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VICE-CHANCELLOR COMMENDS SENATOR ADELEKE FOR SUPPORTING UNILESA

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Taiwo Olufemi Asaolu, Ph.D., FCA has lauded His Excellency, Senator Ademola Nurudeen Adeleke, the Executive Governor of Osun State for the various support the University has received from the Osun State Government since its establishment. The Vice-Chancellor mentioned this during an interactive session with journalists on Monday, 21st October, 2024, held at the University's Council Chamber. The Vice-Chancellor highlighted some of the remarkable supports the University has so far received from the Osun State Government, which included release of funds as take-off grant and funds for the various resource verifications that culminated into approval of academic programmes mounted by the University.



His Excellency,
Sen. Ademola Jackson Nurudeen Adeleke
Governor of Osun State

The Vice-Chancellor went further to disclose that, the University received the approval of Mr. Governor to engage 230 temporary staff inherited from the defunct College of Education on permanent basis in the University; approval of the reconstruction and re-surfacing of the road network and drainage system in the University, which had hitherto been in a deplorable condition without

drainage or culvert facilities for water control; release of fund to offset humongous outstanding allowances owed the staff of the former Osun State College of Education, Ilesa thereby assisting the University Management in maintaining industrial harmony that has enhanced a successful take-off and smooth running of the University, amongst so many other numerous supports.

Professor Asaolu, who is the Pioneer Vice-Chancellor of the University, also used the opportunity provided by the press

engagement to highlight the achievements the University has been able to record in the last eighteen (18) months in terms of academic development, physical development and welfare of staff and students, such as the development of academic programmes, curriculum, upgrade of facilities inherited from the defunct College, re-orientation and capacity development for all categories of staff of the University with a view to having deep understanding on the workings of a University system, as well as establishing appropriate administrative framework for the University; commissioning of the first Students' Hostels in the University; commissioning of the Model Integrated Teaching and Research Farm practical teaching in agricultural practices as well as lifelong learning experience; commissioning of the Faculty of Law Buildings, comprising the Main Office Building, 4 Annex buildings, Law Library, Moot and Trial Court and the Law Auditorium; promotion of thirteen (13) Senior Lecturers to the rank of Associate Professors among others.

The Vice-Chancellor also appreciated the Governing Council of the Institution, under the leadership of Hon. Gbenga Onigbogi, FCA, for providing the right leadership and working in harmony with the University Management towards ensuring the milestones reported.



Hon. Gbenga Onigbogi, B.Sc., FCA
Pro Chancellor and the Chairman
of the Governing Council



Prof. Taiwo Olufemi Asaolu, Ph.D., FCA
Vice Chancellor, University of Ilesa,
Osun State

Journalists at the programme commended the Vice-Chancellor for the achievements the University has been able to record under his leadership. Questions were asked and the Vice-Chancellor was unequivocal in responding to all the questions.

REMARKABLE EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES



Courtesy Visit to the VC OAU, Ile-Ife



Courtesy Visit to the Vice-Chancellor UNIOSUN



Project Commissioning



The Pro-Chancellor and The Vice-Chancellor



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The Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of Council and Professor Rotimi Tayo



Matriculation of Pioneer Students



Commissioning of e-Library Solar PV solution at the University Library.

REMARKABLE EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES



Official Commissioning of the Faculty of Law Buildings



Official Commissioning of the Integrated Teaching and Research Farm



Project Commissioning



UNILESA Cultural Troupe



Project Commissioning



Prof. O.A. Orifowomo (Dean, Faculty of Law)



Project Commissioning



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COUNCIL OF LEGAL EDUCATION APPROVES LAW PROGRAMME FOR UNILESA

The Council of Legal Education (CLE) has granted approval to the University of Ilesha, Ilesha, Osun State to commence programmes in the Faculty of Law. The Director-General of the Council, Professor Isa Hayatu Chiroma, SAN, led a high-powered team to the University on 10th September, 2024, for the facility inspection of the Faculty. Approval was later granted to the University to run LL.B. Law and LL.B. Common and Islamic Law, with effect from the 2024/2025 academic session.

