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CICE-2019: UEW Dean wins Best Full Paper Award



Prof. Ruby Hanson

The Dean, Faculty of Science Education (FSE) of the University of Education, Winneba (UEW), Prof. Ruby Hanson, has won the Best Full Paper award at the 2019 Canada International Conference on Education (CICE).

The conference which took place from Monday, 24th June to Thursday, 27th June, 2019 at the University of Toronto, Mississauga, sought to promote collaborative excellence between academicians and professionals in Education and was attended by over 200 participants.

CICE is an internationally acclaimed conference dedicated to the advancement of the theory and practices in education. The aim of CICE is to provide an opportunity for academicians and professionals from various educational fields with cross-disciplinary interest to bridge the knowledge gap, promote research and the evolution of pedagogy. As part of the participation requirements, research papers that encompass conceptual analysis, design

implementation and performance evaluation are invited. All the accepted papers then appear in the proceedings and modified versions of selected papers are published in special issues peer reviewed journals.

Prof. Ruby Hanson who presented a paper on the topic "An Illuminative Evaluation of the Impact of Two-tier Diagnostic Instruments on Undergraduate Chemistry Teacher Trainees' Conception," was selected as the Best Full Paper award winner after the conference.

Congratulating Prof. Ruby Hanson on her nomination, the CICE-2019 Steering Committee Chair, Prof. Charles Shoniregun stated "on behalf of the CICE-2019, we would like to thank you for your participation. Your contribution is well-appreciated and we hope that the CICE-2019 gave you the exposure and the opportunity to meet other leading researchers from various countries; a big congratulations to our Best Paper, Best Extended Abstract and Best Poster award winners".

According to Prof. Shoniregun, Prof. Ruby Hanson of UEW won the Best Full Paper award while the Extended Abstract award was presented to two authors namely Hanin Alahmadi and Sirous Tabrizi both from University of Windsor, Canada. Their abstract was on the topic "School Budgeting Process: The Way Toward Effective Budget Allocation and Spending". The Poster award went to Chian Hwey Miin of Nanyang Polytechnic, School of Chemical and Life Sciences, Singapore. The awardee wrote on the topic "Targeting Misconceptions: Socratic Questioning in Chemical Engineering".

In an interview with Prof. Ruby Hanson, she expressed excitement about her nomination. "I knew I had worked very hard; I always try to achieve the best but then it came as a surprise that mine should be noted as the best. The nomination alone makes me excited." She encouraged her colleagues not to give up writing articles and journals.

Brief Profile of Prof. Ruby Hanson

Ruby Hanson is an Associate Professor of Chemistry Education and the Dean of the Faculty of Science Education in the University of Education, Winneba – the leading teacher education institute in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Professor Ruby Hanson obtained her Ph.D (Chemistry Education) from the University of Education. She holds an M.Phil (Analytical and Environmental Chemistry) from the University of Cape Coast, where she carried out research in chemical toxicology. She also holds a Certificate degree in Designing & Facilitating E-Learning from the Open Polytechnic of New Zealand, as well

as certificates from the Utrecht and Vrije Universiteit in the Netherlands in Development and Research in Science and Mathematics Education. She heads a Science Team that is spearheading a revolutionary national curriculum transformation.

Ruby Hanson's current researches focus on finding out students' conceptual challenges and remediating them through innovative and interactive strategies. Development of e-courseware, the use of micro science equipment for conceptual labs, and the preparation of pre-service science teachers for teaching are her current projects.

Professor Ruby Hanson is a recipient of a District Best Teacher Award as well as many other awards at both local and international conferences and workshops where she has made scholarly presentations.

She is a member of many international and national organisations, some of which are:

1. International Network of Women Engineers and Scientist- African Regional Network (INWES_ARN)
2. Organization for Promoting African Girls in Engineering, Science and Technology Education (OPGSTE)
3. Organisation for Women in Science for the Developing World (OWSD)
4. Graduate Women International (GWI)
5. University Teachers Association
6. Ghana Chemical Society

UEW, Millersville University of Pennsylvania sign MoU



Management of the University of Education, Winneba (UEW) on Thursday, 25th July, 2019 signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Millersville University of Pennsylvania, USA at the Council Chamber, North Campus, UEW. The agreement will further mutual understanding and enhance the internationalisation of objectives in the areas of education, exchange and research between the two institutions. It will also facilitate cooperative initiatives

between the two institutions in the areas of instruction, faculty and student exchange.

Other areas of the cooperation are development of joint academic research, including holding international workshops; development of dual degree programmes; and exchange of scholarly and pedagogical materials like grant of publication rights in one's own collected works and journals.



Present at the signing of the MoU were the Vice-Chancellor, UEW, Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni; Registrar, UEW, Surv. Paul Osei-Barima Esq.; President, Millersville University, Daniel A. Wubah; PA. House of Representatives, Hon. Jordan A. Harris; Omanhen of Effutu Traditional Area, Neenyi Ghartey VII; and Omanhen of Breman Traditional Area, Odeefuo Amoakwa Boadu VIII.

Also in attendance were the Dean, Centre for International Programmes (CIP), UEW, Prof. Yaw Sekyi-Baidoo; Dean, Faculty of Science Education, Prof. Ruby Hanson; Dean, School of Creative Arts, Dr. Patrique deGraft-Yankson; Ag. Internal Auditor, Isaac Marfo Oduro; Ag. Head, Procurement Office, Dominic Nibeneanaa Kuutiero, Senior Assistant Registrar, Mr. Andy Agordah and Coordinator, Procurement Office, Yaw Adu Achiaw.

Fulbright Scholar Supports SPED



A Fulbright Scholar and Co-Director of University of North Carolina (UNC) Asheville's 2019 Discover Ghana Study Abroad Program, Prof. Tiece Ruffin has supported the Department of Special Education (SPED) of the University of Education, Winneba (UEW) with learning materials.

The materials include hot dots talking pens, retell a story cubes, hot dots vocabulary 1-3, hot dots vocabulary 4-6, hot dots getting the main idea, reading comprehension cubes among others.

The rationale behind the donation is to improve the reading skills of pupils who have reading difficulties as well as promoting inclusive education in Ghana. It is also meant to support the important work of the SPED Reading Resource Centre (UEW). The support was precipitated by the reading crisis in sub-Saharan Africa as reported by the United Nations.



Prof. Tiece Ruffin

According to Prof. Tiece Ruffin the summer 2019 interaction with the SPED Reading Resource Centre was an extension of a collaboration that began in 2017/2018 academic year when she was a U. S. Fulbright Scholar who was hosted by UEW.

“Since UNC Asheville students were to study abroad in Ghana for 21 days, we (Prof. Boakye-Boaten and myself) partnered with the Centre for International Programmes (CIP) and SPED at UEW

to enhance our students' learning experience during our 12-day stay in Winneba,” she said.

Part of the activities included a cultural performance by UEW; an orientation session; guest lectures by UEW Faculty; visit to selected local schools in Winneba; a call on the Chief of Effutu, a tour around Kantanka Automobiles and service learning at the Reading Resource Centre.

Ultimately, UNC Asheville students had an opportunity to enhance their Intercultural Competent Global leadership skills with the two institutions having a mutually beneficial relationship.

Among the staff of UEW present at the donation and Kantanka Automobiles tour were the Head, SPED, Dr. Daniel Dogbe; some Senior Lecturers at SPED; Dr. Anthony Kofi Mensah, Mrs. Florence Akua Mensah and Senior Assistant Registrar, Center for International Programmes (CIP), Mr. Andy Agordah.



UNC Asheville students in a pose with some staff from the Department of Special Education

Works Begin on a Two-Storey Classroom Block at COLTEK



Head of COLTEK's WPDO, Mr Eric Opoku Amankwah (1st Right) leading the contractor and his team as well as some staff of COLTEK to the Construction site for the official handing over ceremony

Construction works on a two-storey classroom block has begun at the College of Technology Education, Kumasi (COLTEK) of University of Education, Winneba (UEW) as a further effort towards creating space to accommodate the increasing number of students to the University.

The over GHC1.7 million project is scheduled for completion within eight months and would have capacity for 500 students at a seating with washrooms. The facility would be accessible to all persons with disability.

Handing over the construction site to the Contractor – OTENSCO Construction and Multi-Services (OCMS), the Principal of COLTEK, Prof. Frederick Sarfo appealed to the contractor to expedite pace of work on the project.



Prof. F. K. Sarfo (in blue) and other COLTEK Management members and staff in a brief meeting with contractor and his team ahead of the official handing over of the construction site

He said COLTEK had a dire need for the facility and therefore any attempt to slow down the pace of work would gravely affect the purpose for the project.

"We are ready and willing to support you in every way necessary to ease out every challenge that you might face in the course of this project. All we require of you is that you act in good faith and stay committed to complete the project even if it is ahead of schedule," he said.

The College Registrar, Mr. Michael Kofi Adu supported the position of Prof. Sarfo by suggesting that OTENSCO considers working around the clock to pull off this project on time.

On his part, the Managing Director OCMS,

Mr. Kwasi Akangua Oteng assured the University that he and his team would work tirelessly to complete the project on schedule.

He was grateful for having been given the chance to work on the project and conceded that his performance on the project could open other opportunities in the University for him in the future.

The Works and Physical Development Office (WPDO) of COLTEK is the Consultant on the project.

Present at the brief ceremony were the Head of College Finance, Mr. Geoffrey Mensah, some staff of the University Relations Department and WPDO.



Mr. Eric Opoku Amankwah (3rd left) explains a point to the Contractor while the Principal, Prof. Sarfo and others look on

“We are in a very safe Place” – Vice-Chancellor



Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni (second from right) in a handshake with the CEO of Bsystems

The Vice-Chancellor, Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni has expressed his optimism in awarding the contract for the supply of Enterprise Resource Planning Systems (ERPS) to Bsystems Limited. He said the University of Education, Winneba (UEW) had over the years had several challenges with its previous Information Management Systems starting with the Online Students Information System (OSIS) I through to OSIS II but he was hopeful that the intervention of Bsystems Limited would help solve these challenges once and for all.

The Vice-Chancellor made these remarks on Monday, 15th July, 2019 at his office when a three-member delegation from Bsystems Limited visited the University to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). The MOU would regulate the working relationship between the

University and Bsystems Limited.

“This is one of the big things that we have been praying and hoping for because it is a landmark achievement in the life of this University. The good news is that, we have had the opportunity through our Director of ICT to speak to University of Ghana (UG), Legon; Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA); and Central University that have operated the system, in the case of UG for about 20 years,” Rev. Fr. Afful-Broni said. He added that, “I have also had the opportunity to speak to some lecturers who work with this system. So, if you are the same people who are operating the system in Legon and GIMPA, then I would say that we are in a very safe place.”



ERPS is a business process management software that allows an organisation to use a system of integrated applications to manage its business and automate many back office functions related to technology, services and human resources. The software if implemented, will automate all the core functions of UEW such as student records, planning, finance, admission, assessment, graduation, inventory, hall, assets, sales, human resource, procurement and payroll management.

