



AFFIN COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Building the hearts and the minds of the people who will change the world.

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Our Unique Services

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Welcome to Affin College of Education, a place with deep traditions focused on building dreams and brighter futures. We invite you to explore the diverse and vibrant community that makes us the home of leaders and world changers. Affin College of Education is a home for your dreams and a community waiting to inspire your success.

We are committed to building a university for all and celebrating diversity in all its forms. That is why we have included diversity, equity and inclusion in our core curriculum and made it a theme of our strategic plan.

Affin College of Education offers a higher education through Undergraduate, Graduate, and Online programs. By combining faith, reason, and liberal arts into one core curriculum, we offer an education that is based not only on technical training, but the teachings of Christ, reason, and the past successes and failures of humanity.

Our education puts students on a fast track to becoming leaders in their careers and in their communities. Affin College of Education strives to send students out into the world with a better understanding of how to live fulfilling, accomplished, and righteous lives.

Affin College of Education provides a variety of academic programs designed to help students meet their educational goals. The curriculum includes many undergraduate and graduate programs. A strong portfolio of scholarships awarded on the basis of merit, talent, leadership and athletics make Affin College of Education an attainable choice among private colleges and universities.

We offer a variety of educational opportunities for individuals of all ages and academic backgrounds including degree programs at the undergraduate, master's, and doctoral levels, as well as continuing education and certificate programs. Through it all, we seek to integrate faith and learning and develop individuals whose desire is to transform the world.

Affin College of Education's mission is to educate individuals to think and act as ethical leaders and responsible citizens in the global community. This ideal is the continuation of a vision that began in 1999, when Prophet Obafemi Affin dreamed of creating a college where men and women could acquire a classical education and develop character.

Affin College of Education strives to not only develop each student academically, but spiritually, physically and relationally as well. Besides its academic programs, Affin College offers a number of complementary services, including support and guidance to help students succeed academically and personally; access to symposiums, conferences and workshops with distinguished specialists in the areas of issues facing today's society; a student residence; and a library with an outstanding collection of documents and books on a range of specialized subjects.

Affin College is known for its small class sizes, personalized service, diverse student population and international vision, solid reputation, rich history, and Church intellectual tradition.

Our Vision

Our Vision is to:

- **Create a unique educational system for students to acquire disciplinary knowledge, sound leadership and communication skills as well as personal health and well-being;**
- **Contribute to the movement of transformation in the world, in a context of social justice and following the Apostolic Age missionary tradition;**
- **be a world-class, values-centred university.**

Our Mission

Our Mission is to:

- ❖ **Sheer determination to empower students to fulfil their academic and professional passions in a university while maximizing the diversities in our students, Faculty and Staff;**
- ❖ **Educate individuals to think and act as ethical leaders and responsible citizens in the global community;**
- ❖ **Serve the people of Africa and the world through pre-eminence in creating, communicating, preserving and applying knowledge, art, and academic values, and in developing leaders and citizens who want to transform the world.**

Our Mission statements

Our mission statement centres on providing Africa and the world with excellent, innovative education and research. As a dynamic, young university, our gleaming future outlined in the Affin College Strategic Plan, will benefit the region, state, nation and world.

Contributing creatively to the humanization of society. As a Christian Institution, Affin College of Education is dedicated primarily to an understanding and integration of Christian faith and life, and to promoting the values of Christian humanism. It aims to pursue this in a spirit of ecumenical openness and with a critical awareness of the forms of Christian life already existing or now emerging within modern cultures and societies.

As a Centre of higher learning, Affin College of Education intends to promote excellence in teaching, research, and professional formation as part of the local, national and international academic community. It endeavours as well to serve diverse Christian communities and socio-cultural organizations and, in collaboration with them, to respond to the challenges presently confronting Church and society. Thus, by participating in the evangelizing mission of Christ, Affin College of Education is committed to contributing creatively to the humanization of society.

