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From : Office of the Registrar
To : The Postgraduate Students

POSTGRADUATE STUDY

First, let me thank you for your support, and understanding as you all responded to the unexpected invasion of COVID-19, since March till date. We are proud of the way our students handled the demands we were faced with to protect everyone as we were forced to a lockdown; it's very unfortunate though. As you know, we were finally able to round up the undergraduate program last month and now, we are granted the approval to carry on with the postgraduate study program.

The interruption of the postgraduate classes is due to the lockdown decree that was imposed early march, leaving little time for the management to prepare and communicate with the students. The lockdown on course and study scheduling has been devastating. Lecturers were unable to submit their materials, and sometimes unreachable. The online alternative was totally unsuccessful due to some technical problems that have been finally solved, just recently. The main effect is the disruption of the academic calendar which simply means that we are now **off-track** as far as the academic year is concerned.

This dysfunction, being independent of our will, has been addressed yesterday during our academic retreat whereby the Vice-chancellor approved the following plans to enable our students to complete their study in better conditions.

Module I

- 17th – 21st September 2020 Course Materials (**Available on the eLearning platform**)
- 22nd – 11th October 2020 Period of study of the course materials by students
- 12th – 14th October 2020 Lecturers' assignments (**Sent to student mail box**)
- 15th October 2020 Submission of assignments
- 17th – 18th October 2020 Invitation to lecture Seminar & Exams
(**At ECOTES VISION & SERVICES, Ogba, Lagos**)
- 19th – 25th October 2020 Lecture Seminar & Exams

Module II

- 2nd -8th November 2020 Course Materials
- 9th - 29th November 2020 Materials' Study
- 30th Nov. – 6th December 2020 Lecturers' assignments
- 7th – 11th December 2020 Submission of assignments
- 12th – 13th December 2020 Invitation to Lecture Seminar & Exams
(At ECOTES VISION & SERVICES, Ogba, Lagos)
- 14th – 20th December 2020 Lecture Seminar & Exams

Note that the university severely suffered financially due to the suspension of every activity since March. We would not afford to engage on any kind of monetary compensation with anybody. We, therefore appeal to your sense of responsibility and maturity in order to save the rest of the year in joy and satisfaction.

Yours sincerely,

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For the Vice-Chancellor
The Registrar