Bsystems Limited is a Software and Database Management Company that offers cutting-edge Information Technology (IT)-based business solutions to meet the present and future needs of businesses within the sub-Saharan marketplace. The company combines

worldwide corps of systems and services experts with vastly reliable indigenous systems to deliver value-added products and services to its customers.

As a wholly indigenous Ghanaian company, Bsystems was incorporated under the Companies Code, 1963 (Act 179) as a limited liability company in 1999. It has made huge investments in software solutions thus making it one of Ghana's leading systems consulting and software development companies.



From left to right; Surv. Paul Osei-Barima Esq, Mr. Bruno Chirani, Mr. Dominic Nibeneanaa Kuuteiro and Dr. Ephrem Kwaa-Aidoo

Among the University officials present were the Registrar, Surv. Paul Osei-Barima Esq; Ag. Finance Officer, Mr. Bruno Chirani; Ag. Head of Procurement, Mr. Dominic Nibeneanaa Kuuteiro and Ag. Director of IT Services, Dr. Ephrem Kwaa-Aidoo. Bsystems Limited were represented by the Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Thomas A. Baafi; Managing Director, Education Division, Luxolo Rubushe and the Client Manager for Business Development (Education), Ms. Bella Lamprecht.



Representatives from Bsystems included Ms. Bella Lamprecht, Mr. Thomas A. Baafi and Luxolo Rubushe



Two Carnegie Fellows Donate Business Books to COLTEK



The two Carnegie Fellows (first and second from left) from the University of Maryland Eastern Shore and Henderson State University

Two Professors on a Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Programme with the College of Technology Education, Kumasi (COLTEK) of the University of Education, Winneba (UEW) have donated boxes of business books to the College as a contribution to promote teaching and learning, particularly, in the Business Faculty of COLTEK.

Professors Rexford Abaidoo and Edward O. Akoto from the University of Maryland Eastern Shore and Henderson State University respectively, were with the Faculty of Business Education (FBE) of COLTEK for a 21-day Fellowship Programme to support Graduate Teaching, Mentoring in Research and Data Analysis as well as Mentoring and Collaborative Research with Faculty.

However, upon their arrival on Monday, 10th June, 2019, the two Carnegie Fellows took on an added task to mobilise books in the areas of Human Resource, Marketing, Accounting, Finance, Organisational Behaviour and Management from the

United State of America to further boost academic life of lecturers and students in the College.

On Wednesday, 26th June, 2019, Professors Abaidoo and Akoto presented the books to the College at a brief ceremony where they declared their unfettered love and interest in UEW.

Speaking on their behalf, Prof. Akoto, an old student of UEW, thanked the Management, staff and students of COLTEK for the exemplary reception given them during the 21 days that they spent in the College.

He assured COLTEK of their commitment to maintain a long lasting relationship with the institution and said they would work at shipping more modern books to the College to support the growth of both staff and students on arrival at the USA. Receiving the books, the Ag. Principal of COLTEK, Prof. Frederick K. Sarfo thanked the Carnegie Fellows for the donation and the many other ways that they supported COLTEK in the few days that the College hosted them.



Principal of COLTEK, Prof. Frederick K. Sarfo (right) receiving the books on behalf of the College

He said the College was open to collaborations and relations that could engender mutual benefit(s) and therefore, encouraged them to be good ambassadors of UEW in America and wherever they find themselves.

He hoped that ultimately, the two Professors would join UEW permanently so they could fully support its growth to the highest pinnacle, possible.

Present at the ceremony were Deans of Faculty of Vocational Education (FVE), Prof. Martin Amoah and Faculty of Business Education (FBE), Dr. Isaac Addai; College Registrar, Mr. Michael Kofi Adu; Deputy Registrar and Head of the University Relations, Mr. Michael Kofi Twum-Ampomah and the Head of College Finance, Mr. Geoffrey Mensah.



Some staff of COLTEK in a pose with the Fellows

Others were the Vice Dean of Student Affairs, Dr. Philip Oti-Agyen, College Librarian, Mr. Seth Katsektor, Head of Development, Mr. Eric Opoku Amankwah and the Head of College Internal Audit, Mr. Godwill Andoh-Mensah.

Meanwhile, COLTEK Management held a farewell meeting with the two Professors on Friday, 28th June, 2019 where it presented UEW souvenirs to the guests.



4th International Multi-disciplinary Conference for Postgraduate Students held



Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni in a handshake with the Deputy Minister of Education, Hon. Dr. Yaw Osei Adutwum

The University of Education, Winneba (UEW) Chapter of the Graduate Students' Association of Ghana (GRASAG) has held its fourth International Multi-disciplinary Conference at the School of Creative Arts Conference Room, Central Campus, Winneba.

The programme, initiated four years ago by the then GRASAG-UEW President, Mr. Samuel Ofori Danquah, is intended to offer graduate students the opportunity to meet with institutional heads, think tanks, civil society groups and other colleagues in the field of academia to interact, critique, probe policies and decisions of policy makers as well as make meaningful contribution for the development of Ghana and the world at large.

The programme, organised under the auspices of the School of Graduate Studies (SGS) and the Institute for

Educational Research and Innovation Studies (IERIS), was held under the theme "Educating the Twenty-First Century Graduate". The Deputy Minister of Education, Hon. Dr. Yaw Osei Adutwum, who was the Guest of Honour, delivered the keynote address. Speaking on the theme, the Deputy Minister of Education highlighted and expounded on the timely intervention and implementation of major government policies such as Transforming Teacher Education and Learning (T-TEL), Free Senior High School, Double Track System, among others, to enable every Ghanaian, whether rich or poor, access quality education.

The conference was chaired by the Vice-Chancellor, UEW, Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni. In his message, he noted that UEW is one of the universities consistently ranked among the top three in Ghana, both in general academic terms and in terms of its strong variety of specific

teacher professional programmes and other important disciplines. "As a fast growing University, UEW offers a wide range of undergraduate and postgraduate degree programmes and contributes at both national and international levels through related research and community service," he emphasised.



GRASAG-UEW President, Mr. Godwin Kusi Danquah

The President, GRASAG-UEW, Mr. Godwin Kusi Danquah stressed, in his welcome address, that the future of every country depended on its investment in education. He opined that, "indeed, education is the passport to the future and tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today.

Any country that prioritises education makes a good investment into its future." Mr. Danquah therefore, called for a concerted support towards the realisation of proper education policies by the ruling government.



Guest Speaker, Prof. Jophus Anamuah-Mensah

The first Vice-Chancellor of UEW, Prof. Jophus Anamuah-Mensah, who was the Guest Speaker made the lead presentation. He indicated the need to instill in new teachers the nation's core values of honesty, integrity, creativity and responsible citizenship to achieve inclusive equitable high quality education for all.

There were goodwill messages by the GRASAG National President, Iris Kwafo Mensah and other Local Presidents of the association. Also, portraits and citations were presented to all the speakers and former GRASAG-UEW Presidents.



Attendees at the Conference

COLTEK, GSDI III Organise Maiden Workshop to Kick-start Implementation of MOU



Representatives of the College of Technology Education, Kumasi (COLTEK) and other relevant institutions including a Technical University and some Colleges of Education in Ghana have ended a two-week intensive trainer of trainers`workshop on School Management at COLTEK of the University of Education, Winneba (UEW).

A total of 25 people drawn from COLTEK, College of Agriculture (CAGRIC), UEW; Tamale Technical University (TTU); Mampong Technical College of Education, Presbyterian College of Education as well as other Colleges of Education from Ada, Akropong, Akatsi, and Bagabaga attended the workshop.

Major topics treated included Leadership in Schools; Change Management at Schools; Quality Management – Quality Framework; Self Evaluation Tools and Instruments; Managing Resources and School Budget; Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) Analysis; Planning for Improvement – Strategic Plans for Schools.

The workshop was in fulfillment of a key item in a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that COLTEK signed with Ghana

Skills Development Initiative (GSDI) III on April 4, 2019. Among other things, GSDI III has committed itself to support the capacity building of COLTEK staff via the MOU that is aimed, ultimately, to bolster training in the Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) section of education in Ghana.

Closing the workshop on behalf of the Ag. Principal of COLTEK, Prof Frederick Kwaku Sarfo, the Deputy Registrar and Head of University Relations, Mr. Michael K. Twum-Ampomah reiterated COLTEK` s commitment to ensuring the successful implementation of the MOU.



He was highly appreciative of GSDI III for its prompt organisation of the maiden capacity building workshop for the institutions present and hoped that participants would impart the knowledge acquired on their respective institutions and those in their environs.

Stressing the importance of TVET to the development of Ghana, Mr. Twum-Ampomah called on all well-meaning Ghanaians to join in the campaign to disabuse the wrong impression that persons who opt for TVET are usually academically-weak.

He commended the participants for their enthusiasm and cooperation at the workshop.

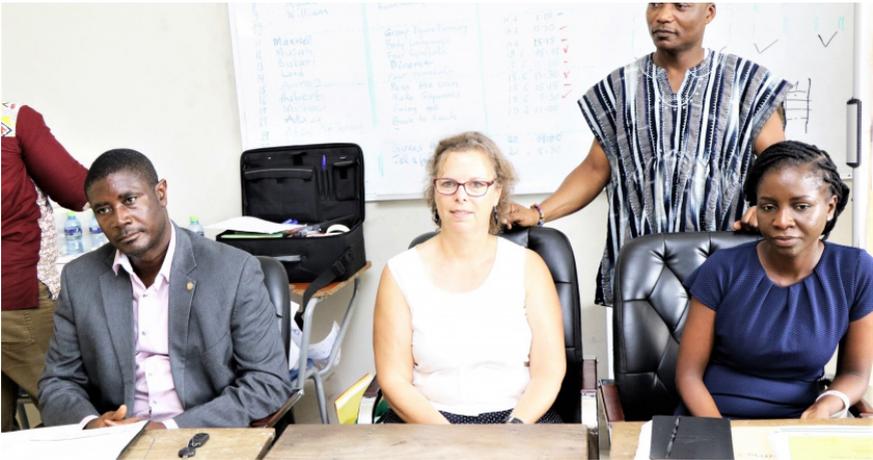
Ms. Abigail Abrokwah from the Assessment and Certification Unit, Council for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (COTVET), who represented the Executive Director of COTVET, Dr. Fred Kyei hinted that the Council was in the process of collaborating with industry for hands on training of students in the TVET area. She asked the participants to join hands with COTVET to campaign against the wrong perceptions that have shrouded and crippled TVET in the country, stressing that TVET was a sure way to expedite the development of the nation. The participants were grateful for the rare opportunity offered them to learn new ways of managing schools.



A participant, Mr. Aaron Kumah was happy about the insight he had gained on the use of the Map Plan Facilitation Method. In his view, the method was an improved way to do facilitation even beyond the TVET domain. Mr. Kumah, who is also a Lecturer at COLTEK, commended the organisers for the aptness of the topics selected and the facilitators for

their “fantastic presentations and smooth delivery on the various topics.”

