



NUC ACCREDITATION: FUTMINNA HOSTS ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENT TEAMS

By Abdullahi Danbaka



VC, Prof. Kuta (front: 4th from L) and other Management Team with NUC Accreditation Team in a group photo.

Photo Credit: Elijah Yisa

As part of the ongoing accreditation review of its academic programmes, the Federal University of Technology, Minna (FUT, Minna), has welcomed another round of assessment teams from the National Universities Commission (NUC).

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta and his Management Team received them during a courtesy visit prior to the commencement of the exercise, on Thursday, 12th December, 2024 at the Academic Publishing Centre, Main Campus.

The teams evaluated the University's compliance with NUC regulatory standards across various disciplines, including Surveying and Geoinformatics, Geography, Petroleum and Gas Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering.

Prof. Kuta commended the assessors for their dedication to the accreditation process and

expressed gratitude to the NUC for organizing the exercise. The Vice-Chancellor, reaffirmed the University's commitment to ensuring a seamless and productive review process, while emphasizing the importance of accreditation in maintaining academic quality and competitiveness.

Speaking on behalf of the assessment teams, Prof. Aje Tokan thanked the Vice-Chancellor and his team for their warm reception and cooperation. He clarified that the exercise is not a fault-finding mission but a constructive evaluation aimed at assessing the University's resources and academic performance to enhance global competitiveness. Prof. Tokan also praised the Vice-Chancellor's open-door policy and encouraged departments under review to maintain the same transparency for a smooth evaluation process.

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This visit follows an earlier assessment conducted on 9th December, 2024, which focused on programmes such as Plant Biology, Statistics, Animal Biology, Microbiology, Geology, Information Technology, and Cybersecurity Sciences. The ongoing accreditation stressed the instruction's dedication to academic excellence and adherence to regulatory standards.

NUC ACCREDITATION TEAM SUBMITS ASSESSMENT REPORT TO FUTMINNA

By Lami Bawa



Management Team with NUC Accreditation Team in a group photo.

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The National Universities Commission (NUC) accreditation team has commended the Federal University of Technology, Minna (FUT Minna) for its efforts in maintaining high standards in its academic programs. The team presented their assessment reports to the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta, on Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at the Academic Publishing Centre, Main Campus.

In their individual remarks, the team leads praised the university for its openness and the collaborative efforts of staff in facilitating the accreditation process. They highlighted the institution's robust infrastructure, well-structured curriculum, and comprehensive course content. However, the assessors recommended integrating advanced technologies to accommodate the large number of laboratories, updating the e-library further with additional hard copies,

and increasing funding for departments to enhance overall performance.

While receiving the reports, Prof. Kuta expressed gratitude to the NUC teams for their thorough evaluations. He assured them that the university would address their observations and recommendations, including the deployment of more technologies before their next visit. The Vice-Chancellor emphasized that the feedback would significantly aid the institution in improving its programs and achieving greater academic excellence.

The assessment team leads included:

Prof. Kutama Ahmed Shehu (Animal Biology)

Prof. Amadi Jude E. (Plant Biology)

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Prof. Iroha Ifeanyichukwu R. (Microbiology)

Prof. Happiness Obiora Ilouno (Statistics)

Prof. Aminu Mohammed (Cybersecurity Sciences/Information Technology)

The programmes reviewed were: Plant Biology, Microbiology, Geology, Statistics, Animal Biology, Cybersecurity Sciences, and Information Technology.

FUTMINNA VC HONoured WITH PRESTIGIOUS SIWES CHAMPION AWARD

By Lydia Legbo



The Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology Minna (FUTMINNA), Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta, has been celebrated for his exceptional contributions to the Student Industrial Work Experience Scheme (SIWES) with the SIWES Champion Award.

This award, recognizing his unwavering support for SIWES activities at the University, was conferred during the 4th Quarter SIWES Directors/Coordinators meeting held at the Federal College of Education, Kontagora, on Thursday, December 5, 2024.

The Area Manager of the Industrial Training Fund (ITF), Minna Area Office, Engr. Dr. Abdulwahab Uhuami, presented the award, commending Prof. Kuta for his commitment to excellence in SIWES administration. He highlighted the Vice-Chancellor's role in empowering the University's SIWES unit to achieve remarkable success both within and beyond the institution.

Receiving the award on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor, the University's Industrial Liaison Officer and SIWES Coordinator, Prof. Ezekiel Salawu Yisa, expressed gratitude to SIWES for the recognition. He formally presented the award to Prof. Kuta on Monday, December 9, 2024, at the Africa Centre of Excellence for Mycotoxin and Food Safety (ACEMFS), Federal University of Technology Minna, Main Campus.

FUTMINNA PARTNERS WITH NEUBRANDENBURY UNIVERSITY, GERMANY, AAIPSDS FOR ENHANCED ACADEMIC COLLABORATION

By Lydia Legbo



VC Prof. Kuta signing the MOUs while the Bursar Mrs Goje looks on.

