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CEDGS Organises Employability Training Seminar for Final Year Students

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Cross Section of Final Year Students at the 2021 Employability training organised by the Center for Entrepreneurial Development and General Studies (CEDGS) of Mountain Top University

The Center for Entrepreneurial Development and General Studies (CEDGS) of Mountain Top University, as one of the cardinal activities of the center, organised an employability training seminar for the final year students of the University. The five-day event (21st - 25th June, 2021) was organised in partner-

ship with Poise Nigeria Limited, a business consultancy firm offering dynamic soft skills training that gives the edge in corporate world and in social life.

In her welcome address, the Acting Director, Center for Entrepreneurial Development and General Studies (CEDGS), Dr Mrs Patience Erigbe, highlighted the numerous advantages of the event and also encouraged the students to make the best use of this opportunity. A total number of 198 students were present including some members of staff.

The Vice Chancellor, Mountain Top

University, ably represented by the Acting Director, Academic Planning, Dr. Mojeed Ologundudu, in his opening remark, commended the Center for Entrepreneurial Development and General Studies for the noble idea and pleaded with the students to open their minds and learn, as the training would help them grow in their career and entrepreneurial endeavors when they graduate.

The POISE Team was led by Mrs Nonye Cally-Bechi, Chief Operating Officer, Poise Nigeria Limited.

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Other facilitators in the team are: Mr Innih Ikhide, Head, Poise Graduate Finishing Academy; Mr Mirian Chilaka, Business Development Manager; Mr Oluwajuwonlo Esho, Project Officer and Mr Shadrach Maisamari, Programme Coordinator, Poise Nigeria limited. The modules that were dissected during the five-day seminar are:

- **Self-Awareness and self-worth**
- **Understanding your employability**
- **Goal setting**
- **Impression management and grooming**
- **Business models canvas**
- **Work place ethics**
- **Problem solving**
- **Presentation skills**
- **Adaptability and building resilience**
- **Time management**
- **Social intelligence**
- **Business writing skills**

The students were taught how to be proactive by setting goals concerning key areas of their lives such as career, family, spirituality, education and finances. The SMART acronym (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic and Timely) was also introduced to them to guide their goal-setting activities. **Presentation skills** (online and offline) was another interesting topic of the day. Importance of presentation skill, types of presentation skills, fears about speaking in public, possible presentation openings were all addressed.

Another interesting topic for discussion in the afternoon segment was **Business model canvas**. The business model canvas essentially incorporates the following items, key partners, key activities, value proposition, customer relationship, customer seg-

ment, key resources, distribution channels, cost structure and revenue stream. For any business to thrive at any level, business promoter/ owner must understand all these key components. **Professional Attitude and behaviour** was treated on day 3, two case studies were cited for better understanding of how individuals should act and behave in the work place and in different professional settings.

Building Resilience was another skill needed in the work place and in entrepreneurship and this was well handled by the facilitators. Types of resilience and 4-factor approach in resilience building were also discussed. As regards **Social intelligence** as a topic, it was emphasized that understanding yourself as a person would help you to connect with people better. The following four types of selves were examined: Rational self, Experimental self, Safe keeping self and Feeling self.

On day 5, topics like **Time management, Interview Skills, CV & Cover Letter writing, Business writing skills and Selling skills** were all treated. Following the unwavering interests of the participants and the dynamic teaching and presentation skills of the facilitators, I believe the POISE program for this year was a huge success. Sampling the students' opinion, it was discovered that many of them enjoyed it and learned quite a lot from the various modules taught.



L-R: Mr. Bamidele Salami (Staff, CEDGS), Dr. Moses Abiala (Ag Dean, Students' Affairs); Dr. Mojed Ologundudu, Director Academic Planning; Dr. Patience Erigbe (Ag Director CEDGS); Mr Oluwajuwonlo Esho., Project Officer, Poise Nig.; Ms. Victoria O. Akanbi (Staff, CEDGS)



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And the Lord was with a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian

Joseph, and he was

Genesis 39:2

(King James Version)

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MTU Prays in June: Stand Out and Be Different

MTU Prays is a monthly prayer meeting of Mountain Top University (MTU) which holds every first Thursday of the month between 4 and 6pm. It is one of the cardinal programmes of the University as part of her mission to develop and build the spiritual lives of both staff and students. The June edition of the prayer meeting took place on 3rd June, 2021 at the usual venue, MTU Multi-Purpose Hall, in an atmosphere of awe and worship. In attendance were the Principal Officers of the University; the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Elijah Ayolabi; the Registrar, Mr. Olufemi Oyewole; the Bursar, Mr. Sola Olagundoye and the University Librarian, Dr. (Mrs.) Helen Akinade.

