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# NITIMUN 2024: University Management announces scholarship, cash awards to MOUAU Reps

By Ubadire Agua and Chinedu Ononiwu



VC MOUAU (Centre), Registrar (Extreme Left),
DVC Acad (Third from Right) and the NITIMUN Team

he Management of Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike, has announced cash and scholarship awards to Representatives of the University at the just concluded Nigeria International Tertiary Institution Model United Nations (NITIMUN) Conference, for winning several laurels for the University.

The Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Maduebibisi Ofo Iwe, announced the awards after receiving the Represantatives during the University Management meeting held on Tuesday, Nov. 5th 2024.

Prof. Iwe stated that 4 of the award-winning Represatatives who are returning students, would not pay school charges for the 2024/2025 academic session, while 1 graduating student would receive a cash reward of 100,000 Naira.

The University Management also rewarded the Deputy Dean Student Affairs, Dr. Idowu O. Eluwa, with the sum of 100,000 Naira for winning the Best Female Accompanying Staff award.

Addressing the University Management, the Dean, Student Af-

fairs, Prof. Onwuchekwa Raphael Iheke, expressed his appreciation to the Vice-Chancellor and University Management for enabling the team to attend and excel at the Conference. He acknowledged the support of the University Management which was instrumental in the students' success.

MOUAU's team achieved remarkable honours at the 2024 NITIMUN Conference, including awards for Best Conference Theme Performance, Best Female Accompanying Staff, Best Male Delegate, Best Committee Chairperson, and Second Best School Delegation.

MOUAU News gathered that the Represetatives are: Ugwunali Yannick Chidi (Dept. of Industrial Technology Education), Nwauzor Famous Chukwuebuka (Dept. of Microbiology), Ibe Chidinma Mary (Dept. of Plant Science and Biotecnology), Chinyere Favour Chizaram (Dept. of Human Nutrition and Dietetics), and Ebogu Nmerichi (Dept. of Microbiology).





## TETFUND commends MOUAU CERCORD, approves additional #300 Million for Centre upgrade

By Chinedu Ononiwu, Collins Ginger-Eke and Joy Nlebedum



Prof. Greg Onwuka (Director CERCORD)

ertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund ) has commended Michael Okpara University of Agriculture Umudike's Centre of Excellence in Root Crops Research and Development (CERCORD) for an outstanding performance in its efforts at actualizing the objectives for establishing the Centre, and therefore, approved additional 300 million naira for the Centre's upgrade, in addition to the 1 billion naira approved for its take-off in 2020.

The Director of CERCORD, Prof Greg Ikechukwu Onwuka disclosed this development during an exclusive interview with MOU-AU News recently.

According to the Director, the centre posted outstanding performance in all Key Performing Indicators (KPI) set by TETFund, and therefore earned the recognition as one of the top performing TETFund Centres of Excellence in Nigeria.

Prof. Onwuka listed some of the criteria for the approval of the fund to include the Centre's robust curriculum; vibrant long term and short term training and development programmes, high quality of Postgraduate students, as well as readiness for commercial agriculture. Other aspects are: high quality research and publications, strong financial management and effective physical procurement system.

The Director commended the Vice Chancellor of MOUAU, Prof M.O. Iwe, for supporting the Centre and giving it free hands to operate.

### 12th Convocation Ceremony: What graduands need to know about approved charges

#### 1.Ph.D Graduands

- •Purchase of a set of Academic Regalia - N75.000
- -Hiring of Academic Regalia -N30.000
- -Purchase of Brochure- N10,000

#### 2.M.Sc/PGD Graduands

•Hiring of Academic Regalia -N20.000 •Purchase of Brochure- N10,000

#### **3.First Degree**

•Hiring of Academic Regalia and purchase of Brochure - N20,000

#### **HOW TO PAY**

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### "We've overcome the things that set us back," VC declares at inauguration of new MOUAU Guest House

•Commends MD, MOUAU Nig. Ltd & MD, MOUAU MFB •Unveils MOUAU MFB Online Banking App

By Sunday Okorie, Patrick Oparah and Joy Nlebedum





Prof. Maduebibisi Ofo Iwe VC MOUAU

he Vice-Chancellor, Michael Okpara University of Agriculture Umudike, Prof. Maduebibisi Ofo Iwe, has stated that the University has largely overcome the challenges that hindered the progress of MOUAU Nigeria Limited and MOUAU Microfinance Bank, and that the Companies are now making progress and generating revenue for the University.

The Vice Chancellor stated this



Prof. Jude A. Mbanasor Director MOUAU Nig. Ltd.

while inaugurating the new MOU-AU Guest House, built by MOUAU Nigeria Limited, and unveiling the Mobile Banking App for the MOU-AU MFB on November 4, 2024.

Prof. Iwe applauded the doggedness and commitment of the Managing Director of MOUAU Nig. Ltd, Prof. Jude Mbanasor, and his team towards the project.

Similarly, Prof. Iwe commended



Dr. Bashir Ogungbagbe MD/CEO MOUAU MFB

the Managing Director of MOUAU MFB, Dr. Bashir Ogungbagbe and his team for overcoming several hurdles and becoming a desired financial institution within the community.

MOUAU News gathered that the new Guest House has 30 well-furnished rooms and was completed within 9 months. It also has adequate security and 24 hours power supply.



