STUDENT 3 INTERVIEW

**SECTION B INTERVIEW QUESTIONS**

**Have you missed classes?**

Yes, I have.

**If yes, what could be the reason for you to miss classes?**

The reason firstly is because I have a daughter, so sometimes she becomes sick and I have to stay home. The second reason is because, my financial aid (NSFAS) it has not paid for my allowances yet, because I received transport allowances, so I haven’t received it yet. Sometimes when am short in terms of money to come to school, then I can’t make it to school. Those are the only reasons.

**Do you think it is important not to miss classes?**

Yes, it is importance because sometimes there could be something very important that I lecturer may introduce to the class and sometimes there maybe something that you don’t understand and it has been re-explained on that particular day. You miss out on a lot of information when you are absent.

**What do you think could be done to increase student attendance?**

What could be done in terms of the financial aid issue is that it should be taken seriously as I am not the only student complaining of not being able to come to school. It should be taken into account because that is the biggest reason that we have as students and support other students who have deeper problems than I have**. If you say some students have deeper problems than you have, can you kindly highlight some you had from your friend?** Some students have financial issues at home and they don’t have support from home, I think they should get help. I think absenteeism could be reduced if the college could organise a bus that will collect us every morning ad in the afternoon take us back home. That will reduce transport problems that we experience as students.

**Are you aware of the attendance policy that is applicable to you as an NCV student?**

Yes, I think it is 80 percent attendance required to attend classes. I didn’t attend the induction because I applied late.

**How does the management deal with poor attendance at the college?**

I have never had anything in terms of what the management do to deal with poor attendance. When you are not here you are not here, that’s it. **Do they call you, summon you or fill in something?** No, if I was absent, I inform my lecturers and bring the sick note when I come to school the next day.