The spirit-lifting program featured powerful praise and worship session, hymns and songs ministrations as well as different sessions of heaven-shaking prayers. As a custom during *MTU Prays*, the congregation has the wonderful privilege of being blessed through the ministrations of various Mountain of Fire and Miracle Ministries (MFM) Pastors, from far and near, who are invited for the programme. So, for the June edition of the programme, the University Chaplain, Pastor Olumide Adesina, introduced and welcomed the Guest minister, Dr. Coker (an Associate Professor of Geophysics at the Lagos State University LASU) to the

podium.

Dr Coker based his exhortation on the book of Matthew Chapter 5 verse 14 to 16. He admonished the congregants on the topic '**Stand out and be different**'. He explained that to stand out means to be unique, notable and to be the best. He further mentioned that a child of God needs to stand out in areas such as, words, actions, submissiveness, dressing and service to the Lord. He pointed out ways to stand out using Romans 12:2. While giving practical life examples to drive the point home, he said that whoever wants to stand out must:

- ◆ aspire to be a role model
- ◆ have personal discipline
- ◆ be heavenly focused
- ◆ aspire to be used of the Lord
- ◆ Make personal decision for Christ and not conform to the pattern of this world.

The exhortation culminated in an altar call and special prayers for grace to Stand Out. The offering was collected while the Registrar made necessary announcements. Finally, the Vice-Chancellor made his closing remarks and also said the closing prayer. It was indeed a refreshing time in God's presence as both staff and students showed excitement at being blessed during

BIT'S

From the Vice-Chancellor's Office

- ◆ First mid semester test concluded successfully
- ◆ Holds meeting with all female staff on the appropriate dress code and hair style on campus
- ◆ Students' week commences from 5th to 9th July, 2021
- ◆ Some members of staff were promoted

From the Registrar's Office

- ◆ Members of staff instructed to fill APER forms
- ◆ College Staff Seminar series commenced
- ◆ Regular attendance of daily morning devotion re-emphasized

MTU CHMS Academic Seminar Series: Professor Adedun Takes the Lead

On the 22nd of June, 2021, the College of Humanities, Management and Social Sciences (CHMS) of Mountain Top University held the first seminar of the staff academic seminar series for the academic session 2020/2021. The lecture was delivered by Professor Emmanuel Adedun, HOD, Languages. The topic of the lecture is **"A Socio-Semantic Analysis of**

J.F Odunjo's 'Ise L'ogun Ise' which, translated in English, means 'work is the antidote of poverty'. In the absence of the Dean of the College, Professor John Akinyomi, the HOD Mass Communication, Professor Babatunde Oni, chaired the occasion.

In delivering the lecture, Professor Adedun critically espoused the interface between society and grammatical coinages of English words, phrases and clauses which explains the generally known biblical admonition, 'he who will not work, let him not eat'. He also provided the Yoruba translation of some identified English words which describe valour, wealth, means of livelihood and hard work. The research objectives are as follows:

To use the instrumentality of Ideational Metafunction to analyse J.F. Odunjo's 'Ise L'ogun Ise' (Work Is the Antidote for Poverty).

To interpret J.F. Odunjo's 'Ise L'ogun Ise' in its socio-cultural context

To discuss the social meaning of 'Ise L'ogun Ise' in the context of the prevailing socio-cultural norms in Nigeria.

The study is significant in that it:

1. Provides an intellectual discourse towards solving the socio-cultural problems of Nigeria through the activation of existing dormant traditional values.
2. Engineers an authentic Nigerian cum African rejuvenation of acceptable conducts and behaviours through the process of digging deep into the abandoned traditional values as can be exemplified by films, music, poems and rhymes e.g. (Rain, Rain vs Ojo nro).



Prof. Emmanuel Adedun, HOD, Languages, College of Humanities, Management and Social Sciences, Mountain Top University

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3. Calls attention to the complementarity between traditional value system and biblical morality e.g. hard work is traditionally recognized as a great virtue while the

Bible also teaches and admonishes people to work hard: Proverbs 22:29 - 'seest thou a man diligent in his business?

At the end of the lecture, the staff present made their observations and comments. One pointed out the need for the literature review section of the study to be more robust in order to provide a wider context for a more critical appreciation of the topic. In response, Professor Adedun assured the audience that the main paper has a robust literature review but that due to space constraints, it was abridged for the purpose of the presentation. Another participant commended the paper and the presentation stating that it was well-researched and beautifully presented, with all the essential parts of a typical scientific research paper present. This has, in many ways, cleared some doubts in some quarters and reiterated the fact that research in the humanities and abstract arts is systematic, empirical, critical, controlled and rigorous.

