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# Morgan State University

## Africa Initiatives

Mark Garrison  
Dean, School of Graduate Studies  
December 9, 2022  
CGS Annual Meeting

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# TETFund MOU

Professor Suleiman E. Bogoro, Executive Secretary of TETFund:

“We are glad to secure a worthy partnership with Morgan State University through the recently signed MOU that reflects a new paradigm . . .

May, 2020





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# The Partnership

- Through the partnership, a framework is being created in which early, mid-level and senior career faculty and staff members from Nigeria's 238 public universities, colleges of education and polytechnics can pursue their PhDs and postdoctoral research at Morgan in fields and disciplines relevant to the developmental needs of Nigeria. Toward this end, TETFund will provide the funding, via scholarships and other grants, to support the educational expenses (tuition/fees + living expenses) of PhD students and the salary plus living expenses of postdoctoral students. The agreement also calls for TETFund's establishment of Centers of Excellence in Nigeria that will engage in collaborative research with Morgan.

# What Is the TETFund

- Started in 1993.
- Became the Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund) in 2011.
- Established to fund Higher Education initiatives.
- Public tertiary education funding and intervention agency of the Federal Government of Nigeria.

# Morgan's Relationship

- Up to 50 doctoral students annually.
- Fully funded tuition and stipend.
- Post Doctoral Fellows
- We have currently:
  - 130 doctoral students (in our third year)
  - Enrolled in almost every doctoral program
  - 17 Post-Doctoral Fellows; STEM and Non-STEM

# Student Experience

- All students are faculty at one of the 238 tertiary institutions in Nigeria.
- Must apply to Morgan.
- Must be approved by TETFund and sponsoring institution.
- Tuition paid to Morgan; Stipend paid to student.
- Post Docs maintain salary and receive small stipend.



# Ghana Program

- Morgan and Ghana Communication Technology University
- Two masters programs built on modular delivery. Global MBA and Journalism
- Four week courses for ten sessions (30 credit hours).
- To be taught by Morgan faculty, remote for first three weeks, then on site for last week.
- Fixed/flat tuition rate for year.

# Outcome

- General Council of both institutions disagree on governing rules.
- COVID intervenes
- Currently seeking an alternative regulatory structure.