The main facilitators of the workshop were the Co-ordinator of Admissions Unit, COLTEK, Mr. Daniel Konin and a representative of GSDI III, Madam Ute Anna Ochsenreither.





UEW Hosts Launch and Maiden National Conference of CEAG



The two-day conference saw participants from several tertiary institutions in Ghana

The University of Education, Winneba (UEW) has hosted the launch and maiden national conference of the Communication Educators Association of Ghana (CEAG). The association, founded barely a year ago seeks to promote scholarship, research, learning, teaching and training in communication in Ghana. It also aims at promoting professional development in communication education and industry, curriculum development in communication-related disciplines in Ghana as well as network and organic solidarity among members of the fraternity of communication educators.



Speakers during the CEAG Conference

CEAG also intends to facilitate relationships between industry and training institutions, cooperate with government in pursuit of quality communication education, develop affiliations with international communication associations and encourage cooperation with communication educators and professionals across Africa.

The two-day conference which took place from Thursday, 27th to Friday, 28th June, 2019 was held under the theme "Communication education in a disruptive era: curriculum development and pedagogical issues".



Keynote Speaker, Prof. Kehbuma Langmia

Presenting on the theme, the keynote speaker, Fulbright Scholar and Chair in the Department of Strategic, Legal and Management Communication, School of Communications, Howard University, Prof. Kehbuma Langmia brought to bear a number of unprofessional utterances that have hindered progress of communication education in Africa. He however, provided remedies to curb the situation.

In his welcome address, the Chairman of the Interim Management Team, Prof. Kwame Karikari indicated the

Association's readiness to uplift the standards of scholarship and promote critical and innovative ideas in members' chosen field of education. He was hopeful of enriching and upgrading the values and qualities of professional practices in the industry for which communication educators train students.



Chairman of the Interim Management Team, Prof. Kwame Karikari

The Vice-Chancellor of UEW, Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni expressed fulfillment and happiness to host the launch and maiden conference of CEAG. "I wish to indicate that we are highly elated to host this conference of communication educators. UEW is the only university in Ghana with the core mandate of training professional educators to spearhead a new national vision of education which is aimed at redirecting the country's efforts along the path of rapid economic and social development.

"The choice of this University as the host is therefore, a gratifying one and I know that the two-day conference will seek innovative ways of teaching and designing communication and journalism curricula to meet the demands of the millennium," the Vice-Chancellor said.



Vice-Chancellor of UEW, Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni being followed by Communications Specialist, Prof. Audrey Gadzekpo

Among the high profile dignitaries present to grace the two-day conference were the Chairman, Board of Directors, Ghana Grid Company (GRIDCo), Ambassador Kabral Blay-Amihere and Dean, School of Information and Communication Studies, University of Ghana, Legon, Prof. Audrey Gadzekpo.

The CEAG Local Organising Committee, Department of Communication and Media Studies comprised Mr. Kwesi Aggrey (Chairman), Prof. Andy Ofori-Birikorang, Dr. Mavis Amo-Mensah, Dr. Christiana Hammond, Dr. Albert Agbesi Wornyo, Dr. Gifty Appiah-Adjei, Mr. Asare Okae-Anti, Ms. Abena Abokoma Asemanyi, Ms. Akosua Asantewaa Anane and Ms. Gloria Ahima Baffoe.



CIP Organises Orientation for 23 International Students



The Centre for International Programmes (CIP) of the University of Education, Winneba (UEW) on Wednesday, 19th June, 2019 held an orientation for 23 international students from the University of North Carolina, Asheville and Norwegian University of Science and Technology at the Registrar's Conference room, North Campus, Winneba.

The orientation was aimed at enlightening and equipping the students with basic knowledge that would help them settle into their studies quickly and enjoy their stay at the university.

In his welcome address, the Dean, CIP, Prof. Yaw Sekyi-Baidoo, who spoke on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor, Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni welcomed the students and encouraged them to feel at home in the friendly environment of the University and the country. He added that UEW is keen on building and strengthening partnership with universities both continentally and globally.

The Senior Assistant Registrar, CIP, Mr. Andy Agordah, gave a presentation of UEW at a Glance. This showcased the university with all the campuses, faculties and centres.



Dean of CIP, Prof. Yaw Sekyi-Baidoo



Mr. Andy Agordah during his presentation

The Assistant Inspector of Immigration, Ghana Immigration, Effutu Municipal, Mr. Joe Daah, charged the foreign students to obey all immigration laws. He advised them to comply with and renew their residential permits in order to make their stay in the country peaceful. He also encouraged them to visit the immigration office for any clarifications and information when the need arises.

A Senior Lecturer at the Department of Psychology Education, UEW, Mrs. Christiana Ammah presented on culture shocks and stressed the need to describe, interpret, verify and evaluate new cultures before providing subjective views. She noted that as international students, they should try as much as possible to learn to build intercultural relationships with their immediate culture.

With regard to security, the Assistant Security Officer, Mr. Kwame Opare Danso who spoke on behalf of the Director, Directorate of Security Services, Mr. Bartholomew Alubokin, took the students through some measures to keep them safe during their stay on campus. He further advised them to be wary of venturing into obscured places and dealing with drivers without UEW stickers on campus.

A Lecturer, Department of Home Economics Education and the Coordinator of the Food Production Unit Restaurant (FPU), UEW, Mrs. Joana Antwi Donkor, made a presentation on behalf of the Ag. Head, Department of Home Economics Education, Prof. Phyllis Foster. She introduced them to some Ghanaian dishes and cautioned them to be mindful of the foods they eat in and around Winneba. The Credit Officer, Ghana Commercial Bank (GCB), Mr. William Marnon-Halm and the

Head, Zenith Bank, Mr. Jerry John Otchere both of Winneba Branches, educated the students on the standard procedures of their respective banks regarding foreign exchange, visa operations and money withdrawal. They educated students on the essence of opening bank accounts with their respective banks.

A Senior Assistant Librarian, Mr. Theophilus Fiawotofor, who spoke in lieu of the University Librarian, Mr. Viscount Buer explained the various library services available to the international students especially the online services. These services included the WINNOPAC database as well as the electronic library. He also advised them to make good use of the library during their stay on campus.

The Ag. Director of Health Services, UEW, Dr. Beth Offei-Awuku highlighted some measures to preserve good and healthy life on campus. She advised the students to be mindful of the weather conditions in the country and also tasked them to exercise regularly.



Immigration Officers from the Ghana Immigration Service, Effutu Municipality

Other University officials that were present included the Senior Assistant Registrar, Student Affairs, Mr. Israel Fugar; lecturers Mrs. Florence Akua Mensah and Dr. Anthony Mensah from the Department of Special Education; and Assistant Security Officer (ASO), Security Services, UEW, Ms. Angelina Asieduaa Siaw.

Also present were the Winneba Branch Manager, GCB, Mr. Godwill Senaye; Assistant Superintendent of Immigration, Esther Osaebia Okai; Assistant Immigration Control Officer, Mrs. Vivian Sedzro from the Winneba Branch of the Ghana Immigration Service.

We Value Staff and Students' Welfare – Vice-Chancellor



The Vice-Chancellor, Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni has stated that the welfare of staff and students of the University of Education, Winneba (UEW) is valuable to Management hence, the continuous provision, construction and upgrade of facilities.

He recounted some of the on-going projects on the campuses of the University to facilitate effective administrative and efficient academic work, particularly the construction of a 100-bed-state-of-the-art University hospital at Winneba to improve the delivery of health services. Additionally, contracts for construction of three lecture blocks on Winneba Campuses have been awarded and are

expected to be completed by the end of November, 2019. Also, three lecture blocks currently at the evaluation stage are expected to be built at the North Campus.

Furthermore, work is expected to be completed on a lecture theatre complex at COLTEK and the old laboratories and workshops are being refurbished to augment the new workshops provided by the African Development Bank/Council for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (AfDB/COTVET) project.

The Vice-Chancellor made this known during the Matriculation ceremony for the 2018/2019 Fresh Sandwich Students held from Thursday, 22nd to Saturday,

24th August, 2019 at the Winneba, Kumasi and Asante Mampong Campuses of the University.

"Our libraries on all Campuses are well stocked with numerous resources such as books and online materials readily available for your study and sufficient reading materials to augment the notes you take at lectures and enough reference materials to enable you undertake your assignments. Together, our libraries provide several thousands of volumes

and periodicals. We provide access to over 40,000 online journals, databases and catalogues that can be accessed from anywhere in the world," the Vice-Chancellor said to the Matriculants.

Rev. Fr. Prof. Afful-Broni pointed out that UEW constantly redesigns and realigns its sandwich programmes to match up with Ghana Education Service's calendar and schedules in order to meet the needs of individuals who fall into the Sandwich category.



Matriculants taking the Matriculation Oath

He assured the fresh sandwich students that UEW would continually adopt more innovative ways to improve the quality of the teaching and learning processes, the environment and staff available to deliver on the promises of the University.

“The quality of staff at this University is the best you can find anywhere in the world. This is the only University in Ghana with 100 percent of its academic staff being professional educators. This has been made possible due to our mandatory postgraduate programme in teaching in higher education for all academic staff. Even before Government thought of making this a policy for Universities in Ghana, we were already practising it,” the Vice-Chancellor said.

He advised the Matriculants to be disciplined, focused and committed since the programme is packed, loaded and intensive.

“You are therefore, required individually to fashion out a plan so that you are not overtaken by events within the limited time for the programme. I would urge you to quickly adjust to the environment, take full responsibility for your learning and take advantage of the many opportunities available to you here,” Rev. Fr. Prof. Afful-Broni said.



Convocation members at the ceremony

The University received a total of **5,314** applications for the various sandwich programmes with **3,484** going for undergraduate programmes and **1,830** for postgraduate programmes. This number represents a **42%** increase over the previous year’s applications received. The University offered admission to **4,542** applicants, an increase of **34%** over the previous year. However, by the close of registration, **3,791** representing **52%** over the previous year had registered. **2,035** of registered students representing **54%** are females while **1,756** representing **46%** are males.



UEW Cooperative Credit Union Elects New Board of Directors



The University of Education, Winneba (UEW) Cooperative Credit Union Limited has held elections to select new Board of Directors to manage the affairs of the Union for the next four years.

The elections, held on Wednesday, 21st August, 2019, took place at the three campuses (Winneba, Ajumako and Asante Mampong) of the University and Senya Beraku Agency Office of the Union. The Winneba Campus, which had North and South Campuses Polling Stations, together with Ajumako Campus and Senya Beraku saw UEW staff from the various campuses as well as community members of the Union voting



At the North Campus Polling Station

Six candidates contested at Winneba, Ajumako and Senya Beraku and out of the six, the first five elected were Mr. Albert Samuel Cromwell, Mr. Charles A. Coffie, Dr. Bernard B.B. Bingab, Ms. Mary Aba Afful and Mr. Prince P. K. M. Taylor. They polled 355, 332, 299, 297 and 279 votes representing 19.29%, 18.04%, 16.25%, 16.14% and 15.16% respectively. Mr. Francis Teye who placed sixth with 278 votes representing 15.12% conceded

defeat after the declaration of the results. Mr. Benjamin Nketiah amassed 164 votes representing 83.7% to win the Asante Mampong seat. He defeated his only competitor, Rev. Kwame Nkrumah Hope who had 32 votes representing 16.3%. There was no election at the Kumasi Campus because the nominee, Mr. Michael K. Twum Ampomah went unopposed.



