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Editorial:

The “Economist” magazine has recently written a major article on the international student industry. The theme of the article was how some Western first world countries were embracing the trend (Australia and Canada), some developing the trend without actually embracing it (USA) and others fighting it (UK). It was all about rich post secondary students from third world countries going to first world countries to get their qualifications. It largely ignored the trend going the other way.

If you can't obtain a position in a UK, USA or Australian medical school and want to study medicine several Chinese universities offer medical training in English for foreign students. A number of Indian universities are offering distance learning programs outside of India. With education ultimately becoming the transferring of knowledge to a person it will be interesting to see how long the education trend will remain, one between the economical first world and the rest of the world.

In many economic first world countries education is highly subsidised if not free to local students although with tightening budgets more and more governments are encouraging students to pay more for their education. The author of this editorial expects sometime in the next 5-10 years people will find many students going from the first world to other countries for education not unlike many people from Europe and Australia going to Thailand and India for elective surgery.

Bachelor of Applied Management

St Clements University Higher Education School - Niue's Bachelor degrees are designed for one or two year Diploma graduates to upgrade their Diploma qualification to Bachelor degree status.

Vale Tor Tiv, HRH Dr Alfred Akawe Torkula IV



Tor Tiv, HRH Dr Alfred Akawe Torkula IV, has recently passed away. He was one of the first Nigerians to complete a Doctor of Philosophy with St Clements University.

His dissertation titled “*A Survey of the Marriage and Burial Institutions amongst the Tiv of Central Nigeria*”

has been one of the most read dissertations in the St Clements Education Group E-Library.

Tor Tiv, HRH Dr Alfred Akawe Torkula IV, ascended the exalted seat in 1991. The death of the monarch was symbolic as it came exactly 70 years after the Tor Tiv stool was created and extolled him for the fight against negative trends, such as the consumption of illicit gin (ogogoro) and other social crimes that plagued the society.

He also translated an English play entitled, ‘Two to Tango’ by Harry Ugwu to French in his Masters in French thesis at the University of Calabar and authored more than six books which include, ‘Death and Burial Custom of the Tiv People of Central Nigeria’, ‘The Cosmology in Tiv Worldview’, ‘The Tiv Woman, (Challenges and Prospect)’ and ‘Presidential Democracy in Nigeria: Grassroot Experience’.

The late monarch started his early education between 1953 and 1958 at the Tiv Native Authority Primary School, Gboko and in 1959 completed his first school leaving certificate at St. Theresa's Primary School, Naka. He proceeded to Mount St. Michael's Secondary School, Aliade between 1960 and 1964 and then concluded at King's College, Lagos in 1966.

His search for knowledge took him to Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, University of Besancon (France), St Clements University and University of Calabar respectively where he obtained various degrees including his doctorate.

The late Tor Tiv was former chancellor of University of Ibadan and he held the position of Pro-Chancellor of Michael Okpara University, Umudike in Abia State, until his death.

St Clements Institute News

St Clements Institute's Challenges for 2016

As Cambodia continues to work on becoming more integrated into ASEAN the Cambodian Ministry of Education works towards upgrading the Cambodian Higher Education system. It has established HEMIS (Higher Education Management Information System) which it wants all schools to record student results in and they (the Ministry) can access them to check and take the results from. In 2014 it introduced an "Internal Quality Control System" it wanted all schools to follow. During 2015 a lot of work was done to implement this – about 65% of the behind the scenes work has been done. This year should see the implementing of much of the "Internal Quality Control System". To improve our students learning St Clements Institute is implementing the Google Education Apps into its learning system – This will take some time to complete.

St Clements Institute Facebook – Update

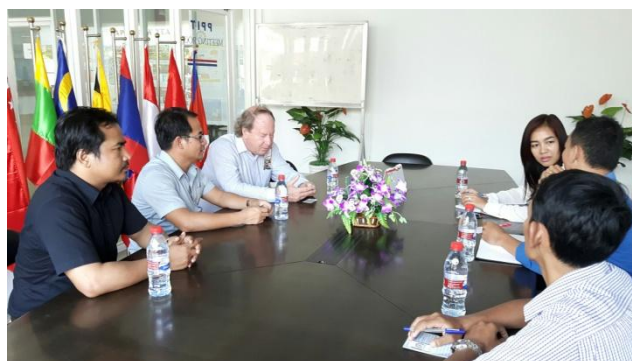
As part of St Clements Institute's promotion regarding recruiting students into its Bachelor degree programs, it is sending out messages to friends of friends. This has resulted in many friends of friends liking the Facebook site and this increases the number of friends of friends we can send our messages out to. The response to marketing enquiries is in the .1% - .3% range confirming we need a large base of "likes" for it to become a key marketing tool. When the campaign started St Clements Institute's Facebook page had 960 likes and as reported in Academic Council News Report No. 48 it had grown, it is now over 2400.

