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GRANTMANSHIP AND FELLOWSHIPS' SEMINAR

As part of efforts to support Staff and Students' development, the Department of Computer Science, College of Physical Sciences, Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta, under the Headship of Prof. Olusegun Folorunso organised a Seminar on Grantmanship and Fellowship, held on the 23rd of October, 2019. The Guest Speaker of the Seminar was Dr. Samuel Sojinu of the Department of Chemistry, College of Physical Sciences, FUNAAB. Also in attendance were eminent scholars from Department of Statistics, Dr. Matthew Olayiwola and Dr. Adeyemi Adeleke from the Department of Mathematics, FUNAAB.

Dr. Samuel Sojinu, a beneficiary of many fellowships and grants, spoke on developing research proposals and criteria considered for successful grant applications. He enlightened participants of the Seminar on some Masters, Doctoral and Post-doctoral Scholarships and Fellowships. DAAD Scholarship, Fulbright Scholarship, Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship, Georg Foster Fellowship, Sofja Kovalevskaja Award, Friedrich Wilhelm Bessel Research Award, Fraunhofer Bessel Research Award are some examples recommended by him. He further encouraged students, most especially the postgraduate students present, as well as staff to apply and benefit from available scholarships, fellowships and grants.

In reaction to the presentation of the Guest Speaker, Prof. Olusegun Folorunso, spoke on the need to focus on applied research, as well as collaborations with other departments within and outside the University.



This he emphasized will induce higher likelihoods of benefiting from grants and other funding schemes. Members of staff such as Dr. Olufunke Vincent, Dr. Oluwafolake Ojo and Mr. Oluwatimilehin Salako, who are beneficiaries of various scholarships and fellowships also shared their experiences with the audience. A Question and Answer segment ended the Seminar.

WORKSHOP ON REFERENCING FOR ACADEMIC WRITING

The importance of Quality writing of journal articles can not be over emphasized. As such, the Department of Computer Science in conjunction with the Association for Computing Machinery-Women (ACM-W) FUNAAB Chapter organised A-day Workshop titled 'Referencing for Academic Writing' targeted at Postgraduate students and finalists. The workshop was held at the Post Graduate Auditorium, FUNAAB on the 14th of November, 2019. In attendance was the Dean of Post Graduate School, Prof. Wilfred Alegbeleye, who delivered the Opening remarks, in which he emphasized the relevance of the Workshop. About a hundred and fifty (150) students and twenty (20) members of staff participated in the workshop.

The workshop comprised of two sessions. The first session was facilitated by a Guest Speaker, Mr. Kayode Adesemowo from Nelson Mandela University, South Africa, while the second session was facilitated by Prof. Olusegun Folorunso, the Head, Department of Computer Science, FUNAAB.

In Session 1, titled 'Reference Manager for Scientific Writing', Mr Adesemowo conducted some hands-on practical on the use of 'Mendeley', a reference management software. He demonstrated the use of Google Scholar in searching for quality articles and obtaining citations. Inserting citations through the 'References' menu on Microsoft Word was also experimented, while many students practised along on their laptops.

The second session was titled 'Building Academic Integrity' in which Prof. Olusegun Folorunso advised the participants to ensure integrity in their academic reports. He demonstrated the use of Article rewriter tools such as 'Spinbot', a free online tool which can be used to generate unique articles with appropriate grammar. He further demonstrated the use of 'SmallSEOtools', a free plagiarism checker.

The workshop ended with a Closing remark from Dr. (Mrs) Olusefunmi Arogundade, the Faculty sponsor of ACM-W FUNAAB Student Chapter.

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CSC STUDENTS WIN DEAN'S CUP '18/19

The 3rd of December, 2019 cannot be easily forgotten by students of the College of Physical Sciences (COLPHYS) as Computer Science (CSC) students won the highly coveted trophy competed for by the five (5) departments of the college (CHM, CSC, MTS, PHS and STS).

The CSC boys defeated the MTS boys 5-4 in penalty shootouts after an intense game which resulted in a goalless draw. For the tournament, MTS defeated PHS via penalty shootouts to qualify for the finals, while CSC defeated CHM 2 goals to 1 to qualify. The CSC boys thus emerged the Dean's boys!

Below is the picture of the Head, Department of Computer Science, Prof. Olusegun Folorunso holding the Cup standing beside Dean, College of Physical Sciences, Prof. Adio Akinwale.

