeting which took place at Pioneer Church. Right: Prof Tayo.

PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS



Babcock University and University of Ibadan organised the 1st Rab48 one health workshop at the Babcock Guest House, Ilishan-Remo. Pictures capture some of the moments with staff, faculty and participants including students.



PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS



Ahead of the 2020 Internship orientation for Babcock University students, ITF officers were in the campus to reorient them on the dos and don'ts of the programme. After the programme, ITF officers paid the Vice Chancellor a courtesy visits. Pictures captured the visit to the VC and other activities.





COMING EVENTS

Jan 6

STAFF & FACULTY ORIENTATION

The University administration through the Office of Institutional Effectiveness will host the annual staff and faculty orientation to chart the way forward for the new year and create the enabling environment for integration for new employees.

Venue: Central cafeteria

Time: 9:00am.

JAN 5

STUDENT ARRIVAL

All students are expected to be back for the new semester.

JAN 7

RESUMPTION OF CLASSES

JAN 9

PARENTS CONSULTATIVE FORUM

The Department of External Affairs, Protocol & Logistics in collaboration with the PCF executives, will host the Parents Consultative Forum meeting. Venue will be communicated.

JAN 8 - 18

OPERATION GLOBAL RAIN

Babcock University will join the world church to observe the annual 10-day prayer and fasting operation global rain.

Venue: Babcock district churches

Time: 6:30pm - 7:30pm daily.

JAN 10

ACADEMIC STANDARDS BOARD

JAN 16

SENATE MEETING

JAN 24 - FEB 1

WEEK OF PRAYER

It will be another time for spiritual revival and rebirth as the annual week of prayer holds simultaneously in both campuses. Other details will be provided before the programme through the Division of Spiritual Life.

AM: 6:30 - 7:45

PM: 6:00 - 7:30

DID YOU KNOW?

2019 BAR EXAMS

10 Babcock students graduated with a first class from the Nigerian Law School after the 2019 Bar Exams?

BOARD OF SENIOR ADVOCATE OF NIGERIA SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

A Babcock student of Law & Security Studies, Chioma Echebiri, emerged third place in the BOSAN scholarship award?

BABCOCK IN-HOUSE RESEARCH GRANT totaling over N14million was awarded to 16 researchers?

The **Babcock University Health Research Ethics Committee (BUHREC)** reviewed a total of 727 research proposals of which 694 got ethical clearance?

BABCOCK EXTERNAL GRANTS: Our researchers invented the Integration of *Arbuscular Mycorrhiza* fungi and poultry manure as alternative to fertilizer in the production of vegetables in Ogun State? The Project which cost \$153,448.13, was co-funded by Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA) and Babcock University?

OUR ACCOUNTING PROGRAMME: The University's MoU with the **Association of Certified Chartered Accountants (ACCA)** London and the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (**ICAN**) offers exemptions to our Accounting students (eight and 11 respectively) and provides them opportunity to operate in 180 countries after certification

RELFECTION



"A dream becomes a goal when action is taken toward its achievement"

- Bo Bennet