With the first College of Humanities, Management and Social Sciences' academic seminar successfully done, it clears the way for more in the series. The sessions promise to be interesting, educative and informative going forward. The staff, students, the University community and the nation at large will benefit from this laudable initiative.

MTU Female Staff Train on University Compliant Hairstyle and the Management

As a way to ensure total compliance to the University Hair Styles and to also train the ladies on easy ways of taking care of their natural hair, a hair care seminar was organised for all MTU female staff on the 25th of June, 2021 by 12 pm at the PG Conference Hall. The hair care seminar was facilitated by Haekhinz Hair Culture. The seminar commenced with an opening prayer and then the Registrar, Mr Femi Oyewole, encouraged all participants to have an open-mind towards the seminar so as to have the full grasp of the whole content of the seminar.

Ms Akindutire Kehinde Atomikun, the CEO of Haekhinz HC came with two of her assistants, Aboyade Yemi and Faith Olusile. Among the management staff that were in attendance are the Registrar, the Librarian and the Bursar.

The training was eloquently handled by the CEO of Haekhinz Hair Culture, Ms Akindutire. According to her, hair symbolizes physical strength and virility in the Bible. She defined hair and explained that it is mostly made out of Keratin. She noted that fruits help to make hair grow and that hair is the second fastest growing tissue in the body of which the fastest is the bone marrow. Ms Akindutire explained that blow drying of hair alters the texture of the hair by changing their hydrogen bonds and this affects the growth.

Below are extracts from the seminar:

Four Hair Types

Type 1: Straight hair, Type 2: Wavy hair, Type 3:



Ms. Akindutire Kehinde Atomikun, the CEO of Haekhinz Hair Culture, Lagos.

Curly hair and Type 4: Coily hair. how easily moisture can penetrate your hair.

Testing of Hair: There are different kinds of test to find out your hair texture or hair type. They are: The float test, the slip and slide test and the spray bottle test.

What is Hair Porosity?

Porosity is a measurement of the ability of your hair to absorb and hold moisture. It indicates

How to Take Care of Low Porosity Hair?

1. Use a protein free daily conditioner
2. Use moisture-rich products
3. Use lighter or liquid-based products

How to Care for Medium Porosity Hair?

1. Avoid protein in your daily regimen.
2. Deep condition periodically

How to Care for High Porosity Hair?

1. Use a sealer like Avocado Oil.



Cross section of MTU Female Staff at the Seminar on MTU Compliant Hair Style and Management

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2. Use anti-humectants like raw shea-butter, coconut oil, palm oil, etc.

The Basic Products Hair Needs

1. A sulfate free shampoo

2. A moisturizing Leave-in conditioner

3. Hair butter/Cream

4. Oils (essential oils). (Extra Virgin Olive oil is good for natural hair)

5. Deep conditioner

How to Wash Hair

1. Section your hair

2. Prepoo - apply oil, massage well into the scalp, cover with a processing cap for 10 mins, preparing helps in the reduction of hair breakages

3. Shampoo, wash in sections, use finger balls to wash not finger nails

4. Apply your deep conditioner

-cover up for 30mins making use of steaming cap

- Rinse with water. Afterwards your hair is clean already once you get to this stage.

- Proceed to moisturizing and sealing

Apply your leave- in-conditioner, your cream and oil.

INSTRUCTION from the Chancellor to all MTU Female Staff

The CEO of Haekhinz Hair Culture towards the later part of her presentation gave the audience the instruction from the Chancellor, Dr D.K. Olukoya on the use of Wool. The Chancellor states thus: "I have told the VC our stand: owu ti awon Iya wa fi n ko Irun ni aye atijo, oun ni mo recommend, won ko gbodo fi create extension. Any wool apart from that we have to stand against it."



CEILING FAN THREAD



Some MTU Compliant Hair styles

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Staff Cooperative Society Holds Annual General Meeting, Elects New Leaders

It was a day packed with so much anxiety and expectations because two major events were slated - General elections and the 2020 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Mountain Top University Staff Cooperative Society. The day was Friday, the 25th day of June, 2021.

Due to COVID-19 educational, social and economic disruptions, the AGM could not be held last year and the vacant positions could not also be filled through a constitutionally organised free and fair elections. The excitement among the members to be part of this great event was palpable, when eventually it was scheduled. They turned out enmasse at the event held at the CBAS Big Lecture Hall.

The election was conducted first by the constitutionally constituted electoral committee under the leadership of Dr Job Okunoye, ably assisted by Mr Sunday Adepoju and Miss Deborah Shittu. After due electoral processes, the winners of the keenly contested election were announced.

