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**: WEDNESDAYS:** UNIZIK T-SHIRT, **FRIDAYS:** NATIVE WEARS

The Matriculation exercise for the 2019/2020 Academic session is billed to hold on Friday 31st January, 2020. The event will hold simultaneously at various faculties by 10am.

However, the Orientation programme for the fresh students is scheduled to hold from Monday,

27th to Wednesday 29thJanuary, 2020 in front of Basil Oli Male Hostel.

This would feature lectures from members of the University Management and some selected staff.

All fresh students are expected to be seated by 9am on each day. Further information would be disseminated to the students at the venue of the orientation.

You are please invited to the 202nd meeting of Senate scheduled to hold as follows:

**Date:** Wednesday, 29th January, 2020

**Time:** 10:00am Prompt.

**Venue:** University Auditorium

The School of Postgraduate Studies has organized the 2019/2020 screening test for prospective students in her second tier of admission. The test was held recently at the University library for Doctorate, Masters and Postgraduate Diploma candidates.

Addressing the University Press, the Dean of the School, Professor Philomena Ugokwe stated that a total number of 1,500 candidates applied for various programmes in the school.

Speaking on the essence of the test, Prof. Ugokwe stated that the University places great importance on quality assurance hence the test is geared towards admitting the right candidates. “Postgraduate programme is a serious and important aspect of Education in the country. They provide the manpower for National development”, she added.

She further disclosed that the successful candidates will be admitted in March and would commence lectures in April.

The University Librarian and Professor of Library and Information Science, Rev’d Prof. Obiora Cyril Nwosu will be delivering the institution’s 54th Inaugural Lecture:

**Date:** Thursday, 30th January, 2020

**Venue:** University Auditorium

**Time:** 11.00am prompt

 **Topic:** Findability and finding ability of information

For the first time in history, five UNIZIK Academic staff have received a huge chunk of the funding from the TETFUND National Research fund after the approval of their concept notes in 2019. The benefitting-staff/researchers are Prof. Ikemefuna C. Uzochukwu, Dr. George Eleje, Prof. Ikechukwu Okoli, Dr. Emma Ezenwaji, and Dr. Uche Ekpunobi.

In a letter of commendation to the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Charles Esimone, FAS, the NRF grantees assured the Vice-Chancellor of their support in ensuring the implementation of all facets of #Project200. They lauded the vision of the Vice-Chancellor in projecting Nnamdi Azikiwe University from the current position of about 4000 to be among the top 200 universities in the world.

They further reminded him that the five projects that have received the funding from the NRF are going to be his administration’s first major national outing from the research perspective. The researchers however solicited for support in areas of provision of laboratory/office spaces, furnishing of laboratory/office spaces as well as provision of project vehicles. The Vice-Chancellor in his response approved the provision of laboratory/office spaces and its furnishing.

Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka has been charged to define what its Postgraduate training will be known for.

The call was made by the Provost, College of Postgraduate Studies, University of Ibadan and lead paper presenter, Professor Oyebaniji Babalola at the maiden UNIZIK Postgraduate Teachers Assembly held recently at the University Auditorium.

Prof. Babalola disclosed that Unibadan has earned the description of being the flagship of Postgraduate education in Nigeria owing to the gigantic steps taken by the University.

He outlined the steps which include, having a knowledge driven and upgrading training system; facilitating the training of its staff on pedagogy and leadership with experts drawn from international circle, stepping to the challenge of funds for research by giving scholarship awards to Postgraduate students of the University.

Others include evolving an effective supervising role by embracing a committee of supervisors model; tightened regulations to track milestones at different points in order to track the sources of our problems; raising the bar to an appreciable level by developing an anti-plagiarism software tool known as “Turn-it-in” to which every PhD thesis is subjected before submission for final oral examination is conducted.

As a panacea to re-inventing the Postgraduate School of the University, Professor Babalola supported partnership with industries to raise funds; sponsorship of a considerable number of the staff for capacity training and development conferences and workshops, sourcing of multidisciplinary research funds from philanthropists who are interested in funding interesting research ideas and stepping up further inter-university interaction where minds are rubbed to generate ideas for development.

