



DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH,  
CHUKWUEMEKA ODUMEGWU OJUKWU UNIVERSITY,  
IGBARIAM CAMPUS, ANAMBRA STATE, NIGERIA

# OPULUICHE FESTIVAL OF ARTS & HOMECOMING/ AWARD PRESENTATION CEREMONY TAGGED: THE EAGLES, RETURN!

📅 Friday 5th July, 2024  
🕒 10:00am  
📍 ETF Auditorium

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS/AWARDEES

Talent meets opportunity that art may live forever!





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## NATIONAL ANTHEM

Nigeria we hail thee  
Our own dear native land  
Though tribes and tongue may differ  
In brotherhood we stand  
Nigerians all, are proud to serve  
Our sovereign Motherland.

Our flag shall be a symbol  
That truth and justice reign  
In peace or battle honour'd,  
And this we count as gain,  
To hand on to our children  
A banner without stain.

O God of all creation  
Grant this our one request.  
Help us to build a nation  
Where no man is oppressed  
And so with peace and plenty  
Nigeria shall be blessed.

## ANAMBRA ANTHEM

With all our hearts  
We pray and ask  
God bless Anambra  
God bless the shining light that  
we bear  
We are the only ones to make  
her brighter  
The ones to make her better  
The only ones to make Anambra  
shine  
With our sweat and blood,  
Every breath of our lives  
With trust in God  
We would lift our homeland  
high  
We believe in togetherness  
We'll build a land of progress  
Lift the spirit of Anambra  
Lift the spirit of Anambra  
Lift the spirit of Anambra, State  
we love.

## COOU ANTHEM

Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University on the move  
We hail and praise our great COOU and the light of the nation.  
The University that is conceived and built on solid foundation.  
We hail and praise our great COOU and the light of the nation.  
With careful consideration of academic excellence and the serenity of sight.  
We hail and praise our great COOU and the light of the nation.  
The Arts, Science and Technology is our lofty goals  
We hail and praise our great COOU and the light of the nation.  
The great citadel of learning that stands as a giant and hope for the nation.  
We hail and praise our great COOU and the light of the nation.  
We hail and praise our great COOU  
We hail and cherish this Great Institution by the East of the Niger  
The seat of wisdom and the strength of the Nation.  
We hail and praise our great COOU  
We hail and cherish this Great Institution by the East of the Niger  
The seat of wisdom and the strength of the Nation.  
To God be the Glory!

# Programme Events

10:00 am- 10: 45am	- Arrival of dignitaries/courtesy call to the Ag. Vice Chancellor
10:45am- 11:00am	- Recognition of Special Guests
11:00am – 11:05am	- Anambra State/University Anthem and Opening prayers
11:05am – 11:15am	- Breaking of Kolanut
11:15am- 11:20am	-Brief Address of Welcome from the HOD, English
11:20am -11:20am	-Special recognition of the Returned Eagles, Alumni of the Department
11:20am – 11:30am	- Address by the Ag. Vice Chancellor
11:30am- 11:40am	-First Reading by HM Igwe Chidubem Iweka (Eze Iweka III of Obosi Kingdom)
11:40am -11:50am	-Special Reading by Prof. Akachi Adimora-Ezeigbo
11:50am – 11:55am	-Special Reading by Odili Ujubuonu
11:55am- 12:00pm	-First Performance of Minstrel Akalugo
12:00pm- 12:10pm	-Special Poetic Rendition by James Eze
12:15pm- 12:25pm	-Performance by the English Department poetry club
12:25pm- 12:30pm	-Spoken word poetry performance by Melvis from the Dept. of History, COOU
12:30pm- 12:40pm	-First appearance of Okwuanyionu Agulu
12:40pm- 12:45pm	-Special Reading by Prof. Ngozi Chuma-Udeh
12:45pm- 12:1:00pm	- Presentation of Achebe's <i>Things Fall Apart</i> by the 200L students of English dept
1:00pm – 1:10pm	- Cultural Dance by the 300l students of English Dept.
1:10pm – 1:20pm	-Presentation of Zulu Dance by students of Maria Regina Sec. Nnewi
1:20pm – 1:30pm	-Unveiling of <i>Ife-nkili: A Poetry Collection</i> in honour of the Ag. VC
1:30PM- 1:45pm	-Presentation of <i>Echoes of a New Dawn</i> by 400 level students of English
1:45pm -1:55pm	-Performance by students of Mater Amabilis Sec. Sch. Umuoji
1:55pm- 2:00pm	- Investiture of High Chief Stanley Obodoagwu as the Patron of Dept. of English
2:00pm- 2:10pm	- Conferment of the Mother of the Department to Professor Ngozi Chuma-Udeh
2:10pm-2:15pm	- Award of literary prizes in all categories (poetry/drama/essay/short story/ spoken word
2:15pm- 2:20pm	-Unveiling/Launching of OpuLuiche and Grammarian Digest by Prof. Ifejirika
2:30pm- 2:40pm	-Presentation of Pillars/Icon Awards/Alumnus of the Year Award
2:40pm-2:50pm	-Performance of extracts of <i>Wizard of Law</i> for Alumni by the Starlight theatre
2:50pm-3:00pm	-Special performance by the Theatre Arts students of the University
3:00pm- 3:10pm	-Presentation of Ambassadors' of the Department Awards
3:10pm- 3:20pm	-Presentation of Achebe's <i>Arrow of God</i> by 100l students of the English dept.
3:20pm- 3:40pm	-Presentation of the Personality of the Department Awards
3:40pm – 3:45pm	-Closing remarks by a member of the Alumni/ vote of thanks
3:45pm – 3:50pm	-Closing prayers/University anthem
3:50pm- 4:00pm	-Photograph sessions/ Alumni luncheon/departure

