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The 33rd Inaugural Lecture of Nnamdi Azikiwe University was delivered by a Professor of Mycology and Plant Pathology, Prof. Raphael Okigbo on 27th of October, 2016, at the University Auditorium.

Speaking during his opening remarks, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Joseph E. Ahaneku, FAS who was represented by the DVC (Academic), Prof. Charles Esimone, welcomed all present, especially the professors, both retired and serving professors. He said an Inaugural lecture is an academic ritual which very few individuals are privileged to participate in. He said it is a time to learn a new thing, because the person who is delivering the lecture is speaking from his/her discipline. Finally, he said that since the lecture is centred on health, it was important that everyone listens and takes home something important.

In his lecture, after his citation by the HOD, Political Science, Dr. Frank-Collins Okafor, Prof. Okigbo said that the lecture is aimed at enlightening people on plant health and its importance. The protection of plant health, he said, is a shared responsibility, because the practical goal of plant pathology is to save the produce that could be used for billions of the people of overpopulated globe. He spoke on the role of plant health in national development, which involve: improved food security and human health, improved environment, accelerated agricultural growth, serves as a rewarding professional career and for lifelong learning and world travel. He also gave, in details some of his contribution to plant health and food security; biological control of plant pathogens, antifungal effects of plants extracts, phyto-medicine and plant pesticides, effect of mycotoxins on vended food stuff, Biodegradation and mushroom cultivation amongst many others.

After his lecture, Prof. Okigbo was installed as the 33rd Inaugural Lecturer of UNIZIK by the DVC (Academic) and was applauded by all.

In her vote of thanks, the Chairman, Inaugural Lecture, Prof. Amechi Oyeka said the next inaugural lecturer will be delivered by Prof. Okey Onukwuli of the Faculty of Engineering. She thanked all who found time to come even though many Universities were on vacation. She thanked Prof. Okigbo for presenting the lecture. Finally, she prayed that God would take everyone home safely. Present for the lecture were, some University Council members, Professors, Deans, Lecturers and students amongst others.

The Awka Chambers of Commerce, Industry, Mines and Agriculture invites Nnamdi Azikiwe University to her 2016 trade fair. The invitation came when members of Council of the Chamber visited the Office of the Vice-Chancellor on a courtesy visit.

The trade fair, according to the president Awka Chambers, Chief Ndubuisi Nwobu is empowered towards promoting researched work and showcasing various entrepreneurial skills and other commodities to the community, as well as the general public. The fair, he added, is scheduled to kick off on 25th of November till 9th of December, 2016 at the Ekwueme Square Awka.

The Vice-Chancellor Prof. Joseph E. Ahaneku, FAS in his response, acknowledged the request by the Council, adding that such relationship with the University is a welcome development. He assured the group of the University’s readiness in partnering with them and participating in the exercise.

Prof. Ahaneku congratulated members of the Council for the initiative of involving Universities, especially UNIZIK into this year’s exercise. He urged them to continue in their good works of showcasing values and entrepreneurial skills through the exhibition exercise.

The School of Postgraduate Studies shall hold a screening test for all applicants for admission into the 2016/2017 academic year. The admission screening test shall comprise three parts: Part A, Part B and Part C

PGD candidates shall participate in only Part A;

Masters candidates shall participate in Part A and Part B;

PhD candidates shall participate in Part A, Part B and Part C.

Below is some description of the Parts.

**Part A**

Part A shall comprise two sections

Section I: Language Aptitude Test

Section II: Analytic Aptitude Test

Question Format: Computer Based Test (CBT)

**Part B**

Test in Discipline and/or Area of Study: The questions in this Part shall be drawn from the first degree curriculum of the department/area of study into which the candidate is seeking admission.

Question Format: Computer Based Test (CBT)

**Part C**

Defence of Proposal: PhD candidates shall present and defend the Proposal submitted while completing the admission application form online.

**Date of Screening Test**

Screening Test shall take place from Monday, 14 November to Friday, 18th November 2016. The specific date for each faculty/candidate shall be communicated subsequently.