Electoral officers looking on as counting of votes was underway at the close of the polls

The Chairman of the current Board of Directors, Mr. Steve v. Kamassah, congratulated all the candidates for the keen contest as well as the organisers for a successful election. He hinted that the new members of the Board would be inaugurated at the 19th Annual General Meeting of the Union expected to take place in October, 2019.

The election was organised by the Department of Publishing and Web Development under the Division of Publications and Communication, UEW. The Deputy Registrar and Head, Mr. Jerry Addison Anyan, was the Returning Officer.



Returning Officer, Mr. Jerry Addison Anyan (in white) announcing the outcome of the elections

S/N	Candidate	Vote Cast (Bench Camp)	Vote Cast (Dhurum Camp)	Vote Cast (Ajumani)	Vote Cast (Banya Bani)	Total Valid Vote Cast	Percentage	Remarks
1	Charles A. Coffie	74	167	46	45	332	77.57	3rd
2	Prince Percy K. M. Taylor	66	142	39	32	279	65.18	5th
3	Dr. Bernard B. B. Bingab	74	148	30	47	299	69.88	3rd
4	Mary Afa Afful	68	146	35	48	297	69.39	6th
5	Albert Samuel Cromwell	73	204	33	45	355	82.94	1st
6	Francis Teye	61	148	29	40	278	64.95	6th
	INVALID VOTES	2	2					
	TOTAL VALID VOTE CAST	88	238	49	53	428		

The final results after compilation of results from all the polling stations

COLTEK Organises Orientation for 2019 Fresh Sandwich Students



Postgraduate Sandwich Students at the Orientation

The Coordinator for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) programmes at the College of Technology Education, Kumasi (COLTEK) of the University of Education, Winneba (UEW), Dr. Humphrey Danso has assured the public of the high quality of programmes that UEW offers via its Sandwich and Distance Modes.

He reiterated that the quality of UEW's Sandwich and Distance programmes were same as its highly competitive regular programmes



Dr. Humphrey Danso, Coordinator of TVET Programmes, COLTEK

Speaking at the 2019 Sandwich Orientation for fresh Diploma/Post Diploma and TVET undergraduate students at COLTEK on July 27, 2019, Dr. Danso reminded the public of the fact that UEW maintains a high standing as an astute and reputable institution that boasts of the best in terms of teaching and non-teaching staff.

"We operate in strict compliance with national standards and requirements in respect of required qualification for admission, accreditation for programmes and courses in addition to the fact that our certificate is widely accepted," he stressed.

He, therefore, assured the public and particularly, the fresh students that, "the same requirements for admission into any of our regular programmes and admission selection processes was used for you; lecturers teaching our regular students will teach you; the content for our regular programmes are same for you."



Some COLTEK Staff (front-row) and some of the Fresh Postgraduate students listening attentively to a presentation during the postgraduate sandwich orientation on July 30, 2019

He added that as students, it was necessary for them to commit to hardwork while on the programme so that they could assimilate enough and go into the working industry as good ambassadors of UEW and Ghana as a whole.

For his part, the Principal of COLTEK, Prof. Frederick Kwaku Sarfo assured the fresh students that they made a right choice to opt for UEW and informed them that COLTEK had been given an exclusive national mandate to train TVET teachers for all technical and vocational institutions in the country.



Some Management Members and Senior Members of COLTEK who graced the Postgraduate Sandwich Orientation

He said UEW has the capacity and capability to groom them into high caliber teachers if they would commit themselves to being punctual to lectures, disciplined and make sacrifices since it is common knowledge that Sandwich programmes are highly intensive.

The Principal informed the freshmen and women that as part of their training, UEW would be placing high premium on workplace learning experience gathering, pre and post internship sessions and on-campus teaching practice.



Dr Kofi Yeboah Asiamah, Head, Department of Interdisciplinary Studies (DIS) addressing the students



A section of the Diploma, Post-Diploma and Undergraduate Sandwich Students at the Orientation on July 27, 2019

Various topics including The Role of Management in Providing Conducive Environment for Teaching and Learning; Fees and Procedures for Payment; Overview of Academic Arrangements; Facilities on Campus and their Proper Care; Importance and Structure of Sandwich Programmes on Campus; the Semester and Course Credit System; UEW Online Registration and Security on Campus were treated.

The Head of Department of Interdisciplinary Studies (DIS), Dr. Kofi Yeboah Asiamah said the sandwich programme is ultimately to transform the fresh students into professional teachers.

A similar orientation was held for fresh postgraduate sandwich students on July 30, 2019.

He reminded the freshmen of the brevity of time for the Sandwich session and explained that that would not lead to the watering down of quality of the programmes since adequate measures had been put in place to ensure that each course received a minimum of nine hours for each week to equal the duration of regular programmes.

The Vice Dean of Student Affairs at COLTEK, Dr. Philip Oti-Agyen was the Chairman for both occasions.

2019 Pupils' Mathematics Camp Held



The pupils with lecturers and teachers in a group photograph after the event

The University of Education, Winneba (UEW), as part of its Corporate Social Responsibility has fully funded a four-day Maths Camp for upper primary pupils in the Effutu Municipality. The Maths Camp, organised by the Department of Mathematics Education, took place at the Kwame Boadi Pavilion and the Assembly Hall both at the South Campus from Sunday, 11th to Wednesday, 14th August, 2019.

The Camp which began last year with 35 pupils from Unipra North and South schools had over 150 participants from selected basic schools in the municipality this year.

The Maths Camp was aimed at providing early learners with the opportunity to create, change and incorporate new ideas in their learning process as well as to correct the wrong perception among school pupils that Mathematics is a difficult subject to learn. It was also designed to demystify mathematics learning among primary school pupils,

build their self-assurance and confidence thus making them independent learners.



Prof. Ruby Hanson addressing participants during the Opening Ceremony

Addressing the pupils at the Opening Ceremony, the Dean, Faculty of Science Education, Prof. Ruby Hanson reiterated that the Department of Mathematics Education is mandated to produce competent teachers who are equipped with best practices and

modern pedagogies, such as the use of Information and Communication Technology. She indicated that the Maths Camp was an innovation of Lecturers in the Department of Mathematics Education, initiated to help correct the wrong belief held by some students about Mathematics.

“Being at this camp is the start of that big success towards the achievement of the mission and vision to get our nation to rely on you younger ones as a potential resource to bring about change. We do not want you to endlessly copy

notes that you do not understand, written on the chalkboard or be looking up to someone to feed you with ‘appor’,” she said to the pupils.

Present at the Opening Ceremony were the Director, Quality Assurance, Prof. Yaw Ameyaw; Director, Office for Institutional Advancement (OIA), Prof. S. K. Asiedu-Addo; Head, Department of Mathematics Education, Prof. M. J. Nabie; Lecturers and teachers in the Department of Mathematics Education and selected schools respectively.

Senior Staff of COLTEK Schooled on Modern Trends in University Administration



College Registrar, Mr. Michael Kofi Adu delivering the opening address, with him are (from right) Mr. Richard Mprah, Head of College Human Resource Dept.; Mr. Ahmed Mohammed Musah, Retired Senior Lecturer; Deputy Registrar and Head of University Relations, Mr Micaheal K. Twum-Ampomah and Mr. Abraham Ato of the Office of Student Affairs, COLTEK.

The Department of Human Resource (DHR) at the College of Technology Education, Kumasi (COLTEK) of the University of Education, Winneba (UEW) has organised a two-day workshop on current trends in University Administration

for all senior staff of the College. Participants were also exposed to various working Policy Documents of the UEW in a bid to refresh their memories in respect of their duties and responsibilities to the University as well

as their rights and benefits. The College Registrar, Mr. Michael Kofi Adu opening the workshop noted that the topics had been painstakingly selected and appealed to participants to take advantage of the opportunity to assimilate enough to improve their performance for the progress of UEW.

The topics included the Importance of the University Policy Documents in Ensuring Effective Decision-Making; Managing Time and Workload to Achieve Desired Results; Interpersonal Relationships and Communication Skills for Achieving Results; Managing Office Effectively to Achieve Results and The Effective Use of the University Internet System to Achieve Results.



Mr Michael Kofi Adu joins participants to listen to one of the presentations

The Head of DHR, Mr. Richard K. Mprah intimated that the workshop had been designed to give participants greater understanding of their responsibilities vis-à-vis build their confidence to enhance their overall performance in the University. "At the end of the day, participants would be equipped with the right attitude to achieve results," he said with optimism and explained further that "the workshop is geared towards ensuring proactive and responsive administrative

system for the University as indicated in the objective 11 of UEW's 2019-2023 Corporate Strategic Plan."

The Deputy Registrar and Head of University Relations Department, Mr. Michael Kofi Twum-Ampomah dilated on various policy documents of the University and encouraged participants to religiously study the provisions in them to avoid falling foul to any of them. He listed about 26 of such policy documents and reiterated their critical role in ensuring fairness, equity, transparency, rights and responsibilities, accountability and conflict resolution among workers in the University.



Some participants at the workshop





Speakers at the Workshop

Other speakers at the workshop were Mr. Ahmed Mohammed Musah, Retired Senior Lecturer of COLTEK; Dr. Charles Baba Campion, Head of Academic Affairs Department; Mrs. Akua Ahyia Adu-Oppong, Coordinator, Center for Competency-Based Training and Research (CCBTR) and Mr. Nicholas Donkor, Coordinator, Information Technology Unit



Faculty of Education and Communication Sciences Strategises for Future Growth



Principal of COLTEK, Prof. Frederick K. Sarfo addressing Faculty members

The Faculty of Education and Communication Sciences (FECS) of the College of Technology Education, Kumasi (COLTEK) has organised a three-day workshop for its staff to prepare for the start of the 2019/2020 academic year and strategise towards the future growth of the Faculty.

The workshop, held at Obuasi in the Ashanti Region, offered the opportunity for long-drawn-out sessions for in-depth discussions into key issues, in addition to presentations on various strategic topics. The topics included Teaching and Learning in Tertiary Education in the 21st Century; Internationalisation of Curriculum; Strategy for Implementation of Departmental Operational Plans; Research and Practice in the Faculty among others

Officially opening the workshop, the Principal of COLTEK, Prof. Frederick K. Sarfo called on the wealthy and affluent

in society to support tertiary education in the country to avoid the situation where universities only depend on fees for income generation.

He made reference to other countries, noting that the affluent in those societies have been generous in supporting education knowing that eventually quality products from schools would become the workforce for their businesses.