Thank you all for coming and I hope you had an exciting time. See you again next year!



**PROF CHARLES CHUKWUMA SOLUDO, CFR**  
Executive Governor of Anambra State



**PROF. NGOZI CHUMA-UDEH**  
The Hon. Commissioner for Education

**Special Guest of Honour/Mother of the Department of English Award of Recipient**



**PROF. KATE AZUKA OMENUGHA, FNIPR**  
Ag. Vice Chancellor

**Chief Host**



**PROF. CYNADO EZEOGIDI**  
Dean, Faculty of Arts

**Co-Host**



**DR. IKECHUKWU ASIKA**  
HOD, English

**Host**



**DR. NWAKAEGO GLADYS OBI**  
Staff Adviser



**HIS MAJESTY, IGWE A. C. IWEKA**  
**(Eze Iweka III of Obosi)**

**Royal Father of the Day**



**HIGH CHIEF, STANLEY OBODOAGWU**

**Ichie Okpataozuoha I of Ihiala**

**Otigbu Inyinya n' Ihiala, Ezeudo gburugburu, Omere-ora I of Okpanam**

**Distinguished Patron of Department of English, COOU**



**MR. DON. ONYENJI**

**Hon. Commissioner for Culture, Entertainment and Tourism**

**Special Guest of Honour / Icon of the Department Award Recipient**



**HM PRINCE IKENNA ONYESOH**  
(Idebuteaku)  
Regent of Nri

**Special Guest of Honour / Pillar of the Department Award Recipient**



**PROF. AKACHI ADIMORA-EZEIGBO**

**Special Guest Writer**



**MR. ODILI UJUBONU**

**Special Guest Writer**



**MR. JAMES EZE**

**Special Guest Poet**



**ILIKWU CHRISTIANA ODINAKA**  
(Baby Blinks/ Tiana Blinks/ Everything Tiana)  
Class of 2015

**Alumna of the Year Award Recipient (2024)**

**Sponsor of:**

- 1- Professor Kate Omenugha Prize for Best Graduating Student of the Department of English (50k per year /4 years endowment)
- 2- Tiana Prize for Short Story (worth #200k)
- 3- Ikechukwu Asika Drama Prize (worth #200k)



