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Al-Hikmah University alumna, Miss Bilkis Abubakar, has revealed that receiving the ICAN Certificate of Merit Award as the 3rd overall best qualified accountant by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (ICAN) is a tremendous honour.

The 22-year-old native of Kogi State said this during an online interactive session with the information crew on Monday, 22nd May, 2023 after receiving the award. The dedicated and passionate accountant graduated from Al-Hikmah University in 2020 with a first-class degree in B.Sc. Accounting and was also the overall best graduating student in her set.

Miss Abubakar noted that receiving the ICAN Certificate of Merit Award is an incredible achievement and a humbling experience and also a reflection of dedication and passion for

accounting. She added that recognition from the prestigious Institute of ICAN fills her with immense pride and a sense of accomplishment and would be a motivation to continue striving for excellence in her career.

In her words, “I have always been deeply motivated by the unwavering support and encouragement of my parents, Mr. and Mrs. Usman Abubakar because they have instilled in me the value of education and the importance of striving for excellence. Their belief in my abilities has been a constant driving force throughout my academic journey”.

The passionate accountant acknowledged Al-Hikmah University for providing her with solid foundation and equipped her with the necessary knowledge and skills to excel in the accounting field. She added that the exceptional guidance and mentorship provided by her lecturers in the university, their expertise, passion for teaching, and commitment to nurturing potentials all have a role to play in who she has become today.

Miss Abubakar pointed out that after achieving this significant milestone, her next step is to leverage the knowledge, skills, and recognition she has gained to contribute positively to the accounting profession and the organizations she works with. I will continue to pursue opportunities for professional development, such as obtaining advanced certifications or pursuing higher academic degrees. Additionally, I aspire to take on more leadership roles, mentor aspiring

accountants, and contribute to the growth and development of the accounting profession, especially for women.

According to her, “time management and prayer is vital to success because when I was in school, I would start my day early to allocate time for personal study and review the previous day's lessons. Attending classes, taking detailed notes and actively participating in class discussions were also very important”. She added that she also made sure to allocate time for relaxation and extracurricular activities to maintain a healthy balance. Importantly, she was consistent with my Salah (prayers) to seek guidance and blessings from Allah.

Miss Abubakar encouraged students to embrace the power of determination, perseverance and hardwork. Set clear goals for yourself and consistently work towards them. She also implored them to take advantage of the educational resources and opportunities available, and be proactive in seeking out additional learning experiences beyond the classroom.

She urged them to stay committed to their studies, stay updated with new trends in the industry, and continuously seek opportunities to enhance their skills and knowledge. Also, embrace challenges as opportunities for growth and never stop learning and remember that success is not an overnight achievement but a result of consistent effort and dedication.

AL-HIKMAH UNIVERSITY PROVIDES HEALTH RELIEF TO 700 PEOPLE

In an effort to facilitate community development, the Centre for Community Development, Al-Hikmah University embarked on health outreach to Igbaja, Yaru and Balogun Oja communities on Saturday, 20th May, 2023.

The community health outreach was led by the Director for Community Development, Dr. Kamaldeen Ibraheem Nageri and accompanied by the Head of Nursing Department, Dr. Abiodun Lawal as well as nursing and public health students of the university.

The Director, Centre for Community Development, Dr. Nageri in his remarks stated that the aim of the centre is to ensure that the University host communities feel the impact of the faith-based institution.

Dr. Nageri revealed that Al-Hikmah University, through the centre, has been able to renovate and drill boreholes at Share and Omupo. He added that the significant position that health occupies in the lives of the people motivated the centre's provision of medical assistance by conducting medical check-up and giving drugs at no cost to the residents of Igbaja, Yaru and Balogun Oja communities.

Baale Abdulraheen Adeniyi, while receiving the team at Eleese of Igbaja's Palace emphasised that the outreach was a laudable one as there were some residents who could not afford medical bills. He, therefore,

prayed for the growth of the University and journey mercies for the staff and students of Al-Hikmah University that carried out the outreach.