He reminded participants of COLTEK's vision to become a center of excellence for quality teacher education and research in TVET and charged them to be innovative in order to anchor the relevance and competitiveness of the Faculty in the face of stiff competition in the tertiary education front.

"We have a duty to work hard to achieve greater international and local visibility and collaboration; produce graduates with unparalleled acumen for researching in the area of curriculum, instruction and language as well as raise funds for research and development activities", he added.

Making a presentation on the topic – "Teaching and Learning in Tertiary Education in the 21st Century," Prof. Sarfo, who is also Dean of FECS, advocated for education in the country to be properly focused so that it could churn-out graduates who would be productive, creative and critical thinkers on issues

of national interest. Other speakers at the workshop were Dr. Faith Ben-Daniels, Dr. Stephen Adjei Baffour and Mr. Ato Kwamina Arhin. FECS is the pioneering faculty of COLTEK and has evolved into three academic departments namely Department of Inter-disciplinary Studies (DIS), Department of Educational Leadership (DEL) and Department of Languages Education (DLE) as well as the Center for Competency-Based Training and Research (CBTR).

The Faculty offers MA, M.Phil and Ph.D in Educational Leadership; Diploma-in-Education as well as undergraduate programmes in areas including English and Arabic.



A cross-section of participants in a pose after the workshop

Sign Language Interpreters and Teachers of the Deaf Trained



Dr. Daniel Dogbe, Head of Department for Special Education

The Department of Special Education (SPED) of the University of Education, Winneba (UEW) in collaboration with Western Oregon University (WOU), USA has held a workshop from Monday, 29th July to Friday, 9th August, 2019 for Sign Language Interpreters (SLI) and teachers of the deaf at the Registrar's Conference Room, North Campus, Winneba.

The workshop was intended to help participants improve upon and sharpen their interpreting skills thereby developing a community of skillful and fluent SLI at SPED who will individually provide effective interpreting, translating and note-taking support services to individual students who are deaf.

SPED and professional partners from WOU have been providing professional training in Sign Language for SLI and teachers of the deaf who in turn provide academic and psychosocial support to individual students who are deaf or hard

of hearing at the secondary and tertiary levels of education in the country. This is the seventh collaborative workshop that has been organised at UEW between SPED and WOU in addressing the issue of best practices for SLI

The Head of SPED, Dr. Daniel Dogbe indicated that his outfit envisages continuous collaborative dialogue to produce a community of skillful and competent SLI for students who are deaf at UEW in particular and Ghana as a whole.

The workshop saw participants from SPED, public and private schools for the deaf in the country, Ghana National Association of the Deaf (GNAD), non-governmental organisations (NGOs), parents and teachers with wards or children who are deaf.



Brief Background on SLI at UEW

Sign Language interpreting started officially at UEW in September of 2006 when a deaf female student was admitted into the Department of Special Education to read a bachelor's degree in Special Education.

At the fresh students' orientation at that time, it became necessary for the Coordinator, Unit for Education of the Hearing Impaired (EHI) to interpret for the deaf student. Later, a male Teaching

Assistant who was a competent Signer was assigned as her interpreter.

UEW has since 2006 admitted on average, six students with deafness each academic year to read various degree programmes at the Winneba and Kumasi campuses of the University.

Five Public Universities and Affiliate Colleges of Education to Roll out new B. Ed Programme from October 2019



Dr. Eric Ananga, one of the facilitators

From October 2019, forty-six public Colleges of Education will collaborate with five public universities in the country to roll out the new B. Ed programme which was approved by the National Accreditation Board in July 2018. This was disclosed at a two day orientation workshop organized by T-Tel for communicators from the five participating public universities to explore ways to support the roadmap for the delivery of the B.Ed programme and to address emerging communication issues.

The universities are University of Education, Winneba, University of Ghana, Legon; Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Kumasi; University of Cape Coast, and University for Development Studies. The affiliation has been carefully selected to ensure that each College of Education receives relevant mentoring and maximum benefit from the relationship

To ensure quality and improved standards, a National Teachers' Standards (NTS), National Teacher Education Curriculum

Framework (NTECF), and a B.Ed programme were developed by Ghanaian educators who are experts in the various fields and approved by Cabinet. This is under the Government of Ghana's six-year Transforming Teacher Education and Learning (T-TEL) programme which is funded by UK aid. The objective of the new curriculum is to transform the delivery of pre-service teacher education.

The new B. Ed. programme has three specialisms: the B.Ed Early Grade Teacher Education, B.Ed Upper Primary Teacher Education and the B.Ed Junior High School Teacher Education programmes; the latter having specialist subject areas. Under the new programme, all basic school teachers would be required to obtain a Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.) degree aligned to the NTECF and delivered by the 46 Colleges of Education in Ghana through their affiliate public universities.



Miss Obaapanin Adu, UEW Representative at the Orientation Workshop

The curriculum has been developed to employ interactive, inclusive and innovative teaching and learning techniques while introducing changes in the overall assessment of pre-service teachers. This is against the backdrop of the importance placed on extended periods of supported teaching in schools and the use of interactive learner-focused approaches. The new B.Ed curriculum is expected to improve learning outcomes and ensure that children are motivated to be life-long learners beyond their time in school.

Among the facilitators were Mr. Robin Todd, Prof. Jophus Anamuah-Mensah, Dr. Akwasi Addae-Boahene, Dr. Eric Ananga, Mrs. Dinah Adiko and Mr. Enock Gyan. The communicators from the participating public universities resolved to accompany the process to ensure effective implementation of the new programme.

COLTEK Wins COL Grant to Train Youth in Automotive Electronic Car Repairs and Maintenance



An Assistant at COLTEK's Automotive Workshop (extreme right) introducing a machine to the guests

The College of Technology Education, Kumasi (COLTEK) has won a 57,000-Canadian-Dollar-grant under the Commonwealth of Learning (COL) to pilot "Skills-in-Demand Project" in Ghana. With the grant, COLTEK will train, at least, 100 Ghanaian youth in Automotive Electronic car repairs and maintenance.

COL is an inter-governmental organisation established by the Commonwealth Heads

of Government in 1988 with the focus on encouraging the development and sharing of open learning and distance education knowledge, resources and technologies.

COLTEK won the grant via a competitive bidding effort in which twenty (20) other TVET institutions in Commonwealth countries in Africa also competed



Members of COLTEK at the meeting (from right to left) Dean of Vocational Education (FVE), Prof. Martin Amoah; Dean of Technical Education (FTE), Prof. Stephen Jobson Mitchual; Coordinator, TVET Programmes at COLTEK, Dr. Humphrey Danso and the Dean of Faculty of Business Education (FBE), Prof. Isaac Boateng

The College's grant application was spearheaded by the Dean of the Faculty of Business Education (FBE), Prof. Isaac Boateng and Senior Lecturer, Department of Wood and Construction, Dr. Humphrey Danso with the support of the Principal of COLTEK, Professor Frederick K. Sarfo and Prof. Stephen J. Mitchual, Dean of the Faculty of Technical Education (FTE).

COLTEK is partnering with automotive garages in Kumasi to execute the pilot "Skills-in-Demand Project", which is expected to culminate in the development of an Interactive Online Platform (IOP) for providing theoretical underpinnings for electronic car engines.

Accordingly, the leadership of the Garages Association at Asafo Magazine in Kumasi, on September 5, 2019 called at COLTEK for further deliberations toward the commencement of the actual practical training of the 100 informal apprentices under the pilot "Skills- in-Demand Project."

Welcoming them on behalf of the Principal of COLTEK, the Dean of the Faculty of Vocational Education (FVE), Prof. Martin Amoah stressed the urgent need for collaboration between academia and industry to push forward the development agenda of the nation.

He assured the Garages Association of COLTEK's commitment to create a congenial atmosphere for a thriving partnership between the two bodies with resultant mutual benefits and the good of Mother Ghana.

The Dean of FTE, Prof. Mitchual reiterated the need for Ghana's education to be properly focused on TVET in order to guarantee the expeditious mitigation of the high unemployment rate in the country.



The Dean of Faculty of Vocational Education (FVE) and Representative of the Principal of COLTEK at the meeting, Prof. Martin Amoah (Right) addressing the members of the Garages Association flanked by the Dean of FTE, Prof. Mitchual



Members of the Garages Association at the meeting (from right to left) Messrs Donald Opare, Chairman; James Boateng, Vice Chairman; Akwasi Nyanse, Secretary as well as Tetteh Ayiku and Kwadwo Frimpong, both members.

The Chairman of the Garages Association, Mr. Donald Opare was very happy that the Management of COLTEK had found them up to the task by inviting the Association for partnership assured them of their unalloyed commitment and support to the success of the project. Other leaders of the Garages Association who accompanied the Chairman to

COLTEK were Messrs James Boateng, Vice Chairman; Akwasi Nyanse, Secretary as well as Tetteh Ayiku and Kwadwo Frimpong, both members.

They were conducted round some of the College's well-resourced workshops to familiarise themselves with some of the modern machines available there.



A group photograph of COLTEK and the Garages Association members who were at the meeting

UEW Undergoes Institutional Accreditation Review



UEW members and the NAB team during deliberations

The University of Education, Winneba (UEW) has undergone a four-day cyclical institutional review undertaken by the National Accreditation Board (NAB).

Institutional review constitutes one of the mechanisms through which the NAB carries out its mandate of ensuring internal quality and continuous improvement in tertiary education institutions in Ghana. Section 8(2) of Act 744 mandates the Board to conduct a five year cyclical review of all tertiary education institutions in the country.

The then Ag. Pro-Vice-Chancellor and Principal, College of Agriculture Education, Asante-Mampong Campus, Prof. James K. Kagya-Agyemang, who chaired the Review programme indicated that pursuant to that function, UEW submitted its self-evaluation and experts' reports (physical facilities and information resource centres) to the Board to facilitate the review



Chairman for the Review Programme, Prof. James K. Kagya-Agyemang

The team from NAB held review meetings with all Faculties and Departments of the University from Monday, 2nd to Thursday, 5th September, 2019 at the Council Chamber, North Campus, UEW. The review covered areas such as common deficiencies in accreditation over the period, innovation in terms of governance and administration, faculty

strength and quality, staff student ratio, staff development, progress of research and development, funding, infrastructural development, creativity and innovation, mentorship and tracer studies.

In his address, the Chairman of NAB, Prof. Kofi Awusabo-Asare implored the UEW to stick to its institutional mandate of producing professional educators for the nation.



Prof. Awusabo-Asare, National Accreditation Board Chairman

Prof. Awusabo-Asare made reference to some institutions which have now moved away from their original mandate and urged the UEW not to emulate the steps taken by those institutions but rather remain focused on its institutional mandate.

“Creating a niche for oneself is very paramount; you become recognised for something. Therefore, I urge you not to move away from your mandate. Rather, make sure that you are on top of what you are doing so we can identify you with something unique and recommend you to other people or institutions seeking to collaborate with universities known

for education,” he said.

