

## VICE-CHANCELLOR'S WELCOME MESSAGE TO THE NEW AND RETURNING STUDENTS AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE 2023/2024 ACADEMIC SESSION

As-Salaam Alaiykum Waramatullah Wabarakatuhu.

All Praises are due to Almighty Allah (SWT) Who, in His Infinite Mercies and Grace, made it possible for you to resume for the 2023/2024 academic session, either as a fresh or returning student. I am dighted to welcome each and everyone of you to our Great University- Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin- the first Islamic Faith-based University in Nigeria.

The University management, with the solid support of the critical stakeholders, viz - The Founder, Council and the University Senate have at different occasions, put in place various measures meant to ensure hitch-free academic session in a conducive, well-secured and stress-free learning environment.

Walking around our various campuses, you will observe the massive infrastructural development currently on-going in the University. These include, among others:

## **ADETA CAMPUS:**

- 1. The renovation of the former Postgraduate School Block;
- 2. The construction of University cafeteria;
- 3. The erection of a supporting private cafeteria;

## **ATERE CAMPUS**

- 1. The completion of the Faculty of Law Moot Court;
- 2. The construction of 4 blocks of prototype hostels funded solely by the Founder;
- 3. The construction of the Faculty of Management Sciences Building;
- 4. The construction of road network;
- 5. The beautification of Moot Court Area through flowering and landscaping.

All these are meant to ensure your comfort and friendly learning environment.

In your overall interest, new policies on security and accommodation have been put in place, as follows:

- 1. University Hostel accommodation is COMPULSORY for all New, 200 Level and Final year students.
- 2. Students from other levels, who could not be accommodated In University hostels, are to pay online HOSTEL EXEMPTION FEE of N10,000. as approved by the Governing Council.
- 3. The student Affairs office has the list of APPROVED OUT-OF-CAMPUS HOSTELS/HOUSES
- 4. Students are implored to contact the Student Affairs Office with the receipt of their hostel exemption to obtain CLEARANCE/HOSTEL PASS before taking any Out-of-Campus Hostel or House.
- 5. This PASS would grant CAMPUS ENTRY to each student on daily basis.
- 6. Please note that STUDENTS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO LIVE IN ANY HOSTEL OR HOUSE WHICH IS NOT ON THE APPROVED LIST.
- 7. Please note that all the University Campus gates shall be locked as from 10.00pm daily. No student shall be allowed to exit or enter the campus after this closing time. Security personnel shall be on ground at these dates to ensure compliance.
- 8. To boost security, CCTV cameras are being deployed all over the campus, including all hostels. Contact mobile phone numbers will be provided by the Security Unit for your use in case of any emergency.
- 9. For better understanding of the above policies, the Management will be meeting with the Student Representatives from time to time. This is with a view to carrying them along and to exchange fruitful ideas in the interest of both the University and the students.

As you settle down to begin serious academic activities, I wish to solicit for your full cooperation on the measures spelt above and other arrangements introduced by Management to facilitate a hitch-free 2023/2024 academic session.

I welcome you all and pray for a safe, pleasant, enriching and successful academic experience.

As Salam Alaekum Waramatulahi Wabarakatuhu.

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