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Editorial

St Clements Education Group has always believed its mission was to help people maximise their education. As part of this, where possible, it encourages RPL (Recognised Prior Learning) and APL (Accreditation of Prior Learning). While there are some small technical differences between these two processes they are both based on the theory that if a person has the knowledge why do they have a need to re-learn it just to become accredited, they already have the information.

While it is a simple process, where students have learnt their knowledge by studying the subject at another education institution, it becomes more complicated where it is based as self-learning or gaining knowledge via the workplace or voluntary service. The problem is where the school carries out an assessment of the self-learning workplace experience there is a question of the validity of such a process. St Clements has approved Christopher Campbell Credential Evaluation Services to carry out such evaluation of students' non-coursework knowledge.

It has over the years developed a number of dual degree programs. These are where a person enrolls into a degree program with two schools, one which teaches the programs and both assess the final work then issuing their degree for it. Most traditional Bachelor degrees comprise of core subjects in the discipline area, subjects that help develop a school leaver understand the core subjects and some subjects are included to widen the person's knowledge to make them a better citizen of society. It is possible to have a degree that has two majors or making the degree a combined degree where the student earns two degrees for little more work than earning one degree.

One of the most important areas of learning new knowledge for most people is working for the workplace organisation giving the learning direct credit points via workplace training agreements. This is an area St Clements Education Group would like to give more opportunity to.

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*Dr David Le Cornu
President - St Clements Education Group*

St Clements News

Special Thanks to Lord Knowth

St Clements second longest serving Academic Councillor is Dr Jeff Wooller, also known as Lord Knowth. It was his welcoming of St Clements University graduates to attend the Institute of Professional Financial Managers Annual Convocation in London that enable St Clements to build its relationship with a number of UK professional bodies. The concept of SCPU issuing degrees in co-operation with one of these professional bodies grew out of this relationship. The Board hopes Lord Knowth continues as an Academic Councillor for the foreseeable future.

Dr Le Cornu appointed Chairperson of the School of Divinity – Beyt Nahrin Mesopotamian Academy of Arts and Science

Dr Le Cornu has been appointed Chairperson of the Beyt Nahrin Mesopotamian Academy of Arts and Science School of Divinity. He took this position because he wishes to investigate whether Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism have some common roots in the Mesopotamian religions.

Professor Dr Gerrit Horn joins Beyt Nahrin Mesopotamian Academy of Arts and Science School of Divinity

Professor Dr Gerrit Horn has been appointed an Advisor to the Beyt Nahrin Mesopotamian Academy of Arts and Science School of Divinity. This body looks at the relationship between contemporary religions and the old Mesopotamian religions.

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Other Universities News

Caribbean University Movement

Windsor University School of Medicine – It was founded in 1998 on Grand Turk Island in the Turks and Caicos Islands. It was the only campus based university in the Turks and Caicos Islands when Dr. Le Cornu visited there in 1998. In 2000 the University relocated to Saint George Basseterre Parrish in St Kitts. Currently it has a campus at Cayon Saint Mary Cayon Parish St Kitts and Nevis. The campus which is on 42 acres was completed in 2010 and has approximately 1000 students.

International University of Graduate Studies – This University was started in St Kitts and Nevis in 1979. When St Clements joined the WAUC (World Association of Universities and Colleges) in 1997 the International University of Graduate Studies was an accredited member. It has moved to the Commonwealth of Dominica and is established there. It is one of the few WAUC schools to survive into the 21st century.

Vatican Universities

The State of Vatican City has seven universities registered within its 108 acres or 44 hectares and less than 1000 inhabitants. The seven universities are the:

- Pontifical Gregorian University
- Pontifical Lateran University
- Pontifical Salesian University
- Pontifical University of the Holy Cross
- Pontifical University of St Anthony
- Pontifical University of St Thomas Aquinas
- Pontifical Urban University

There are also 16 other Pontifical education institutions.

Cameroon Private Universities

The Republic of Cameroon has a range of both Public and Private Universities. Public Universities can issue Associate, Bachelor, Master and Doctorate degrees. Private Universities can teach Associate, Bachelor Master and Doctorate degrees, but the degrees must be issued by a complementary Public University or in some cases a foreign University. This is similar to the University Colleges in Ghana. The Public or approved foreign Universities issue the degree certificates.

