In Academic Year 2015–16 the UWI, Mona Campus continued to restructure and redevelop its programmes, operations and facilities to provide a world class education to current and potential students, and to undertake research and public service that redound to Jamaica and the region’s economic, cultural and social development.

We pursued a number of initiatives to raise funds, foster employee engagement and development, achieve greater efficiency in the internal operational processes through application of information technology, enhance student learning and development, nourish the existing culture of routine curricula renewal, design scholastically current and market-responsive programmes aimed at growing student enrolment, and undertake research towards nation building and the advancement of scholarship.

Further, we pursued new institutional linkages, and consolidated existing ones for mutually rewarding research, teaching and learning opportunities. Our faculty and staff redoubled efforts to contribute to strengthening our communities and national institutions through public service and outreach activities.

All of these endeavours were designed to sustain and promote the competitiveness of the University of the West Indies, Mona Campus in a globally dynamic tertiary education environment, and to also produce balanced work-ready graduates who will continue to impact the nation and region’s development towards global competitiveness.

None of our many achievements over the year would have been possible without the commitment and enthusiasm of our competent faculty and staff. They have rallied to the call for transformation. I look forward to their continued support and direction as we continue to build our university’s global reputation.

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