

CU, GMAC Firm up Talks on Graduate Management Admission Test

Covenant University and the Graduate Management Admission Council (GMAC) have agreed to take their discussions further on the proposed Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT) for students of the University, with the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

The Vice-Chancellor, Covenant University, Professor AAA. Atayero, gave hints to this effect on Monday, March 20, 2017, when the CU Management played host to the GMAC Director, Marketing Development for Africa, Dr. Ronald Sibert.



CU Management with GMAC officials

Speaking at the meeting, which was sequel to a previous one held between the CU Management and the representatives of GMAC in November 2016, Dr. Sibert said that the purpose of the visit was to know the needs of Covenant University with regards to gaining access to qualified students in Africa and for GMAC to help the University identify and train the students.

Dr. Sibert, who was accompanied by two other officials of GMAC, Ms. Danielle Boland and Mr. Oloruntobi Alasi, explained that the GMAT exam, which was created by business schools to discover and select the best students with the greatest potential to succeed, beams a spotlight on talent around the world.

“The GMAT structure consists of Analytical Writing, Integrated Reasoning, Verbal Reasoning and Quantitative Reasoning. It creates value for students through effective reasoning, and schools adopt it because they know it positions them very well on the world map,” he said.

While acknowledging the University’s Vision of being one of the top 10 universities in the world by the year 2022, the GMAC Director said that accepting the GMAT exam can help the institution position itself the way it wants and there are many ways to accomplish such goals.

“One of the ways to do this is to attract the kind of students you want, graduate them to be the best so that they can tell your story,” said Dr. Sibert.

In his comments, the Dean, School of Postgraduate Studies, Covenant University, Professor Samuel Wara, said that the University was conscious of what to do to realize its Vision, and some of these include using the GMAT structure and adopting the international best practices, introducing Graduate Management Aptitude Test and attracting more of international students to the University’s programmes.

The Vice-Chancellor, Covenant University, Professor AAA. Atayero, in his remarks, said that being mindful of the Vision of becoming one of the best in the world in the next five years, the University wants its students to engage in research, which is the focal point and it is in this light that CU and GMAC can collaborate.

He directed that a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with action plans and timelines should be prepared with the University’s Core Values and Vision taken into consideration.

Also at the meeting were the Registrar, Mrs. Mary Aboyade; Director, Financial Services, Pastor Bayo Oladehinbo; and Sub-Dean, School of Postgraduate Studies, Dr. Humphrey Adebayo.