**BARRISTER ANTHONY KELECHI AGBASIERE**  
(Celebrity Barrister)

**Distinguished Icon of the Department Award Recipient**



**CHIEF EMEKA MBUBA**  
(Nwataanyoeze I of Nri)

**Distinguished Icon of the Department Award Recipient**



**MR. DIKE CHIMAObI**

**Distinguished Icon of the Department Award Recipient**



**ANTHONY CHUKWUMA MMUO**

**Distinguished Icon of the Department Award Recipient**



**ISREAL EZEADIRUO**

**Distinguished Icon of the Department Award Recipient**



**HIGH CHIEF ADIELE VALENTINE**

**Distinguished Icon of the Department Award Recipient**



**BUILDER BENJAMIN OYEKUNLE OYEFEMI**  
(CEO Realowners Estate)

**Distinguished Icon of the Department Award Recipient**



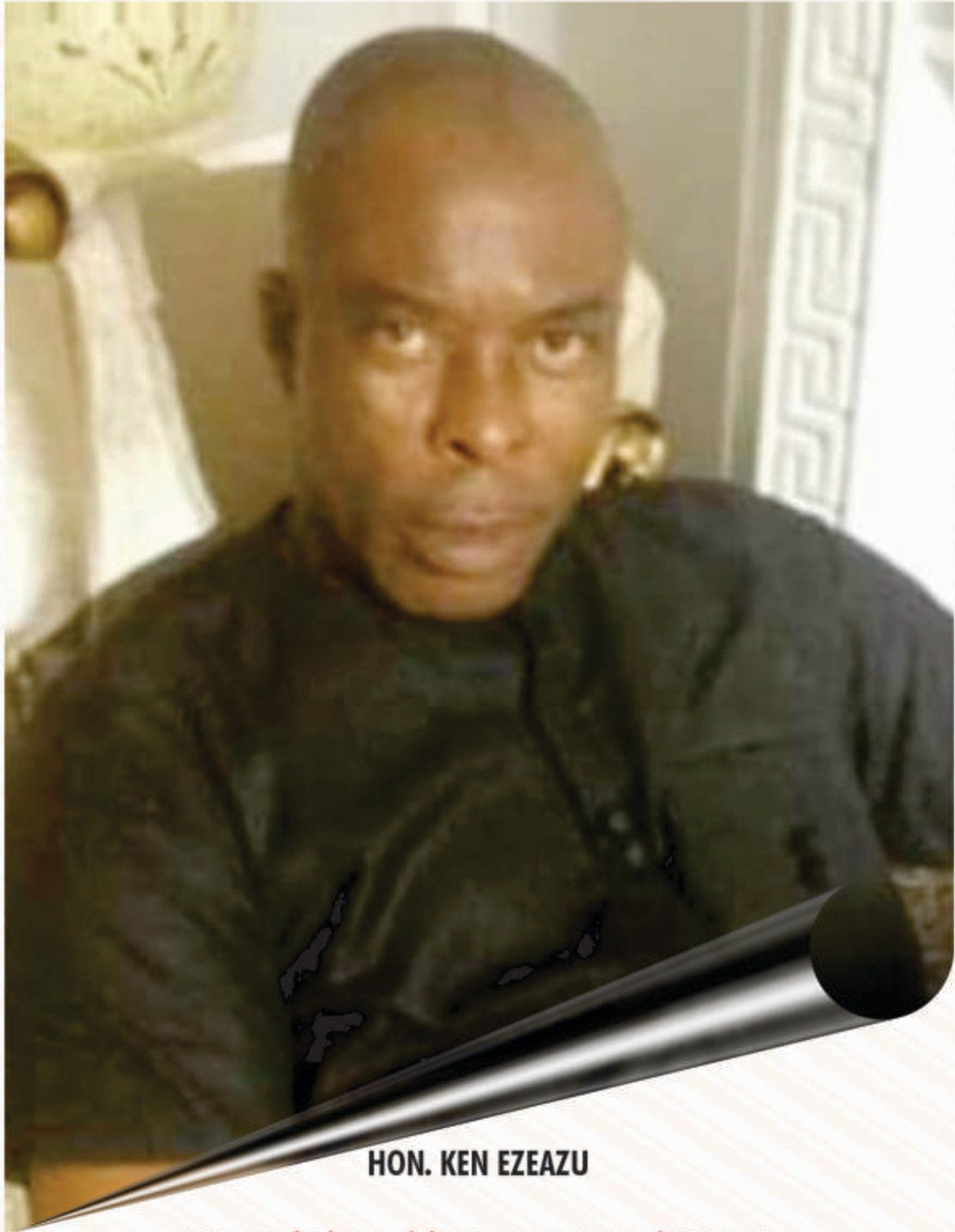
**KPILIBOR COMMISSIONER IRALATE**

**Distinguished Icon of the Department Award Recipient**



**OBINNA UKAEZE (DGN)**

**Distinguished Icon of the Department Award Recipient**



**HON. KEN EZEAZU**

**Distinguished Icon of the Department Award Recipient**



**DR FIDELIA AZUKA OKEKE**  
Head, Department of English (2018-2024)

**The Most Iconic Figure and a Pillar of the Department of English Award Recipient**



**HON. ACHU INOMA**

**Distinguished Icon of the Department Award Recipient**



**CHIEF CHUKWU-EBUKA CHUKA ODOGWU**

**Distinguished Icon of the Department Award Recipient**



**ENGR. AUSTIN AKAOLISA MUOJEKWU**

**Distinguished Icon of the Department Recipient**

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

### Influential Alumnus/Ambassador Award Recipient



### High Chief Eze Luke. N.

C.E.O. CheckStall China Import Group LTD.

