

EMPOWERING DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

LEADERSHIP, INNOVATION & SUSTAINABILITY



In partnership with UNIVERSITY OF LAGOS

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SUMMARY

Professors Without Borders was delighted to deliver its Empowering Digital Transformation: Leadership, Innovation and Sustainability programme to 80 participants at the University of Lagos in Lagos, Nigeria, from 21st to 25th July 2025. The week featured five full-day workshops for faculty, staff, and students on Social Entrepreneurship, Finance for Africa, Research Methods, Al Tools & Career Discovery, and Personal Branding: Ikigai.

The professors led multiple 40–45 minute workshops with students across three classes: Bob Eckhart taught design thinking for solving social problems; Charlie Dove-Edwin explored governance and finance; Brieanne Beaujolais introduced research methods for addressing daily challenges; Oluseyi Sodiya guided students in self-discovery: developing effective communication, critical thinking, creativity, and collaboration skills valued by employers, while also showing how AI tools can help them work smarter; and Peter-Frank taught the Japanese concept of Ikigai, focusing on self-fulfilment.

For faculty and staff, the sessions on blended teaching/learning and AI tools were especially timely, aligning with ongoing curriculum reviews and offering opportunities to apply their new knowledge immediately.

Overall, UNILAG was delighted with the insightful topics and engaging facilitation. The classrooms were filled with laughter and lively discussion, ensuring there was never a dull moment. Students left more confident about their career prospects, particularly in using videos and podcasts as part of their degree work, with many inspired to begin creating their own. Faculty members left with practical strategies for integrating technology into their teaching, enhancing student engagement, and improving the overall learning experience.



UNILAG Faculty Staff with Dr. Brieanne.



Professor Bonnie Ayodele and Oluseyi Sodiya with UNILAG Faculty Staff after the AI Tools workshop.

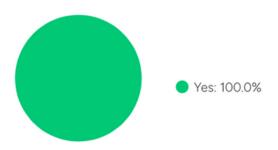


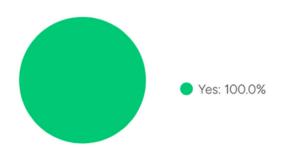
REFLECTIONS

Feedback received from programme participants

100% of Faculty and Students were satisfied with the programme.

100% of Students said that they would recommend the programme to others.





My favorite part of the programme is the AI tool and career workshop. It has really helped so much in finding the right part for my business. (**Programme Participant**)



"As a product manager, I found the programme helped fill some of my knowledge gaps. The sessions on research, personal branding, networking, AI innovation, Ikigai, and SWOT analysis were particularly insightful and inspiring." (Programme Participant)

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Feedback received from programme coordinators and participants

The programme made me understand that by the application of certain AI tools and techniques in my profession, I will function effectively and perfectly. All the areas covered by the facilitators opened my mind and eyes to the latest technology needed for my area of specialisation.- Faculty at UNILAG

It has enhanced my knowledge of AI tools and their applicability in teaching, research, academic and personal work. Oluseyi 's sessions particularly stood out for me, because, prior to the training, I thought I was proficient with the use of AI, but during his sessions, I was exposed to more tools (e.g. AI for grading, deepseek etc.) that are more beneficial to me which I had no prior knowledge of. (Faculty at UNILAG)



Participating in the 'Professors Without Borders' A.K.A. *PROWIBO* programme was an incredibly enriching experience. Though it lasted just a week, the impact it made will stay with me for a long time. I gained a deeper understanding of how to craft research questions, and I was introduced to social entrepreneurship, a concept I unknowingly had ideas about. (Programme Participant)

I loved the Ikigai/personal branding session. It made me connect what I love with what I can be paid for. I also loved the social entrepreneurship and design thinking session as I was able to to solve social problems creatively.

"As an entrepreneur and career-driven person, I found all the classes impactful. Before the programme, I had only about 40% knowledge in some areas, and as little as 20% in others. Now, I can boldly say I am stepping into the world with greater confidence. I had ideas before, but I was either too shy or lacked the right approach to pursue them. With this programme, I now keep a journal where I am actively developing these ideas. Very soon, I will proudly tag PROWIBO in my achievements, made possible through the support of this programme."

(Programme Participant)

MEMORIES

















