Two UNIOSUN students, Miss Ogundele Temiloluwa and Miss Odukoya Yewande, both of the Faculty of Law and Faculty of Management and Social Sciences respectively, recently made Osun State University proud by being recognized as the second best participant at a week-long National Education Summit. The Summit, which received over 200 undergraduates from various Nigerian tertiary educational institutions, took place between 27th October and 31st October, 2014 at the Conference Hall, Top Rank Hotel, Utako District, Abuja. The theme of the summit was, “Towards a System of Education for Liberation in Nigeria”.

The National Education Summit which was aimed at restructuring Nigeria’s education system was put together by stakeholders in education sector in Nigeria. The summit features plenary sessions presented by outstanding students of different universities across the country as well as offering a forum for the students to present latest findings in both socio and economic issues affecting Nigeria educational sector.

The Summit was organized by the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU), the National Association of Academic Technologists (NAAT), Non-Academic Staff Union of Educational and Associated Institutions (NASU), Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU), in collaboration with federal and state ministries of education and civil society groups.

It was observed at the summit that, 54 years after political independence, Nigeria continues to grapple with the challenges of transformation and development. Whereas other countries in its 21st century have overcome the initial problems of transforming their socio-economic and political environment for sustainable development.

The Chairman, Planning Committee and former ASUU President, Dipo Fashina observed that there is a state of emergency in the Education Sector and there is a need for urgent and radical action to address it. “The Nigerian Education Sector must be re-conceptualized in a manner that would make it capable of performing its transformative functions for individuals, groups, and national at large. Indeed, the social, economic, political, ethical, scientific and technological transformation of Nigeria must be driven by a revolution in the education sector” he said.

Fashina explained that for the country to be a stakeholder in the global system, it must restructure its educational system to promote development, adding, “the summit reviews the educational system with a view to restructuring it to liberate Nigerians. “The
The educational system is one-sided, promoting the interests of the world’s powers, who colonised Africa, making the need to develop an educational system, which can serve the interests of Nigerians a necessity.

The four main unions in tertiary institutions organises the national education summit, with the purpose of which to look for what will be a liberating educational system in the country. “Education in Nigeria is dysfunctional; it is one sided in the sense that it promotes the interests of the powers in the world, who have ruled Africa since slavery and after slavery” Fashina said.

The Summit also agreed that the most fundamental problem bedeviling the educational system in Nigeria is that it is located within a philosophical and political economics system which emphasizes personal self-enrichment and individual aggrandizement instead of emphasizing knowledge acquisition geared toward good public and national development. The current philosophy on education does not address the realities, identities, values, customs, and aspiration of the Nigerian people. The Summit consequently further agreed that the current educational system is characterized by chronic underfunding, infrastructural decay, poor conditions of learning and service.

Osun State University union representatives at the Summit include: Dr. Oluseye Abiona, UNIOSUN ASUU President, Dr. A.A. Adewumi, Mr. Adiat Kadir Olalekan, UNIOSUN SSANU President, Mr. Adesigbin Akeem Adeyinka, UNIOSUN SSANU Secretary, Mr. Adeleke Ismaheel Abisoye, UNIOSUN NAAT President, Mr. Olawumi Samuel Akinwale, UNIOSUN NAAT Secretary and Mr. Fayemi Isiah Makinde, UNIOSUN NASU President.

**UNIOSUN LIBRARIANS ATTEND WORKSHOP ON ACQUISITION AND MANAGEMENT OF E-LIBRARY**

In pursuit of excellence in the education sector, the Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund) organizes a two day Capacity Building Workshop on “Acquisition of E-Libraries for Librarians in all public universities, polytechnics and colleges of education across the country at the Federal College of Education (T) Akoka, Lagos on 22nd and 23rd October, 2014.

Executive Secretary of TETFund, Prof. Suleiman Elias Bogoro, while declaring open the two-day capacity building workshop on the acquisition and management of e-library for librarians in the public institutions in Akoka, Lagos State, disclosed that the workshop was organize to inform librarians about the current trend in the acquisition and management of e-library.

He noted that “Library development has been part of the Fund’s academic-based intervention programmes since the amendment of the TETFund Act in 2011.” Represented by the TETFund Director of Project Management, Mushpla Gotala, Bogoro implore stakeholders in the education sector “to continually collaborate with the Fund to ensure the development of the required high quality manpower to drive the Nigerian economy towards the attainment of Vision 20:20:20.”