In his keynote address, which centered on “Postgraduate training, a cornerstone in #project200” the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Charles Esimone, FAS commended the Dean, School of Postgraduate Studies and her management team for organizing such a programme.

Prof. Esimone noted that it was of great interest to generate ideas and make recommendations on how to improve in the way things are done, stating the need for more efficient and effective use of researches both human and material.

To the Postgraduate Teachers, the Vice-Chancellor charged them to function more as a facilitator/mentor than in the mould of the traditional classroom teacher. He further charged them to guide the students in picking research topics, introduce them to research grant writing as well as assisting in the planning /conduct of the research and possible journal publication.

Earlier in her address, the Dean, UNIZIK School of Postgraduate Studies, Prof. Philomena Igbokwe said that the maiden Teachers Assembly was to afford the operation of the school the opportunity to review and discuss the Annual Report of the School as well as make the recommendations for its growth.

She affirmed the importance of the assembly with the theme “Repositioning our school in pursuance of #Project200 and Best Practices for Teaching and Supervision. The highlight of the Dean’s Annual Report were the Performance Review where she commented on organizing the first Orientation of Postgraduate Students in the history of the University, successful handling of 2019/2020 Postgraduate Admissions despite some hiccups. Others include SPGS board meetings held and the resolutions, Training conducted for Postgraduate teachers and the supervisors (the need for a dynamic expert system for PG supervisor profiling).

Prof. Igbokwe enjoined all to spare no effort in pursuing research, innovation and discovery that are beneficial to the public good.

The Department of Radiography & Radiological Science has inducted her 123 graduands into the Radiography Profession at her 11th Induction ceremony which held recently at the Okofia campus of the University.

Addressing the Graduands, the Chairman and Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Charles Esimone, FAS congratulated them, the parents /guardians and teachers of the department on the induction. "I congratulate them for their various roles: the graduands for their diligent studies; the parents for their financial /moral sacrifices; and the teachers, the production line, for processing the hitherto students into finished products", the Vice-Chancellor stated.

Briefly speaking on the induction lecture, Prof. Esimone who was represented by the Director of Academic Planning, Prof. Joseph Ikechebelu averred that primary health care delivery is critical in healthcare being the point/level at which the patient makes initial contact with or approach to a medical personnel or clinic for treatment /advice. He posited that the theme is apt, since as fresh graduands, the inductees are most likely to function at the primary health care tier.

In his address, the Provost, College of Health Sciences, Prof. Okwudili Udemezue charged the students to reach for the zenith in their chosen profession while calling on parents to accord them the necessary support and lessen the burden on them.

The Dean, Faculty of Health Sciences, Prof. Pauline Ezenduka in her address, congratulated the students, while charging them to keep the flag flying.

***Congratulating the graduands, the Head of the Department, Dr. Christopher Ohagwu disclosed that since graduating the first set of radiographers from the University, Radiology departments and practice mangers in Nigeria and overseas have made the varsity's graduates their first choice, a good development he attributed to the level of competence the graduates have demonstrated. He commended his colleagues for their dedication to duty.***

The guest lecturer and President, Association of Radiographers of Nigeria, Dr. Dlama Zira Joseph while speaking on the theme, Primary Healthcare Delivery - Role of Radiographers, stressed emphatically that Radiography is very critical to Primary Health care.

Inducting the graduands, the Registrar, Radiographers' Registration Board of Nigeria, Prof. M. C Okeji urged them to keep learning to distinguish themselves in a bid to be marketable. Prof. Okeji equally enjoined them to practice within the ethics of the profession.

In his valedictory speech, the Overall Best Graduating Student, Mr. Francis Chianuba expressed appreciation to the staff for their commitment to duty and to their parents for their support throughout the years of study.

Highpoint of the occasion was the presentation of Awards to distinguished students.

The **Q.S.R.B.N** has re-appointed Dr. Agu Nathan (FNIQS) from the department of Quantity Surveying as a resource person for the conduct of professional accreditation to higher Institutions of learning offering Quantity Surveying in Nigeria.