**Venue**

All candidates shall undergo the test at the Awka Campus of the University. The specific Venues for each candidate shall be communicated subsequently.

**Processing Fees and Payment Schedule**

The following is the schedule of fees payable by each candidate for the screening test

PhD Candidates: N7,000 (Seven thousand naira only)

PGD and Masters Candidates:N5,000 (five thousand naira only)

**Dates for Payment:** Payments must be completed before Wednesday, 9th November, 2016

**Payment Procedure:**

* Log on to [www.remita.net](http://www.remita.net)
* Click on “Pay a Remita Customer/Biller”
* Click on Pay once
* On the “Who do you want to pay” dialogue box, type NNAMDI AZIKIWE UNIVERSITY, AWKA – 1000128
* On The “Name of Service/Purpose” dialogue box,
* For PGD and Masters, search and click on “UNIZIK PG Screening Test Operations (Masters and PGD)
* For PhD, search and click on “UNIZIK PG Screening Test Operations (PhD)
* Enter other relevant information
* Click on “proceed to payment” to generate your RRR. Print the “RRR” (Remita Retrieval Reference Number) and proceed to any bank of your choice within or outside the University to pay for the Screening Test. A printout will be given to you at the bank after payment.

**NOTE:** THE PROCESSING FEE MUST BE PAID ON OR BEFORE 9TH NOVEMBER, 2016 TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE SCREENING TEST. ONLY CANDIDATES WHOSE PAYMENTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY 9TH NOVEMBER, 2016 SHALL RECEIVE THE FINAL INVITATION FOR THE SCREENING TEST.

The Director, CEP Prof. Ada Sam-Omenyi has requested the Bursary department to release the 2015/2016 CEP students school fees payment schedule, to enable the check-in of students for the second semester examination which commenced on Friday 28th October, 2016.

**ICAN INVITES FINANCE STAFF TO ITS MANDATORY CONTINOUS PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION (MCPE) PROGRAMME**

In the quest to organize its continuous training programmes in various cities in the country, and enhance members and non-members knowledge on contemporary issues in the accounting profession, ICAN has invited the finance staff of the university to its continuous professional education (MCPE) training programmes.

**Topic:** Tax Practice

**Date:** 2nd and 3rd November, 2016

**Venue:** King David Hotel, Awka

The Institute invites the University to sponsor its finance staff. The seminar fee is N25, 000 for ICAN members and N30, 000 for non ICAN members. Participants should pay to ICAN Awka & District- Acc. No. 0046761269 at GTB and bring the bank teller to the venue of the seminar, as certificate will be issued.

The School of Postgraduate Studies, UNIZIK is inviting lecturers and PG students of the University to a Capacity Building Research Workshop.

The event will begin on 31st of October, 2016 to 24th of November, 2016.

**Programme events:**

* Opening Ceremonies

Date: 31st of October, 2016

Venue: Multipurpose Hall, Awka

* Train the Trainers Research Workshop

Humanities: 31st of October to 3rd of November, 2016

Venue: Multipurpose Hall, Awka

Sciences: 7th to 10th of November, 2016

Venue: Multipurpose Hall, Awka

Health Sciences: 14th to 17th of November, 2016

Venue: College Auditorium Okofia, Nnewi

* Research Workshop for PG students

Humanities: 7th to 10th of November, 2016

Sciences: 14th to 17th of November, 2016

Health Sciences: 21st to 24th of November, 2016

Venue: In the Faculties

**Humanities**: Faculty of Arts, Faculty of Education, Faculty of Law, Faculty of Management Sciences, Faculty of Social Sciences

**Sciences:** Facultyof Agriculture,Faculty of Biosciences, Faculty of Engineering, Faculty of Environmental Science, Faculty of Physical Sciences

**Health Sciences:** Faculty of Basic Medical Sciences, Faculty of Health Sciences and Technology, Faculty of Medicine, Faculty OF Pharmaceutical Sciences.

