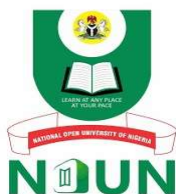


25th Matriculation Ceremony, Friday 20th October, 2023



NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA

25th Matriculation Ceremony

2023 Academic Year

Friday, 20th October, 2023

Programme of Events

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The Over 108 Study Centres across Nigeria

Our Vision

To be regarded as the foremost University providing highly accessible and enhanced quality education anchored by social justice, equity, equality and national cohesion through a comprehensive reach that transcends all barriers.

Our Mission

To provide functional, cost effective, flexible learning which adds lifelong value to quality education for all who seek knowledge.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

1. Arise, O compatriots,
Nigeria's call obey.
To serve our father
land,
With love and strength and faith.
The labour of our heroes past
Shall never be in vain,
To serve with heart and might
One nation bound in freedom,
Peace and unity.

2. O God of creation,
Direct our noble cause
Guide thou our leaders' right;
Help our youth the truth to know
In love and honesty to grow
And living just and true
Great lofty heights attain
To build a nation where peace
And justice shall reign.

NATIONAL PLEDGE

I pledge to Nigeria my country
To be faithful, loyal and honest
To serve Nigeria with all my strength
To defend her unity
And uphold his honour and glory
So help me God.

NOUN ANTHEM

National Open University of Nigeria
Determined to be the foremost
University in Nigeria
Providing highly accessible and
enhanced quality education
Anchored by social justice, equity,
equality and national cohesion

Refrain:

Come to N O U N
For quality, cost effective
and flexible learning
That adds life-long value,
For all who yearn
For quality education
and for all who
seek knowledge.

UNIVERSITY LOGO

It is open at the top indicating the philosophy and significance of Open Learning at the University.

It carries the National Emblem to confirm that it is a national institution. Placed conspicuously at the Centre of the Logo is an open book representing the flexible nature of Open and Distance Learning institutions regardless of time, place, pace and medium of instruction. The Green and White colours are national colours while the Red colour which carries the name of the University underscores the distinctiveness of the institution in Nigeria.

UNIVERSITY MOTTO

Learn at Any Place, at your Pace

The Motto, *“learn at any place, at your pace”* -emphasises the difference between conventional and Open and Distance Learning institutions.



HIS EXCELLENCY
BOLA AHMED TINUBU CCFR
PRESIDENT, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE ARMED FORCES
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA.

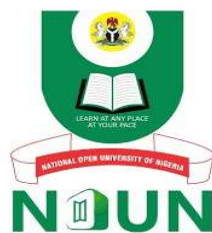


Professor Tahir Mamman
Honourable Minister for Education



Professor Olufemi Peters
Vice-Chancellor

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VICE-CHANCELLOR'S ADDRESS

NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA

**SPEECH OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR, NATIONAL OPEN
UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA (NOUN), PROFESSOR OLUFEMI PETERS,
DURING THE 25TH MATRICULATION CEREMONY HELD ON
FRIDAY, 20th OCTOBER, 2023**

Protocols.

**Professor Olufemi Peters
Vice-Chancellor.**

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His Excellency, Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR

**President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces,
Federal Republic of Nigeria**

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Mrs. Doris Nzenwa

ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

10.00am - Arrival of Matriculating Students and their Guests

10.05am - All Matriculating Students and Guests to be seated

10.10am - Entry of the Vice-Chancellor's Procession into the Arena
(All Stand)

10.15am - National Anthem
NOUN Anthem

10.20am - Opening of Matriculation Ceremony

The Registrar rises, doffs his cap and says:

"The Vice-Chancellor, Deans and Directors, Staff and the Matriculating Students of the National Open University of Nigeria, Ladies and Gentlemen, I humbly invite the Vice-Chancellor to declare the matriculation ceremony open"

The Registrar Resumes His Seat.

The Vice-Chancellor rises, doffs his cap and says:

"Deans and Directors, Staff and the Matriculating Students of the National Open University of Nigeria, Ladies and Gentlemen; by the authority conferred on me by the Senate of the National Open University of Nigeria, I now declare the **25th Matriculation Ceremony of the National Open University of Nigeria** open"

The Registrar Rises, Doffs His Cap and Says:

"Deans and Directors, Staff and the Matriculating Students of the National Open University of Nigeria, Ladies and Gentlemen; it is my pleasure to invite the Vice-Chancellor to give his Matriculation Address"

The Registrar Resumes His Seat.

10.25am - The Vice-Chancellor's Address:

10.40am - The Matriculation Oath

The Registrar Rises, Doffs His Cap and Says:

"Will the matriculating students please stand"

"I hereby administer the Oath on the matriculating students here present and those who are unavoidably absent for whom I stand proxy".

The Registrar then administers the Oath on the students by reading the Oath in sequence and the students repeat after the Registrar.

The Registrar and the Students Resume their Seats.

10.50am - Signing of the Matriculation Oath Forms

The students while sitting sign the Matriculation Oath Forms

Collection of the Matriculation Oath Forms

Officers of the Study Centre are to collect the duly endorsed Matriculation Oath Forms from the students.

10.52am - Closing of the Matriculation Ceremony

The Registrar Rises, Doffs His Cap and Says:

“The Vice-Chancellor, Deans and Directors, Staff and the Matriculating Students of the National Open University of Nigeria, Ladies and Gentlemen; it is my pleasure to invite the Vice-Chancellor to declare the Matriculation Ceremony closed”

The Registrar Resumes His Seat.

The Vice-Chancellor Rises, Doffs His Cap and Says:

“Deans and Directors, Staff and the Matriculating Students of the National Open University of Nigeria, invited Guests, Ladies and Gentlemen; by the authority conferred on me by the Senate of the National Open University of Nigeria, I declare the ceremony closed”

Vice-Chancellor Resumes His Seat.

10.55am - The NOUN Anthem

The National Anthem

**11.00pm - Exit of the Vice-Chancellor’s Procession from the Arena
(All stand)**

The Vice-Chancellor’s procession will leave the arena in reverse order.