

**Education for Fullness: The Role of Adult Education in
Nigeria in the 21st Century**

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ABSTRACT Education is very necessary for man in order to articulate himself and achieve fullness. But the formal system, which is elitist, discriminatory and instalmental, cannot alone provide all education one needs for self-fulfillment. The terminologies, such as, continuing education, recurrent education, education permanente and life-long education, have been used by different bodies to stress that education should be co-terminous with life. Adult education in its complementary and supplementary roles in education affords citizens of a country opportunities for attainment of self-fulfillment and fullness. Therefore, it is necessary that Nigeria should heighten efforts towards adult education in order to enable the citizens achieve self-fulfillment and fullness during the twenty-first century.