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EDUCATION TRUST FUND ACADEMIC STAFF TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT GRANT CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The University of Ibadan has received a grant of ₦50 million from the Education Trust Fund (ETF) for academic staff training and development, with emphasis on the Sciences. The broad objective of this initiative is *to break the unhealthy culture of in-breeding of academic staff by exposing them to other intellectual traditions within and outside Nigeria.*

The University hereby invites applications from qualified academic staff for any of the following categories of training grants:

- a. **overseas training grants** for academic staff currently pursuing doctoral programmes in Nigerian universities; and
- b. **grants for sponsorship** in Nigeria or abroad.

FEMALE STAFF ARE ESPECIALLY ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.

Objectives, Eligibility and Application Procedure

c. Overseas training grants

The objective of **overseas training grants** in (a) is to furnish academic staff, who are pursuing doctoral degree programmes in Nigerian universities, with the opportunity to travel overseas for about **three to six months**, but not exceeding one year, as non-tuition scholars, to use equipment that are crucial to their research activities but are unavailable within Nigeria. Applicants must be academic staff who are currently pursuing doctoral programmes in Nigerian universities. Beneficiaries of these grants will be bonded.

An application should consist of **four hardcopies** and an electronic **copy** in **Microsoft Word**, and must include the following:

- (i) A covering application letter.
- (ii) A short proposal (maximum of 10 pages) in 12-point Microsoft Word on A4 paper. The proposal should include a short statement of problem, plan of study/training, methodology, expected outcomes, duration of the support sought, a line-item budget, proposed location of study/training, and how the study/training will contribute to the timely completion of the applicant's PhD programme.
- (iii) Applicant's curriculum vitae in University format (including e-mail and mobile telephone number).
- (iv) A letter from the Dean of the Postgraduate School confirming that the applicant is a bonafide PhD candidate.
- (v) A letter from the applicant's Head of Department describing the state of the applicant's PhD programme.

All applications for the **overseas training grants** should be submitted, not later than **2:00pm on Friday, June 12, 2009**. *This deadline supersedes the deadline of Friday, June 26, 2009 earlier published in the University Bulletin Special Release #2326 of April 14, 2009.*

d. Grants for sponsorship in Nigeria or abroad

The objective of **grants for sponsorship** in (b) is to provide sponsorship for academic staff to undergo postgraduate training leading to the award of **master's** or **doctorate** degrees in **Nigeria or abroad**. Sponsorship for **master's** programmes will be for a maximum of 1 year while doctoral candidates will receive sponsorship for a maximum of 3 years. Only candidates who have letters of admission dated **2009** are eligible to apply. Beneficiaries of these grants will be bonded.

An application should consist of **four hardcopies** and an electronic **copy** in **Microsoft Word**, and must include the following:

- (i) A covering application letter.
- (ii) A letter of admission to a **master's/doctoral** programme from a reputable institution, clearly indicating the **course, cost and duration** of the programme, as well as the **expected completion date**.

- (iii) A short proposal (maximum of 10 pages) in 12-point Microsoft Word on A4 paper. The proposal should include a short statement of problem, plan of study/training, methodology, expected outcomes, duration of the support sought, a line-item budget, proposed location of study/training.
- (iii) Applicant's curriculum vitae in University format (including e-mail and mobile telephone number).
- (iv) A letter of support from the applicant's Head of Department.

All applications should be submitted, not later than **2:00pm on Friday, June 12, 2009**, to:

The Chairman,
Staff Training and Research Capacity Building Sub-committee,
MacArthur Foundation Grant Implementation Committee,
c/o MacArthur Grant Liaison Office,
Suite 6-7 ICT/Digital Library Building,
Benue Road, University of Ibadan, Ibadan.

Signed

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Registrar and Secretary to Council