The King of Balogun Oja, His Royal Majesty, Oba Abdulmumeen Ishola Ajao in his address, disclosed that healthy living of Balogun Oja residents is paramount to him. He said he was elated that the health outreach team from Al-Hikmah University deemed his community worthy of this selfless act.

Oba Abdulmumeen commended the efforts of the centre and urged the University to bring subsequent opportunity to Balogun Oja community as one day's health outreach cannot cover the entire

population of the community.

The Head, Department of Nursing, Al-Hikmah University, Dr Abiodun Lawal noted that all organisations should see corporate social responsibility as a vital way in creating mutual understanding between their organisations and their host communities. He urged organisations, especially those located in the rural areas, to always feel the pulse of their host community and provide their needs.

In his words “all together, we have diagnosed and given free medications and medical advice to about 700 people, majorly the aged, women and children”.

Muhammed Zainab
Al-Hikmah University
Mass Communication Student



REST SHOULD TAKE A MINIMUM OF 10% OF OUR DAILY LIVES -DR ABAYOMI

A medical doctor from Ace International Company, Ilorin, Kwara State, Dr. Gabriel Abayomi reiterated the need for rest and urge people to take at least 10% of rest in their daily life.

Dr. Abayomi said this during a health enlightenment programme for the staff of Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin on Thursday, 4th May, 2023 at

the University Auditorium.

The medical practitioner added that people should take cognisance of three major aspects of their life, which include rest, exercise and diet.

In his words, “rest helps us improve our immune system and also helps decrease blood pressure; exercise helps release toxics from our body and the best form of exercise is swimming; good diet also promotes

longevity, keeps skin, teeth, and eyes healthy and supports muscles”.

Dr. Abayomi urged all members of the Al-Hikmah University community to be pro-active with their health and not wait till they fall ill before going for medical checkups. He added that the interval for medical checkups should be at least every two months.

CENTRE FOR PEACE AND SECURITY STUDIES HOLDS MAIDEN Ph.D. THESIS DEFENCE



Egbetokun Adeolu Olukayode
Ph.D candidate

The Centre for Peace and Security Studies, Al-Hikmah University ushers her first set of Ph.D candidates into academic realm on Monday and Tuesday, May 15th and 16th, 2023 at the seminar board room.

The candidates Egbetokun Adeolu Olukayode and Aun Jonathan defended their theses titled “Effects of Endsars Protest: Policing Strategies on Community Security in Lagos State, Nigeria” and “Appraisal of TIV Traditional Institutions in the Management of Farmers-Headers Conflicts in Benue and Nassarawa States, North-Central Nigeria” respectively.

One of the external examiners, Prof. Ebenezer Olatunji Olugbenga, a professor of political science in his remarks stated that the topic, “Effects of Endsars Protest: Policing Strategies on Community Security in Lagos State, Nigeria” was timely as the EndSARS event was fresh in people's minds. He added that the topic was significant to policy makers as it would afford them the measures that they need to put in place.

Prof. Olugbenga considered himself fortunate for being the external examiner for the first Ph.D. defence in the history of the centre. He commended the candidate for tremendous work on his thesis. He however, urged him to note all the corrections of the panel and effect them accordingly.

The Vice Chancellor, Prof. Noah

Yusuf added that the work was novel and suggested the candidate publish the work internationally as it would enable future researches to make reference to a verified account of EndSARS rather than the fake news that was spread during the incident.

Prof. Yusuf appreciated the external examiner for a thorough job and noted that his contributions revealed his dedication to the entire thesis. He, therefore, commended the examiners.

The Deputy Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ganiyu Olalekan Akashoro reiterated that the research work is very timely. He added that this is the type of research that would aid development and project Nigeria positively to the outside world.