(An App. You can use it to buy anything you want in China)

**AKA: Ambassador. Class of 2008**

**Position held while in school:** Director of Social

**Lodge/Hostel while in School:** Kopa's Lodge

**Best course while here:** Creative Writing

**Best friend (s)**

**Best memory of the Department/University:** The day I signed out as a student.

**The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day struggle:** Determination & Consistency.

**Employment Status:** Self-employed, C.E.O CheckStall China Import Group LTD.

**Current Status/Location:** Nigeria/Guangzhou China

**Contact address/Phone Number:** 09069019047  
Office, AB-45, Tong Tong Trade Market, Guangzhou China.

**Your vision for the Department/University:** Private

**Vision of you in the next five years:** To Empower at least 500 youths.



## Felicitations ISRAEL EZEADIRUO

**I**SRAEL EZEADIRUO PROFILE Israel Ezeadiruo, a visionary leader and scholar, is a native of Ebenator in the Nnewi South Local Government Area of Anambra State, Nigeria. His educational journey and professional experiences reflect a commitment to continuous learning and community engagement. Israel Ezeadiruo is a philanthropist and an esteemed entrepreneur. As the founder of the Israel Ezeadiruo Foundation (ISEF) and the Chief Executive Officer of Jokab Multilinks Ltd., Israel has made significant contributions to the community through his dedication, innovative spirit, and compassionate heart. Israel's journey is marked by his unwavering commitment to uplifting others and making a positive impact in society. His philanthropic endeavors through the Israel Ezeadiruo Foundation have transformed countless lives, providing support, resources, and opportunities to those in need.

His foundation is a beacon of hope and a testament to his belief in the power of giving back to the community. Under his leadership, Jokab Multilinks Ltd. has flourished, showcasing his acumen in business and his ability to lead with integrity and vision. His entrepreneurial ventures are characterized by a focus on excellence, innovation, and sustainability, setting a high standard in the industry. Education: Born and raised in Anambra State, Nigeria, Israel Ezeadiruo exhibited leadership qualities and a deep sense of empathy from a young age. He pursued his higher education at Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University, where he developed a strong academic foundation and a passion for social impact. Secondary School: St Paul's Seminary Ukpokor (2004-2010) Diploma in Latin: Pontificia Urbaniana Universita Roma (2008) Bachelor's Degree in Political Science: Anambra State University (2012-2016) Master's Degree in Political Science: Benue State University (2018-2021) PhD in Political Science: Benue State University (2022 - in view) Leadership and Community Involvement: During his undergraduate years at Anambra State University, Israel Ezeadiruo served as the Speaker of the Political Science Department in the Students Legislative Council, showcasing his leadership skills and dedication to student governance. In recognition of his commitment to education and community development, Israel Ezeadiruo serves as the Patron of the National Association of Political Science Students Nigeria since 2021. Driven by a profound commitment to giving back, Israel founded the Israel Ezeadiruo Foundation. The foundation focuses on various philanthropic activities, including education support, healthcare initiatives, and community empowerment programs. Israel's philanthropic lifestyle has touched many lives, providing hope and opportunities to the less privileged.

