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

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Darkness cannot drive out darkness, only light can do that.

Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that.”

Martin Luther King Jr.

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TOP OF THE WEEK



Signing out in style: Some members of the Aquila Graduating Class of 2021 celebrate after a musical concert at the BU Amphitheatre

BU OPTIMISTIC ON E-LEARNING



Prof Ademola Tayo (middle, Dr. Suleiman Ramon-Yusuf (left) and Prof Amanze (right)

After years of preparation, optimism is high that Babcock may soon join the league of Universities licensed to run open distance and e-learning programme in Nigeria.

This is coming on the heels of last week’s facilities inspection visit from the regulatory body in Nigeria, the Na-

tional Universities Commission.

The delegation’s mission was a one-item agenda to determine if the Babcock

University Centre for Open, Distance & E-Learning, (BUCoDEL) had the prerequisite facilities and resources to run programmes professionally.

At the brief meeting with University officers, the delegation’s team leader, Dr. Suleiman Ramon-

Yusuf, expressed satisfaction at the University’s diligence and commitment to upholding best practices and high standards.

“While we recognize the role of E & Distance learning in serving as a veritable tool for mass instruction, we also see the dangers of its becoming a veritable tool for mass destruction, churning out mass certificates which cannot be substantiated.

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VICTORY STAFF QUARTERS UPDATE



Work in progress: Arch Mykell Jegede . Right is the front view of the block of apartments gifted by the Food Services Department.

At the head of the June commissioning of the staff quarters project donated by the Food Services Department, painting work has begun on the four-floor block of apartments.

According to Director of Physical Planning, Arch. Mykell Jegede, the work is almost done with fitting of wardrobes. The project situated within the Victory Estate Endurance

Court is a two-bedroom en-suite gift from the Food Service Department to the University.

It is for the department, the second infrastructural gift to the University and a mission accomplished.

For the President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola Tayo and other principal officers, it is an answered prayer as it would provide more on-campus resident for faculty and staff.

BU OPTIMISTIC ON E-LEARNING



Prof. Ademola Tayo and Prof. Philemon Amanze (4th & 5th left) with Prof. Mobolanle Sotunsa (3rd right) and NUC officers led by Dr. Ramon-Yusuf (3rd left)



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“We have paid several visits and have taken note of the University’s efforts to get it right from scratch.”

The President/Vice Chancellor Prof. Ademola Tayo affirmed the administration’s efforts to uphold the institutional core values in its pursuit of the operational licence for E-Learning.

While awaiting the official written report, Deputy Director for the Centre, Associate Professor Sola Maitanmi, is optimistic that it is only a matter of time before the long awaited dream becomes reality.



Prof. Philemon Amanze with (l-r) Prof. Oludele Awoldele, Dr. Obinna Okoro and Dr. Clara Egwuonwu, Pictured right is Prof. Ademola Tayo

ACADEMIC PLANNING DEPT GETS NEW DIRECTOR & DEPUTY

The University has a new Director to head the Department of Academic Planning: Professor Oludele Awodele and Dr. Obinna Okoro as his Deputy Director. Their respective appointments took effect from June 1

Prof. Awodele who takes over from Professor Philemon Amanze, now Senior Vice President Academics, comes with a wealth of experience having previously served as Head of Computer Science Department and Dean of the School of Computing & Engineering Sciences,

Similarly, Dr. Obinna takes over from Dr. Clara Egwuonwu who moves her experience to the Department of Education as a faculty member.

Professor Amanze encouraged the new Director to rise to the challenges with courage and follow up on pending matters as the Director of Academic Planning is the bridge between the University and the Na-

tional Universities Commission.

He also reminded him to ensure that University's landed asset and classroom donation from the Joel Awoniyi family at Oke Ode, in Kwara State does not remain fallow.

Both got the blessings of the President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola S. Tayo. "Your first task is to see to the full automation of the

department as the real Being the real depository of information for the University," he said.

"There will be no limit to what we can achieve when we work as a team," said Prof. Awodele as he thanked God for the opportunity to serve.



Prof. Philemon Amanze (right) hands over the keys of the office to Prof. Oludele Awoldele,

BU HOSTS 2ND STARS GRADUATION



Prof James Renner (right) receives his certificate from Prof Ademola Tayo (3rd right) as others, (l-r) Prof Barnabas Mandong, Prof Philemon Amanze and Prof Grace Tayo (2nd right) look with interest.

President/Vice Chancellor, Professor Ademola Tayo last Wednesday reiterated his administration's commitment to funding research in the University.

His remark came at the second graduation of trainees of the Structured Training for African Researchers (STARS).

The nine-week training programme aimed at refining the professional development of early and mid-career faculty, also provided opportunity for some veteran, senior faculty of the Benjamin Carson College of Health & Medical Sciences

(CHMS) to hone their skills.

Top among these were: the Provost of the CHMS, Professor Barnabas Mandong, the Dean, School of Clinical Sciences, Professor James Renner, Head of Obstetrics & Gynaecology and Dr. John Iramalu. Others were: Head of Medical Microbiology, Dr. Charles Elikwu and Senior lecturer Chemical Pathology, Dr. Linda Nwobi,

Like Prof. Tayo, Senior Vice President Academics, Profes-

sor Philemon Amanze urged the graduates to use the knowledge gained for the good of humanity.

Professor Mandong described the programme coordinated by the office of Research, Innovation and International Cooperation (RIIC) as "an eye opener."

