SELECTING STUDENTS WITH THE BEST POTENTIAL FOR LEARNING AND GOOD BEHAVIOUR

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Outline:

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• Recognition of age grade from which selections are drawn
• Peculiarity of those to be selected for a world class institution
• Covenant University’s performance so far
• Improvement strategy to be adopted
• Conclusion
Who are we selecting?

- Teenagers and youths generally

An average teenager is loaded with energy such that he/she needs an avenue to expend same. As a result, we have some of them whose energy is channeled to unwholesome behaviors and unacceptable vices other channel theirs to good and gainful endeavours.
What kinds of youths are required as students for a World-class University?

They are those who have:

• great academic pedigrees
• high aspirations
• determination to attain their goals of being the best in their classes and chosen fields thus; they have great potentials for learning and good behaviour.
• They are referred to as the best and the brightest (well rounded). They do not have time to jump exeat neither do they have to time for pornography or to think about stealing what belongs another person. They are rather dreaming and working hard to actualize their dreams.
Where is Covenant University presently in all of these?

• Covenant University is not doing poorly but we can and must improve on our traditional method in order to Attract and Retain the best and brightest
How do we attract and retain the best and the brightest students?

• Career outreach to our catchment secondary schools such as Kings College, Queens College, Loyola Jesuit etc (Outreach unit of the admission office).

  – To market the University’s programmes
  – Documentary of the beautiful ambience of the University
  – Documentary of major places on the campus
The use of candidates’ personal statements, not to be filed off but perused, for:

- Volunteer programmes
- Academic competitions
- Leadership position ever held
- Other extra-curricular activities
• The use of multistage assessors and background checks
  - Transcripts
  - Reports

• Competitive scholarship in search of global best.
Hiring international recruiters to recruit students from multicultural backgrounds (International Office)
• Covenant University ranking of top secondary schools based on academic performance and character of its products.

• Involving CU alumni for student recommendations
Conclusion

A quest for the best, comes with a price. So this endeavor will cost us time, financial and other resources but it will be worth the while.
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