



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

Between

**Ahmadu Bello University (ABU)
Zaria, Nigeria**

and

**FEDERAL COLLEGE OF EDUCATION (FCE)
Zaria, Nigeria**

April, 2024

This Memorandum of Understanding is between

1.0 Parties

1.1 AHMADU BELLO UNIVERSITY, ZARIA (hereinafter referred to as “**ABU**”), a public University, whose principal place of business is Sokoto Road, Samaru, Zaria, Kaduna State, Nigeria (**the PARTNER**)

and

1.2 FEDERAL COLLEGE OF EDUCATION (FCE), ZARIA, NIGERIA. (hereinafter referred to as “**FCE**”), a public institution, whose principal place of business is Old Jos Road, Gyallesu Tudun Wada, Zaria, Kaduna State, Nigeria (**the PARTNER**)

2.0 EFFECTIVE DATE: This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into on this day *..10.....* of *..May.....* year *2024*

3.0 TERMS OF MEMORANDUM

3.1 WHEREAS, both ABU and FCE recognize the importance of ensuring that graduates of Ahmadu Bello University possess the necessary skills, knowledge, and competencies required by employers in the workplace.

3.2 WHEREAS, ABU is committed to continuously improving its curriculum to produce graduates who are well-prepared to meet the needs of the labor market.

3.3 WHEREAS, FCE acknowledges its role in providing valuable feedback of its employees who are ABU graduates regarding their work performance.

3.4 WHEREAS, both parties acknowledge the importance of maintaining an up-to-date ABU alumni database.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual benefits to be derived from this collaboration, ABU and FCE hereby agree as follows:

4.0 Objectives of the Collaboration

The primary objectives of this collaboration are to

1. Periodically conduct a Graduate Tracer Study survey designed to gather feedback from FCE regarding the skills, knowledge, and overall performance of ABU graduates working with FCE.
2. Maintain an up-to-date ABU Alumni Database by periodically obtaining records of FCE employees who are ABU Graduates.
3. Provide internship opportunities for ABU Students in FCE to enhance acquisition of their skills, in order to meet current industry needs.

4. Explore and utilize any potential collaborative research area by the two parties

5.0 Responsibilities of ABU

- a. ABU will design, conduct, and analyze the Graduate Tracer Study survey.
- b. ABU will use the survey results to make improvements to its curriculum to ensure that graduates possess the requisite skills and competencies desired by employers.
- c. ABU will provide FCE with regular updates on the progress and findings of the survey.
- d. ABU to prepare and send its students for internship placement by FCE
- e. ABU to keep its graduates working with FCE abreast of happenings around its campuses
- f. ABU to coordinates collaborative researches with FCE including possible sabbatical appointments and joint grant seeking

6.0 Responsibilities of FCE

- a. FCE will facilitate access to its employees who are graduates of ABU for the purpose of conducting the Graduate Tracer Study survey.
- b. FCE will provide feedback on its employees who are ABU graduates on various aspects of their requisite skills and competencies.
- c. FCE will from time to time assist ABU in updating their alumni database with information about their graduates working in FCE.
- d. FCE will secure internship placement of ABU Students
- e. FCE to initiate possible collaborative research areas that has potential of enhancing work processes and improving productivity including possible staff internship and sabbatical appointment.

7.0 Mutual Benefits

- a. ABU will benefit from valuable feedback from FCE, enabling it to enhance its curriculum and produce graduates who are more aligned with industry needs.
- b. FCE will benefit from improved relations with the academic community and access to an up-to-date alumni database.
- c. Both parties will contribute to improving the employability and success of ABU graduates in the job market.
- d. Both parties will also benefit from the collaborative research outcome and possible exchange of knowledge and experiences in the areas of staff internship placement and sabbatical appointment aims at improving university-industry based collaborations.

8.0 Duration and Termination

This MOU will be in effect for a period of 10 years. Either party may terminate this MOU with written notice of 6 months.

9.0 Confidentiality

Both parties agree to treat any data and information collected during the survey process, alumni database update and collaborative research information as confidential and use it solely for the purpose outlined in this MOU.

10. Amendments

Any amendments or modifications to this MOU must be made in writing and signed by both parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Memorandum of Understanding as of the date first above written.

11. Signatories:

Ahmadu Bello University (ABU)



Prof. Kabiru Bala,
Vice Chancellor,
Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria

Date: 02/04/2024

In witness of



Mal. Rabi'u Samaila,
Registrar,
Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria

Date: 02/04/2024

Federal College of Education (FCE) Zaria



Provost,
Federal College of Education (FCE) Zaria

Date: 10/5/24

In witness of



Registrar,
Federal College of Education (FCE) Zaria

Date: 10/5/24