The Federal University of Technology, Minna (FUT Minna) has signed two significant Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) aimed at fostering academic cooperation and capacity building.

In partnership with Neubrandenburg University of Applied Sciences, Germany, FUT, Minna seeks to advance learning through research exchange and teaching collaboration. The agreement, signed by FUT, Minna Vice-Chancellor Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta and Neubrandenburg University Vice-Chancellor Prof. Gerd Teschke, formalizes initiatives for academic staff, student exchanges, and collaborative projects.

Prof. Kuta acknowledged the efforts of Prof. Appollonia Okhimamhe, Director of WASCAL at FUT, Minna, for her instrumental role in securing the MoU, which enhances the University's international profile.

Project coordinators from both institutions will oversee the implementation of exchange programs, coordinate resources, and manage

collaborative efforts across various faculties.

In a separate development, FUT Minna signed another MoU with the Abdulsalami Abubakar Institute for Peace and Sustainable Development Studies (AAIPSDS). This agreement establishes educational affiliations in Disaster and Humanitarian Emergency Management and Climate Change Adaptation. It will introduce Postgraduate Diploma (PGD) programs in collaboration with FUT Minna's Centre for Disaster Risk Management and Development Studies (CDRM&DS).

The partnership will focus on joint research, conferences, workshops, academic exchanges, and the moderation of examinations. It aims to bolster manpower training in disaster management and climate adaptation while implementing mechanisms to ensure smooth execution.

Prof. Isreal K. Olayemi stressed the long-term potential of these partnerships, expressing confidence in their capacity to deliver fruitful outcomes.



FUTMINNA HOLDS RETREAT FOR ON-LINE COURSE LECTURERS

By Yusuf Zurmi



The E-Teaching Committee of the Federal University of Technology, Minna (FUTMinna) organized a two-day retreat for lecturers delivering online courses for the first semester. The event took place on Monday, December 9, 2024, at the National Communication Commission Building, Main Campus.

In his opening remarks, the Chairman of the E-Teaching Committee, Prof. Yusuf Adamu Kabiru, highlighted that E-Teaching aligns with the vision of the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta, to address overcrowding in lecture halls. He stated that the retreat aimed to train lecturers in three key areas of E-Teaching: creating effective PowerPoint presentations, developing lecture materials for online platforms, and conducting online teaching for courses such as MAT 101/MAT 111 and MAT 103/MAT 112.

Prof. Kabiru commended the progress made over the past two academic sessions, noting that the migration to the E-Teaching platform has significantly reduced congestion in classrooms. He emphasized that students now benefit from accessing lecture materials and presentations conveniently from their personal spaces.

The retreat featured presentations by subject experts, including:

Development of Lecture Materials for Online Teaching by Prof. Isyaka Gambari (Dean, SSTE)

Online Teaching Processes for MAT 101/MAT 111 and MAT 103/MAT 112 by Prof. Abdullahi Idris Enagi

Creating and Delivering Effective PowerPoint Presentations by Dr. Bala Alhaji Salihu (Director, ITS).

Approximately 90 participants from various schools within the university attended the retreat.





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N/S	RECEIPTS	₦
1	ACCEPTANCE FEES (P.G.SCHOOL)	80,000.00
2	TRANSCRIPT	946,040.00
3	CERTIFICATE (UNDER GRADUATE)	328,000.00
4	CERTIFICATE (POST GRADUATE)	212,000.00
5	POST GRADUATE SCHOOL FEES	9,481,905.00
6	UNDERGRADUATE FEES	50,941,450.00
7	TURNITIN PG	174,000.00
8	TURNITIN UNDER GRADUATE	60,000.00
9	CHANGE OF PROGRAM	10,000.00
10	VERIFICATION OF RESULT	200,000.00
11	PURCHASE OF GOWN	342,000.00
12	SALE OF FORMS PRE-DEGREE	90,000.00
13	ACCEPTANCE FEES (UNDER GRADUATE)	10,300,000.00
14	SEMESTERIAL FEES	3,000.00
15	CLEARANCE	18,000.00
16	SUNDRY OTHER INCOME	3,000.00
17	INTER-UNIVERSITY TRANSFER FORM	20,000.00
18	MASTERS EXAMS FEES	80,000.00
19	PHD EXAMS FEES	200,000.00
	TOTAL	#73,489,395.00
	PAYMENTS	
20	(i) Staff	
	(a) Refund	1,724,616.00
	(b) Advance	5,233,802.25
	(ii) Contractors/Suppliers	
	(a) First Hasiya Investment Ltd. - Renovation	31,106,239.70
	(b) Sal-Sak Integrated Services Ltd.- Renovation	44,898,770.03
	TOTAL PAYMENTS	#82,963,427.98