The UEW is charged with the responsibility of producing professional educators to spearhead a new national vision of education aimed at redirecting Ghana's efforts along the path of rapid economic and social development. The University also trains competent professional teachers for all levels of education as well as conducts research, disseminate knowledge and contribute to educational policy and development.

Among members of the NAB team present for the review were the Ag. Executive Secretary, Dr. Kingsley Nyarko; Head, Department of Quality Assurance, Mr. Emmanuel Nyarko Oware; Head, Department of Finance, Mr. Hussein N. Umar; Head of Public Relations, Mr. Lawrence Kwarteng-Asha; Board Members, Mr. Albert Akutetsu; Prof. Juventus Benogle Ziem; and Prof. K. Boasiako Omane-Antwi.

The UEW members that coordinated the event were the Director, Quality Assurance, Prof. Yaw Ameyaw (Coordinator); Ag. Planning Officer, Mr. Prince Asiedu; Senior Assistant Registrar, Accreditation Office, Dr. Gideon M. Anapey; and Senior Assistant Registrar, Planning Unit, Mr. Ebenezer Kofi Narh Adinku.

Also present were Deans of Faculty, Heads of Department/Sections on all the Campuses of the University.



“Your Coming to UEW is the best Professional Decision” – Vice-Chancellor



Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni

The Vice-Chancellor, Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni has commended the 2019/2020 fresh undergraduate and postgraduate regular students for deciding to pursue higher learning at the University of Education, Winneba (UEW). He assured them of acquiring knowledge that would undoubtedly empower them to become the most competent, effective and efficient instruments as a result of government's efforts at transforming the nation.

The Vice-Chancellor made these remarks on Wednesday, 11th September, 2019 at the Jophus Anamuah-Mensah Conference Centre, North Campus, Winneba during an Intensive Pre-Academic Orientation organised by the Office of Dean of Student Affairs (ODSA) for the fresh students. "UEW is the only University in Ghana with the core mandate to train professional

educators capable of spearheading a new national vision aimed at redirecting the country's efforts along the path of rapid economic and social development. Your coming to this University is therefore the best professional decision," the Vice-Chancellor emphasised.

Rev. Fr. Prof. Afful-Broni urged them to be diligent, focused and resolute in all that they do as they pursue their dreams and avail themselves to the new opportunities that the UEW had to offer.

The Dean, ODSA, Dr. Ernest Kwasi Amponsah assured the freshmen of an exclusive communal ambience to enable them navigate their ways through the exciting journey of learning and discovery.



Some of the freshmen at the orientation



Dr. Ernest Kwasi Amponsah in his address to the freshmen

"The Office of Dean of Students Affairs is one of the strategic outfits of the University and we need your partnership to collaboratively inspire our minds for possibilities and to function more efficiently and effectively, all for student benefits," the Dean of ODSA

stated. The orientation offered the freshmen information on extensive range of topics and opportunities to make them informed students as well as, well motivated persons to begin independent University life.



University officials who graced the occasion

There were presentations by various facilitators including the Dean, School of Graduate Studies, Prof. George Kankam; Director, Quality Assurance, Prof. Yaw Ameyaw; Finance Officer, Mr. Francis Obeng; Ag. Director, Health Services, Dr. Beth Offei-Awuku; Chairman, Amalgamated Sports Club, Dr. Kwame Kyere Diabour; Head, Department of Special Education, Dr. Daniel Dogbe; Director, UEW Wind Band, Mr. George Asabere Maclean; University Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Alexander Edwards; Head, Examinations Unit, Division of Academic Affairs, Mrs. Ekoa Abedi-Boafo; University Librarian, Mr. Viscount B. Buer; Head, Department of Graphic Design, Dr. Ebenezer Acquah and Deputy Registrar,

Academic Affairs, Mr. Collins Owusu-Ansah.

The presentations were respectively on the topics "Procedures and Coordination of Programmes at School of Graduate Studies, Quality Assurance: The Role of the Student, UEW Scholarship Scheme, Health Services, Recreation and Sports, Persons with Disability, UEW Anthem, Religious and Social Life on Campus, Challenges and Opportunities for Fresh Students, Library in Tertiary Education, UEW Crest, Procedures for Online Registration of Courses".

Attendance was extremely encouraging as the 2,500 seat auditorium was filled to capacity.

UEW Commissions Five-Storey Block of Flats



The University of Education, Winneba (UEW) today, Thursday, 19th September, 2019 commissioned a five-storey block of flats at the North Campus, Winneba. The building contains ten number three bedroom apartments fully air-conditioned, central staircase

and a lift with each apartment consisting of a master bedroom, living area, dining area, study area, furnished kitchen with store, two terraces, bio-fill installation, water storage facility and parking space for about 25 cars.



The Five-Storey Block of Flats

The project, funded with Internally Generated Funds (IGF) at the total cost of GH 6,231,860.51, was commissioned by the Chairman of the Governing Council of UEW, Prof. Obeng Mireku.

The Vice-Chancellor, Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni charged the potential beneficiaries to cultivate a culture of maintenance to ensure that the facility remains in good condition for posterity



The Vice-Chancellor, Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni



The Registrar, Surv. Paul Osei-Barima, Esq. giving the purpose of gathering

The Registrar, Surv. Paul Osei-Barima, Esq. commended the contractor (Anointed Pillars Associates Limited) for quality work done.

Present at the function were Members of the Governing Council, the Ag. Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Ruby Hanson; Principals of Colleges, Faculty Members, Administrators and students among others.



Group photograph after the ceremony

UEW Signs MoU with 15 Colleges of Education



The University of Education, Winneba (UEW) on Thursday, 12th September, 2019 signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with 15 Colleges of Education affiliated to the University for mentoring and continuous professional development.

The Colleges of Education (CoE) are Ada College of Education, Akatsi College of Education, Presbyterian College of Education, Bagabaga College of Education, Bia Lamplighter College of Education, Komenda College of Education, Mampong Technical College of Education,

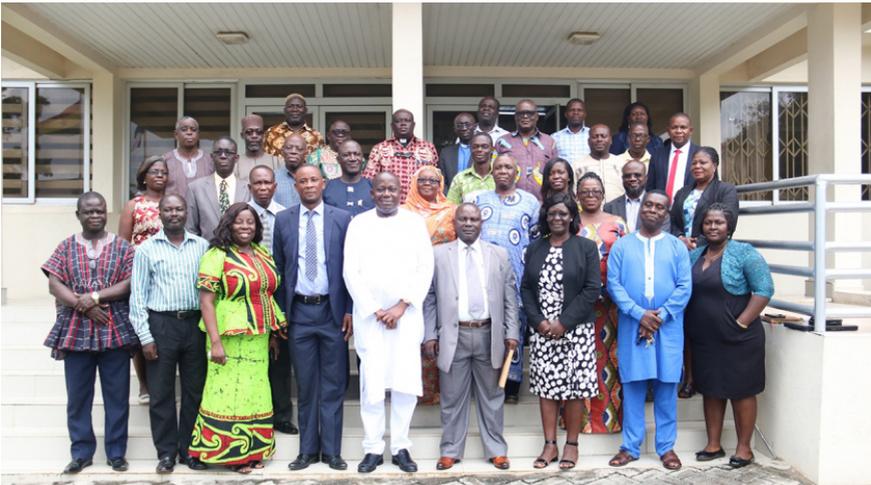
Methodist College of Education, Nusrat Jahan Ahmadiyya (NJA) College of Education, Agogo College of Education, Presbyterian Women's College of Education, S.D.A. College of Education, St. John Bosco College of Education, St. Louis College of Education and Wiawso College of Education.

The Colleges have been affiliated to UEW as part of the government of Ghana and the Ministry of Education reforms in the educational sector and the introduction of the new B.ED programme. Following the affiliation, UEW through the Institute for Teacher Education and Continuing Professional Development (ITECPD) organised series of sensitisation workshops for the affiliate Colleges to equip them for the new academic year. The Vice-Chancellor, Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni, in his address, expressed optimism that the two institutions would work collaboratively to ensure that standards of National

Council for Tertiary Education (NCTE) would be adhered to ensure the highest academic quality of students, teachers and teaching in Ghana as a whole.

The Registrar, Surv. Paul Osei-Barima Esq., closing the ceremony, assured of UEW's continuous support to the affiliate Colleges to become better and well-resourced. Among the University officials present were the Ag.

Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Ruby Hanson; Dean, School of Research and Graduate Studies, Prof. George Kankam; Director, ITECPD, Prof. Dominic Danso Mensah; Director, Institute for Distance and e-Learning, Prof. Francis Owusu-Mensah; Deputy Registrar, ITECPD, Mr. Steve v. Kamasseh, University Librarian, Mr. Viscount Buer; Ag. Director, Physical Works and Development, Arc. Kwame Danso; Senior Accountant, Mr. Albert Samuel Cromwell, Heads of Department and Assistant Registrar, Legal Services, Mr. Robert Twene Esq.



Principals of the Colleges with the Vice-Chancellor (in white) and other UEW officials after signing of the MOU

Principals of the CoE present were Mr. Cephas Kwasi Bodakpui, Mr. John Engelbert Seddoh, Mr. George Buernortey Appah, Dr. Amadu Musah Abudu, Dr. Samuel Agyemang, Rev. Dr. Kwesi Nkum Wilson, Ms. Doris Boakye Ansah, Very Rev. Solomon Gyamerah and Asma-u Ismail,

Other Principals included Dr. Harriet Naki Amui, Rev. Esther Agbodeka, Prof. William Koomson, Mr. William Anamoo Atindana, Ms. Dame Comfort Boakye-Mensah and Dr. Emmanuel Carsamer.

COLTEK Hosts Ashanti Region's Maiden International Youth Day Celebration



Some Management Members of COLTEK and other important persons who graced the ceremony

The College of Technology Education, Kumasi (COLTEK) of the University of Education, Winneba (UEW) was the converging point for hundreds of youth for the maiden International Youth Day (IYD) celebration.

International Youth Day is celebrated to promote better awareness of the World Programme of Action for Youth, adopted by the United Nations General Assembly in 1996 (resolution 50/81) to bring youth issues to the attention of the international community and celebrate the potential of youth as partners in today's global society.

The Ashanti Regional Directorate of the National Youth Authority (NYA) partnered with COLTEK to organise the celebration

under the theme "Transforming Education: The role of the Youth in Contributing to Quality Education in Ghana." The NYA is a Statutory Public Organization under the Ministry for Youth and Sports with the mandate to ensure the empowerment of the Ghanaian youth.





The Youth Parliament in session

Featuring prominently in the nearly five-hour celebration was an enthralling Youth Parliamentary Sitting and Proceedings and a thought-provoking poetry on the state of Ghana's education by a student of COLTEK, Mr. Bin Abass.

In his welcome address, the Principal of COLTEK, Prof. Frederick Kwaku Sarfo indicated that the celebration was historic since UEW is an avid supporter of efforts that seek to develop the youth for the rapid growth of the country.