While expressing her appreciation, the Director of RIIC, Prof. Grace Tayo said the training helped graduates to be more purposeful in their career development. She also extended her appreciation to Prof. John Ogunji who introduced BU to the Association of the Commonwealth of Universities

One of the facilitators, a faculty of the Computer Science department, Dr. Seun Ebiesuwa, said, "I will always be willing to facilitate programmes that would better equip lecturers and improve BU's ranking status on the global, regional and national levels."



Dr Seun Ebiesuwa (left) addresses a cross section of the graduates.



Prof. Tayo and Director of RIIC, Prof Grace Tayo (middle), and with other STARS graduates and facilitators. With them are: Prof James Renner, Prof Philemon Amanze (3rd & 4th left) and Prof Barnabas Mandong (4th right),

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AGRIC DEPARTMENT SENDS FORTH DR. CHIOMA

Staff and faculty of the Agriculture and Industrial Technology Department last Wednesday held a send forth ceremony for a veteran faculty member, Dr. Gibson Chioma.

The event held on the lawns of the School of Science & Technology, provided a platform for shared memories, exhortations and words of appreciation.

A faculty, Associate Professor Akinola Babalola described him as hardworking, resilient and committed to duty.

In response, Dr. Chioma who came with his spouse, Deputy Registrar, Dr. Patience Chioma and his daughter, thanked his former colleagues for their kind gesture and encouraged them to remain focused.



A cross section of staff and faculty at the event.



The Chiomas with Head of Agric, Dr. Kehinde Oyekhale (right) and other faculty members



Dr. Gibson & Patience Chioma with their daughter at the send forth. With them are the Dean of Science & Technology, Prof. Cyril Nwagburuka and other faculty members.

64 BU DRIVERS GET SPECIAL TRAINING



A cross section of participants at the training session listen with rapt attention as Prof. Ademola Tayo (pictured right) makes a point.



In keeping with global best practice, safety and professionalism, the University's Transport Unit in collaboration with the Innovative Logistics & Transport Systems, Lagos, held a two-day training programme for drivers.

The programme themed, **Safety & Security for Professional Drivers**, featured facilitators from the Red Cross, the Lagos State Police Command, Federal Road Safety Corps Fire Service and other related stakeholders.

While declaring the programme open, President/Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ademola S. Tayo, asked participants to take full advantage of the training and be ready to apply the knowledge on the highway.

"What we did was to package a robust programme for drivers," said programme organizer and MD of Innovative Logistics & Transport Systems, Mr. Dayo Bello, "This would help them save lives, understand security driving, fire prevention, safety

and apply emotional intelligence while using the highway.

"We have looked at the challenges faced by drivers on Nigerian roads and offered training to help reduce crashes."

Head of the University's Transport Unit, Mr. Olawale Yusuf said the programme aimed at improving drivers' professional

professionalism meant a lot to him.

"Besides enlightenment for our drivers, I also gained knowledge on giving first aid to accident victims and enhancing interpersonal relations with your boss."



Prof. Ademola S. Tayo and Prof. Yacob (4th & 5th left) with other BU officers and facilitator, Mr. Dayo Bello (right).



A cross section of participants at the specialised intensive drivers' training and the facilitators.

WHAT THIS TRAINING MEANS TO US

The programme is very good. It provided more knowledge about road signs, traffic regulations and safety. I also learned about the dangers of leaving insecticide cans inside the car because it can explode as a result of excessive heat.

- Mr. Caleb AKINTOMIDE, Driver, Marketing

The programme meant a lot to me. I learnt from the Red Cross and the Road Safety.

- Mr. Anibaba OLUBURI, Driver, Student Development

I learnt a lot of the things about the Federal Road Safety Corps, the police and driving ethics. The most important thing is to be patient, use the vehicle with care, and leave some distance between my car and the next to avoid accidents.

Funsho OJO, Driver, Babcock Investment Group (BIG)

I learnt a lot of things and I especially appreciate the first aid lessons given by the Red Cross on rescuing accident victims in emergencies.

Niyi ALADE, Driver Babcock Guest House (BGH)

I've been driving for more than 14 years and I've never once had an accident. But I actually learnt a lot of

the programme which meant a lot to me. I learnt more about road safety and how to offer first aid to accident victims.

Stephen EJIOFOR, Driver, Babcock Investment Group



Clockwise: Mr. Caleb Akintomide, Mr. Anibaba Oluburi, Mr. Funsho Ojo, Mr. Niyi Alade and Mr. Stephen Ejiofor

PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS



The games and concert night of the Aquila Graduating Class of 2021 came with more than board games and table tennis. It came with praise and poise. Pictures capture some of the moments at both events.



PHOTO-SEEN-THESIS



The Aquila Graduating Class of 2021 had more than a week of praise and thanksgiving to express their joy at the completion of their programme. They also marked their departure with a games night and musical concert . Pictures capture some of the exciting moments.

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JUNE 28 - JULY 2

Mid-Semester Examinations for 100 level and 200 level direct entry students.

JUNE 30 - JULY 4

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR FAITH INTEGRATION

Venue: Virtual (watch out for details)

JULY 5

On-line resumption for students

returning from SIWES programme

JULY 5 - 8

Final summer examinations for all returning students

JULY 11

SIWES Students resume on-site

JULY 12

Post-SIWES lectures continue

JULY 15

SENATE MEETING

JULY 18 - 23

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“Don’t be afraid of being outnumbered. Eagles fly alone.”

- Anon