The University has invested a lot in the establishment of a Faculty of Law, with provision of state of the arts resources, human and material, such as suitable and well-equipped Staff Offices, Moot Court, a dedicated Law Auditorium, a well-equipped Law Library, smartboards in all the lecture rooms, well-furnished seminar rooms, etc.



The Vice-Chancellor and the DG, CLE



NUC APPROVES ADDITIONAL 35 PROGRAMMES FOR UNILESA

The University has again received the approval of the National Universities Commission (NUC) to run additional 35 academic programmes. A team from the Commission had visited the University on 24th July, 2024, for the resource verification of additional 35 new programmes and granted the University approval to run all the 35 academic programmes presented for verification on full-time mode with effect from the 2024/2025 academic session. The new programmes approved for the University are – Physiotherapy, Dental Therapy, Dental Technology, Optometry, Health Information Management, Pharmacology, Human Nutrition and Dietetics, Radiography, Software Engineering, Information and Communication Technology, Industrial Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics with Electronics, Geology and Mining, Brewing Science

and Technology, Science Laboratory Technology, Environmental Management and Toxicology, Clothing and Textile Design, Sociology, Criminology and Security Studies, Psychology, Public Administration, Peace and Conflict Studies, Library and Information Science, Christian Religious Studies, Islamic Religious Studies, Theatre Arts, Arabic Studies and Education programmes in Educational Technology, Health Education, Chemistry Education, Physics Education, Mathematics Education and Environmental Education

The University had earlier received approval of the NUC to run 32 programmes with effect from the 2023/2024 academic session. This therefore brings the number of programmes approved for the University to a total of 67.

UNILESA EMBARKS ON FADAMA PROJECT

The University of Ilesa, Ilesa, Osun State has embarked on a Fadama project i.e. dry season farming on a fairly large scale, using the University water dam for irrigation. The project is such as a collaborative venture with some Technical Partners with good expertise in such line of business. Cultivated on the farm land are arable crops such as tomato, pepper, cucumber and so on.

The Vice-Chancellor, while commenting on the project eulogized the Pro-Chancellor of the University, Hon. Gbenga Onigbogi, FCA, for encouraging and supporting the University Management to go into the project, which is aimed at ensuring food security in Osun State and the nation in general. The project is also expected to be of great benefit to the people of Ilesa and its environs as produce from the farm will be made available to them on affordable prices.



VC ADVOCATES DIGITAL COMPETENCE AMONG STAFF

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Taiwo Olufemi Asaolu, FCA, has commended the Nigerian Communication Commission (NCC) and the Digital Bridge Institute (DBI) for organizing a training programme for some staff of the University under the Advanced Digital Empowerment Programme for Tertiary Institutions (ADEPTI), which was held from 14th to 18th October, 2024, at the University's ICT Centre.

At the event, the Vice-Chancellor, urged the staff of the University to be digital competent, noting that the new world of work is primarily driven by technology



and innovation and for a staff to be relevant and productive, computer literacy is now a must. He mentioned some of the actions the University had taken to ensure that the University is a force to reckon with in terms of application of technologies in teaching and learning such as supply of smartboards to all faculties and training of staff on the use of the smartboards, supply of computers, projectors to all faculties among others. Hundred (100) staff of the University participated in the one-week intensive training.