The Principal of UNIZIK High School, Lady Chibuzo Onyejike was on ground recently to take delivery of two new buses courtesy of the Vice-Chancellor of Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka Prof. Charles O. Esimone, FAS.

In a brief ceremony held in front of the University Administrative block A, the Vice-Chancellor called on the Management of the High School to handle the buses with care. He noted the fact that they initially applied for one bus, but out of his concern for the welfare of the students, he provided them with two buses.

In her response, the Principal, Lady Onyejike expressed her joy for the gesture meted out to the school by the Vice-Chancellor. She assured him that the buses would be effectively used in the overall interest of the students.

Present at the handover ceremony were the Head boy of the School with some other students.

It is worthy of mention that the buses were amongst the ones recently procured from Innoson Vehicle Motors, the pacesetter in indigenous vehicle manufacturing.

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Charles Esimone, FAS recently played host to the Methodist Bishop of Anambra State, Rt. Rev. B. C. Onuagha in his office**.**

Commending the Vice-Chancellor on the ongoing transformations in the University, the Methodist Prelate equally congratulated him on the recent dedication of his quadruplets.

The VC thanked the Prelate on the visit, while noting his kind words to the institution.

In the Methodist Bishop’s entourage were Most Rev. Okenwa, Rtd Archbishop of Aba, Most Rev. Nwakamma and Mr. Gauis Otti, a contractor.

Members of Staff of the University have been eulogized for their dedication, diligence and commitment to their work in ensuring service delivery. The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Fredrick .J. C. Odibo made this remark recently in his office while speaking to the University’s pressmen.

Prof. Odibo stated that the year 2019 had been intense in all spheres of educational endeavour both for academic and administrative process. The Professor of Industrial Microbiology opined that to ensure that progress was achieved, the members of staff put in their effort towards ensuring that the reason for which they were employed as integral members of the University Community was justified.

The scholar posited that the #Project 200 of the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Charles Esimone, FAS, has seen tremendous achievements recorded within six months especially in the aspect of human capacity development and welfarism.

 He cited a case where academic staff have had appraisals and many promoted to the ranks of Professors and Readers. Prof. Odibo expressed optimism that 2020 will be a year of great achievements to be recorded in the ivory tower, while enjoining all and sundry to key into the Vice-Chancellor's dynamic program geared towards changing the narratives and moving new frontiers.

The SANDWICH Programme of UNIZIK, Awka offers various courses leading to the Award of Bachelors Degree and Associate Certificate in Education during Easter and Long Vacation Periods

**(1) DURATION OF THE DEGREE PROGRAMME:** The Degree Programme is of:

1. Four (4) year duration and
2. Five (5) year duration, depending on one’s level of passes in

**NCE, OND, HND, UNIZIK DIPLOMA, ASSOCIATE CERTIFICATE AND NABTEB A’ LEVEL.**

Plus credit level passes in relevant subjects in S.S.C.E., G.C.E., W.A.S.C., T.C.II or their equivalents.

Faculty/Departmental requirements must also be fulfilled.

**(2) DURATION OF THE ASSOCIATE CERTIFICATE PROGRAMME (ACP) IN EDUCATION:** The Associate Certificate Programme in Education is of 2-Year duration. Successful completion of the programme will provide opportunity for Admission into the 4-Year Degree programme.

**Admission Requirement**: 5 Credit level passes. Credit in English and Maths is required. However, for some courses pass in Maths is accepted.

**Courses will be offered in the following**

**Departments in combination with**

**Teaching Subjects:**

**i. ADULT &CONTINUING EDUCATION:**

**ii. EDUCATIONAL MANAGEMENT AND POLICY:**

**iii. EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATIONS:**

**iv. GUIDANCE AND COUNSELLING**

**v. SCIENCE EDUCATION**

**vi. TECHNOLOGY & VOCATIONAL EDUCATION**

**vii. HUMAN KINETICS AND HEALTH EDUCATION**

**viii. EARLY CHILDHOOD AND PRIMARY EDUCATION**

**PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION**

* Go to Sandwich Unit UNIZIK for Certificate sighting
* Visit the Registration point at the Sandwich Unit.
* Generate RRR pin for payment for application form.
* For Degree Programme, go with the RRR printout, to any Bank within the campus and make payment of N10,000.00 for application form.
* For Associate Certificate Programme, the cost of Application Form is N5,000.00

**RETURN OF COMPLETED FORMS**

* Candidate should Proceed to the Sandwich Unit’s General Office to submit a photocopy of the online (application form)
* printout with photocopies of the claimed qualifications securely attached to the application form.

