DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES TECHNOLOGY
SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY

Student Industrial Work Experience Scheme

The Student Industrial Work Experience Scheme (SIWES) shall be taken during the long vacation following the end of the second semester of the first year. See details of SIWES in Guidelines to SIWES.

GUIDELINES ON SIWES PROGRAMME

For the smooth operation of the SIWES, the following guidelines shall apply:

Responsibility for Placement of Students

a. Institution offering the ND programme shall arrange to place the students in industry. By April 30, of each year, six copies of the master list showing where each student has been placed shall be submitted to the executive secretary, NBTE which shall, in turn, authenticate the list and forward it to the Industrial Training Fund, Jos.
b. The placement officer should discuss and agree with the industry on the following:

i. A task inventory of what the students should be expected to experience during the period of attachment. It may be wise to adopt the one already approved for each field.
ii. The industry-based supervisor of the students during period likewise the institution-based supervisor.
iii. It should be noted that the final grading of the students during the period of attachment should be weighted more on the evaluation by his industry-based supervisor.

Evaluation of Students during the SIWES

In the evaluation of the students, cognizance should be taken of the following items:

a. Punctuality
b. Attendance
c. General attitude to work
d. Respect for authority
e. Interest in the field/technical area
f. Technical competence as a potential technical in his field

Grading of SIWES

To ensure uniformity of grading scales, the institution should ensure that the uniform grading of students work, which has been agreed to, by all polytechnics, is adopted.

The Institution-Based Supervisor

The institution-based supervisors should initial the logbook during each visit. This will enable him to check and determine to what extent the objectives of the scheme are being met and to assist students having any problems regarding the specific assignment given to them by industry-based supervisor.

Frequency of Visit

Institution should that the students placed on the attachment are visited within one month of their placement. Other visits shall be arranged so that:

i. There is another visit six weeks after the first visit; and
ii. A final visit in the last month of the attachment.

Stipend for Student in SIWES

The rate of stipend payable shall be determined from time to time by the Federal Government after due consultation with the Federal Ministry of Education, the Industrial Training Fund and the NBTE.

SIWES as a Component of the Curriculum

The completion of SIWES is important in the final determination of whether the student is successfully in the programme or not. The SIWES should be graded on the fail or pass basis. Where a student has satisfied all other requirements but failed SIWES, he may only be allowed to repeat another four months SIWES at his own expense.