In the same vein, the Chairman of TETFund Board of Trustees, Dr. Musa Babayo, noted that the agency, between 2008 and 2014, allocated N15.03 billion to tertiary institutions across the country for the acquisition of e-resources, and that the allocation was meant to promote and sustain strong learning institutions and build libraries that could support research and teaching. Dr. Babayo, who was represented by the agency’s Deputy Director of Finance, Umar Kambari, said the body recognized the importance of libraries and librarians in enhancing teaching and research in tertiary institutions, which was why the fund decided to match its intervention with capacity.
building programmes for optimal benefits and maximum impact for
the educational sector.

The Vice Chancellor, Prof. A.B. Okesina, stated the readiness of
UNIOSUN to continue to collaborate with the agency, as
such collaboration in the past has resulted in physical infrastructure
development and smooth transition to e-library in the
institution. The Vice-Chancellor also noted that library
development, especially e-library, is key to the development of
institutions across the country. He urged librarians to take advantage
of the workshop to enhance their skills as professionals.

Attendance at the workshop are
Mr. J.O. Oyekale and Mrs C.O. Odu-Mojoyinola, both of the
library department, Osun State University, Osogbo.

The National Universities
Commission (NUC) in
partnership with the Committee
of Vice-Chancellor of Nigerian
Universities (CVC), has set a
platform that would ensure that
Nigerian universities collaborate on research.

Executive Secretary of the NUC, Prof. Julius Okojie,
stated this when he visited the Minister of Education,
Mallam Ibrahim Shekarau, in Abuja FCT.

Prof. Okojie lamented that a lot of Nigerian
researchers departed the shores of the country during
the Nigeria Civil War, and that “10 of the 19 centres of
excellence in Africa are in Nigeria,” a development he
said had to do with the importance of research in
Nigerian universities.

“Out of 19 African Centres of excellence, 10 are in
Nigeria: Nigerian Research and Education Network
(NgREN) is the first professional one in West Africa,”
Okojie noted.

He further, stated that, “NUC in partnership with the
Committee of Vice-Chancellors of Nigeria
Universities (CVC) will establish a foundation that
will ensure that universities collaborate on research.
“This collaboration is to communicate, collaborate,
access and share resources across national and
international boundaries, primarily for the purpose of
research and learning. He also added the capabilities to
efficiency for unified communications and
consolidation of digital content. Prof Okojie, described

NgREN as a World Bank-assisted project to create an
elaborate infrastructural backbone to inter-connect all
research institution in Nigeria. He added that, it will
also link them with other research and education
networks worldwide.

Prof. Okojie also maintained that the project was
expected to drive the exorbitant costs of bandwidth
and increase capacity of network members to deliver
class teaching and research services. The executive
secretary said, NgREN has 27 universities as
foundation members, and strive to leverage on
technology to promote new and innovative ways of
teaching and learning.

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to migrate individual accounts
The American University of Nigeria has announced that renowned public health don and chair of Tulane University’s Payson Center for International Development and Technology Transfer, Professor William E. Bertrand, will deliver the keynote speech at its 9th Founder’s Day and 10th anniversary celebrations on November 15. A leading authority in public health issues and senior consultant on HIV/AIDS to the World Health Organization, Professor Bertrand has directed numerous AIDS-related projects in Uganda, Rwanda, Côte d’Ivoire, Congo Democratic Republic, and Vietnam.

For 10 years Bertrand directed the Payson Center for International Development and Technology Transfer, and was Vice-President for University Planning, Research & Innovation at Tulane. He was the Chair and Founder, Department of International Health and Development, Tulane University’s School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine.

In the past 10 years, Dr. Bertrand has advised and consulted for many major institutions on system design and health and development projects. He has served as a consultant to the World Bank, UNAIDS, The Global Fund, the National Medical Foundation, and several other international Universities.

He consulted for USAID’s Project for the School of Public Health in Haiti, evaluated USAID’s HAPA program in Africa, advised the World Bank on its Pre-sectorial Development Plan in Kenya, and counseled the Inter-American Development Bank. He was one of the principal founders of the Famine Early Warning System (FEWS).

The Governor of Ondo State, Dr. Olusegun Mimiko last week inaugurated a 23-member governing council for the state-owned Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba-Akoko.

The new governing council, which is headed by Ambassador Oladele Akadiri was inaugurated at the Governor’s office in Akure, the Ondo State capital.

Speaking at the ceremony, Governor Olusegun Mimiko noted that the composition was based purely on records of achievements, experiences, integrity and commitment to service. He stressed that the state government was meticulous in the selection because of the need to inject people who have distinguished themselves in both private and public sectors.