Professional Experience: Israel's journey in the corporate world started during his undergraduate years when he worked as a Sales Representative for Gilbert Igweka Global Concept at Dangote Cement PLC in Gboko, Benue State, from 2016 to 2022. This experience allowed him to develop practical skills in sales and marketing. Israel's professional journey developed immensely with the establishment of Jokab Multilinks Ltd., a company that has grown under his leadership to become a prominent player in its industry. His strategic vision and innovative approach has propelled the company to new heights, earning him recognition as a leading entrepreneur. His leadership has played a crucial role in the company's success and its significant presence in the construction and building materials industry. Jokab Multilinks Ltd is a dynamic and versatile company based in Nigeria, committed to providing high-quality services across various sectors. As a private company limited by shares, its focus is on delivering excellence in distribution, construction, real estate, agriculture, and energy. Situated in Nigeria, its registered office serves as the central hub for business operations, ensuring a strategic and accessible location to effectively serve clients and partners. Personal Life and Philosophy: Israel believes in the power of collective effort and the importance of giving back to society. His personal philosophy centers around the idea that true success is measured not by personal wealth, but by the positive impact one can make in the lives of others. Israel finds joy in his personal life as a happily married man, with Mrs. Chinelo Ezeadiruo as his life partner. Israel's diverse experiences, from academia to corporate leadership, demonstrate his versatility and dedication to personal and professional growth. As a leader, entrepreneur, and academic, he continues to make valuable contributions to various spheres of society. Israel Ezeadiruo's journey is an inspiring testament to the power of dedication, vision, and compassion. As he receives the ICON Award, his story will continue to inspire others to pursue excellence and make meaningful contributions to their communities. We celebrate Israel Ezeadiruo for his outstanding achievements and commend him for his ongoing efforts to create a better world for all.

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*Courtesy of Mr. Daniel Nwanna*



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# HIGH CHIEF STANLEY OBODOAGWU



HIGH CHIEF STANLEY OBODOAGWU is a native of Akwa Ezikenyi, Ihiala, Anambra State.

High Chief Stanley Obodoagwu is a highly respected and influential figure in Akwa Ezikenyi, Ihiala of Anambra State. Known for his numerous accomplishments and commitment to community development, he holds the (quadruple) distinguished titles of Otigbu Inyinya I of Akwa Ezikenyi, Ezeudo Gburu-Gburu of Ihiala, Ichie Okpataozuoha I of Ihiala, Anambra State, and Omere-Oha I of Okpanam, Delta State.

Chief Obodoagwu has dedicated his time, resources, and efforts to investing in human capital development and philanthropy. He firmly believes in the power of uplifting others and making a positive impact in their lives. With a deep sense of compassion and empathy, he has touched the lives of countless individuals and communities through his philanthropic endeavors.

1. He yearly builds and hands over ten houses to homeless widows and less privileged. As at today, he has handed over forty-three houses to the needy.
  2. He has sponsored ninety-eight graduates at different higher institutions and ensured they are working, and currently sponsoring one hundred and eighty undergraduates across the country, Nigeria
  3. He annually empowers the youths and women on agriculture, providing all kinds of seedlings and money to ensure they have focused in their areas of specialization.
  4. He bi-annually organizes a medical outreach for his people in collaboration with the ministry of health and his White doctor friends.
  5. He enjoys discovering and training youths with special talents: areas of music, acting, artisans, etc cetera.
  6. As an employer of labour, he has one hundred and thirteen staff working in his companies, most of whom he sponsored through education and artisanship.
  7. He single handedly renovated the Nigeria Police Headquarters, Ihiala after it was recked during the Endsars protest.
  8. He personally interlocked the street roads leading to his compound in Ihiala of Anambra State and Okpanam in Delta State, and he generates electricity every night for the people in his village.
- One of Chief Obodoagwu's notable contributions is the establishment of the Light Givers Humanitarian Foundation. Through this foundation, he channels substantial funds towards various charitable organizations and initiatives aimed at empowering people and guiding youths to discover their future.

Chief Stanley Obodoagwu approaches his humanitarian services with genuine joy and understanding. He recognizes the challenges faced by those who come to him seeking assistance, and he is committed to providing solutions and support wherever possible. His dedication to helping others has earned him widespread admiration and respect within his community and beyond.

Beyond his philanthropic activities, Chief Obodoagwu is a visionary leader, an advocate for progress, and a bridge-builder. He actively promotes unity, harmony, and development within Akwa Ezikenyi, Ihiala, and his other areas of influence. His leadership qualities, coupled with his commitment to the welfare of his people, have further solidified his position as a highly revered figure in the region. He founded AkwaAmaka Tv where he has employed hundreds of youths and waxing strong for a better tomorrow.

High Chief Stanley Obodoagwu's contributions to human capital development, philanthropy, and community empowerment have left an indelible mark on the lives of many. His unwavering dedication to making a positive difference continues to inspire others, and he serves as a beacon of hope and a role model for both young and old alike.

