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### *Impressive Line-up of Companies Set to Participate in UG's Highly Anticipated 2024 Open Days and Job Fairs March 21-23 at Turkeyen Campus and April 12 at Tain Campus*

The University of Guyana, the nation's premier tertiary institution, will be hosting its highly anticipated Annual Open Days and Job Fairs during the period Thursday, March 21st to Saturday, March 23rd, 2024, at Turkeyen Campus and on Friday, April 12, 2024, at the Berbice Campus. Apart from providing secondary school students, young people and those wishing to pursue a University Education, an opportunity to assess their many choices at the University, the events promise an immersive experience for all attendees. This year continues the trend which the University began in 2022 of featuring an impressive lineup of leading public and private sector companies spanning various sectors. This aspect has been successful in linking academia and industry, fostering a conducive environment for knowledge exchange, potential collaborations and employment opportunities for persons to continue on the path to successful careers.

### **Delivering an Empowered Labour Force**

This year's event is being held under the theme: "Delivering an Empowered Labour Force". Key aspects of the event will be live-streamed on UG's Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/uniofguyana/](https://www.facebook.com/uniofguyana/) and also on UG Broadcasting Service: <https://broadcasting.uog.edu.gy>. Edited recordings of the event will be posted on UG's website: <https://uog.edu.gy>.

## **Value of Two Benefits in One Event**

### **Check Out Education Opportunities**

Like in recent years, this year's event will feature two main aspects – an Open Day and a Job Fair. The Open Day component will allow members of the public and potential University students an opportunity to explore the 160+ programmes being offered by the University of Guyana and learn about various career paths. Visitors and high school students will also get the opportunity to engage with Lecturers delivering these programmes at the university as well as with student representatives of the various student clubs, among others.

### **Meet Potential Employees**

The Job Fair component will feature leading local and international public and private sector companies, including ExxonMobil Guyana, SLB, CNOOC, AGM Inc. Republic Bank Ltd, GTT, Guyana Defence Force, among others. Additionally, other representatives from the recruitment and service sectors will be present, offering comprehensive insights into various career opportunities including on-the-spot job interviews.

### **Opening Ceremony**

The event will commence with a grand Opening Ceremony, on the first day - Thursday, March 21st, 2024, at 9:30 hrs at the George Walcott Lecture Theatre (GWLT), Turkeyen Campus. It will be graced by the presence of the UG's Vice-Chancellor, Professor Paloma Mohamed Martin and other key university officials, development partners and industry experts among others and will be live-streamed on the University's Facebook page [www.facebook.com/uniofguyana/](http://www.facebook.com/uniofguyana/).

Students from secondary schools across Guyana, all post-secondary institutions, professionals from both the public and private sectors, and members of the public are invited to participate in this year's Open Day and Job Fair. The event opens from 10hrs daily and is free of cost.

### **Applications to Attend UG Now Open**

The University of Guyana is focused on aligning its programme offerings to the national, regional and international development context. The University's application process for the Academic Year 2024/2025 is currently open. The Degrees being offered by the University of Guyana are internationally recognised, marketable and affordable.

Persons interested in attending the University of Guyana this year should do so now before applications close by accessing the following link to explore programme offerings and apply: <https://registry.uog.edu.gy/>



*One of the patrons to the event being interviewed on the spot at the 2023 UG Open Day and Job Fair*



*Secondary school students at one of the booths at UG 2023 Open Day and Job Fair*

### **The University of Guyana in Brief**

The University of Guyana, the national University of Guyana, now in its 60th year, was founded in October 1963, three years before Guyana became independent. “UG” as it is fondly referred to offers over 160 distinct programmes in over 60 disciplines from certificates, Bachelor’s degrees, Master’s Degrees to Ph.D.’s. These programmes are offered online, face-to-face or in blended formats. UG delivers through a Guyana-based system across eight campuses. This includes its 35-year-old community-based institute for Distance and Continuing Education (IDCE) and the second major campus at Tain in Berbice celebrating its 25th anniversary in 2025. The University of Guyana’s student population is over 11,000.

Through its 8 Faculties, including an accredited College of Medical Sciences, School for Entrepreneurship and Business Innovation and the School for Earth and Environmental Sciences which is ranked # 5 globally, “UG” has provided education,

training and research for over 60,000 alumni over its 60-year history with significant national and global impact. Other faculties include the Faculty of Engineering and Technology, The Faculty of Agriculture and Forestry, The Faculty of Natural Sciences, The College of Behavioural Sciences and Research, The Faculty of Education and Humanities and the Faculty of Social Sciences. The University is also home to 10 Research Institutes including the internationally important Centre for Biodiversity, The Institute for Food and Nutrition Security, The Institute for Innovation, Research and Entrepreneurship, The Institute for Energy Diplomacy, The Green Institute, The Institute for Human Resiliency, Strategic Security and the Future, and the International Centre for Excellence in Early Childhood Education. The mission of the University of Guyana is to discover, generate, disseminate and apply knowledge of the highest standard for advancement of communities, the nation, and mankind within an atmosphere of academic freedom, transparent accountability, pragmatic innovation and universal respect.

UG's forward-thinking Blueprint 2040 is currently setting the course for the University's future design and institutional response to the changing needs of Guyana, the region and the world. UG is currently celebrating its 60th anniversary with renewed focus on becoming the leading teaching and research University in Guyana. Visit UG at [www.uog.edu.gy](http://www.uog.edu.gy)