The Internal Examiner, Dr. Abdulazeez Alao Adekola however, stated that there is no perfect thesis anywhere. He added that the willingness of the candidate to acquire knowledge reflected in the thesis.

Similarly, the second examiner, Prof. Bolaji Omitola said the thesis was well detailed and that the presenter was well composed in his presentation. He, however urged the

candidate to effect all the corrections as instructed by the panel.

The Director, Centre for Peace and Security Studies, Dr. Ruth Adimula congratulated the Vice Chancellor as his dream of establishing the centre has now materialised into reality as the centre produced her first set of Ph.D. degree holders. Dr. Adimula thanked the external supervisors for a job well done and also expressed her appreciation to all other well-wishers.

The defence was graced by some important personalities which include: The Founder, Al-Hikmah University, Dr. (Chief) Abdulraheem Oladimeji OFR; The head of Institute for Peace and Strategic Studies, University of Ibadan, Prof. Nathaniel Danjibo; Commissioner of Police, Kwara State, Mr. Paul Odama; Police Public Relations Officer, Ajayi Okansanmi; Past Director, Centre for Peace and Security, Al-Hikmah University, Dr. Raji Shittu; The Bursar, Mr. Afiz Omoniyi; Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences, Prof. Lateef Oladimeji; The Acting Director, Academic Planning, Dr. Lanre Nurudeen, among others.



(1) L-R: Ph.D candidate, Egbetokun Adeolu Olukayode; VC, Prof. Noah Yusuf (2) external examiners, Prof. Ebenezer Olatunji Olugbenga; internal examiner, Dr. Abdulazeez Alao (3) founder, Alh. Chief (Dr) Abdulraheem Oladimeji OFR congratulating Ph.D candidate

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anywhere a crime is committed, most times illegal drugs must have been abused.

Mrs. Oluwole added that, as a mother, she loves dissuading youths from indulging in hard drugs at any chance she gets which has made her develop a passion for helping addicts to stop the use of drugs. She added that it is this passion that made her form a team that sensitise youths on the adverse effect of drug abuse and the money use for these programmes have always been out sourced and not from the government.

According to her, “I would love it if Al-Hikmah can partner with us and help sensitise the youths on the damage drug abuse cause within and outside the body system. Though, such sensitisation might not be as big as when the government handles it, but I am sure the little we do would have a ripple effect on curbing drug abuse in the State”.

The Vice Chancellor, Prof. Noah Yusuf, in his address noted that most institution would see this partnership as an opportunity, especially as it relates to curbing drug abuse. This is because

most students in the institution are youths that can be influenced to try illegal and unprescribed drugs.

Prof. Yusuf added “Al-Hikmah University is a faith-based university where we award degrees in learning, character and morality and as such, our students have always been sensitise to the adverse effect of drug abuse. The University has always taken a pro-active measure on drug abuse as prospective students are subject to mandatory drug test before offering them admission letter.

In his words, “the sensitisation should not be limited to tertiary institutions alone, it should also be taken to secondary schools in Ilorin and its environs. This is because if most youths know the implication of drug abuse, they would not associate with it”.

The Deputy Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ganiyu Olalekan Akashoro in his address emphasised that Al-Hikmah University is in collaboration with the National Drugs and Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) and this agency carries out periodic sensitisation for the students.

PREMARITAL SEX IS A DEVIATION FROM OUR SOCIAL NORMS – DR. JEMILAT

Senior Lecturer in the Department of Guidance and Counselling, Al-Hikmah University, Dr. Jemilat Yusuf said premarital sex is a departure from social norms and most cases are often caused by peer pressure.

Dr. Jemila made this statement at the 3-day sexual health awareness campaign programme organised by the Counselling and Human Development Centre in collaboration with the Public Health Department for Adeta, Atere and Igbaja campuses from Monday to Wednesday, 15th to 17th May, 2023.