Our Aims

The primary aim of Affin College of Education is to prepare specialists for the movement of transformation in the world, and for the service of the Church and of society. Students will be able to use the resources of the College as their career goals dictate: either to become competent in the areas of scientific research and teaching or to acquire the theological education needed for an informed pastoral commitment.

Programs are designed to help students receive a progressive initiation to the whole of theology and to develop their capacity for reflection and personal study. The College offers its students the preparation for an academic career, the instruction required for the reception of Orders and the theological education needed for serious apostolic involvement.

Our Values

At Affin College of Education, we value:

- Academic and personal achievement;
- Intellectual inquiry and the creation of knowledge;
- Artistic and creative expression;
- A heritage of service in pursuit of the greater good;
- Personal freedom and integrity;
- The dignity of and respect for the individual;
- Active appreciation for the array of human experience and the potential of every human being.

The Church identity and the ecumenical character of Affin College of Education favour a learning environment that allows students to explore existential questions following the Church intellectual tradition. This helps our students to understand and navigate the pluralism so characteristic of today's world, and to interact confidently with that world.

To be human is to recognize the ephemerality of life and acknowledge one's limitations and vulnerability; to recognize that one can find the true meaning of life only through one's relationships with nature, with others, and with God.

We firmly believe that in our age of increasing globalization, university research and teaching should contribute to the modern project of making our world a better, more humane community.

Affin College of Education offers an open and safe environment where no one is a stranger or an outsider. Our college welcomes all who want to journey together along the pathway to learning, discovery, excellence, service, and personal growth.

To be engaged is to understand that through conscious and decisive actions, and by joining forces with others, each and every one of us can help build a stronger, more humane global community. That is why Affin College of Education uses an approach that combines theory with practice.

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI)

Teaching and promoting diversity and inclusion is key to the College's mission of creating global citizens. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion initiatives are a key part of Affin College's core values.

Fulfilling Affin College's mission to develop ethical leaders and critical thinkers in a global community depends on the College's ability to attract and retain students, faculty and staff from diverse backgrounds that thrive in our community. A diverse and inclusive campus leads to innovation, broadened perspectives and understanding values that are foundational aspects of higher education.

Defining DEI

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion is Affin College's commitment to creating an environment where students, faculty and staff thrive, and a campus community that is welcoming and respectful of all.

Diversity reflects a broad range of identities and perspectives: race, ethnicity, gender, socioeconomic status, nationality, age, disability status and political perspective. Greater diversity produces more robust, creative, and relevant outcomes in scholarly processes, academic and social programming, and community engagement.

Equity is creating opportunities for equal access and success for historically underrepresented populations. It requires proactive steps to address and transform the current culture.

Inclusion exists when all members of a community feel welcome, respected, and valued regardless of their social identities and when all experiences and cultures are validated and cherished equally. Inclusion requires listening to other viewpoints and embracing differences. Feeling included and connected elevates engagement and a sense of belonging for everyone on campus.

Academics

Affin College of Education continues to build a future as bright as its beginnings, preparing graduates for leadership roles in science, engineering, business, research, the arts, government and the global community.

Excellence

Our core curriculum and major programs are designed from the ground up to help you think, speak and write with clarity and effectiveness.

Values

The classroom is not only a place to explore the best available knowledge, but also a place to ask how we use that knowledge ethically.

Attention

At Affin College of Education, you are more than a face in the crowd. We keep our classes small and assign every student an advisor to help them every step of the way.

Environment

We believe the best learning environment includes a broad diversity of cultural, professional and relational opportunities, all offered by our great city and on campus programming.

Christian Worldview

All of these characteristics of a Higher Education at Affin College of Education are inspired and shaped by our Christian worldview. Equipped with foundational truths and values, you will learn to see the world with a deeper, broader and clearer perspective.

Student Life

Affin College's main goal is to provide students with a holistic education-one that helps them become more successful in every aspect of their lives. But not all of that education is found in the classroom, the chapel or in textbooks.

Motivated by our affirmation that Jesus Christ is Lord, the Department of Student Life seeks to develop students of character and competence by providing opportunities to engage in a Christ centred community focusing on academic success, spiritual formation, interpersonal development and physical well-being.

