



UNIVERSITY OF GHANA HOLDS JULY 2019 CONGREGATION

The University of Ghana has held four sessions for the July 19 and 20, Congregation ceremonies scheduled for students who completed various programmes of study from the College of Humanities (CoH), College of Basic and Applied Sciences (CBAS), College of Education (CoE) and College of Health Sciences (CHS).

A total of 3,223 students graduated with various degrees from the Colleges of the University as follows: COH Undergraduate programmes (948); CBAS (1,053) CHS & COE (496); and COH Graduate programmes (726).

There were four sessions held at the Great Hall of the University; two sessions each on Friday, July 19 and Saturday, July 20. The first day's Congregation ceremonies were dedicated to the COH (Undergraduate Programme) and CBAS graduating 948 and 1,053 students respectively. CHS and COE had a joint session on the second day to graduate a total of 496 students. The afternoon session was dedicated to the COH (Graduate Programmes) graduating a total of 726 students.

Prof. Yaw Twumasi, Chairman of the University Council presided over the first and third sessions while Prof. Ebenezer Oduro Owusu, Vice-Chancellor and Prof. Baffour Agyeman- Duah, a member of the University Council presided over the second and final sessions respectively on behalf of the Chancellor of the University.

News Release - Update Concerning The "Africa Integras Project"

The University of Ghana is aware that there has been media discussion in relation to the contract for the construction and operation, on a concession basis, of new academic and accommodation facilities at the University's Legon campus, commonly known as the "Africa Integras Project". In a recent media interview, Ms. Andrea Pizziconi, some-time CEO of the concession company, made a number of allegations which are incorrect, without merit or misleading. This includes the misleading allegation that the University is subject to an "award" which currently has the "binding effect of an arbitration award". In fact, all claims by the concession company are contested by the University, and are yet to be finally resolved.

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University of Ghana Launches Maiden Alumni Homecoming Weekend



The University of Ghana as part of its 70th Anniversary Celebrations has launched its maiden Alumni Homecoming Weekend at the Great Hall of the University of Ghana.

The Homecoming Weekend which is scheduled to take place from the 9th to 11th August, 2019 will climax activities lined up to commemorate the University's 70th anniversary celebrations, to celebrate alumni who continue to make the University proud in their various fields of endeavour, serve as an avenue for alumni of the University to network and help raise funds for the UG@70 Endowment Fund. This was disclosed by Mrs. Christy Badu, Deputy Registrar, Alumni Relations in her welcome address. She urged all alumni to participate in the impending event in order to make it a success. Mrs. Badu announced that in order to publicize the event to the general public, a number of distinguished alumni had been selected to serve as ambassadors of the Homecoming weekend.

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University of Ghana Researcher Receives International Recognition

Dr. Amos Laar, a Senior Lecturer at the Department of Population, Family & Reproductive Health, School of Public Health, University of Ghana has been recognized in one of the world's leading Scientific Journals – The Lancet, for his efforts at combating nutrition-related non-communicable diseases (NCDs) in Ghana. The story appeared in Lancet Diabetes and Endocrinology on June 11, 2019.

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Centre for European Studies (CES) Holds Retreat

The Centre for European Studies (CES) on Wednesday, July 10, 2019 held a retreat at the Hill View Hotel to review a draft proposal on a Free Elective Course in European Studies. Fifteen members drawn from CES Interim Inter-College Working Group (IICWG) participated in the Retreat.

Prof. Ransford Gyampo, Director of CES, who gave an indication of the subject areas and course objectives said, because of the cross-national and multi-disciplinary nature, it is hoped that this would prepare students for the contemporary international job market, while opening up a wide range of career opportunities for students, in such diverse fields as diplomacy; international institutions within the European Union, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) or the United Nations.



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University of Ghana, School of Public Health Assumes Role as GEMNet-Health Secretariat



Effective March 2019, University of Ghana, School of Public Health (UGSPH), a founding member of the Global Evaluation and Monitoring Network for Health (GEMNet-Health), has assumed the role of GEMNet-Health Secretariat. The GEMNet-Health Secretariat provides core administrative and coordination functions as well as technical assistance and support for network activities.

Prof. Justice Nonvignon, Senior Lecturer at UGSPH also assumed the role of Chair of GEMNet-Health in March 2019 and will anchor the UGSPH team providing secretariat support to the network. UGSPH has played an active role in GEMNet-Health activities, by hosting GEMNet-Health international workshops, participating in GEMNet-Health curriculum development efforts and collaborative technical assistance and research activities, and assuming key roles in the GEMNet-Health Steering Committee and other Committees and expert groups.

The Secretariat was previously hosted by USAID's Measure Evaluation Project based in University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Previous Chairs of the Network have come from Addis Continental Institute of Public Health, University of Pretoria, Public Health Foundation of India and Instituto Nacional de Salud Pública (INSP), Mexico.

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GAUA-Legon Elects New Executives



The Legon Branch of the Ghana Association of University Administrators (GAUA) has elected new executives to steer the affairs of the Association for a two-year tenure. Mr. Baffour Awuah Kwabi, College Finance Officer, College of Education was elected President together with eight other executives after a secret ballot by members.

Other elected officers are Mr. Michael Owusu Ansah, Vice-President; Mrs. Barbara Blankson, General Secretary; Mr. Emmanuel Godwyll, Assistant General Secretary; Mr. Samuel Nkrumah, Treasurer; and three other executive members, namely, Mrs. Arhizah Blay-Abiti, Mr. Philip Quaye, and Mr. Ishmael Ato Essien, Mrs. Elizier Ameyaw-Buronyah, Editor.



Elected officers taking the Oath of Office

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- ▶ NMIMR @ 40 International Research Conference