Southampton Solent University now Solent University

In 2020 Southampton Solent University changed its name obtaining permission to drop Southampton from its name. This was apparently approved in 2018 but did not take place until 2020. It is one of the universities which integrate the Associate degree which Ecole de Commerce SCPU teaches in its Business Administration degree program. It has 9100 students of which 7000 are overseas students and has offices and agents in over 50 countries. It is arguably the UK's most international university.

Beyt Nahrin Mesopotamian Academy of Arts and Science

Beyt Nahrin Mesopotamian Academy of Arts and Science aims to play a central role in the Mesopotamian region's scientific life, similar to that played by National Academies of Science in many countries. The ultimate goals of the Beyt Nahrin Mesopotamian Academy of Arts and Science are to contribute directly to the growth, invigoration and dissemination of sciences in Mesopotamian Education institutions. It has developed a range of 24 lectures on the Mesopotamian Civilisation for people interested in Mesopotamia. It is also issuing a number of Awards and Certificates to recognise Leaders in these fields. It plans to hold a summit on Religious Diplomacy for new world organisations – 3rd, 4th and 5th of July 2021 in Sofia, Bulgaria.

University of Wales

This institution was founded in 1893 as a Federal University with three constituent Colleges – Aberystwyth, Bangor and Cardiff. The University was in charge of examining students while its Colleges were in charge of teaching. For 99 years it was the only University in Wales until the establishment of the University of Glamorgan in 1992. Many of the former Colleges are now independent Universities – Wales Aberystwyth University, Bangor University, University of Wales, Trinity Saint David, Cardiff University, Cardiff Metropolitan University and University of South Wales. In the 2000's a decision was made to abolish them. Technically in 2018/19 it had no Welsh students but 3345 students from outside the UK still registered with it.



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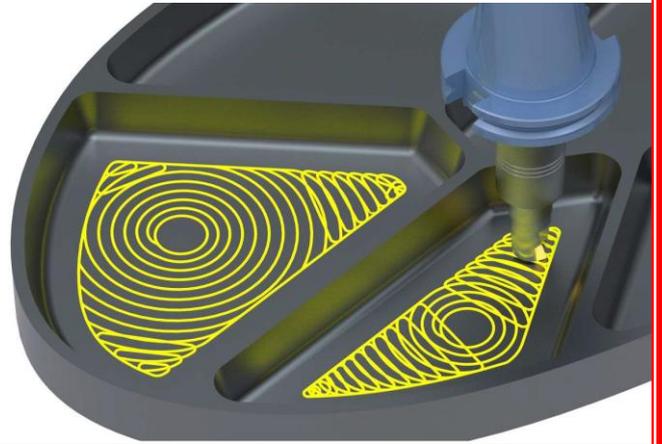
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General News

Special Thanks to Professor Dr Matthew Chu

The Administration would like to give special thanks to Professor Dr Matthew Chu who is the Chairperson of our Ph.D Assessment Committee. For a number of years he has Chaired this Committee which reviews Ph.D dissertations before they are issued. The Administration hopes he will continue in this role for the foreseeable future.

Regarding the Cancellation of Silver Jubilee Leadership Summit

It has been decided to cancel the proposed Silver Jubilee Leadership Summit due to be held on Thursday 30th September and Friday 1st of October. It was expected in October 2020 that the COVID vaccines would be available and this would bring it under control. This scenario has not happened. The country with the biggest population – India – is suffering from a major wave of the virus beating the country's previous record of deaths from it. Many western European countries have suffered third waves of the virus in early 2021. The vaccinations appear to be working and helping countries gain control of the virus, but at this stage early June 2021, this is still a work in progress. In "normal times" it takes people from many parts of Africa and some Asian countries up to three months getting through the UK Visa system to attend events in the UK. As the COVID-19 situation is still sorted, the Administration does not believe people will have time between when it is sorted and the end of September to obtain Visas. It also believes that to celebrate the Silver Jubilee Leadership Summit in 2022 when it will be 27 years old is too long after the event. Councillors who disagree with this please communicate your views to the Administration.

Yemen Update

St Clements University still has an Agent working on helping students in Yemen. While the war has stopped, the recruitment of new students it has helped existing students (slowly) complete their programs. Dr Qannaf Al-Marrani is doing a very good job in representing St Clements in extremely difficult circumstances in Yemen.