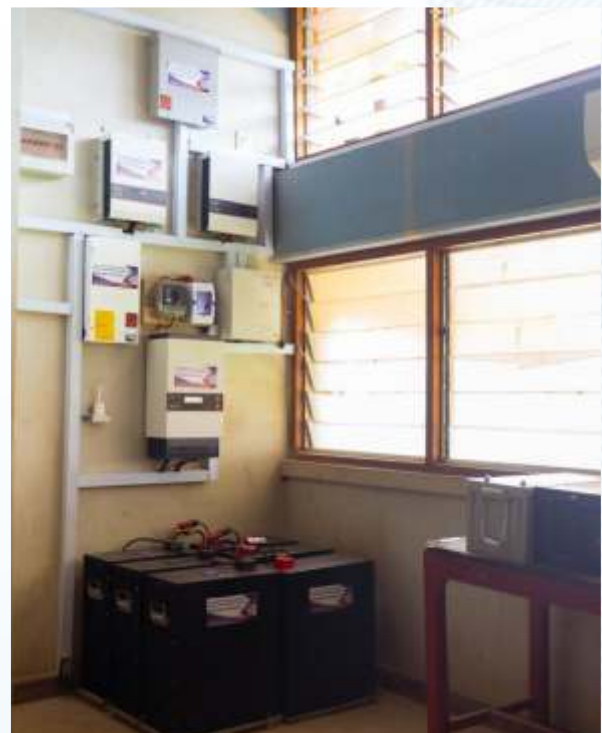


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2024/2025 ACADEMIC CALENDER

The Senate of the University has approved the academic calendar for the 2024/2025 academic session, as follows:

FIRST SEMESTER

DATE	EVENTS/ACTIVITIES
October 28, 2024	Business Committee of Senate
October 31, 2024	Senate
November 4, 2024	Fresh Students in all Faculties resume on the campus
November 4 – 6	Screening for Fresh Students
November 7 - November 12, 2024	Orientation Programme for Fresh Students
November 11, 2024	Returning Students in all Faculties resume on the campus
November 11, 2024	Commencement of Online Registration for all students
November 12, 2024	Committee of Deans
November 18, 2024	First Semester Lectures begin for all students
November 20, 2024	Business Committee of Senate
November 29, 2024	End of Normal Registration for courses for all students
December 2 – December 6, 2024	Late Registration with Penalty for all students
December 4, 2024	Senate
December 9, 2024	Faculty Board
December 11, 2024	Matriculation
December 23, 2024 – January 5, 2025	Christmas and New Year Break
January 13 – January 24, 2025	Mid –Semester Test for all Students
January 24, 2025	Closure of Registration Amendments on E-Portal
February 21, 2025	First Semester Lectures end for all Students
February 24, – February 28, 2025	Revision/Lecture - Free Week for all Students
February 25, 2025	Faculty Board
March 3, 2025	First Semester Examinations commence for all Students
March 28, 2025	First Semester Examinations end for all Students
March 31 - April 20, 2025	First Semester Break
March 31 - April 18, 2025	Marking and Submission of Results

SUMMARY – FIRST SEMESTER

S/N	Activity	Date	Duration
1	Normal Registration	November 11 – November 29, 2024	3 Weeks
2	Late Registration with Penalty	December 2 – December 6, 2024	1 Week
3	Lecture Periods	November 18, 2024 – February 21, 2025	12 Weeks
4	Lecture Free Week	February 24 – February 28, 2025	1 Week
5	Examination Period	March 3 – March 28, 2025	4 Weeks
6	Vacation	March 31 - April 20, 2025	3 Weeks
7	Length of Classroom Activities	3 + 4 + 5	17 Weeks

SECOND SEMESTER

DATE

April 22, 2025
 April 22, 2025
 April 24, 2025
 April 28, 2025
 April 28, 2025
 May 2, 2025
 May 5, 2025
 May 8, 2025
 May 9, 2025
 May 12, 2025 - May 16, 2025
 June 5, 2025
 June 6, 2025
 June 11 – June 20, 2025
 June 23 - 27, 2025
 August 8, 2025
 August 11 - August 15, 2025
 August 12, 2025
 August 18, 2025