**For further enquiries, please contact**

**The Director: Prof. U.J. Obidiegwu**

**07035958009, 08026694297, 07062172629, 08137588973.**

Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates for admission into the 2019/2020 Academic Session of Diploma Programme of Chike Okoli Centre for Entrepreneurial Studies (COCES), Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka. The form can be purchased in any of the banks nationwide at a cost of N8,000.00 (Eight Thousand naira) only.

**QUALIFICATION**

The minimum academic qualification is five O'level credits which must include English Language, Mathematics, as well as Economics or Commerce in not more than two sittings.

**METHOD OF APPLICATION**

Sale of forms commences on Monday, 4th November, 2019 and the following procedure should be adopted by the candidates:

- Visit portal.unizik.edu.ng/coces

- Read the instructions on the homepage

- Click on the CONTINUE button when you are

 Done reading the instruction

- Click on CREATE ACCOUNT button

- Select COCES as the program

- Enter your surname, first and middle name, also

 enter your email, phone number and password

- Click on SUBMIT button

- A page displaying your email and password will

 appear, click on continue to login

- Login with your email and password

- Click on STEP ONE to generate RRR for ICT and

 Application form

- Proceed to bank to make the payment

- Login to the portal, click on STEP TWO, type in

 The RRR and confirm each of them

- Once the confirmation is successful, click on

**STEPTWO**

- Fill the application form, step by step

- You can save each stage and return to continue

 the application at any time within the application

 period

- Once you get to the last stage of the application,

 preview what you fill

- If all information is complete and correct, check

 the AGREE box and click on SUBMIT button

- Print out the Application Form

**Successful candidates will be expected to choose two vocational skill areas of interest from the underlisted vocational skills offered at the Centre.**

1) ICT

- CISCO (Networking)

- Coding

- Microsoft Office and ICT Training

- AutoCAD

- ArchiCAD (2D & 3D)

- Web Design and Development

- Computer Programming

- Closed Circuit Television (CCTV, LAN)

- Solid Works, Ansys, AutoDesk Inventor

2) Knitting

3) Wire Work & Beading

4) Confectionery/Cookery

5) Millinery (Hat Making)

6) Fashion Designing

7) Bag & Shoe Making

8) Makeover & Gele Artistry

9) Hair Dressing & Nail Technology

10) Event Planning & Management

11) Textile/Monogramming

12) Graphic/Photography

13) Bee Keeping & Honey Production

14) Auto Mechanics

15) Paint Production

16) Household Chemicals Production

17) Cosmetology

18) Fishery & Aquatic Management

19) Woodwork Technology

20) Snail Rearing

21) Poultry

22) Electrical Work

23) Electronics/Computer

24) Welding & Fabrication

25) Grass Cutter Production

26) Rabbit Production

27) White Rat Production

**For more enquiries please call: 07036665241,**

**08037512208 or 08068628588**

Applications are here by invited from suitable/ qualified candidates for admission into the 2019/2020 Academic Session of Pre-science Programme, Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka.

**QUALIFICATION:**

The minimum academic qualification is five O’ Level credits which will include English, Mathematics and any other three relevant science subjects in SSCE, NECO,GCE and NABTEB at not more than two sitting.