He continued that a partnership with the NYA was an important step towards fulfilling UEW's 2019-2023 Corporate Strategic Plan Theme Four under which the University has tasked itself to establish Community, National, Regional and International partnerships for development.



Principal of COLTEK, Prof. Frederick Kwaku Sarfo addressing the gathering

He stressed the importance of paying particular attention to the grooming of the youth and encouraged participants to endeavour to work hard but shun all evil deeds inimical to themselves as individuals and the nation as a whole.

Prof. Sarfo drew attention to the need for more to be done in the area of Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) to expedite national growth and to help solve the nation's developmental challenges.

"It is unfortunate if there are people in our country today who still perceive TVET as a reserve for the academically weak. TVET is actually a key solution to our developmental problems," and encouraged the youth to sign-up in their numbers for the various TVET programmes that were on offer at COLTEK.



Ashanti Regional Director of NYA, George Orwell Amponsah addressing the youth

The Ashanti Regional Director of NYA, Mr. George Orwell Amponsah was grateful to COLTEK for partnering with his outfit to organise a successful celebration. He was hopeful that NYA and COLTEK would maintain a long lasting relationship to ensure the attainment of the mutual objectives of both institutions.

Chairing the function, the Vice Dean of Student Affairs at COLTEK, Dr. Philip Oti-Agyen advised the youth against abusing drugs since that eventually would destroy their lives.



A section of the youth applauding after one of the brilliant presentations at the ceremony

Participants at the celebration were mainly secondary and tertiary school students as well as representatives of various youth groups in the Ashanti Region.

Also, present to grace the occasion included the Member of Parliament for Kwadaso Constituency, Dr. Samuel K. Nuamah as well as representatives from the Ashanti Regional Coordinating Council (ARCC) and the Ashanti Regional Directorate of the Ghana Education Service (GES).



The Member of Parliament for Kwadaso Constituency, Dr. Samuel K. Nuamah (left) and the representative of the Ashanti Regional Minister, Mr Simon Osei Mensah attentively listen to a presentation



Vice Dean of Student Affairs at COLTEK, Dr. Philip Oti-Agyen

Winneba Campus Hall Assistants Undergo Training



Participants in a pose after the training

Hall Assistants on the Winneba Campus of the University of Education, Winneba (UEW) have undergone a one-day training workshop to improve their skills and competencies to enable them execute their duties properly and conscientiously. The workshop, which was organised by Hall Managers of the University with support from the Division of Human Resource, took place on Thursday, 5th September, 2019 at the Registrar's Conference Room, North Campus, Winneba

The Deputy Registrar, Division of Human Resource (HR), Mrs. Deborah Afful, who gave the purpose of the gathering, expressed delight about the insightfulness of the Hall Managers to equip Hall Assistants for the 2019/2020 academic year.

The Dean, Student Affairs, Dr. Ernest Kwesi Amponsah in his welcome address called for concerted efforts of all staff including Hall Assistants for the success of UEW. There were presentations by the Ghartey Hall Manageress, Ms. Patricia

Appiah-Boateng and the Senior Assistant Registrar and Webmaster, Mr. Jojoe Annan. They presented on the topics "Work Ethics & Professionalism" and "Front Desk Management".

In her presentation, Ms. Patricia Appiah-Boateng indicated that ethics deals with standards of duty and virtue that should be exhibited at the work place. She added that ethics entails how an "honourable" person should behave. According to her, the key issues for consideration at the workplaces for increased productivity are skills, character and the system in general. She maintained that character is the fulcrum of ethics and so it is very essential to build a strong and positive character. She pointed out that there are six pillars of character which include trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, care and citizenship. In her view, ethics and professionalism go hand-in-hand. Thus, as Hall Assistants, truthfulness, open disclosure of issues and sincerity should be paramount in the discharge of duty.



Presenters; Ms. Patricia Appiah-Boateng and Mr. Jojoe Annan

Mr. Annan who presented on behalf of the Head, University Relations Office and Media, Ms. Obaapanin Adu Oforiwaa, reminded the Hall Assistants that their reception area was the first point of contact for visitors coming to the various halls of residence. Therefore, Front Desk Management plays a vital role in making a positive impression and makes the running of the office smooth.

The Hall Managers for Simpa, Aggrey, and University Halls who gave brief remarks after the presentations reiterated on the need for Hall Assistants to stay focused and committed to duty.



Dean of Student Affairs, Dr. Ernest Kwesi Amponsah



Deputy Registrar, Human Resource, Mrs. Deborah Afful



27th National Conference of Ghana Music Teachers Association Held at UEW



The University of Education, Winneba (UEW) in collaboration with the Centre for Research, Culture and Creative Arts (CeRCCA, UEW) has hosted the 27th Annual National Conference of Ghana Music Teachers Association (GMTA) under the theme "Transforming Ghana's Educational System to Nurture Twenty-

First Century Citizens: The Role of Creative Arts". The conference, which took place at the School of Creative Arts Conference Room from Tuesday, 27th to Saturday, 31st August, 2019, was held under the distinguished chairmanship of the Vice-Chancellor of UEW, Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni.



Vice-Chancellor and Chairman for the occasion, Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni

The Director General of Ghana Education Service (GES), Professor Kwasi Opoku-Amankwa in his keynote address made a comparative analysis between the current world's education system and that which pertained over a century ago. He stated that a century back, learners were prepared to meet the industrial demands, trained to know specific answers and do specific things; and education delivery was designed to ensure that learners conformed to the work environment.



Professor Kwasi Opoku-Amankwa in his keynote address

"Today, while our society has become more dynamic with collaboration, negotiation, creativity and problem solving as key elements, our content and the delivery has become inadequate in aligning with the times hence, there is the constant need to review and reform our educational system to keep pace with the fast changing world," Professor Opoku-Amankwa said.

Rev. Fr. Prof. Afful-Broni expressed pride and gratification towards the partnership between UEW and the Government of the Republic of Ghana in its quest to industrialise Ghana through the Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) programme and revolutionising teacher education through the Transforming Teacher Education and Learning (T-TEL) project and the new Standard-based Basic School Reforms being championed by the National Council for Curriculum and Assessment (NaCCA).



Some members of the Association in attendance

The Dean, School of Creative Arts (SCA), Dr. Patrique deGraft Yankson indicated the SCA's determination to leverage the exclusive mandate of the UEW, as an institution tasked to positively influence educational policies in Ghana, to ensure that the enhanced recognition given to the Creative Arts in the current educational review becomes fruitful.

"We indeed acknowledge the thoughtfulness and timeliness in the current efforts at positioning the Creative Arts at the centre of the curriculum for basic learning and early childhood development. At the same time, we in the creative arts pedagogic fraternity are also very awake to the many implementation hurdles needed to be cleared if the role of the creative arts as an ultimate developer of a complete human being is to be realised," the Dean said.



Dr. Patrique deGraft Yankson, Dean, School of Creative Arts

Under the Chairmanship of Mr Michael Nsowah, Educational Consultant & Chairman, GES Governing Council, Lead Papers were presented as follows: "Transforming Ghana's Education:

Standard-based Theories and Methods" by UEW Alumnus and Ag. Executive Secretary of NaCCA, Dr Prince H. Armah; "The New B.Ed. Course Manual: An Introduction to Physical Education and Music and Dance (PEMD) by Professor Reginald T. Ocansey, HoD-PESS, CoE, UG-Legon.

The Conference was attended by distinguished personalities including Prof. Akosua Obuo Addo, University of Minnesota, Twin City Campus, USA, Prof. J. Yaw Sekyi-Baidoo, Dean-Centre for International Programmes (CIP-UEW), one of the founding members of the erstwhile National Academy of Music (NAM) Winneba, Augustine A. Bamfo Esq and the Director for CeRCCA-UEW, Prof. Cosmas W. K. Mereku, who was the brain behind the revival of the Association.



A cross-section of distinguished personalities at the conference

The Organising Committee consisted of Rev. Michael Ohene-Okantah (President-U EW), Mr. Emmanuel Gillette (Vice-President-Takoradi CoE), Dr. Eva Ebeli (Treasurer-U EW), Dr. Emmanuel Obed Acquah (Financial Secretary-U EW), Prof. Mrs. Mary P. Dzansi-McPalm, Mrs. Augusta Arko-Mensah, Dr. Eric D. Otchere (UCC), Dr. Mawuyram Q. Adjahoe (UCC), Mr. Augustus Edward Mensah (Aggrey SHS, Cape Coast), Mr. Kojo Sackey-Sam (Accra CoE), Mr. Bugyei Bonsu (Prempeh SHS, Kumasi), Mr. Emmanuel

Gyebi (Winneba MGES), Mr. Felix Danso (Winneba SHS), Mr. Divine Kwabena Atta (UEW) and Stephen Osei Akyiaw (UEW). New GMTA Officers were elected and sworn into office as follows: President, Dr. Eric Debrah Otchere (UCC); Vice President, Mr. Emmanuel Gillette (Takoradi CoE); General Secretary, Dr. Emmanuel Obed Acquah (UEW); Treasurer, Dr. Eva Akosua Ebeli (UEW) and Financial Secretary/ Assistant Secretary, Mr. Augustus Edward Mensah (Aggrey SHS, Cape Coast).



A musical interlude by students from the Department of Music Education

UEW PhD Student Supports Psychology and Education Department



Bishop Frederick Korankye Mensah, a PhD student of the Department of Psychology and Education, University of Education, Winneba in the company of his wife, Mrs. Beryl Korankye Mensah on Wednesday, 28th August, 2019 donated four (4) Public Address Systems to the Department to facilitate teaching.

Presenting the items, Bishop Korankye Mensah thanked the Department for equipping him with the requisite counselling skills and knowledge through his studies on UEW campus. He said this had sharpened his professional skills and propelled him to a certain level in his career, opening uncountable avenues for him.

Receiving the items, the Ag. Head of Department, Dr. Dandy George Dampson expressed his profound appreciation to the couple for the kind gesture and promised that the resources would be put to good use as it will help to deal with the large class sizes.

Present at the short ceremony that took place at the Ag. Head of Department's Office were Dr. Paul Kobina Effrim, Dr. Peter K. Eshun, Mrs. Patricia M. Amos, Mrs. Theresa Antwi, Mr. Stephen Kwakye Apau, Mr. Joshua-Luther Upoalkpajor and Mr. Kizito Ackom.

Government Reconstitutes UEW Governing Council



The Minister of Education, Dr. Matthew Opoku Prempeh has sworn in a 17-member Governing Council of the University of Education, Winneba (UEW)



The Minister of Education, in a pose with the Governing Council members. Members of the Governing Council include Prof. Obeng Mireku (Government Nominee and Chairman), Rev. Fr. Prof. Anthony Afful-Broni (Vice-Chancellor), Madam Irene Osei Bonsu Esq. (Government Nominee), Mrs. Abena N. Antwi (Government Nominee), Neenyi Ghartey VII (Government Nominee), Very Rev. Mrs. Ama Afo Blay (Ghana Education Service), Prof. Kwasi Opoku-Amankwa (Director-General, GES), Mr. Eric Agbe-Carbonu (Professional Teacher Organisation) and Prof. Mohammed Salifu (National Council for Tertiary Education).