 September 12, 2025
 September 15 – October 10, 2025
 September 15 - October 31, 2025
 September 22, 2025
 October 14 – October 15, 2025
 October 20 – October 21, 2025
 October 23, 2025
 October 27, 2025
 October 30, 2025
 October 31, 2025

EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

All students resume
 Online Registration commences for all students
 Departmental Board of Examiners
 Faculty Board of Examiners
 Second Semester Lectures commence
 Committee of Deans
 Business Committee of Senate
 Senate
 End of Normal Registration for courses
 Late Registration for courses with a penalty
 Faculty Board
 Closure of Registration Amendments on E-portal
 Mid-Semester Test
 Students' Week
 Second Semester Lectures end for all students
 Revision/ Lecture - Free Week
 Faculty Board
 Second Semester Examinations commence for all students
 Second Semester Examinations end
 Marking and Submission of Results
 Vacation
 Founders Day
 Department Board of Examiners
 Faculty Board of Examiners
 Committee of Deans
 Business Committee of the Senate
 Senate
 End of Session

SUMMARY – SECOND SEMESTER

S/N	Activity	Date	Duration
1	Normal Registration	April 22 – May 9, 2025	3 Weeks
2	Late Registration with Penalty	May 12 – May 16, 2025	1 Week
3	Lecture Periods	April 28 – August 8, 2025	13 Weeks
4	Lecture Free Week	August 11 – August 15, 2025	1 Weeks
5	Examination Period	August 18 – September 12, 2025	4 Weeks
6	Vacation	September 15 – October 31, 2025	7 Weeks
7	Length of Classroom Activities	3 + 4 + 5	18 Weeks

NIGERIAN DENTAL THERAPISTS' ASSOCIATION COMMENDS UNILESA FOR FLOATING DENTAL PROGRAMMES

The Executive of the Nigerian Dental Therapists' Association paid a courtesy visit on the Vice-Chancellor of UNILESA on Friday, 25th October, 2025, where they commended the University for mounting Dental Therapy and Dental Technology as academic programmes in the University. The Association narrated the efforts they had earlier made to make such dream a reality and expressed its readiness to partner with UNILESA in all necessary areas towards make the programmes viable and successful.



The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Taiwo Olufemi Asaolu, while welcoming the team to the University expressed concerns regarding the inadequate manpower in the practice of Dental Therapy and Technology and with the introduction of the programmes by UNILESA, he hopes that the health sector will soon have the benefit of having well-trained Dental Technologists and Dental Therapists while those already in practice will have the opportunity of advancing their studies and capacities. A call was also made for the Association to ensure enough advocacy and enlightenment on the importance and relevance of the profession to the society while the Vice-Chancellor charged them to be a lot more passionate about promoting the ideal, and core values of their profession.

It will be recalled that Dental Therapy and Dental Technology were among the 35 new academic programmes the National Universities Commission (NUC) recently approved for the University of Ilesa, Osun State and pioneer students will resume for the programmes by the 2024/2025 academic session.

WE ARE COMMITTED TO MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT FOR THE ICT SECTOR - VC UNILESA

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Taiwo Olufemi Asaolu, FCA has remarked that the University is committed to the development of well-skilled manpower for the ICT sector because of the importance of the sector. This disclosure was made while declaring open a workshop for students on Huawei ICT Competition, organized for the



students of the University by Huawei, a leading global provider of information and communications technology (ICT) infrastructure and smart devices, held on Monday, 4th November, 2024.

The VC noted that the ICT sector is a fast growing one with far reaching positive impacts on national and global socio-economic development. The University has therefore considered it imperative to create a large training and research platform, commensurate with the growing nature and importance of the ICT sector by having a Faculty of Computing with four (4) academic programmes currently under it, which are Computer Science, Cyber Security, Software Engineering and Information and Communications Technology, while more programmes will soon be added.

The VC, at the event, also appreciated Huawei's commitment to developing young ICT talents in Nigeria and around the world, which he said, aligns with the vision of the University.