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## Notice to Graduates of the 2019/2020 Academic Year

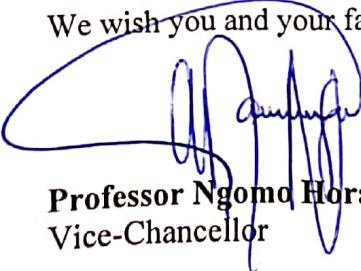
The official ceremony for students of the University of Buea who graduated in the 2019/2020 academic year shall not hold as planned. The University, guided by instructions from the Minister of State, Minister of Higher Education, prohibiting university ceremonies in compliance with the Prime Minister's decision against the mass gathering of persons, has suspended the highly awaited traditional ceremonies of Matriculation and Convocation. These decisions were not conditioned on our ability to respect the COVID-19 guidelines of physical distancing, hand-washing and wearing of masks, but in response to the firm instructions from hierarchy and on our fair judgment to avoid events that would impact on the health of our community.

The end-of-course testimonials for students who graduated in March, July and September 2020 as approved by Senate are being processed, and shall be collected from the respective establishments. The Registrar and the Deans and Directors of Faculties, Schools and Colleges have been instructed to organise the process to issue your individual Certificate of Completion of Studies or Attestations when they become ready.

Hopefully, with the gradual and seemingly successful measures to combat COVID-19 at the international level, coupled with improved mastery of the disease it is possible that in 2021 the University may receive fresh guidelines from hierarchy lifting the aforementioned restrictions. In that event, the University will combine both batches of graduating students for a Convocation ceremony.

The University therefore calls on the 2019/2020 batch of graduates to remain calm, and undertake the necessary clearances to be issued either a Certificate of Completion of Studies or an Attestation.

We wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year 2021.

  
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Vice-Chancellor

