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This strategic partnership, inked on November 26, 2024, stems from a shared commitment to advancing women's development through education and acquiring future-ready digital skills. The MOU establishes a framework for collaboration between the two institutions, focusing on cooperative programs, joint research and training activities, and initiatives that promote social inclusion and diversity.

The MOU was finalised in an official signing ceremony during IBG's 2nd International Conference on Gender Equality, marking a significant step forward in advancing gender-focused initiatives. Going forward, ATU and IBG will collaborate on community outreach programmes, gender-based capacity-building activities, and co-hosted conferences and events.

This partnership reaffirms ATU's dedication to empowering its female students with innovative opportunities, ensuring they are equipped for leadership roles in the near future.



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Accra Technical University (ATU), Ghana's foremost technical institution, has once again affirmed its position as a technical and vocational education trailblazer. Ranked as the 4th best university in Ghana and the number one technical university, ATU's consistent excellence in innovation and societal impact underscores its vision to shape the future of technical education in Ghana and beyond. The university also achieved 43rd out of 129 universities in the prestigious 2024 Times Higher Education (THE) Sub-Saharan Africa Rankings.

This recognition is not just a numerical victory but a profound endorsement of ATU's mission. For 2024, the THE rankings introduced **Ethical Leadership** as a new performance indicator, replacing Teaching Skills. ATU excelled with an outstanding **89.2%** score, a testament to its unwavering commitment to ethics, professionalism, and leadership development. Additionally, the university achieved an impressive **80.3% in Student Engagement**, up from 71.1% in the previous rankings, reflecting a concerted effort to enrich the student experience through innovative programs, entrepreneurial hubs, and leadership training.



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THE Times Higher Education

The 2024 rankings evaluated universities across five key metrics: Resources and Finance, Access and Fairness, Ethical Leadership, Africa Impact, and Student Numbers. Amid stiff competition from 129 institutions, ATU stood out, showcasing a harmonious blend of quality education and societal transformation.

Beyond rankings, 2024 has been a year of extraordinary achievements for ATU:

- 1. Innovation and Sustainability Leadership:** ATU received an award for its cutting-edge energy curriculum designed under the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) framework. This milestone cements its role as a leader in sustainable and innovative technical education.
- 2. Best TVET Institution Award:** At the Ghana Technical Students Awards and Tech Fair 2024, ATU was crowned the Best TVET Institution, further solidifying its impact on technical and vocational training in Ghana.
- 3. Pan-African Recognition:** ATU clinched the title of the Best Technical University, West Africa at the prestigious Africa Academia Conference and Awards 2024 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. This accolade highlights the university's contribution to addressing global challenges while advancing technical education in Africa.

These accolades are not mere decorations—they are milestones that highlight ATU's leadership in tackling the United Nations SDGs and Africa's Agenda 2063. The Times Higher Education rankings, a trusted global benchmark since 2004, celebrate institutions like ATU that drive transformation through innovative, equitable, and impactful education.

As Ghana's premier technical university, Accra Technical University remains a beacon of hope and excellence. Its dedication to ethical leadership, groundbreaking student engagement, and commitment to societal progress ensures that it is not just an institution of learning but a dynamic force shaping the future of Africa.

ATU is not just leading—it is inspiring. The university's journey is a call to action for stakeholders, students, and the global community to invest in technical education that transforms lives and drives sustainable development. The future of technical and vocational education in Ghana is brighter than ever, with Accra Technical University at the helm.



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Revolutionising Education for a Future-Ready Workforce

In “Addressing the Skills Gap: Competencies Students Will Need in 2050,” Prof. Acakpovi emphasized the need to blend advanced technologies with human creativity and empathy. He called for reimagining education that prioritizes critical areas such as sustainability, global citizenship, and inclusivity, ensuring that students are equipped to thrive in industries that demand technical expertise, social intelligence, and adaptability. Noting the rapid advancements in artificial intelligence, renewable energy, and quantum technology, Prof. Acakpovi stressed the need for graduates to possess technical and interpersonal skills to succeed in a dynamic global workforce. He highlighted strategies to bridge the skills gap, including curriculum innovation, strengthening technical and vocational education (TVET), fostering digital transformation, and expanding global partnerships.



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ATU: A Leader in Technical Education and Innovation

In his address, Prof. Acakpovi showcased ATU's achievements as a model institution driving innovation and excellence in technical education. He highlighted the launch of 23 Bachelor of Technology (BTech) and 11 Master of Technology (MTech) programs tailored to meet industry demands. These programs, he said, are designed to provide students with practical, cutting-edge knowledge that aligns with emerging trends. He also cited groundbreaking research achievements at ATU, including the development of vision-based artificial intelligence systems and renewable energy innovations, as examples of the university's commitment to addressing real-world problems through technology, inspiring all associated with ATU to contribute to the betterment of society.

Prof. Acakpovi further emphasized ATU's global collaborations with leading institutions, including London South Bank University, Nanjing University of Information Science and Technology, and A-Tech Korea. These partnerships, he explained, enhance research opportunities, promote international knowledge exchange, and provide students and faculty with a global perspective. He also celebrated ATU's recognition as the Best Technical University in West Africa for 2024 and its ranking as the fourth-best university in Ghana in 2023 by THE Rankings, describing these accolades as a testament to the university's dedication to excellence.

A Visionary Outlook

Concluding his presentation, Prof. Acakpovi stressed the importance of adaptability and lifelong learning. "The Fourth and Fifth Industrial Revolutions bring both challenges and opportunities," he said, adding, "ATU is committed to leading the transformation of education by providing our students with the tools they need to thrive in a rapidly evolving world." ATU's engagement in the Going Global Africa Conference further reaffirms its technical education and innovation leadership, highlighting its determination to empower graduates to meet the challenges of a rapidly changing global landscape.