**METHOD OF APPLICATION:**

Sale of form commences on 14th October, 2019 on payment of the sum of N10,000.00 and the following procedure should be adopted by the candidates:

**Ar-Visit portal.unizik.edu.ng/prescience**

* Click on “Create Account
* On the form enter your email, phone number, password, select the access level and click on “submit”
* Your login details will be sent to your email address instantly
* Continue with the application by logging in with the login credentials sent to your email
* After successful login, click on Step One, click on Generate Application from RRR
* Print RRR (Remita) page; proceed to any bank of your choice Nationwide to make a payment of N10,000 only
* Login to the portal click on Step Two, click on Confirm Payment, enter the RRR Number and click on verify payment confirmation is successful, or if you get notification payment already verified, then proceed to step Three
* Click on Step three, click Fill Application Form, Fill out the application form. You can save each stage of the application and continue at a later time. Also you can edit your information as often possible. However, once you submit your Application, you cannot edit again.
* Check the “I Agree” box and click on Submit”
* Print out the Application Form as Your copy.

**The Pre-Science Programme is only for candidates who are interested in the following**

**Faculties/Departments**

1. **FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE**
2. Department of Agricultural Economics
3. Department of Animal Science and Technology
4. Department of Crop Science and Horticulture
5. Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture
6. Department of Food Science and Technology
7. Department of Forestry and Wild Life Management
8. Department of Soil Science and Land Resources management

**ii. FACULTY OF BASIC MEDICAL SCIENCES**

1. Department of Anatomy
2. Department of Human Physiology
3. Department of Human Biochemistry

**iii. FACULTY OF BIO-SCIENCES**

1. Department of Applied Microbiology and Brewing
2. Department of Applied Biochemistry
3. Department of Botany
4. Department of Parasitiology and Entomology
5. Department of Zoology

**iv. FACULTY OF EDUCATION**

1. **Department of Science Education with option in**

1. Science Education/Biology

2. Science Education/Chemistry

3. Science Education/Computer Science

4. Science Education/Integrated Science

5. Science Education/Physics

6. Human Kinetics and Health Education

**b.** **Department of Technical Education with options in**

1. Electrical and Electronics Technology

2. Mechanical and Automobile Technology

3. Wood work and Building Technology

1. **FACULTY OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY**

 a. Department of Agriculture and Bioresources Engineering

 b.Department of Chemical Engineering

1. Department of Civil Engineering
2. Department of Electrical Engineering
3. Department of Electronics and Computer Engineering
4. Department of Industrial and Production Engineering
5. Department of Mechanical Engineering
6. Department of Metallurgical/Material Engineering
7. Department of Polymer and Textile Engineering
8. **FACULTY OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES**
9. Department of Architecture
10. Department of Building
11. Department of Environmental Management
12. Department of Estate Management
13. Department of Geography & Meteorology
14. Department of Surveying and Geo-Informatics
15. Department of Quantity Surveying
16. **FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**
17. Department of Medical Laboratory Science
18. Department of Medical Rehabilitation/Physiotherapy
19. Department of Nursing Sciences
20. Department of Radiography
21. Department of Environmental Health Sciences
22. **FACULTY OF MEDICINE**
23. **FACULTY OF PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES**
24. **FACULTY OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES**

a. Department of Computer Sciences

b. Department of Geological Sciences

c. Department of Mathematics

d. Department of Physics and Industrial Physics

e. Department of Pure and Industrial Chemistry

e. Department of Statistics

f. Department of Geophysics.

***All completed forms online should be printed and submitted at the Pre-Science Office without delay.***

This is strictly for UNIZIK students and it will kick off on Saturday, 1st February 2020.

***The games involved include:***

**Inter-departmental football league**

1st position - N40, 000,

2nd position - N30, 000

3rd position - N10, 000

**Basketball tournament**

1st position - N30,000

2nd position - N20, 000

**Lawn tennis League**

1st position - N20,000

2nd position - N10,000

**Table tennis**

1st position - N15,000,

2nd position - N10,000

**5km racing**

**Male**

1st position - N20,000,

2nd position - N10,000,

3rd position - N5,000

**Female**

1st position - N20,000,

2nd position - N10,000,

3rd position - N5,000

These would be won individually

***Registration form will be available from* Monday 20th-30th January 2020.**

**Venue for registration is at**

 Giant house SUG Complex

 **Time:** 3:00pm-6:30pm

**Comr. Nwabuwa Chiemerie Favour**

**(Dr. Smart )**

**SUG Director of Sports**

**08133234090**

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Charles Esimone, FAS has charged all the Deans of faculties and Heads of Departments to join T.S.A in accordance with the Federal Government directives. Prof. Esimone who was represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) Prof. Frederick Odibo made this charge in an emergency meeting held by the Bursary unit of the University at the University auditorium.