Student Focus Groups

To help develop future policies and understand potential students' needs a series of **Student Focus Groups** were held in January. Representatives from each year group met Dr David Le Cornu and Marketing Manager Mr Uk Chanveasna to give their views.



The lecture staff met Dr David Le Cornu (Director of SCI) and H.E. Dr Noun Samphea, (Chancellor and Chairperson of the Board of Trustees) to discuss plans for 2016. This year all lecture staff will be included in the staff appraisal.



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The cost of the Professorship course is USD 9,965. A discount of 15% is given for payment in advance. For payments in installments, please pay £1,000 in advance, followed by £1,000 each year until completion of the course.

The Professorial Certificate will be issued by a university on the UNESCO list of approved universities.

Signature:

Date:

Become a SCI Patron Fellow

St Clements Institute is looking for a limited number of sponsors (5-10) to help it develop over the next two years. Major sponsors will become Patron Fellows and may have naming rights to classrooms, scholarships and other awards.

Patron Fellows have the same status at St Clements Education Group official functions (graduation convocations, campus openings, academic year openings) as professors. They are entitled to wear professorship regalia at these events.

If you would like to help the university where you got your degree from becoming a Patron Fellow may well be such a way.

You can start out as a Friend of SCI, become a Silver and Gold Friend and then a Patron building up your financial commitment over time.

If this is of interest to you please contact Dr David Le Cornu at admin@stclements.edu

Member Profile

Dr Billy Sichone



Dr Billy Sichone was recently appointed as Vice President at the Northrise University, in Ndola, Zambia.

He has been associated with the St Clements University for over 15 years, and is a candidate for the Doctor of Letters-applied Economics/ Strategic thinking. Having worked for both non-profit and for profit companies, Dr Sichone joined the University in March 2015, coming from the World Vision international-Zambia where he served for 17 years in various portfolios. He lectures in both the Business and Theology faculties. Additionally, Billy Sichone has authored several books as well as published his other works on the academia.edu.

Effective January 2016, he assumes the role of Vice President in charge of all academics matters relating to the university. The Northrise University is a Christ-centered entity that has been in existence since 2004, the first privately registered University in Zambia. The school has grown over the years from two faculties to now over ten. The student population stands at over 600 and is poised to increase with the addition of more Masters' programs (MIT, MAOL, MPH & MPM) in 2016.

Please visit the university website at the following address: northriseuniversity.org for more information.

Once again, St Clements University has scored a first.

Academic Counselor Receives Companionship from The Chartered Institute of Marketing

CMI Companion member Prof. Subash Chawla has completed 50 years of membership at The Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM), UK.



He was awarded a certificate recognising his 50 year membership of CMI by Mr Chris Daly from CIM headquarters in UK on 11th December 2014 at Kingsbury Hotel, Colombo after the AGM of CIM Sri Lanka region.



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Here are some comments from our Summer students in 2015

Violetta Shafranetska – 14 yrs - Ukraine
"This college is the best! The location is perfect"

Clementine Dechairanne – 10 yrs - France
"It's Perfect"

Nasir Atti – 17 yrs - Saudi Arabia
"I'm not in a college, I'm in my second home! Thank you"

Juan Orego – 15 yrs - Columbia
"The best teachers that I have had"

Saidmurod Saidov – 15 yrs - Uzbekistan
"I think this is the best place I have ever been"

Other Universities News

Buckinghamshire New University

Buckinghamshire New University, generally known as Bucks New University, came into existence in 2007 when its name was approved. It offers a number of programs which professional diploma awards are integrated with. It was originally a Science and Arts school in 1891 and became a University College in 1999 and finally a fully fledged University in 2007.

Federation University of Australia

The Federation University of Australia was formed by an amalgamation of the University of Ballarat and the Monash University Gippsland Campus. It is the largest regional University in the Australian state of Victoria. It offers the opportunity for graduates of the Australian National Qualification Diploma in Leadership a one year exemption in their Bachelor of Management program.

