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# BOWEN MONTHLY



## BOWEN ALUMNA SHINES AS TOP SCHOLAR IN AFRICAN ECONOMIC SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The African Economic Scholars Program (AESP) has recognized the outstanding achievement of Bowen alumna, Bernice Ayomide Aileru, as one of the top three scholars in its 2024 cohort. Bernice, a 2023 graduate of Bowen University's Economics programme, has emerged as a rising star in the prestigious program.

At AESP, Bernice has been making significant contributions. The program praised her leadership qualities, stating, "Bernice brought her personality and leadership to the forefront, proactively contributing to every session. Her vibrant leadership style encouraged others, and her initiative shone through in both teamwork and individual projects." The AESP also commended her proactive approach, expressing confidence in her ability to shape the future of African economies.

Bowen University celebrates Bernice and other alumni who continue to embody the institution's core values of Godliness, Excellence, and Leadership.

We remain committed to showcasing the achievements of our students and graduates, who leave a lasting impact wherever they go.

## BOWEN UNIVERSITY GRADUATES 5TH SET OF NURSING STUDENTS WITH 100% SUCCESS IN PROFESSIONAL EXAMS

Bowen University marked a significant milestone on Thursday, September 19, 2024, as it inducted its 5th set of nursing graduates. The event saw 46 new nursing professionals, who all achieved a remarkable 100% pass rate in their Registered Midwife (RM), Registered Nurse (RN), and Registered Public Health Nurse (RPHN) professional examinations.

Adisa Adeola, the overall best-graduating student, praised Bowen University for its dedication to student success, highlighting the institution's experienced faculty and the well-equipped teaching hospital that provided them with hands-on clinical training. Speaking at the induction ceremony, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Jonathan Babalola FAS FRSC, emphasized the importance of rigorous clinical training in producing competent nurses ready to deliver high-quality healthcare services. He reiterated that nursing graduates should not be allowed to practice without adequate exposure to real-world clinical environments, as this is vital for saving lives and preventing medical errors, and expressed pride in Bowen University's commitment to empowering its students with the knowledge and skills required to excel in their professions. He noted that the university's comprehensive training prepares graduates for both local and global healthcare sectors, enabling them to meet the demands of the profession.

The Guest Lecturer, Prof. Christiana Sowunmi, spoke on the global impact of Nigerian nurses, particularly those who migrate. In her lecture titled *Global Healthcare Game-Changer: The Remarkable Impact of Nigerian Nurse Migration*, she encouraged the graduates to complete their registration and practice in Nigeria before exploring opportunities abroad. Prof. Sowunmi argued that while migration can create temporary workforce gaps, it also offers immense benefits through knowledge transfer and remittances, which contribute to nation-building.

Representing the Secretary-General/Registrar of the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria, Dr. Faruk Abubakar, ModupeAyoola urged the new inductees to uphold the highest standards of ethical practice and compassion. She applauded Bowen University for fostering a conducive environment that enables nursing students to excel, attributing the institution's consistent success in professional examinations to its quality education and mentorship.



L-R: 3rd best graduating student, Nurse Akinbote Oluwagbemisola, Best graduating student, Nurse Adisa Justina, and 2nd best graduating student, Nurse Olowa Oluwadolapo

## BOWEN UNIVERSITY SIGNS MOU WITH WALTER SISULUUNIVERSITY, SOUTH AFRICA



In a significant stride towards fostering international collaborations and advancing research innovation, Bowen University has officially signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Walter Sisulu University (WSU), South Africa. This partnership, which is a testament to Bowen University's commitment to expanding its global reach and fostering academic excellence through strategic partnerships, marks a pivotal moment in Bowen's journey towards global academic partnerships and the promotion of research excellence. The MoU signing process was set in motion during the visit of Professor Dominic Abaver from Walter Sisulu University, who spent time at Bowen University from the 2nd to 4th of April, 2024. His visit solidified the commitment of both institutions to establish and strengthen academic and research ties.

The partnership promises to pave the way for numerous opportunities, including staff and student exchange programs, collaborative academic conferences, joint research projects, technical support, and postdoctoral fellowships. Additionally, both universities will work together on the exchange of publications, reports, and other vital academic materials, ensuring that the collaboration is rich with intellectual resources. Professor Ademola Ayeleso, the Director of Research and Strategic Partnerships at Bowen, expressed his gratitude to the University's management, led by the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Jonathan Babalola FAS, FRSC, for their unwavering support in making this partnership a reality.

## COMMUNICATION ARTS PROGRAMME LEADS INITIATIVE TO IMPROVE WORKPLACE COMMUNICATION AND EMOTIONAL HEALTH

In a continued effort to foster emotional well-being and enhance workplace communication, Bowen University's Communication Arts Programme organized a two-day workshop titled "Improving Communication: Handling Emotional change Challenges in Workplace" from August 26th to 27th, 2024. The event, held at the Red Hall, was facilitated by Professor Ola Ogunyemi, a visiting scholar to the programme from Lincoln University, UK, and focused on addressing emotional challenges and stress management in the workplace. The workshop catered to both academic and non-academic staff, offering practical tools to improve communication and emotional intelligence. Participants were engaged in interactive sessions aimed at identifying emotional stressors related to their roles and developing strategies for better workload management and career development. The workshop identified three key areas for improvement: workload management, career development opportunities, and human resource capacity building. On the first day, non-academic staff explored how to manage emotional risks from workplace stress, focusing on trauma and its effects. The second day addressed the emotional toll of research and teaching for academic staff, providing strategies for managing stress. Professor Ogunyemi proposed regular staff forums and a fair course allocation system to improve workload management and job satisfaction. He also emphasized the need for annual appraisals to support career growth and align staff goals with the university's mission. Overall, the workshop laid a foundation for enhancing staff well-being and productivity, reaffirming Bowen University's commitment to creating a supportive and healthy work environment. As the university moves forward with these initiatives, it continues to solidify its reputation as a forward-thinking institution dedicated to both academic excellence and the well-being of its workforce.

# ROYAL AMBASSADORS INDUCT JONATHAN BABALOLA AS AMBASSADOR-IN-CHIEF



The Vice-Chancellor of Bowen University, Prof. Jonathan Babalola, FAS, FRSC, has been inducted as the Ambassador-in-Chief of the Bowen University Royal Ambassadors by the Royal Ambassadors of Nigeria (Olagbemi Chapter) during the 2024 RALA Sunday (Royal Ambassador and Lydia Auxiliary).

The ceremony, held at the Bowen University Chapel, celebrated the achievements of members of the Royal Ambassadors and Lydia Auxiliary of the Nigerian Baptist Convention. The event also featured the promotion of leaders within the organization and was graced by dignitaries from the Nigeria Baptist Convention, including the National General Secretary and officials from Osun and Oyo States.

Prof. Babalola's induction as Ambassador-in-Chief highlights his commitment to the mentorship and development of young people within Bowen University, as well as his unwavering support for the Royal Ambassadors. The event concluded with a ceremonial Guard of Honour, in recognition of all participants and the newly inducted Ambassador-in-Chief.



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