



The LEGACIES of

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AT A GLANCE

3RD VICE-CHANCELLOR, FEDERAL UNIVERSITY LOKOJA, KOGI STATE

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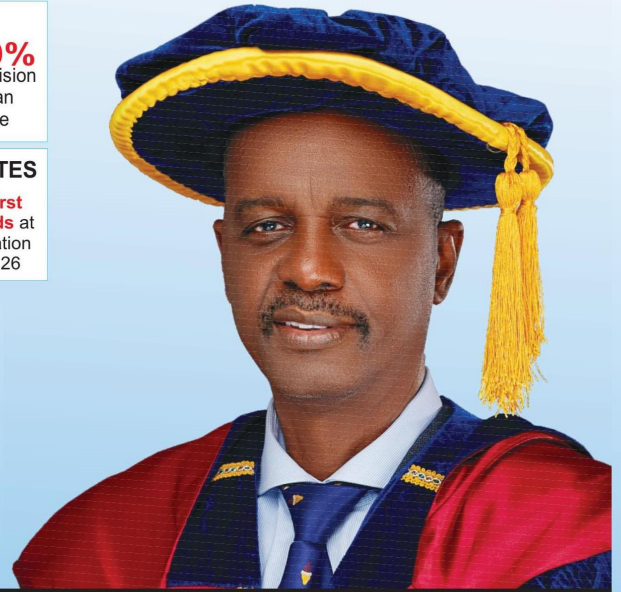
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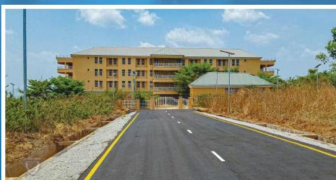
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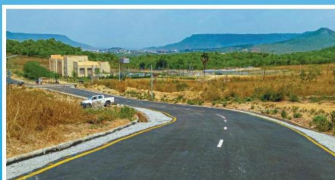
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Construction of access road from the main gate



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Aerial views of the University Permanent Site in 2021 and 2024 showing significant infrastructural development

Increased number of faculties from **5** to **10** including a College

Students Enrollment and Population
Increased from **6000+** in Feb 2021 to **17,000+** as of June 2024. Increased number of **academic programmes** from **43** to **58**

NEW PROGRAMMES ESTABLISHED

MB/BS Medicine & Surgery
B.Sc. Nursing Science
B. Medical Lab. Science
Pharm.D. Pharmacy
B. Eng. Computer Eng.
B. Eng. Elect. Eng.
B. Eng. Mechanical Eng.
LL.B. Law
B. Agriculture
B.Ed. Edu. Mgt & Planning
B.A. Arabic Studies
B.A. Christian Relig. St.
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B.A. French
B.A. Linguistics
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RESOURCE VERIFICATION

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IMPROVED RANKING

Ranked 35th in Nigeria, 3rd among G12 by Webometrics in July 2021, emerged as the best among counterpart Fed. Universities established in 2011 in NUC's NUS Ranking of Dec. 2021, and made elite list of top African Universities in the maiden Times Higher Education (THE) 2023 Sub-Saharan African Rankings report released in June 2023

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M.Sc. & Ph.D. Conference Attendance

FUL VISION FULFILLED

The University fulfills its vision; emerged **No. 1** among the nine (9) Universities established by former President Jonathan in 2011

- * Deployed **high-speed internet broadband** (fiber optic) to the two campuses (College of Health Sciences & the Permanent Site)
- * Implemented **e-Senate** and **e-Management** systems to ensure a paperless administration
- * Connected the Permanent Site to the **National Grid** to guarantee constant electricity supply
- * Partnered NILDs to run 16 elite PhD Programmes in Abuja
- * Constituted the University Welfare Committee

The following Colleges, Institutes, Centers, Directorates, Schools, and other Divisions were established to reposition the University for academic excellence, all-round development, and global competitiveness:

1. Office of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration)
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- * Town & Gown: Successfully conducted 10 Distinguished Public Lectures
- * Appointed the first FUL Alumni rep. to Governing Council (Convocation)
- * Commencement of Solar Power Project (Farm) worth \$200M (for 8 Nigerian Universities) by REA assisted by AfDB and World Bank
- * Increased federal budgetary allocation to **₦2B** Prior to this, the total allocation to the University for complete 11 years of FUL's existence was way less than **₦1B**.