Atlas University of Somalia

In 2008 a group of Somalia educators came together to establish the Sakawade Foundation for Education and Development (SAFED). The university operates as a campus classroom school offering nine Diploma programs and thirteen Bachelor degree programs. One of the leading figures of the University is Dr Jamal Barrow who is currently Somalia's Ambassador to South Africa and was the general manager of ST. Clements University in Somalia when it first started.

Guangdong Baiyun University

Guangdong Baiyun University is a private university based in Guangdong, China. It was recently awarded the titles of "Model Private University", "Model Vocational and Technical Education Provider" and "Top 20 Chinese Private Universities". It is authorised to issue only Bachelor degrees. Guangdong Baiyun University is a partner to the Federation University of Australia.

Century 21 University

The USA Real Estate organisation Century 21 has established a corporate university named Century 21 University to upgrade the training and education levels of its franchise agents. Century 21 University issues certificates for the work completed with its programs.

Kings College London, Arizona State University and University of NSW Teaching Alliance

A three-way teaching and research alliance between the University of NSW, Kings College London and Arizona State University has the potential to eventually deliver jointly badged degrees to students who have been able to mix and match subjects and modes of delivery. The PLuS Alliance hoped to tap into the almost limitless demand for quality higher education from around the world using the expertise in online learning developed by ASU.

Sydney University Extra Year Extra Degree Offer

The University of Sydney proposes an optional fourth undergraduate year that would come with a full second degree. The proposed double degree involves a level of cross-crediting that is common at the undergraduate level and a major will be completed in each degree. At least half a year of the four-year program would include a genuine fourth year level (capstone) project and coursework.

Oxford Institute of Higher Education

This private Australian university offers Bachelor of Business and Bachelor of Business (Accounting) degrees. Officially they are three year degree programs but they can be fast tracked as two year programs. In Australia private commercial degree issuing schools are called Higher Education Institutes and not Universities.

Lorange Institute of Business Zurich

This is the European partner of the China Europe International Business School which has a campus in Shanghai, Beijing, Shenzhen and Accra. Studying a Global MBA with Lorange Institute of Business Zurich costs 90,000 CHF.

Alphacrucis College (Australia) Wins Self-Accrediting Status

Religious higher education institution Alphacrucis College has been awarded the authority to accredit its own courses, a key step on the way to becoming a university.

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The Institute of Management Specialists (IMS) was founded in the UK in 1971 to provide a body for Professional Management Specialists and Specialists involved in Modern Management, Technology and Systems.

IMS offers **Specialised Manager Awards** in the following categories: Administration, Agriculture, Architecture, Civil Services, Coaching, Education, Energy and Power, Engineering, Environmental, Finance, Governance, Risk and Compliance, Health Care, Hospitality, Human Resources, Information Technology, Insurance, Legal, Local Government, Manufacturing, Marketing, Military Services, Mining, Non Government Organisation, Petroleum, Police, Project Management, Supply Chain Management, Total Quality Management, Tourism, Travel.

Members completing the IMS CPD (Continuous Professional Development) programme can qualify as a **Certified Specialist Manager**.

The most recently Certified Managers are:

- [Mr Simon Julian Skerritt, Certified Specialist Manager \(Coaching & Project Management\) FIMS](#)
- [Mr Ho Ying Kit, Dannies, Certified Specialist Manager \(Supply Chain Management\) FIMS](#)

The following members have recently been recognised as Specialised Managers:

- [Mr Alaa Atef Abbas Abdelaal FIMS, Specialised Petroleum Manager](#)
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- [Dr Lee Thean Chye FIMS, Specialised Total Quality Manager](#)
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- [Mr Woo, King Kong Kelvin FIMS, Specialised Insurance Manager](#)

Professionalism creates profit

US Degree Evaluation Service

California University Foreign Credential Evaluation service has looked at a range of programs taught by St Clements Education Group schools. They have indicated they would rate a number of these degree programs as being equivalent to regionally accredited US schools. For details of the courses which fall into this category please contact Dr David Le Cornu at admin@stclements.edu

The California University Foreign Credential Evaluation Service is registered in the state of California as a Credential Evaluation Service. It is recognised by the United States Department of Education EROD Unique ID 7499. It is a Teacher credential evaluator for the New Jersey Department of Education and the state of Washington's CPA Board of Examiners.

If your degree is eligible for CUFCE service St Clements Education Group administration office can send copies of your degree directly to the CUFCE.

The cost varies from less than USD200 for a simple evaluation to USD1550 for the evaluation to be apostilled by the US Secretary of State and signed by a Washington based embassy (eg. Iraq, Nigeria, UK, Ghana, China, Australia).