Campus Life

Live here, play here and get involved. Life on the Affin College is as dynamic as our students. There are myriad opportunities for you to explore and grow.

Our unique services

Affin College of Education believes that faith and reason are both essential elements of education, and that true learning takes place in an environment that fosters freedom of thought, personal growth, and cultural equity.

Affin College of Education is a unique cultural crossroads that welcomes students, professors and employees of all backgrounds. By promoting discussion and mutual understanding, the College environment invites members of the community to learn to appreciate their differences and reaffirm their commitment to their faith within a Christian educational mission.

In joining the Affin College academic community, our members undertake to respect the College's ecclesiastical nature and support its development.

As a Christian Institution, Affin College of Education endeavours to make a creative contribution to the humanization of society, and to participate in Christ's evangelical mission in an interdisciplinary, integrated way. The campus offers many places for reflection, prayer and celebration. Our objective is to welcome and serve students better, faculty and staff, and to support the transformation of the Church and society.

Our Teaching Policy

The College is convinced that theology would become sterile were it separated from Scripture and the living tradition of the Church. The various systems of thought which enrich reflection on revealed truth are stressed as well.

The College is also committed to promoting interdisciplinary research, especially in the areas of philosophy, psychology, sociology, and cultural anthropology.

Lectures introduce students to the whole of Christian doctrine. Professors are not bound to follow any particular textbook. They are urged to develop and consolidate their own area of specialization and to bring to bear their own intellectual creativity in light of the present-day challenges facing the Church and society.

The College endeavours to link its academic requirements as a university body to specialized pastoral training. It aims to provide its students with an academic training of high calibre; at the same time, it seeks to cooperate with the various Christian communities and organizations in order to secure the most complete pastoral training not only for those preparing for ministry but also for all categories of students.

Different Christian and theological traditions

While rooted in the Apostolic Age tradition, the College benefits from the theological richness of all the Christian Churches and theological traditions. This is reflected in the fact that the College includes programs which have as their focus the Apostolic Age tradition and the Early Christian tradition. All students interested in pursuing serious theological studies are welcome.

Our new strategic plan and programs of study

Our top priority is to offer better, more relevant services that meet the needs of society and facilitate the study of the human experience from various perspectives.

Working in partnership with other institutions will allow us to maximize our resources, exercise creativity, and better serve the student population by offering more courses, programs, and approaches that promote both mobility and the recognition of previous credits. By increasing the efficiency of the education process, we will better meet the needs of the Church, society and government.

Activities that encourage students to continue their studies

Affin College of Education has built relationships with various local and regional school systems to encourage high school students to continue their studies. Every opportunity to offer students a classroom experience at the College opens a gateway to post-secondary education for them; every campus visit eases their transition to university and helps guidance counsellors and parents become more familiar with our programs.

Commitment to comprehensive formation with easy access to services

Every effort must be made to support students in their academic studies. With that in mind, Affin College of Education recently implemented several services to support academic success, including counselling and pastoral services and the Academic Writing Help Centre.

These need to be refined and expanded. Also, the cost of post-secondary studies can be prohibitive for many students. Financial aid can remove that obstacle, and plays a key role in academic persistence and success by allowing students to focus on their studies.

Another way to guarantee greater access is to give students the choice between distance learning and in-class learning. The value of continuing education is increasingly recognized. Some professions even require the ongoing development of knowledge and skills. This is an area of learning where Affin College could really shine. Also, pedagogical tools must be available online, as they help broaden access to education and improve the quality of teaching.

The Affin College Library, the most prestigious theological library in Africa, must meet the needs of the entire student population and faculty. The same principle applies to the College infrastructure as a whole.

Outstanding competence and influence of its staff

To remain relevant, every program of study must be backed by top-quality research, and in this context Affin College aims to be a world leader in its areas of specialization.