École Supérieure Universitaire St Clements & Commonwealth Accreditation Update

The St Clements University Board would like to congratulate Professor Dr David Iornem for his great work in having the above University's accreditation status confirmed by the Benin Republic authorities and they have officially communicated to the Nigerian Government that St Clements and Commonwealth University College (our English name) is fully accredited and recognised in the Republic of Benin. It has been very difficult during the COVID-19 pandemic to make progress with government bureaucrats when many are not working in their offices. École Supérieure Universitaire St Clements & Commonwealth is jointly owned by St Clements University (T&C) and Commonwealth University – Belize.

In June 2019 Dr Le Cornu visited Cotonou with a group of fellow Board members to decide the above institution's future. Post the recent elections which changed the government and the new Minister of Education wanted the existing Benin Universities to consolidate and each 3 or 4 became a new one. This did not fit with École Supérieure Universitaire St Clements & Commonwealth's growth plan and made our future look very bleak. A meeting was held with a senior Benin government bureaucrat who assured Professor Dr Iornem and Dr Le Cornu that provided we continued with building our Campus we would be able to avoid having to consolidate. Then along came 2020 and COVID-19 which stopped the events which were going to help finance the building of the campus. Thus the letters issued confirm École Supérieure Universitaire St Clements & Commonwealth was a great victory endorsing our institution's long term future.

Professional Organisations News

Accreditation Bodies Form Partnership

The American International Accreditation Association of Schools and Colleges – US based – has formed a partnership with the Accreditation Service for International Schools, Colleges and Universities which is UK based. The AIAA primarily accredits non American based High Schools and College which teach US based curricula. The ASIC is approved by the UK government (with the British Accreditation Council for Private Schools) to inspect Colleges and other private Higher Education institutions which wish to teach foreign students in the UK. Outside the UK they also accredit Universities including online Universities. International Education institutions can now apply to hold accreditation from both a US and UK accreditation body.

CFA Institute

This is the global association of investment professionals. It offers the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) and the Certificate in Investment Performance Measurement (CIPM) and Investment Foundations Certificate. It has 167,000+ members worldwide. It offers three levels of examinations and has established CFA Societies in a number of locations to enable members to network together in 29 locations. It has been able to obtain government recognition for its programs in 25 countries. It is one of the most successful Finance professional membership bodies in existence.

American Evaluation Association

The American Evaluation Association came into existence when the Evaluation Research Society and the Evaluation Network merged. The two bodies had been conducting joint annual conferences for several years before they amalgamated. They publish two Journals – *American Journal of Evaluation*, which publishes original papers about the methods, theory, practice and finding of evaluation. *New Direction for Evaluation*, a quarterly source book for all works on aspects of evaluation theory, practice and methods. It is a member of the Joint Committee on Standards of Education Evaluation. This joint committee has developed a series of standards for Education Evaluation programs as well as for Evaluation personnel. The two evaluation services St Clements University recommends employ AEA members to do the evaluations.

Chartered Institute of Sales and Marketing

This is one of the last Professional bodies established by Professor Dr Herbert Blankson. After the “takeover” of the Society of Sales and Marketing, when it evolved into the British Business Society (prior to going out of existence), he established the Chartered Institute of Sales and Marketing to support the “old” Society of Sales and Marketing members in the UK and elsewhere in the world. The Chartered Institute of Sales and Marketing offers three Certified membership services:

- Certified Professional Marketing Manager
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- Certified Customised for members qualifications

Malaysian Professional Bodies

Following are Malaysian Professional bodies:

- *Malaysian National Computer Confederation* – is an association for Information and Communication Technology professionals. Its stated aims are dedicated to the development of It professionals and the creation of an information rich society.
- *Malaysian Institute of Accountants* – is the umbrella body for the Accounting profession in Malaysia. As the umbrella body for Accountants in Malaysia include education and quality assurance as web enforcement to maintain credibility of the profession. The Malaysian Institute of Accountants has approximately 35000 members.
- *Actuarial Society of Malaysia* – The Actuarial Society of Malaysia was founded in 1978 and it is the only representative body for the Actuarial professionals in Malaysia. It is a full member of the international Actuarial Association.

