



# CRAWFORD UNIVERSITY HIGHLIGHTS

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**Our vision**  
To be a Centre of Excellence;  
producing graduates with a balanced  
education.

**Mission**  
To be an International Institution of  
higher learning with enviable  
standards of teaching and research

## 'Research for Solutions to Societal Challenges,' Crawford's VC Charges Matriculants.



Some undergraduates during procession into the Multipurpose Hall for the 13<sup>th</sup> Matriculation Ceremony of the University

Governments and organisations are looking the way of the Ivory tower for answers embedded in careful researches for the resolutions of societal ills and challenges. This is the postulation of the Vice Chancellor of Crawford University, Professor Isaac Rotimi Ajayi, even as he charged the freshly matriculated students, especially the postgraduate students of the University to apply themselves to research in order to bring out the answers. This came out during his address during the Matriculation ceremony of the institution on 19th of January, 2018 at the Multipurpose Hall.

While reminding the eager young undergraduates the significance of the ceremony as being their formal initiation to their life career path, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Ajayi charged them to key into the core values, that is the trademarks of the University, " which are hard work, honesty, respect, discipline, integrity, resilience, excellence and the fear of God ". He reminded them that the primary purpose of coming to University is to lay a solid foundation for their life and future and with that in view, they must not give in to the plethora of temptations before them to waste away their time.

Charging the Higher Degree students, Professor Ajayi argued that Postgraduate study "is serious business that demands total commitment. It is the height of academic pursuit reserved for innovation, creativity and solutions." He posited that significant social institutions like governments, multinationals and blue chips companies are in dire shortages of problem-solvers and would be looking their ways for solutions. Therefore, they need to apply themselves to researches in order to put themselves in position where they would be relevant as problem-solvers and solution-providers.

"Nigeria and indeed, the world is infested with myriads of problem demanding solutions. The University is looked upon to proffer answers which are embedded in research. No wonder

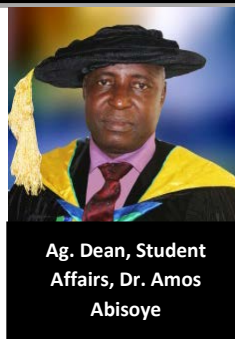
the government, industries and organisations, look unto universities for the necessary answers and optimal solutions, so your talents and skills would be sought after to address these challenges and inadequacies," he remarked.

The 13th Matriculation of the University drew together matriculating students, their parents as well as academics, the faculty of the University and other students to create a Carnival-like atmosphere as they rejoiced with the new entrants. The University admits four categories of students for various programmes in Sciences, Social Sciences, Business and Environment. They are admitted to programmes in the Undergraduate, Direct Entries, Postgraduate and the School of Part - Time, SPTS.

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## Orientation Programme for Freshers

The Students Affairs Division has organised a three-day series of orientation programme to familiarise the new entrants into Crawford University. Various aspects of campus life were discussed by resource persons. Topics like Crawford University Culture and Regulations was handled by Professor Alaba Simpson, You and Your Health by Dr. S. O. Awosoga, Success in Academic Pursuit by Professor Gbolagade Gbolagunte, Mode of



Ag. Dean, Student  
Affairs, Dr. Amos  
Abisoye

Worship in the Church by Dr. Dapo Afolabi, Violation of Rules and their Consequences was also handled by Mr. Akingbade (CSO).

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## Commendation Service for Rev. Ogunkorode

To live in the heart of those we love is not to die. More than this aphorism, Reverend Peter Adebayo Ogunkorode "came to life" in a manner of speaking in the course of the commendation service held in his memory. In an event attended by a cross-section of Crawford University community as well as the church members, family, neighbours and friends, eulogies and encomium poured in for this inimitable servant of God who dedicated his life to God's service. For those who did not know him, the departed was literally introduced to them

through the testimonies, playlets, favourite songs, sermon and other elements of the two-hour programme. In the drama piece presented by the youths of the church, he came across as someone who would not compromise on anything that would cast a slur on the Gospel. He made great sacrifices to ensure that he would be able to give a good account of his ministry.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Rotimi Ajayi, in his speech, thanked God for the labours of people in the generation of

Reverend Ogunkorode that had worked to institute this tertiary institution. He prayed that God should bless and keep the family, most especially after the demise of their patriarch.

A Funeral service was later held for Rev. Ogunkorode at the Anthony Village Campground WECA Headquarters Tabernacle on the 19th of January before interment at the Trumpet Shall Sound Cemetery in the University campus.

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### ANNOUNCEMENT

Staff Bible Study holds 2pm every Wednesday.  
Staff prayer meeting holds every Thursdays by 8am. God bless you as you attend these meetings.

Management

Life is a journey and only you hold the key

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