The Vice-Chancellor has, on behalf of Senate, approved the Calendar for 2016/2017 academic session for regular students as follows:

**FIRST SEMESTER**

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|  | Monday, November 7, 2016 | Final Year students return & commence lecturesFirst batch of fresh students return & continue payment of fees and Registration process. |
|  | Monday, November 21, 2016 | All other students return  |
|  | Monday November 28, 2016 | Lectures Commence for all Students |
|  | Wednesday, November 30, 2016 | Senate Meeting |
|  | Monday, Dec. 5 – Wed. Dec. 7, 2016 | Orientation of New Students |
|  | Friday, December 23, 2016 – Monday, Jan. 2, 2017 | Christmas Break |
|  | Tuesday, January 3, 2017 | Lectures Continue  |
|  | Friday, January 13, 2017 | Matriculation Ceremonies  |
|  | Wednesday, January 25, 2017 | Senate Meeting |
|  | Friday, January 27, 2017 | University-wide Quiz  |
|  | Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2017 | Senate Meeting  |
|  | Monday, Feb. 27 – Friday March 3, 2017 | Revision Week |
|  | Wednesday, March 1, 2017 | Committee of Deans Meeting  |
|  | Monday, March 6, 2017 | First Semester Exams Commence |
|  | Wednesday, March 29, 2017 | Senate Meeting  |
|  | Friday, March 31, 2017 | First Semester Exams End. |

**SECOND SEMESTER**

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|  | Monday, April 3, 2017 | Second Semester Lectures Commence |
|  | Thursday, April 13 – Monday April 17, 2017 | Easter Break |
|  | Tuesday, April 18, 2017 | Lectures Continue |
|  | Wednesday, April 26, 2017 | Senate Meeting |
|  | Monday, May 29, 2017 | University-wide Quiz  |
|  | Wednesday, May 31, 2017 | Senate Meeting  |
|  | Wednesday, June 21, 2017 | Committee of Deans Meeting  |
|  | Monday, June 26 – Friday June 30, 2017 | Revision Week |
|  | Wednesday, June 28, 2017 | Senate Meeting  |
|  | Monday, July 3, 2017 | Second Semester Exams Commence |
|  | Wednesday, July, 26, 2017 | Senate Meeting  |
|  | Monday, July 28, 2017 | Second Semester Exams End |
|  | Monday, July 31 – Friday, August 4, 2017 | Project Defence |
|  | Monday, August 14, 2017 | Submission of degree results |
|  | Wednesday, August 16, 2017 | Long Vacation Commences  |

**ADMISSION INTO PROFESSIONAL POSTGRADUATE AND CERTIFICATE PROGRAMMES**

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for admission into the under listed Professional Postgraduate and Certificate Programmes of the UNIZIK Business School, Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka.

1. Masters in Business Administration (Executive MBA)
2. Masters in Business Administration (MBA) (Full time or Part-time)
3. Masters in Public Administration (Executive MPA)
4. Masters in Public Administration (Full time or Part-time)
5. Masters in Industrial and Labour Relations (MILR) (Full time or Part-time)
6. Masters in Managerial Psychology (MMP) (Full time or Part-time)
7. Post Graduate Diploma in Forensic and Fraud Management (PGDFFM) (Full time or Part-time)
8. Post Graduate Diploma in Applied Management
9. Post Graduate Diploma in Leadership and Public Policy (PGDLPP)
10. Post Graduate Diploma in Public Sector Management (PGDPSM)
11. Post Graduate Diploma in Industrial and Labour Relations (PGDILR)
12. Professional Diploma in Journalism (PDJ)
13. Executive Certificate Programmes (International Management Programme, Chief Executive Programme, Business Owner’s Programme, Senior Management Programme, Agro Business Management Programme)
14. **Masters in Business Administration (MBA) Executive**

The available areas of specialization include: Business Administration, Accountancy, Banking and Finance, Marketing, International Business Management, General Management, Production and Project Management, Petroleum Resources Management and Risk Management. The programme is open to applicants who possess three (3) years post bachelor’s degree experience and hold executive positions in their chosen professions. Students are expected to be on campus consecutively for five days in every semester to undergo intense academic work at other times. The duration of the Programme shall be a minimum period of four (4) semesters.