The Bursar, Mrs. Joy Ojukwu, in her address disclosed that the reason for the emergency meeting was to remind Deans and Heads of Department about the University’s position on T.S.A policy. She ordered for the closure of all Accounts at the faculties and departments respectively. She advised the Deans and HODs to open E-Account and do away with cheques, for it will no longer be accepted. Mrs. Ojukwu urged them to always apply for their imprest quarterly, then retire the rest of the money to the University’s account as at when due. She also charged them to hold quarterly meetings with board members to articulate on the need(s) of the faculties/departments and forward same to the various Faculty Account Officers ( FAOs).

“Deans and HODs should always forward their request(s) to the VC for approval, liaise with FAO for accuracy, liaise with banks and never to use cheque again since payment will be made by mandate and on quarterly basis”, she added. She further encouraged the FAOs to be coming to the bursary unit to get what belongs to their faculties/departments.

Dr. Chigozie Damian Ezeonyejiaku of the Department of Zoology has emerged the new Faculty of Bioscience representative in the Senate.

Dr. Ezeonyejiaku scored twenty-six (26) votes to emerge victorious in an election conducted at the 26th statutory meeting of the board held on Wednesday, 18th December, 2019. Dr. Ezeonyejiaku succeeds Dr. Victor Enemor of the Department of Applied Biochemistry who had served out his tenure.

The Faculty of Agriculture invites the University community to her 3rd Faculty lecture slated as follows:

**Date:** Tuesday, 28th January, 2020

**Venue:** FAG Hall, Faculty of Agriculture

**Time:** 12:00noon

**Topic:** Digging our Graves With our teeth

**Presenter:**  Prof. Ernest Chukwusoro Igwe

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration), Prof. Carol Arinze-Umobi on the 26th of October, 2019 lost her mother-in-law, late Mrs. Jemimah Chinwe Umobi (JP) to death. **Burial Arrangements**: 23rd of January, 2020- 10:am funeral service/interment at Emmanuel Anglican Church Ezinifite Aguata LGA. 24th of January, 2020: Burial Rites and condolence visits continue in her home in EnuamaAku village Ezinifite. 26th of January, 2020- 8am: Outing service @ Emmanuel Ang. Church Ezinifite. Until her death, she was also a mother to the Principal UNIZIK High School, Lady Chibuzor Victoria Onyejike.

**BEREAVEMENT**

**The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Charles Esimone, FAS regrets to announce the demise of:**

EzinneUnekwe (Nee Ejezie) Aged 84years. Until her demise, she was the mother of Prof. Prince Unekwe of the Department of Pharmacology & Therapeutics, College of Health Sciences, Nnewi Campus; Bright Unekwe, Works services department and Mrs. Chioma Okoli; College of Health sciences, Nnewi.

**Burial Arrangements**:

**Wed: 22nd Jan. 2020, 6:00pm**

Service of songs, at her residence, late Mr. Steven Unekwe’s Compound, Umuokorocha, Umuokpurukpu village, Umuomaku, Orumba South L.G.A Anambra state.

**Thurs, 23RD Jan. 2020, 7:00am:** Body leaves visitation hospital mortuary, Umuchu to her husband’s Compound for lying in state.

**10:00am:** Burial service at her Husband’s compound by St. Mary’s Anglican Church, Umuomaku , followed by interment

**Friday, 24TH Jan. 2020:** Condolence visits by in-laws, friends and well-wishers

**Sun 26THJan. 2020:** Outing/ Thanksgiving service at St. Mary’s Anglican Church, Umuomaku.

**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 **08063786022, 07034388764** and the Vice-Chancellor will investigate and take action. Confidentiality is assured.

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