The other members are Mr. Bruno Bajuaose Chirani (Convocation), Prof. Yaw Sekyi-Baidoo (Convocation), Dr. Isaac Abunyuwah (Convocation), Dr. Samuel Adu Gyamfi (Convocation), Ms. Theresa Ackon (TEWU), Mrs. Heartwill Tamakloe (GRASAG) and Mr. Emmanuel Oduro Fosu (SRC).

The ceremony took place today, Thursday, 5th September, 2019 in the Conference Room of the Minister of Education, Accra, Ghana



Minister of Education, Dr. Matthew Opoku Prempeh addressing the Governing Council

The Minister of Education, in addressing the Council, said, “the mandate of the Council is to ensure that the University trains students to acquire the necessary professional and academic competencies for teaching in Tertiary and Pre-Tertiary institutions, non-formal education institutions and to build the professional and academic capabilities of serving teachers through regular and distance education.

You will therefore be interested, no doubt, to note government's reforms aimed at enhancing teacher education as part of its drive towards improving learning outcomes in this country”, the Minister added.

The Chairman of the Governing Council assured the Minister that he would ensure that the Council executes its mandate diligently for peace, tranquility and success of the University.



Professor Obeng Mireku, Governing Council Chairman

Also present at the inauguration were the Principal, College of Technology Education, Kumasi, Prof. Fredrick Sarfo; Principal, College of Languages Education, Prof. Ephraim Avea Nsoh; Registrar, Surv. Paul Osei-Barima, Esq.; Finance Officer, Mr. Francis Obeng; Deputy Registrar, Division of Operations, Mr. Alexander Essah; Deputy Registrar and Head, Publishing and Web Development, Mr. Jerry Addison Anyan and Senior Assistant Registrar and Head, University Relations & Media, Ms. Obaapanin Adu Oforiwa.



UEW Alumnus Spearheads Curriculum Reforms in Ghana



An alumnus of the University of Education, Winneba (UEW), Dr. Prince Hamidu Armah, the Executive Secretary of the National Council for Curriculum and Assessment (NaCCA), is spearheading Ghana's educational transformation agenda. Dr. Prince Hamidu Armah has shown a thorough understanding of the Ghanaian educational system, articulated and offered very insightful contributions to addressing the inherent challenges there are, towards fulfilling the transformation

agenda. His Excellency Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo, realising the critical role of education to achieving the national development agenda, initiated bold educational reforms, and tasked NaCCA to aggressively fashion out a new curriculum that would prepare young Ghanaian citizens for personal, national and global challenges inherent in the fast-evolving world.

The old curriculum was fraught with inherent challenges which heralded perennial poor learning outcomes, and the inability to fully integrate students into the world of work and to contribute meaningfully towards impacting national development and society in general.

Ghana's dream of revolutionalising its education to give her young people a fighting chance in the new global economy took a major step when NaCCA handed over the newly revised curriculum to the Ghana Education Service (GES) in April, 2019, to replace the curriculum which had not seen any change in 12 years.

Having delivered on fashioning out this robust curriculum, NaCCA is currently working very closely with teachers, especially, who are key to the process, as well as with school heads and administrators under the auspices of the Ghana Education Service (GES) to ensure that the common objectives of the curriculum are achieved at the implementation stage. NaCCA and the GES are working closely to ensure a smooth nationwide roll-out of the new curriculum at the beginning of the 2019/2020 academic year at the kindergarten (KG) and primary school level.

Earlier, a core of 150 master trainers had been recruited and trained by the NaCCA. The aim was for the master trainers to also train 3,900 regional trainers who in turn are administering curriculum training to clusters of KG and primary school teachers across the country.

Dr. Prince Hamidu Armah is also a lecturer at the Department of Mathematics Education, University of Education, Winneba (UEW). He holds B. Ed (Hon)

and M. Ed in Mathematics from UEW.

Dr. Armah holds a PhD degree in Mathematics Education from the University of Aberdeen, the UK with specialisation in Curriculum, Pedagogy and Educational Policy. His scholarship revolves around intersections of education policy and practice, focusing on inequities in students' educational outcomes and the policies and practices that shape those outcomes. He has extensive expertise in quantitative methods and data analysis, having been trained at the Doctoral Training Centres (DTCs) of the Universities of Nottingham, Edinburgh and Manchester with funding from the Economic and Social Research Council of the United Kingdom. There, he specialised in applying quantitative methods to the examination of issues in curriculum standard-setting and maintenance as well as the design and awarding of national curriculum tests. He is an education and research consultant with over seventeen years of teaching, research and policy engagement experience from both the United Kingdom and Ghana contexts.

Following a stellar career in teaching and research, he established one of Ghana's most influential education policy and research think tanks, the Institute for Education Studies (IFEST). Dr. Armah also founded Greenfield Education Group (GEG), a development consultancy firm focused specifically on guiding clients to solve complex education sector challenges. Between 2013 and 2018, he led both organisations, exercising overall responsibility for their full operations and management.

He has a demonstrable understanding of Ghana's education reforms and has both theoretical and practical skills in

project management and public finance management. As a very active player in the educational sector both locally and internationally, Dr. Armah has participated in several national and international education conferences and summits. He is currently the Co-Chair of the African Curriculum Association (ACA) headquartered in Uganda and Chair of ACA's publications committee.

Dr. Armah's strong national and international work profile is based on excellence in the delivery of high profile and high impact assignments. He previously served as a member of the Technical Team of the Ministry of Education that led the development and finalisation of Ghana's Education Strategic Plan (ESP) 2018-2030 and its associated Medium-Term Development Plan 2018-2021, as well as the Cost and Finance Report.

He has previously consulted for several national and international organizations including the World Bank, USAID, UKAID/DFID, UN Education Commission, Open University (UK), Oxford Policy Management (UK), PricewaterhouseCoopers (Ghana) Ltd, and the MoE/GES, among others. Through these and other projects, he has made tremendous and far-reaching contributions to national and international developments in various ways, particularly in the area of human capital development.

He has been widely published in the Ghanaian and international media for his insightful policy suggestions and opinions for improving Ghana's education system and has over 40 written publications including policy documents, reports, speeches, conference presentations, peer and non-peer reviewed papers on a range of educational and research issues in Ghana.

Mr. Francis Obeng assumes duty as Finance Officer of UEW



Mr. Francis Obeng fully assumes office as Finance Officer

The Governing Council of the University of Education, Winneba on 4th July 2019 appointed Mr. Francis Obeng as the

Finance Officer. Mr. Obeng officially assumed duty on 17th July, 2019, subsequently took permission, and fully

assumed duty on Monday 2nd September, 2019. He was conducted round some offices of the University by the Registrar, Surv. Paul Osei-Barima, Esq. He also took part in a training workshop on

the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) System currently ongoing at the University.



[Mr. Francis Obeng assumes duty as Finance Officer. Flanked by Rev. Fr. Professor Anthony Afful-Broni, (Vice-Chancellor) and Surv. Paul Osei-Barima, Esq. (Registrar)]

Mr. Obeng is a Chartered Accountant and a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants, Ghana. He has nineteen (19) years of rich work experience with both the private and public sector organisations in and outside Ghana.

Mr. Obeng has extensive experience in Finance, Accounting, Auditing, Administration, Properties and Facilities Management and Management Consulting. His management consulting experiences are in the areas of properties & facilities management, project appraisal and risk management, hostels Management, organizational re-engineering, business recovery/ planning, strategic planning, tax planning and procurement of goods, services and works. His other professional competencies are in real estate finance and research, public sector management,

public finance and accounting, donor funded projects, banking/finance, cost accounting, hospitality services and Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS).

Mr. Francis Obeng started his accounting practice in 2000 with private sector organisations. He spent twelve continuous years working for four private companies which were Silent Star Company Limited; The Trust Lodge; Ghana Hostels Limited and Broll Ghana Limited. With his five (5) years of professional practice at Ghana Hostels Limited for instance, Mr. Obeng who was the Accounts Manager was able to set up the Accounting and Administrative systems of the Company and produced timely reports and results which have helped the Company up to today.



Mr. Francis Obeng (3rd from left) in a pose with Vice-Chancellor, Registrar and officials from Human Resource, Finance and Legal Office

He was also the Head of Finance and Administration for Broll Ghana Limited and by dint of hard work and professionalism; he greatly helped Broll to increase its property base under management from eight (8) in 2008 to twenty-nine (29) by October 2012. As part of his contribution to Broll Ghana Limited, Francis wrote and won Five (5) proposals for the execution of properties and facilities management assignments for the company. He has also managed and impacted on a number of people who through his inspiration are also managing important organizations in the country. He possesses excellent relationship with most Ghanaian financial institutions such as Carl Assets Management Unit, National Trust Holding Company (NTHC), Sem Capital Limited, Data Bank Limited, Ghana Stock Exchange (GSE) and most Banks. This relationship gives him the flexibility to raise finance from Banks towards projects.

Mr. Obeng joined Takoradi Technical University in October, 2012 when he was appointed the Finance Officer. This was his first opportunity to work in a public sector institution of higher learning. Francis was very impressive in

managing the finances of the University. He totally transformed the rather poor financial situation of the institution into a financially self-sufficient institution of higher learning. This remarkable leadership milestone, won him an award in Excellence in Business Leadership, with all rights and privileges bestowed on him in the City of Houston, Texas in June of the year two thousand and fourteen, by World Confederation of Businesses. Mr. Francis Obeng joined the University of Cape Coast in 2015 as the Deputy Director of Finance and has since his appointment been actively involved in the management of the University's finances. He has written a number of position papers that have impacted on decision making, policy development and improved work flow and management control.

Mr. Francis Obeng holds a Bachelor of Commerce Degree from the University of Cape Coast, Ghana, Master of Business Administration Degree in Finance from Wisconsin International University College, Ghana. He also holds Post Chartered Diploma in Forensic Audit from the Institute of Chartered Accountants, Ghana. He equally holds Diploma in

Management of Higher Education Institutions from Galilee Institute, Israel and Certificate in Project Appraisal and Risk Management (PARM) from Duke University, USA.

Mr. Obeng has attended several international and local workshops, conferences and seminars on higher education, advancement, accounting, financial management, information communication technology, project management, procurement, auditing, fund raising, strategic planning and has as well served on many committees and Boards of organizations.

He enjoys teaching and he is a part-time lecturer in Accounting, Corporate Finance, Operations Management, Total Quality Management, Accounting Information System, International Finance, Investment and Portfolio Analysis with KNUST Institute of Distance Learning.

Mr. Obeng is married to Mrs. Yvonne Obeng and has four children, two boys and two girls. He enjoys farming, sightseeing, writing, playing Golf and Tennis. He is a member of the Takoradi Sport Club and Cape Coast Coconut Groove Golf Club.