Equally important, however, is the teaching aspect. Every program of study must therefore be designed as a genuine pedagogical project that is student-focused and based on the principle of transformation. This approach will serve as the basis for a true commitment between Affin College and the student population.

Administrative staff also play a key role in the Affin College experience. Academic and administrative services to students must stand out for being relevant, up to date and efficient.

Community engagement

Affin College of Education has a long tradition of partnering with organizations and projects that promote community and social development. The College already participates in initiatives such as Discovery University for disadvantaged people and Youth Futures for high school youth from disadvantaged families or communities. This is a key element of our identity and our mission.

Until now, Affin College has not been making the most of the relationships between our research chairs, research Centre and Professors, and the wider community. Our professors-researchers specialize in such areas as sexual abuse, post-traumatic stress syndrome, conflict resolution, the role of social media, and many other spheres of study—contemporary issues that are high on the public agenda. To strengthen its reputation, Affin College needs to be present and visible.

A summer professional development school would meet the needs of individuals who are looking for accelerated, targeted and accredited job-related training, planning to return to the workplace, or considering a career change.

Our principles

At all times, Affin College staff and affiliates will behave in a way that upholds our mission both as individuals and as representatives of the College. We are committed to the following principles and outcomes:

Respect

We are guided by a fundamental concern for justice and equity and for the dignity of all human beings. We are committed to creating a safe and inclusive place of work, teaching and learning, where we treat all people with courtesy and sensitivity.

Courage

We are committed to the highest standards of ethical behaviour and the effective management of the organisation and its staff. Staff and affiliates are encouraged to be proactive, seek to continuously improve, and to suggest new and innovative approaches.

Honesty

We act on the fundamental principles of honesty and integrity. We are an Institution devoted to the pursuit of excellence in student learning and teaching, research and service. We respect the value and dignity of each person.

Sustainability

We acknowledge the importance of responsible and ethical management for the long-term success of the College and the protection of the environment. It is the behaviour and actions of our staff and affiliates that make Affin College an outstanding organization.

Our Anti-Discrimination Policy

Affin College of Education prohibits discrimination and harassment based on age, race, colour, religion, gender, national origin, ethnic origin, disability, predisposing genetic information, covered veteran status and any other basis protected by law.

Affin College of Education also prohibits retaliation against an individual for making a good faith report under this policy. Affin College is committed to providing a positive learning and working environment free from discrimination and harassment.

Admissions

Join a rising private research College with top programs in STEM, management, liberal arts and social sciences. Affin College of Education is a special place, but without you, the former students who brought life to the campus, it would simply be a handful of buildings. You, our alumni friends, are Affin College. Whether you walked across the graduation stage just a couple of years ago or

whether that memory is now very distant, you are what made, and what continues to make this a special place.

About the Founder of Affin College of Education

Obafemi Yakubu Israel Affin, born on the 24th April 1973, is a Teacher, a Psychologist, a Writer, an Author, an Entrepreneur, a great Philanthropist and a Preacher of the Word of God. He is also a man of Vision and Accomplishment. His life and that of his wife, **Ajoke Anike Affin** and their children are living proofs that the Government and the Authority of God are Incontestable.

Obafemi Affin is the chairman and Chief Executive Director ('CED') of Affin College of Education, Affin University, Affin Academy, Affin Campus, Affin Schools, Affin Group of Companies and other listed companies owned by Affin Group. He is also the founder of Institute of the Word and Spiritual Manifestations (IWSM) and School of Science and Spirituality (SSS). He is a God-fearing man with a wide range of business experiences in various sectors and ongoing concerns across Africa, Europe, Asia and America under the auspices of Affin Group of Companies.

He had early in life established a large business family and built network with competent partners across the globe, particularly in the areas of Education, Agriculture, Raw Materials, Construction and Human capacity development.

Obafemi Affin is a rare breed, God sent, life coach, good listener and a distinguished leader, who is willing to socialize and make new contacts while retaining good old ones. He is a family man, a patriot, an inventor and a business strategist. He maintains a humble and an unassuming lifestyle of a man commissioned and favoured by God Almighty.

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