The full apostille service requires it to be notarised by the Los Angeles County Registrar, then endorsed by California State authorities then apostilled by the Secretary of State.

Please Note: *The California University Foreign Credential Evaluation Service is not part of the Californian University system or California State University.*

Professional Organisations News

Institute of Management Specialists 45 Years Old

Forty five years ago Professor Herbert Manners and a group of managers in specialised areas saw a need for a professional body to represent specialist managers. They recognised that specialised managers need both generic management knowledge and specialised knowledge in their discipline area. Thus in 1971 the Institute of Management Specialists was formed.

The challenge was to recognise the knowledge managers have via their work experience and related to what would be the equivalency earned by academic studies. The IMS became a UK pioneer organisation in this process of related work place experience to formal education outcomes. In 2010 Professor Manners retired and Dr Lynne Sykes, who had been the assistant administrator, took over as CEO.

Today most people coming into specialised managerial positions have formal management and specialised discipline qualifications. Dr Sykes saw the need for the IMS to reinforce the role of specialised managers and created the award Specialised Manager in many disciplines. When Professor Manners retired the role of President and Administrator was split and Mr Graham Hare took on the role of President. He saw the need for professional specialised managers to continuously update their knowledge and introduced CPD (Continuous Professional Development).

The award of Specialised Manager has been upgraded to Certified Specialised Manager for those members (Associate, Full, Fellow and Companion) who have earned their CPD requirements.

The Administration of St Clements Education Group congratulates the Institute of Management Specialists for achieving 45 years of service.

Chartered Institute for Securities and Investment

This is the body which looks after the professional education for the UK securities and investment industry. It is only 24 years old and started as the Securities Institute in 1992, became the Securities and Investment Institute in 2004 and then the Chartered Institute for Securities and Investment in 2009.

Association of Computer Professionals

The ACP was in the 1990s and early 2000s one of the main examination bodies for computer professionals in the UK. When St Clements University Higher Education School - Niue started its Bachelor of Computing degree it incorporated the coursework for their Advanced Diploma. Two years of the St Clements Institute Bachelor of Information Technology program was also based on the ACP Advanced Diploma coursework.

On a recent internet search this body appears to have gone out of existence. The website is a very generic Facebook page requesting information on whether the association still exists and the LinkedIn page states that it was not set up by the association.

If anyone has any updated information on the Association of Computer Professionals please let the St Clements Education Group Administration know by contacting admin@stclements.edu

The CFA Institute

One of the most successful international professional bodies is the CFA Institute. The body was formed in 1947 by the amalgamation of financial analyst societies based in Boston, Chicago, New York and Philadelphia. In 1963 it started running examinations for the award Chartered Financial Analyst. It now has more than 100,000 members in 140 countries. Members have formed CFA Societies in the countries and cities they live in. There are now 137 member societies in 60 countries.

Institute of Certified Management Accountants

This is a new Australian Accounting body incorporated in 1996 under the patronage of Mr William Dix (former Chairman of Ford and Qantas) and Professor John Miller (former Director of Consumer Affairs, Chairman of Pannell).

Similar specialist bodies have been operating in most English-speaking developed countries, e.g. USA, UK and Canada, but not until that time in Australia.

There are seven levels of ICMA membership:

- Certified Management Accountant (CMA)
- Associate Management Accountant (AMA)
- Graduate Management Accountant (GMA)
- Registered Cost Accountant (RCA)
- Registered Business Administrator (RBA)
- Certified Accounting Technician (CAT)
- Management Accounting Affiliate (MAA)

West African Leadership Summit

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For enrolment details please contact
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Book Review:

Dissertation & Thesis Writer's Guide For Online Research

This book was written by Professor Dr David Iornem the Vice President of St Clements Private Swiss University (Université Suisse Privée St Cléments). He is also founder of the Commonwealth University and teaches MBA programs for Entrepreneurial University of Costa Rica (Universidad Empresarial de Costa Rica).

His new book **Dissertation & Thesis Writer's Guide For Online Research** is a must read book for final year Bachelor, Master and Doctorate students carrying out their research in 2016.

While going to the library and reading a printed book is the picture we may have of a student researching a subject, today to be up to date on the latest information on a topic researching it via the internet is a must. As the internet has more information on subject areas than any manual library can have, researchers needed to modify their process to fit with this media. This book is designed to blend traditional research methodology with new technologies.

