

**UNIVERSITY OF SKILLS TRAINING AND
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AN ACT to establish the University of Skills Training and Entrepreneurial Development and to provide for related matters.

PASSED by Parliament and assented to by the President:

University of Skills Training and Entrepreneurial Development

Establishment of the University

1. (1) There is established by this Act, the University of Skills Training and Entrepreneurial Development as a body corporate with perpetual succession.

(2) The University may, for the performance of the functions of the University, acquire and hold property, dispose of property and enter into a contract or any other related transaction.

(3) Where there is a hindrance to the acquisition of land, the land may be acquired for the University under the State Lands Act, 1962 (Act 125) and the cost shall be borne by the University.

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Aims of the University

2. (1) The aims of the University are to
 - (a) provide higher education in technical and vocational training;
 - (b) train and provide teachers with the relevant competence for teaching in technical and vocational education and training institutions; and
 - (c) foster links between the University, industry and the community in order to ensure the holistic training of teachers.
- (2) The University shall for the purpose of achieving its aims under subsection (1)
 - (a) determine the subjects to be taught at the University, placing emphasis on courses of special relevance to the needs of the technical and vocational education training system of the country and for national development;
 - (b) promote the use of critical and practical tools including information and communication technology for teaching, research, dissemination of knowledge and administration;
 - (c) institute curricula within the context of learner-centred and problem-based learning techniques that are practical and relevant to technical and vocational education training;
 - (d) promote the use of teaching methods that ensure critical and independent thinking for the benefit of humanity;
 - (e) undertake research in courses that are within the mandate of the University, but with special emphasis on
 - (i) technical and vocational education training issues within and outside the country; and
 - (ii) subjects that relate to technical and vocational education training within and outside the country;
 - (f) disseminate the results of research undertaken through the publication of books, papers and any other suitable means of dissemination; and
 - (g) provide services through extension and consultancy in technical and vocational education training related courses in higher education.

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Campuses of the University

3. (1) The main campus of the University shall be the College of Technology Education at the Kumasi Campus of the University of Education, Winneba.

(2) The University shall have an affiliate campus in each of the sixteen regions which shall be a College of Education that offers technical and vocational programmes.

(3) The College of Agriculture Education of the Mampong campus shall be a campus of the University.

(4) The University shall establish a campus in any other place as the Council may determine.

Award of degrees

4. (1) The University shall, in accordance with subsection (9) of section 14, award degrees, honorary degrees, diplomas and certificates.

(2) The University may withdraw a degree, diploma or certificate that the University has awarded, if the University has evidence that proves that the

- (a) degree, honorary degree, diploma or certificate was obtained through fraud or academic malpractice; or
- (b) process of acquiring the degree, diploma or certificate was tainted by an act that, in the opinion of the University, undermines the integrity of the award.

Governance of the University

The University Council

5. (1) The governing body of the University is a Council consisting of

- (a) a chairperson, nominated by the President;
 - (b) the Vice-Chancellor;
 - (c) one representative of the National Council for Tertiary Education nominated by the National Council for Tertiary Education ;
 - (d) one representative of the University Convocation elected by the Convocation;
 - (f) one representative of undergraduate students of the University elected by the Students' Representative Council;
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