1. **Masters in Business Administration (MBA) (Full Time or Part Time)**

Areas of specialization include: Business Administration, Accountancy, Marketing, International Business Management, General Management, Project Management, Banking and Finance, Petroleum Resources Management and Risk Management. The duration of the Programme shall be for a minimum period of three (3) semesters for full time and a minimum period of four (4) semesters for part-time.

**c) Masters in Public Administration (MPA) Executive**

The available areas of specialization include: Public Sector Management, Local Government Administration, Public Finance and Budgeting & Public Policy Analysis. The duration of the programme shall be a minimum period of four (4) semesters. Students are expected to be on campus consecutively for five days every semester to undergo intense academic work. Only those who possess five (5) years post bachelor’s degree experience who occupy executive positions in their chosen professions are eligible to apply.

**d) Masters in Public Administration (MPA) (Full Time or Part Time)**

Areas of specialization include: Public Sector Management, Local Government Administration, Public Finance, Budgeting and Public Policy and Development Administration. The duration of the programme shall be a minimum period of three (3) semesters for full time students, and a minimum of four (4) semesters for Part time. Entry qualification – same as in (a) – (c) above.

**e) Masters in Industrial and Labour Relations (MILR) (Full Time or Part Time)**

Areas of specialization include: Labour Management Relations, Personnel and Human Resources Management, Trade and Disputes Resolution. The duration shall be for a minimum period of three (3) semesters for full time and a minimum period of four (4) semesters for those on part time.

**(f) Masters in Managerial Psychology (MMP) (Full Time or Part Time)**

The duration of the programme shall be for a minimum period of three (3) semesters for full time and four (4) semesters for part time.

**(g) Post Graduate Diploma in Forensic and Fraud Management (PGDFFM) (Full Time or Part Time)**

The duration of the programme shall be a minimum period of two (2) semesters for full time and three (3) semesters for part time. This is very useful for professional Accountants, and members of the intelligence and investigative community.

**(h) Post Graduate Diploma in Applied Management, Public Sector Management, Industrial and Labour Relations**

The duration of the Programme shall be a minimum period of two (2) semesters for full time and three (3) semesters for this programme must possess HND or bachelor’s degree of a recognized institution.

**(i) Post Graduate Diploma in Leadership and Public Policy (PGDLPP)**

**(j) Post Graduate Diploma in Public Sector Management (PGDPSM)**

**(k) Post Graduate Diploma in Industrial and Labour Relations (PGDILR)**

**(l) Professional Diploma in Journalism (PDJ)**

The Professional Diploma in Journalism is expected to run for three (3) semesters and will cover courses in the various areas of journalism. This programme is considered to be most appropriate for the needs of journalists and those with background in other disciplines than journalism and mass communication to make them qualify as practising journalists.

**(m) Executive Certificate Programmes**

These programmes shall cover:

1. **International Management Programme**:

This programme will empower the participants to think broadly, manage strategically, understand the multi-cultural diversity that exists and compete globally. The courses to cover are Export Management, Import Management, etc.

1. **Business Owner’s Programme**:

This programme is designed to position business owners for improved performance and consistent growth by mastering what it takes to build successful and sustainable businesses. The courses to be covered include: Family Business Management, Succession Management, Automobile Parts Management, and Informal Sector Management.

1. **Senior Management Programme**:

The Programme is designed for functional Managers/Middle Management to enhance their Strategic thinking capabilities and build personal skills. The following courses shall be covered; supply – Chain Management, Strategic thinking, Transport Business Management, Advanced organisational behaviour. The duration of these programmes shall be five (5) days a month for four (4) months. Practical learning is achieved through the use of case studies, videos, visit to companies, simulations and other engaging activities.