## Citation

# PROFESSOR NGOZI CHUMA-UDEH

PROFESSOR NGOZI CHUMA-UDEH: A GLIMPSE

Ngozi Chuma-Udeh

(B. A. English, M.Ed. Admin, PhD Ed. Admin M.A. English, PhD. English) is an Educationist and a Professor of English.

She is an orator, a novelist, a poet, and a dramatist.

She holds a double master's Degree, (Med) Educational Administration, 1997) and (MA English 2004).

She also holds two Doctorate Degrees, a PhD in Educational Administration (2002), and a PhD in English (Comparative Literature stress) (2010).

Ngozi served as the Head, of the Department of English, at Anambra State University for two tenures, Coordinator of General English Studies for two tenures, Associate Dean of Arts for two tenures, Dean of the Faculty of Arts for three academic sessions, and Chair of the Local Organizing Committee for Faculty of Arts International Conferences for five years. She has supervised postgraduate students (MA, PhD) both in her local University and Internationally.

She is an International External Examiner both in Educational Administration and in English Studies. She has been deeply involved in various curriculum planning in her local University and in the Educational Sector of her home State.

She has participated in the development of Education programs and has helped in managing, implementing, monitoring, evaluating, and reporting the progress of education programs in the Anambra State Post Primary School Board as a Principal Officer/ Supervisor.

She has designed and implemented strategies for improving learning, and learning outcomes for children in the rural areas in her home State.

Twice an International Award Winner, her first novel *Teachers on Strike* won the West African Literary Award in 2005 and her second novel *Echoes of a New Dawn* won the Association of African Women Writers (AAWW) Masterpiece Award in Senegal (2010).

Ngozi has received National and State Awards and Recognition as an outstanding Literary Artist. Ngozi is a girl-child initiative activist and proponent of zero illiteracy for Nigerian women.

She has carried out extensive research on the development, empowerment, and protection of women and girl children, especially in war situations.

She is also a strong apostle of Arts for society's sake and she believes that arts and literary dialogues are the panacea for remedying the world's chaotic experiences. She has Thirty (30) book publications (including Novels, Children's Fiction, Textbooks, Collection of Poems and Dramas).

She has to her academic credit ninety-five (95) publications in Abstracted Journals.

She has attended over sixty-five (65) Conferences (Local and International) with sixty (60) papers delivered both internationally and locally.

As an outstanding public speaker, she has delivered about twelve Keynotes at both National and International Conferences.

She has been specially invited to about twelve States in the Federal Republic of Nigeria to deliver academic lectures in Annual Literary Colloquiums.

She has visited forty-five Universities outside the country in her academic quest.

In 2013 on a special invitation, she attended and delivered a lecture at a symposium Celebrating Jorge Luis Borges, held at the University of Buenos Aires, in Argentina.

She is an External Examiner to the National College, Tamilnadu India, and Bharathidasan University, Palkalai Perur.

She was appointed the Fiction Editor, of Sentinel Literary Quarterly Journals London, United Kingdom in 2012, and Editor/Reviewer of PMLA (Journal of the Modern Language Association MLA) in 2014.

Chuma-Udeh, Ngozi's *Trends and Issues in Nigerian Literature* was cited as a Mainline Textbook at the library of the University of Leeds, London in 2011 and a Recognition and Documentation of Authorship by the Library of Congress Virtual International Authority File: *Teachers on Strike* (VIAF ID: 187463577) was given in 2012.

Ngozi belongs to numerous Academic Associations and Literary bodies prominent among which are; the Modern Language Association (MLA), African Literature Association (ALA), Pan-African Writers Association, Nigerian Association for Educational Administration and Planning (NAEAP), Association of International Education Administrators (AIEA), The Literati Philosophia and Association of Nigerian Authors (ANA).

She presently holds the dual functions of the Dean of Arts and the University Orator, at Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University (formerly Anambra State University).

Prof Ngozi Chuma-Udeh is currently the Commissioner for Education, Anambra State.

She is also the Secretary Anambra State Education Advisory Board.

She is married and blessed with children Her dream projects are: "Bringing back the book culture for life and for posterity," and "Getting Girl-Children off the Street."





## Obiorah Chukwuebuka Francis

**AKA:** Voiceofebuka/ VOE **Class of 2018**

**Post held while in school:** Mr. English 2014

**Lodge:** Favourite Suite, Achalla.

**Best Course:** Grammar

**Best Friend:** Dennis Orji

**Best Memory of the Department:** ICOSELS

**The best thing the Department taught me:**

The University finds one worthy of character before learning.

