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**U.S. EMBASSY EDUCATIONAL ADVISING CENTER HOLDS 2011 COLLEGE AND
CAREER FAIR**

Abuja – The U.S. Mission’s EducationUSA Advising Center (EAC) in Abuja will hold its 12th annual College and Career fair from October 12 to 13, 2011. The program will feature several U.S. university representatives who will speak on opportunities for study in the U.S., research and scholarships.

The undergraduate fair is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 12, 2011** at the NICON Luxury Hotel (**Grand Ball Room**), Area 11, Garki, Abuja. The morning session will be held from 10:00 am to 12:30pm followed by an afternoon session from 1:00pm to 3:00pm.

The graduate fair will be held on **Thursday, October 13**, starting at 3:00pm at the same venue. Prospective graduate students are encouraged to call the following phone numbers to register for the fair: 0803-825-5015, and 09-461-4000 (ext. 4251, 4241 or 4335).

The press is invited to cover both events. Interested journalists are advised to come to the venue **at least 30 minutes** earlier for camera set up as all programs will begin promptly at the time indicated in this invitation.

Background: The U.S. Mission’s EducationUSA Advising Center (EAC) promotes U.S. education by providing students and parents in Nigeria with unbiased information and counsel for study in U.S. universities and colleges. Some of the services provided include guidance on the U.S. college application process, standardized testing, student visa requirements, and pre-departure orientation. Over the years, the EAC College and Career Fairs have directly contributed to an increase in the number of highly qualified Nigerian applicants to U.S. institutions. During the fair, students have the unique opportunity to explore the diversity and vitality of higher education in the U.S. Representatives from U.S. institutions as well as EAC advisors are on hand to interact with attendees.

The program is open to all interested persons, especially prospective students.

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