They include:

Dr Mrs Nelly Ndukwe - Vice President

Mrs Yemi Esezobor - Assistant General Secretary

Dr Mrs Chinyere Mbaka - Public Relations Officer

Mrs Abimbola Joda - Welfare Officer

Mrs Folorunsho - Ex-officio 1

Miss Josephine Williams - Ex-officio 2

Dr Olanipekun Ojo - Loan Committee (Rep. Senior Teaching Staff)

Mr Adegboyega Ojo - Loan Committee (Rep. Sen-

ior Non teaching Staff)

Mrs Badaki - Loan Committee (Rep. Junior Staff)

The positions of President, General Secretary and Financial Secretary/Treasurer have already been taken up in a previous election by Professor Babatunde Oni, Dr Edwin Ofudje and Mrs Oyelakin respectively.

After the elections, the AGM commenced with dividends declared and shared accordingly. Other matters were discussed and visitors from the Ogun State Cooperative Services and Financial Institutions were given the opportunity to address members. Members interviewed at the end of the meeting, expressed their joy at the turn of events in the staff cooperative society and hoped that with the new leadership in place, things can only get better. Beautiful cooperative souvenirs and sumptuous meals were given to all present.

Guests at the event were Mr Mustapha, Director, Co-operative Services, Ogun State; Mrs Adesina, Zonal Director, Cooperative Services, Obafemi Owode LGA and Mrs Babalola, Cooperative Officer, Obafemi Owode LGA. Some of the Principal Officers of the University also graced the occasion in the person of Mr Shola Olagundoye (University Bursar) and Dr Mrs Helen Akinade (University Librarian).

MTU Staff Cooperative has repositioned itself towards excellence, integrity and resourcefulness. Now is therefore the time for all staff of Mountain Top University to join and be empowered to prosper.

Up Mountain Top University!

MTU Staff Co-operative!

Empowered to Prosper!

June Edition of MTU Staff Walk For Health - Consistency is the Key

The June 2021 edition of MTU staff walk which was targeted at maintaining physical fitness and healthy lifestyle for all staff of MTU was successfully organized on a cool Thursday morning. The staff involved in the exercise were gleefully kitted in their sports outfits and were seen jogging and warming up for the exercise. They all started in high spirits and everyone was determined to shed off a little ounce or kilogram of fats within the stipulated time mapped out for the exercise. The men in the group really proved that they were up to the task, even the women were not daunted with the distance as they all braced up and

lived up to the task. They were all jubilating and walking like military personnel throughout the distance that was covered.

The Sports Coordinator - Mr Olurin - was at the forefront monitoring and doing a great job of coordination. He encouraged all staff especially those who have not joined the walking squad to make it a point of duty once every month to key into the exercise as health is wealth. He also appreciated all the participants for turning out for the exercise and urged them not to relent because they will reap the fruit of their efforts. Next month is another edition of the staff health walk.



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CEDGS Employability Training Seminar for the Final Year Students in Pictures

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DATE	NAME	DEPARTMENT/POSITION
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July 1st	Abimbola Toyin Joda	Registry/CHMS
July 3rd	Olugbemiga Akinkunle Akindjeji	ICT
July 5th	Michael Olajide Okunubi	Geosciences
July 6th	Dr Patience Ajirioghene Erigbe	Business Administration
July 6th	Wilson Foluso Omoniyi	Accounting and Finance
July 8th	Dr. Opeyemi Oluwayemisi Ayodele	Biological Sciences
July 16th	Tolulope Posi Hunkuten	Students' Affairs
July 17th	Dr Kenneth Udeh	Mass Communication
July 27th	Modupe Deborah Amidu	Food Science and Technology
July 29th	Tosin Segun Ogunbiyi	Biological Sciences
July 29th	Eniola Ogunmola	Students' Affairs
July 29th	Mary Adeyinka Osagie	Biological Sciences
July 30th	Olufunmilayo Folasade Ademola	Students' Affairs

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The Mountain Top University is envisioned as a dynamic centre of academic excellence in the liberal tradition for the production of top-rate, morally sound graduates of distinctions who will be globally competitive for outstanding impact on the Nigerian societal and global development.

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The mission of Mountain Top University is the provision of excellent facilities for the training of men and women in various academic, professional and vocational disciplines in an atmosphere that will enhance the simultaneous development of their spiritual, mental and physical faculties, in order to produce morally upright and academically sound graduates with specialised skills and value systems, who will be independent, invariably self-employable and who will be able to impact positively on the development (be it in leadership, academic, public and the industrial sectors) of their communities, the Nigerian society and the global community at large.

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- Integrity
- Skill

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