**Employment status:** Business man

**Current location:** Awka

**Contact number:** 09129059064

**Vision of the Department:** Having the best business minded grammarians, men and women of calibre in society.

**Vision of you in the next five years:** Owing one of the best and luxury car wash brand in Awka.

## Ekwenze Onyinyechukwu Anthonia

**AKA:** ToniaZita **Class of 2013**

**Position held while in school:** The Most Beautiful Girl in English Department from 2010-2012

**Lodge/hostel while here:** Hanna Lodge Otikpu

**Best course while here:** Nigeria Oral Literature

**Best friend (s):** Ikechukwu Asika, Vianney Asoegwa, Ebuka Nwaimo.

**Best memory of the Department/University:** Our dream performance with Dr Agbasire.

**The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day struggle:** is clarity to be independent and to work on self-development.

**Employment status:** an Actor /Gospel musician and Life and relationship coach.

**Current status/location:** Married

**Your vision for the Department/University:** That it grows to a greater height

**Vision of you in the next five years:** You see me whenever you open any of your screens...





## Mr. Olisa Ewuzie

### Class of 2006

**Position held while in school (if any):** SUCF President and JCCF President (2004/2005)

**Lodge/hostel:** Osimirieze Lodge, Uli

**Best course while here:** Renaissance Period and Creative Writing

**Best friend (s):** Mr. Kevin Asobia

**Best memory of the Department/University:** Accreditation of courses and the name of the Department of English not being changed to Igbo Linguistics Department

The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day struggle is self-confidence and versatility.

**Employment status:** Group General Manager, Dozzy Oil and Gas Limited

**Current Status/Location:** Onitsha/ Lagos.

**Contact Address/Phone Number (optional)**

**Your vision for the Department/University:** The department should produce self-confident graduates who can compete with their contemporaries all over the world.

**The vision of you in the next five years:** To continue to make an impact in the world of business as a Financial and Wealth creation coach.

## Donald Ejikeme

### AKA: Odumgburuvagu n' Ihiala

### Class of 2010

**Position held while in school:**

1. Rt Hon Speaker, SUG (the 1st Elected Speaker of Igbariam Campus, 2008-2010)
2. Ag. Governor, SUG (2010)

**Lodge/hostel while here:** Okika Family House, behind JONEB House, Awkuzu

**Best course while here:** Spoken English

**Best friend (s):** Solomon Akaka (Feelings)

**Best memory of the Department/University:** Politics

The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day struggle: is reading.

**Employment Status:** Lecturing

**Current status/location:** HoD, General Studies Department, Grundtvig Polytechnic, Oba, Anambra State.

**Contact Address/Phone Number:** Grundtvig Polytechnic, Anambra State. 08067671214

**Your Vision for the Department/University:** to stand taller than its equals

**The vision of you in the next five years:** is to bag the necessary certificate for the tasks ahead.



**MR. Nwabunwanne Daniel Nwanne**  
**AKA: Daniposh Class of 2016**

**Position held while in school:** Financial Secretary  
**Lodge/hostel while here:** Formerly Golden Garden Lodge Otoko

**Best course while here:** Sociolinguistics

**Best friend (s):** Nil

**Best memory of the Department/University:**

Days of my SUG Presidential Campaign

**KNOWING THAT** The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day

**Struggle:** EVERYTHING IS POSSIBLE

**Employment status:** Self Employed

**Current status/Location:** Mr/Abuja

Contact address/phone number \*(optional\*):  
 08036169849

**Your vision for the Department/University:** A

conducive learning environment, free from Favoritism.

**Vision of you in the next five years:** Retired and Traveling around the world.



**Udogu Anthony U.**

**AKA: ONWA N' Eziowelle Class of 2018**

**Position Held:** Assistant Editorial Chief **Lodge:** Titanic Lodge

**Best Course:** Renaissance Period (Dr. Asika you are a genius. Renaissance Period will forever be remembered, Dalu Sir)