Dr. Jemilat added that the programme was an annual event and this year’s theme “Sexual Health Awareness” is timely because of the students adolescents who are sexually

active. This makes them susceptible to sexually transmitted diseases. She said that the youths are the future and they need to be properly guided from premarital sex.



Dr. Jemilat Yusuf

Similarly, The Head of Service, Mrs. Susan Modupe Oluwole who was represented by the Permanent Secretary, Alh. Muhammed Ibrahim

stated the youths are the future of the nation and as such, need to be constantly enlightened. He added that premarital sex is not only a shame to the family but also to the entire nation.

Similarly, Dr. (Mrs) Mujidat Adepoju, from the Department of Public Health stated that there are some cardinal information that parents and potential parents ought to know and pass to their children. One of the major ones according to her, is sex education as it informs children about the boundaries to what they can engage in.

In her words, “premarital sex should not be addressed with levity as some of its consequences includes but not limited to; sexually transmitted diseases, unwanted pregnancy, abortion,

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NACOE SEEKS AL-HIKMAH UNIVERSITY COLLABORATION

The Provost of Nigerian Army College of Education (NACOE), Sobi Cantonment, Major General Shuaibu Ibrahim has stated that NACOE would be partnering with Al-Hikmah University very soon.

The Provost made this known when Al-Hikmah university management paid a courtesy visit to NACOE on Wednesday, 10th May 2023.

Major General Shuaibu Ibrahim added that both institutions would collaborate on military related research to win Tetfund grant as a team. He also emphasised on lecturers exchange programmes between both institutions. He added that both institutions could gain a lot with this partnership because of the wealth of knowledge that is domiciled in both institutions.

The Provost pointed out that he would be interested in the synergy of both institutions' libraries because NACOE library would benefit a lot from Al-Hikmah University's library that is headed by a man with vast experience in person of the Librarian, Mr. Isiaka Atunde.

According to him, "NACOE

would also be offering the following service to Al-Hikmah University: security consciousness for staff and students, training and retraining of security personnel, raising security awareness among staff and students, noting strategic places in the University for convergence in case of emergencies, security analysis and training of the security personnel on proactive measures of security issues".

The Vice Chancellor, Al-Hikmah University, Prof. Noah Yusuf, in his

remarks, said the university has Centre for Research, Industrial Linkage and International Cooperation (CRIIC) that is charged with the responsibility of research. He added that if both institutions could pull resources together, they could win Tetfund research grant.

Prof. Yusuf assured the provost of NACOE of total commitment to this collaboration and prayed that Almighty Allah makes the partnership mutually beneficial to both institutions.



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emotional trauma and stigmatisation.

The Acting Director, Counselling and Human Development Centre, Mr. Sadiq Atanda in his address noted that the adolescents do take risk in a misguided way of feeling independent. This risk according to him is as a result of physiological changes among adolescents.

Mr. Atanda added that, premarital sex leads to sexually transmitted diseases which can lead to serious devastating long term complications such as male and female sterility, blindness, bone deformities, damage of major organs, pelvic inflammatory disease, pain during

urination or intercourse, persistent flu-like symptoms". Atanda said that the best way to prevent sexually transmitted diseases is to abstain from premarital sex and adopt a healthy life style.

A Senior Staff from the Counselling and Human Development Centre, Atere Campus, Mrs. Balqis Popoola in her speech, highlighted the causes of premarital sex as ignorance, laziness, peer pressure and lack of self control. Any form of premarital sex should be avoided as they all bring negative consequences.

A peer educator, Aishatu Mayiga said it is better to be unapproachable

than to be seen as cheap, this means your dressing should not be provocative, so you won't attract the wrong crowd.

Miss Mayiga emphasised the need for ladies to know their values and not settle for less. Whenever you are broke, call your parents or siblings and ask for money rather than sell yourself cheap for boys that would not marry you.

Similarly another peer educator, Imam Malik implored all adolescents to make their parents happy by being sources of joy to them.

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