

Unethical University Operations: Deception In Disguise

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With the rise of the internet, the proliferation of higher education institutions, virtual and/or distance learning, and the multifaceted techno-social engineering innovations, fake academic institutions, and degree fraud have become a borderless issue that requires a global collaboration from government agencies and institutions to rid us of them. These misconducts and unethical operations have been escalating and expanding in number, operations, and sophistication in recent years and are mostly common in the developed economies. Although there is wide and varied spectrum about the national guidelines for higher education accreditation, there are higher education institutions that are truly fake, agencies that design counterfeit of original degree and diploma certificates, and unaccredited institutions that provide educational activities and issue degrees that are not recognized by law or any educational system...

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