



Editorial

This issue of NIU *Journal of Humanities* touches on Development Administration, Educational Philosophy as well as Literary Studies.

The first part of the Journal addresses issues in Development Administration such as Fiscal Federalism, Road Infrastructural Development, Economic Development, and Revenue Generation among others. One of the papers in this section reveals that Nigeria's federalism seems not to have addressed the issues that have emanated from the agitators of the national question because there is over centralization of the fiscal policies. It is therefore, recommended that Nigeria's fiscal system be reformed to meet up with challenges brought about by the imbalance in the provision of developmental projects to the different sectors of the economy which has led to the disharmonious agitations from the various regions of the country consequent from dissatisfaction with fiscal federalism.

Papers in section two explore issues in Educational Psychology. It is postulated in one of the papers that there is a significant influence of interest of students on their career choices. However, there is no significant influence of motivation of students on their career choices. Gender neither influence students' motivation nor interest in the choices of their career. The paper recommends that students should endeavour to discover their real interest in order to choose careers that will suit them; they should be exposed to a number of trainings to sharpen their ICT skills to cope with the prevailing job performance challenges associated with our present age – the post covid-19 era.

The last section centres on Literary Studies. Literary devices in the works of some selected poets from East and West Africa are examined. Also, a lexico-thematic analysis of selected speeches of former Nigerian President Goodluck Jonathan is made. Based on the result of its findings, one of the papers in this section discovers that Goodluck Jonathan's speeches reiterated five main thematic preoccupations which centered on 'peace', 'faith', 'progress', 'patriotism', and 'transparency', and these themes were skillfully wielded through a careful selection of synonymous lexical relations to project and emphasize the consistent messages in the sampled speeches.

In all, this issue of *NIU Journal of Humanities* features many empirical and theoretical based articles which can be of great benefit to every reader.

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