1. **Agro Business Management Programme:**

The programme is aimed at complementing the efforts of government towards diversification of the economy with emphasis on development of agro-allied businesses. It is targeted at agricultural managers, field and extension workers. The duration of the programme shall be an intensive 3 months course.

**ELIGIBILITY FOR PROFESSIONAL POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES:**

1. **Masters in Business Administration (MBA) and Masters in Industrial and Labour Relations (MILR)**

Candidates for admission into the MBA and MILR Programmes shall possess a good Bachelor's degree from Nnamdi Azikiwe University, or from any other recognized University. Holders of HND or Professional qualifications such as ACA, ACMA, AIB, AClS CIBN, ACTS, may also apply. Candidates should have at least five (5) Credit Passes at the Ordinary Level (O/L), including English Language and Mathematics, and 3 years post qualification experience.

1. **Professional Diploma in Journalism (PDJ)**

Candidates for admission into the professional diploma in journalism must have at least five (5) credit passes at the Ordinary Level (O/L) including English Language and Mathematics.

1. **Post Graduate Diploma in Applied Management, Public Sector Management, Informal Sector Management, Industrial and Labour Relations**

Candidates for admission into the Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Management, Public Sector Management, Informal Sector Management, Industrial and Labour Relations shall possess a good Bachelor's Degree from Nnamdi Azikiwe University or any other recognised university. Holders of HND certificate ·or professional Qualifications such as ICAN, ACA, ACMA, AIB, ACIS CIBN, ACTS may also apply.

**Application Fee**

Application fee for all Programmes is N20,000 only.

**Method of Application**

* Visit **UNIZIK** **Business School Portal (my.unizik.edu.ng/ubs)**
* Create an account
* Generate RRR
* Take the RRR to any bank and pay your N20,000.00 application fee.
* After 24 hours of payment, go back to the Portal, log in the user name and password
* Fill the form and submit online, print and keep a copy for your interview.

**Note**: All applicants for the Professional Postgraduate Programmes will be subjected to an oral interview. The 1st interview will be held at the UNIZIK Business School on Saturday 29th October, 2016 by 10.00 a.m. A mop up interview will be held on Saturday 12th November, 2016 for those unable to keep the earlier date. This Notice serves as invitation to the oral interview.

*For more enquiries call – 08034548236*

The 5th Zik Lecture Series/10th Anniversary of Sen. Ben Ndi Obi’s Zik lecture endowment fund has been scheduled to hold as usual in Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka.

**Theme: “The Crisis of Nation States in Africa”**

***Guest Lecturer:*** HE. RT. Hon Raila A. Odinga, former Prime Minister,

Federal Republic of Kenya (2008 – 2013)

***Chairman of the Occasion:*** HE. Atiku Abubakar, GCON, former Vice President of Nigeria

***Chief Host*** Prof. Joseph E. Ahaneku, FAS (Vice-Chancellor)

***Date:***  Wednesday 16th of November, 2016

***Venue:*** University Auditorium

***Time:*** 10am

Dr. Ikpeze, Obiora Osegboka of the Department of Parasitology and Entomology, Faculty of Biosciences has been appointed a postgraduate supervisor at the 69th meeting of the Postgraduate Board, held on 29th of September, 2016.

Dr. Dennis Aribodor, Department of Parasitology and Entomology has been appointed a Member, Neglected Tropical Diseases, (NTDs) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) by the Anambra State Government through the Ministry of Health.

Total Upstream Nigeria Limited (TUPINI), in pursuance of its Corporate Social Responsibility, invites applications from suitably qualified candidates to its 2016/2017 NNPC/TOTAL National Merit Scholarship Scheme.