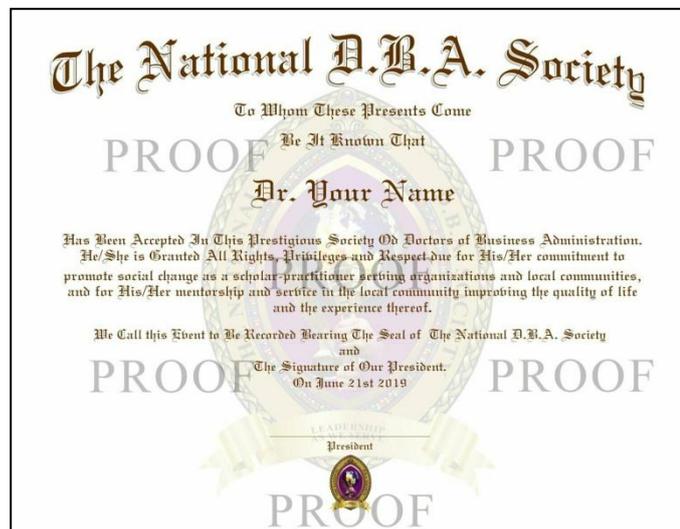
Faculty of Professional, Business and Technical Management

The Faculty of Professional Business and Technical Management is offering a range of Certificate courses in Business, Human Resources, Communication Management, Marketing, Corporate Responsibility, Finance and Customer Relationships. These programs are all taught at OFQUAL Level 4 and integrate into the Ecole de Commerce SCPU Diploma of Management – Associate of Management degree and the Bachelor of Business Administration. FPBTM students who complete all 8 certificate courses can enter the second year of the Bachelor of Business Administration with a number of UK universities.

ATTENTION GRADUATES

Doctor of Business Management
Doctor of Business Administration
Doctor of Letters on a Business Topic
Doctor of Philosophy on a Business Topic

The National D.B.A. Society based in Charlotte, North Carolina has agreed to accept St Clements University and Ecole de Commerce SCPU Doctoral Graduates of a Business oriented degree for membership of The National D.B.A. Society. www.dbasociety.org



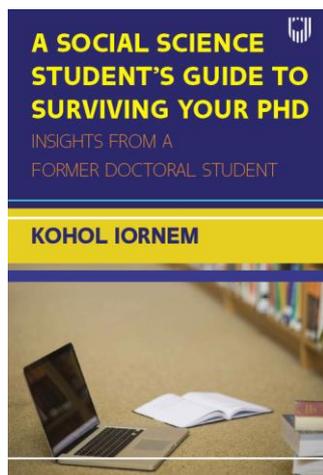
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A Social Science Student's Guide to Surviving your PhD



ABOUT THE BOOK

The doctorate is an emotional and academic journey, filled with dilemmas and obstacles that are normal for every student. Offering a new perspective to help navigate and adjust to a new environment and culture of learning, this book seeks to answer questions like:

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5. Simplified coverage of the research journey in a logical step-by-step format from pre-application to the final Thesis Defence.

Essential reading for students and supervisors, A Social Science Student's Guide to Surviving Your PhD will also be of use to international students seeking to gain further insight into the application process and the demands of research degrees in the UK.

ENDORSEMENTS

This book is written by a successful survivor! This clear and supportive text provides a detailed synthesis of, and rationale for, the key issues involved in a PhD and is highly recommended for anyone contemplating embarking on a PhD program - it should be read from start to finish before starting the journey and consulted at regular intervals throughout the journey using the lists of dos and don'ts as checklists at strategic milestones along the way.

Professor Eleri Jones, Professor Emerita, Cardiff Metropolitan University

From development of the research proposal to preparing for the viva voce and post-doctoral career options, this handy survival guide provides an invaluable source of advice and inside knowledge on the entire PhD process. All stages are explained in simple terms, and potential pitfalls are clearly highlighted, along with how to avoid them. This accessible, informative and engaging book is highly recommended as essential reading to anyone considering undertaking a PhD.

Dr Hillary J. Shaw, Senior Research Fellow, Centre for Urban Research on Austerity, De Montfort University

From recent personal experience, Shadrach knows the challenges of PhD study and this very readable book serves as a great companion to students embarking on what can sometimes be a long and lonely journey. It covers the entire process from applying to universities right through to graduation. Universities are good at giving research students information and instructions, but this book is more like a friend to turn to when things get tough.

Professor Michael Addison, Academic Director, International Foundation Group

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