Mimiko, who urged the Council to develop new strategies to further complement the efforts of the state government at making the institution a truly world class citadel of learning. He also stressed the need for members to always lead by example and protect the rights of the people within the academic community irrespective of their ethnic, religious and political affiliations. The governor charged the council members to ensure fairness in the recruitment of staff and respect the rule of law and follow due process in handling administrative issues.
He also emphasised the significance of harmonious relationship between the university and the host communities. He, however, lauded the contributions of members of the immediate past governing council and the Vice-Chancellor of the university, Prof. Femi Mimiko, towards the unprecedented transformation of the institution.

In a remark, the Vice-Chancellor of the institution, Prof. Femi Mimiko who expressed delight that the ivory tower now ranks the best among its peers in the country, attributing the successes recorded by his management team to the unwavering support received from the state government. He commended the governor for the set of people that make up the council. He expressed confidence that the council would provide the needed leadership that the institution needed at this critical time.

### INFORMATION YOU NEED TO KNOW

**WORST THINGS TO WEAR IN THE WORKPLACE**

Appearance matters. It’s not everything, and it certainly isn’t as important as our performance at work, but people do judge us based on how we look. Don’t become known as the guy who looks like he rolled out of the hamper or the woman whose skirts are too short. Get noticed at work for your performance, not your appearance. Here are seven things you shouldn’t wear to work.

**Don’t wear dirty or wrinkled clothes**

You should always look well when you go to work. Your clothes should be clean and unwrinkled. Avoid wearing stained items. Some people even keep a change of clothes in the office in case of a mishap. In addition, your hair and nails should be neat and clean and your shoes must be in good condition. If you look unkempt, your boss and co-workers may perceive you as someone who is careless and doesn’t pay much attention to detail.

**Don’t wear revealing clothes**

Plunging necklines, midriff revealing crop tops, sheer fabrics and mini skirts and dresses don’t belong in the workplace. A man’s unbuttoned shirt shouldn’t show off his chest hair. When you wear revealing attire people may think you are less than professional. You insults people or in some other way offends, wear it elsewhere.

**Don’t wear T-shirts with offensive messages**

You probably shouldn’t wear a T-shirt to work anyway, but if you work somewhere where it is allowed, you should never wear one with something offensive printed on it. So if you have a shirt that has a message, either in words or depicted graphically, that can debate the fairness of that—and you may not be wrong—but that unfortunately won’t change people’s perceptions.

**Don’t wear clothing that is too casual**

If you think having to dress up for work every day is a pain, try working someplace where casual attire is allowed. While wearing a business suit isn’t what you’d call comfortable, at least there is no mistaking what the boss expects of you. When casual attire is allowed, you have to figure out exactly what that means. How casual is too casual? Generally speaking—and this varies by industry—T-shirts and shorts are definitely out. Jeans may also be out, but some offices allow them especially if they are coloured, dark blue or black denim. Ripped clothing, while trendy, doesn’t belong in the office. Neither do flip flops—definitely no flip flops!
Don’t wear clothes that are too flashy
If you wear an outfit that looks like it’s better suited for a night out at a club, it may look like that’s how you spent the previous evening … and never made it home. Stay away from glittery attire unless the holiday party is that evening. Save your glitzy finery for social events.

Don’t wear clothes that make it difficult to work
Don’t wear any article of clothing that makes it hard to do your job. Those beautiful four-inch stilettos may look great on your feet but if it takes you too long to get from your desk to the copy machine because they’re too hard to walk in, save them for another occasion. Likewise avoid wearing overly tight skirts or dresses. Aside from being a distraction to your co-workers, you don’t want it to seem like being fashionable is more important than being productive.

Don’t wear too much aftershave or perfume
Go light on the perfume or aftershave. You don’t want people to be able to smell you before they can see you. Additionally, many people are very sensitive to fragrance. If you work with someone who has a severe reaction to it, you may want to refrain from wearing aftershave or perfume altogether.

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Dream lofty dreams, and as you dream, so shall you become. Your vision is the promise of what you shall one day be; your ideal is the prophecy of what you shall at last unveil. ~ James Allen

The winners in life think constantly in terms of I can, I will, and I am. Losers, on the other hand, concentrate their waking thoughts on what they should have or would have done, or what they can’t do. ~ Dennis Waitley

Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around. ~ Leo Buscaglia

Enter every activity without giving mental recognition to the possibility of defeat. Concentrate on your strengths, instead of your weaknesses … on your powers, instead of your problems. ~ Paul J. Meyer

Champions aren’t made in the gyms. Champions are made from something they have deep inside them - a desire, a dream, a vision. ~ Muhammad Ali