Towards Boosting IGR

Established FUL Felele Consult Ltd. and the Directorate of Consultancy Services and Ventures to run the following business outfits:

FUL Printing Press, FUL Zoo and Conservatory, FUL Table Water Factory, FUL Farm, Shopping Complex/Lock-up shops (40 Nos.), FUL Senior Staff Club, and a Block Moulding Industry

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Agribusiness Incubation Centre/Cassava Processing Factory Constructed by the Fed. Ministry of Agric. & Rural Dev. (FMARD)



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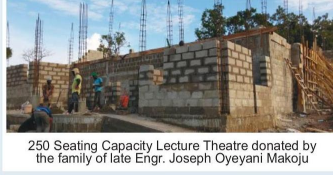
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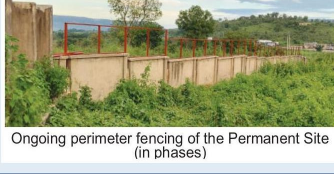
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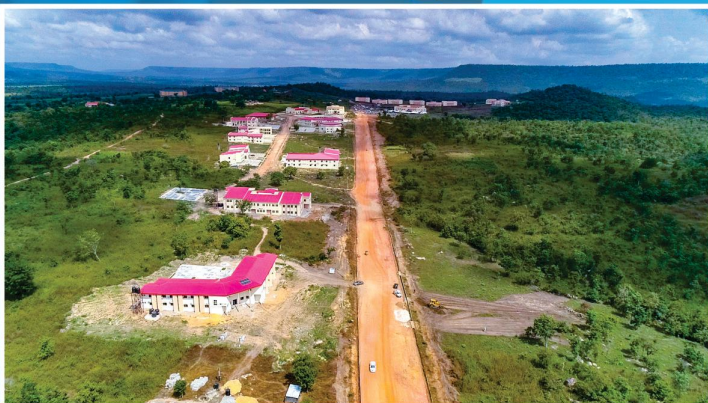
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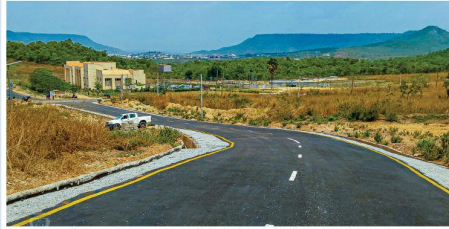


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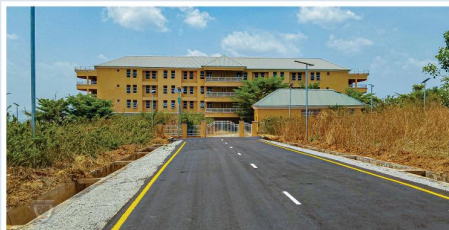
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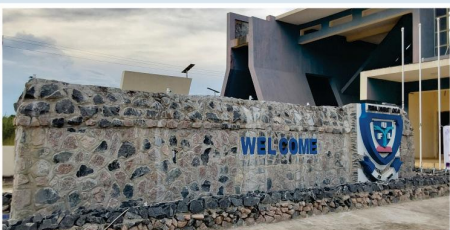
Procured vehicles for Management staff



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A statue erected at the front of the gate



FUL Zoo and Conservatory commissioning



FUL Zoo and Conservatory children playground

Towards Academic Development, Global Competitiveness



Establishment of New Academic Programmes

Increased number of Faculties from 5 to **10** including a College

College of Health Sci.
MB;BS Med. & Surgery
B.Sc. Nursing Science
B.Medical Lab. Sci.

Faculty of Pharm. Sci.
Pharm.D. Doctor of Pharmacy

Faculty of Engineering
B. Eng. Computer Eng.
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Students Population

Increased drastically from **6000+** in Feb 2021 to **17,000+** (undergrad. & postgrad.) as of June 2024. This is due to additional programmes & increase in JAMB admission quota



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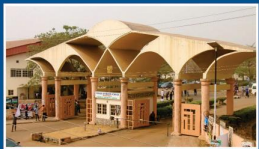


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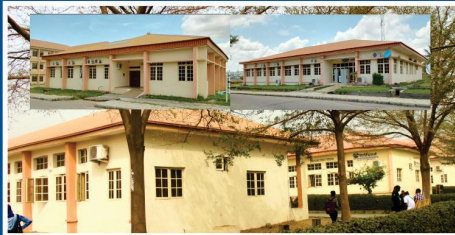
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Towards a University of the Future, Better Learning Environment



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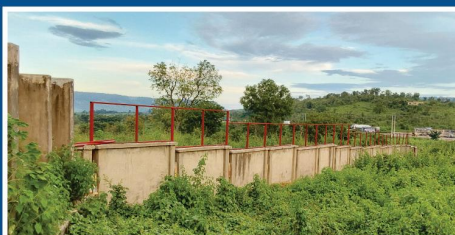
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Soon afterwards, the pioneer Vice-Chancellor and Registrar in the persons of Prof. Abdulmumini Hassan Rafindadi and Mrs. Habiba Anavoza Adeiza were appointed, respectively. The current and third Vice-Chancellor of the University is Prof. Olayemi Akinwumi, a historian and astute scholar of international repute who assumed office on the 15th of February 2021, while the current Registrar is Dr. (Mrs) Rebecca A. Okojie, a seasoned administrator. Other Principal Officers include Prof. M. S. Audu, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic); Prof. Abdullahi E. Bala, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration); Prof. Sarah D. Yani, University Librarian; and Mr. John Sule Shilo, Bursar.

In less than four (4) years, this management team has worked assiduously, transforming the thirteen-year-old Institution into one of the fastest growing Universities in Nigeria. It is therefore hoped that FUL will witness further remarkable development before the end of this administration as the list of achievements **continues**.

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