**Eligibility:**

**To qualify for consideration, applicants Must:**

* Be registered FULL TIME undergraduates in recognized Nigeria University
* Be certified 100 or 200 level students at the time of application

**PLEASE NOTE:** The following categories of students need not apply

* Students with less than 200 score in UTME
* 200 Level students with less than 2.50 CGPA on 5-point scale, or equivalent
* 300 level students and above
* Current beneficiaries of similar awards from any International Oil Companies (IOCs)

Application forms are available online ONLY. To apply, applicants should visit the website: https: //scholarships.totalcsredu.com

This application opens on **24th of October, 2016** and closes on **November 13, 2016.** Selection tests will hold on **December 3, 2016** at designated Centers nationwide, which will be communicated to shortlisted candidates only. Please note that candidates shall bear fully the cost of transportation to/from test venue. Candidates are therefore advised to choose test centers closest to them.

**Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for selection tests.**

**🎔Wedding Bells🎔**

* A staff of Works Services Department, Engr. David Chizoba Okeke (MNSE) will take his heartthrob Miss Promise Chinenye IKechukwu to the altar for the solemnization of the holy matrimony between them. **Date:** Saturday 12th of November, 2016. **Venue:** St. Martin Parish Onicha-Agu Amagunze, Enugu State. **Time:** 10am. Reception/Traditional Marriage: At Chief Njom Compound, Nkwo-Eze, Obinagu Village East L.G.A, Enugu State.

**Change of name**

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| **S/N** | **Former Name** | **New Name** | **Dept.** |
| 1. | Chukwudike Tochukwu John | Nwangene Tochukwu John | Security |

A former Council Member of Nnamdi Azikiwe University, High Chief Dr. Samson Ibidapo Awojolu (JP) has died at the age of 72. ***Burial Arrangements:*** Wednesday 2nd November, 2016: **Service of Songs:** at his residence, Ado Ekiti by C.F.M at 5pm. Thursday 3rd November, 2016: **Christian Wake-keep:** at his residence, Oke-Egbe, Egbe Ekiti at 4pm. Friday 4th November, 2016: **Funeral Service:** at Methodist Church, Oke-Egbe, Egbe Ekiti at 10am. Reception follows immediately at Methodist Church Oke-Egbe, Egbe Ekiti Church Field.

The Department of Architecture, Faculty of Environmental Sciences announces the death of late Sir (Prof.) Arc. Chris C. Akagu of Umueze village Etiti-Nimo, Nimo in Njikoka L.G.A of Anambra State. Until his death, he was a doyen of the Department of Architecture, Faculty of Environmental Sciences, UNIZIK Awka. ***Burial Arrangements: Monday 31st of October, 2016*** – Service of Songs at his residence 13B Alor Street, Thinkers Corner Enugu. Time: 5pm – 7pm. ***Tuesday 1st of November, 2016*** – Commendation service at the Cathedral Church of the Good Shepherd, Achi street, Independent Layout, Enugu – 10am and brief stopover at Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka – 2pm. ***Thursday 3rd of November, 2016*** – Funeral Service at St. Paul’s Anglican Church, Nimo – 10am. ***Friday 4th of November, 2016*** – Condolence continues.

A Professor of Chemistry and the Director, Centre for Sustainable Development, Prof. Ikenna Onyido will pay last respect to his late mother, Ezinne Chinyere Keziah Onyido who died on Friday, July 22, 2016. She will be buried on Thursday, November 24, 2016 at 10am in the family compound at Umuhu Village, Okija, Ihiala Local Government Area. Tributes and letters of condolence may be sent to ikennaonyido@yahoo.com, or addressed to the Centre of Sustainable Development, UNIZIK.

**Bereavement**

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Joseph Ahaneku, FAS regrets to announce the demise of:

* Mrs. Catherine Oyidi Okeke, who died on 23rd of September, 2016 after a brief illness. She will be buried on 10th of January, 2017 at her husband’s compound, Umubele Village, Awka, Anambra State. Until her death, she was the mother of Mr. Osindu Okeke of the Mechanic Section of Works Services Department, UNIZIK.

**VICE – CHANCELLOR’S SECURITY LINES**

Please if you have any information on any matter bothering you ranging from extortion of money, sexual harassment, intimidation or bad work habit. Kindly send a **text** to the following numbers **08136006205, 08063786022** and the Vice-Chancellor will investigate and take action. Confidentiality is assured.

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