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Students of the Polytechnic, Ibadan, Oyo State, on Tuesday protested against the death of one of their colleagues, Rapheal Akintaro, of the Electrical and Electronic Department, accusing the institution of not doing enough to enhance the health facility on the campus.

The students blocked all major roads leading to the campus, thereby causing gridlock along the Sango-Poly Road.

The students, who displayed several placards that expressed their displeasure with the authorities, called on the state government to declare a state of emergency in the school.

They said the nurses at the clinic demanded the student's identification instead of administering the first aid.

Raphael was said to have fallen ill after sitting for an examination on Monday.

According the Public Relations Officer of the school, Soladoye Adewole, Akintaro was taken to the school clinic but died while being transferred to the Oyo State Hospital, Adeoyo, Ibadan.

Adewole said, "The students were angry because of Akintaro's death. He was taken to the school clinic on Monday around 8pm.

"He was referred to the state hospital, but he died on the way.

"It is painful and the management sympathises with his parents over the loss."

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