

All Nations University College

PARENTS' DAY ADDRESS

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On the Occasion of its 1st
PARENTS' DAY CELEBRATION
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Appellations:

(PLEASE CONFIRM PROTOCOL...)

- The Chancellor, Daasebre Professor Emeritus Oti Boateng,
- Representative of the Regional Minister
- Board of Governors
- Distinguished Guests
- Parents and Sponsors of ANU Students
- Faculty and Staff of ANU
- The Press
- Ladies and Gentlemen

On behalf of the board of Governors of all Nations University College, it is with great pleasure that we welcome you all to the very first Parent's Day Celebration of All Nations University, Ghana.

Parents and Sponsors are nation builders. Without the support of Parents and sponsors, the dreams of many would perish, and the world would wallow in the darkness of illiteracy and degradation. Institutions of higher learning would be empty cradles without babies. For this reason, we honor our parents today, and we commend you for your unflinching dedication to the education of your sons, daughters, and loved ones. We also congratulate you for making the choice of entrusting your wards to our care. We want to assure you that you have made the right decision, because at All Nations University College, we take pride in our reputation as the leading private University in academics, discipline, and creative innovation, in all of Ghana.

Your University is the first in many things, and we are proud to present the following highlights of All Nations University:

- 1) The FIRST University to introduce Value Education which is defined as the Total Personality Development Programme, which focuses on moral, ethical, spiritual, leadership, and character development.
- 2) The FIRST University to introduce a dress code
- 3) The FIRST University to introduce the following innovative programmes:
 - a. Electronics and Communications Engineering
 - b. Biomedical Engineering
 - c. Computer Engineering
- 4). The ONLY private university with about 70 full time faculty or lecturers

The FIRST University to approach the Government for accreditation in Oil and Gas Engineering. We hope to begin programmes in Oil and Gas Engineering and Nursing later this year.

6) All Nations University is simply vying for the TOP spot in quality higher education!

All Nations is affiliated to several local and International Universities :

- a) Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology is our mentor University in Ghana.
- b) SRM University, Tami Nadu, India, for science and engineering
- c) Bharathidasan University India, for management and science
- d) Bharath University, India, for engineering and medical sciences
- e) FUTO (Federal University of Technology, Owerri), Nigeria, for engineering
- f) Karunya University, India, for science and engineering

These affiliations and collaborations have greatly expanded our horizon and knowledge acquisition.

One of the newest innovations we are working on, is a comprehensive University Management Software which will, among other things, enable parents and sponsors to remotely log in to review the academic and non-academic progress of students. From the comfort and convenience of your homes and offices in Angola, Uganda, Kenya, Nigeria, USA, Canada, and all over the world, you can, without hassles, phone calls or travel, see the examination results, Grade Point Average, and other details that hitherto have been elusive. This technology, we know, is the first of its kind in the country.

Another distinguishing factor for all Nations University is our Total Personality Development programme. We care about your sons and daughters, not only academically, but also socially, morally, and spiritually. In TPD classes, we develop their leadership and soft life skills that will make the difference between them and other graduates in the employment market. Moreover, we are pleased to announce that other Universities in Ghana have started to embrace our Total Personality Development Programme! We are indeed proud to be trailblazers.

At ANU we focus on high quality education. Being the pioneer University in Biomedical Engineering, we have invested heavily in the laboratory equipment that makes for wholesome Engineering education. We encourage you to please take a tour of our laboratories - they are state-of-the-art technology and sought after by other Universities, for optimal hands-on educational experience for your words.

ANU is working on the paradigm of training our own graduates to be the future professors of the University. As a result, our faculty training programme assists our most talented students to further their education after the first degree, up to Ph.D. level. So far, 27 of our students have taken advantage of this programme, with more yet to depart for further studies this year. Your ward could therefore be the recipient of this sponsorship programme if he or she focuses on being among the very best in their academic and total personality development programme here at ANU.

Work is going on in earnest at our permanent site, where we are presently building a State-of-the-Art Engineering Complex that will house 12 workshops, 6 lecture theatres, 2 auditoria, and several offices. We are also building a students' hostel that is projected to accommodate about 800 students! This indeed is a move in the right direction, as we begin the long journey of developing our University to be the Harvard, Oxford or Cambridge of Africa. As you tour the permanent site this afternoon, we are pleased to announce our building fund, to which parents are encouraged to donate any amount desired, for a wall of fame recognition on metal plaques of different categories. This Wall of Fame offers parents and sponsors the opportunity to immortalize their names on the name of the foremost University in Africa, for the next 100 years and beyond.

I must conclude by thanking you once again for joining us today, and for celebrating with us. We encourage you to continue to partner with us. We encourage you to continue to partner with us, not only while your ward is our student, but long after, as we join hands to build the future generation of an Ivy-League University in Africa.

I wish you the very best in life. Thank you

Dr. Samuel H. Donkor