**Best Friend:** Okoye Raymond, Onwukwe Evaristus, Ukara Chinedu, Abuh Friday

**Best Memory of the Department:** Induction Into year 1

**The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial:** Creativity and Struggle for a better tomorrow.

**Employment status:** CEO

**Current Status:** Single / Awka

Contact address/07030066240

**Vision:** For the Department: Let the spirit leads. University: Growth, Love and Unism.

**Vision of you in the next Five years:** Obeying the Divine Call in A Traditional religion.

## Ibe Emmanuel Makuo

**AKA:** Agbaego **Class of 2022**

**Position held while in school:** President of NASELS

**Best course while here:** Nigeria Literature

**Best friend (s):** Pop1, Bona, Tiana, Cocobrown, Valenz, Pato, Dera, Stefan, Obieze

**Best memory of the Department/University:** NASELS DINNER Night organized by my Administration as a Nasels President

**The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day**

**Struggle:** To always Look Good because you are Address the way you Dress

**Employment status:** Realestate Manager /Business Man

**Current status/location:** Awka

**Your vision for the Department/University:** To Continue to grow bigger in Every Year

**Vision of you in the next five years:** To be Successful in any Field I choose to try or am already Partaking In...



## Ani Chukwuemeka Benjamin

**AKA:** Degreat **Class of 2023**

**Position held while in school:** NASEL president 2022/2023 session

**Lodge/hostel while here:** Ebere Lodge Igbariam junction

**Best course while here:** Discourse Analysis

**Best friend:** Everyone

**Best memory of the Department/ University:** Mostly NASELS Dinner Nights

**The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day struggle is self-confidence, Self-presentation, and credibility.**

**Employment status:** Self-employed

**Current status/location:** Onitsha

**Your vision for the Department/University:** I want the school to move forward, and I will also support the department to the best of my ability. In the future, I also want to erect a structure for the department in memory of my late father. (Chief Bernard Ani, AKA Onwadinaigwe (1) na Aguamede kingdom)

**The vision of you in the next five years:** Just to be a better man and improve my brand @BEGA NATION GROUP



## Nwasodolu, Kosisochukwu Kingsley

**AKA: FOR POSTERITY** **Class of 2020**

**Position Held while in School:** For Posterity NASELS PRESIDENT.

**Lodge:** Star Lodge, Otoko.

**Best Course:** Literally Appreciation 1 & 2

**Best Friend:** Okoye KayitoChukwu Goodluck (Ifediaso)

**Best Memory of the Department/Uni:** Running for, winning the NASELS presidency in the most fought-out tussle. And ofcourse working for NASELS.

**Best Lesson from the Department:** Wisdom, Punctuality, Consistency & human psychology.

**Employment status:** Self Employed.

**Location:** FCT, Abuja.

**Vision for the Department:**

I hope to see a competitive department striving to meet the national and international standards.

A department that harnesses and build on the raw talent of students.

A department that collaborates with her counterparts, resuscitating ICOSELS, EASTCOSELS and other conferences that will aid project the students to the world.

## Okoye Kayitochukwu Goodluck

**AKA: Ifediaso** **Class of 2012**

**Position held while in school:**Faculty of Arts Students Association Independent Students Electoral Commission (FASAISEC)

**Lodge/hostel while here:** Testimony Logde, Otoko

**Best course while here:** Literary Appreciation

**Best friend (s):** Kingsley Nwasodolu, Dr. Asika Ikechukwu. To mention but a few

**Best memory of the**

**Department/University:** My Project Defense Day

The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day

**Struggle:** The department taught me basic life knowledge and composure especially the dress code which has become my lifestyle and it makes me presentable wherever I find myself.

**Employment status:** Self Employed

**Current status/location:** Abuja

**Your vision for the Department/University:** It would be among the first 10 in Nigeria and by then Prof. Asika Ikechukwu Emmanuel will be at the helm of affairs (VC).

**Vision of you in the next five years:** Higher ground and sole donor to the Department of English COOU.





# Victor Nwogo

Class of 2014

## ANUGWU, CHIKA JULIET

AKA: FABREGAS, GANGSTER **Class of 2012**

**Lodge/hostel while here:** KING DAVID HOSTEL AWKUZU

**Best course while here:** None tried to learn when necessary

**Best friend (s):** None

**Best memory of the Department/ University:** GRADUATING WITH MY HEAD HELD HIGH

The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day **Struggle:** ALWAYS STRIVE FOR THE BEST

**Employment status:** SELF EMPLOYED

**Current status/location:** BAKER @ WC BAKERY

**Your vision for the Department/University:** CONTINUE TO SET THE PACE AND ALWAYS ACHIEVE THE BEST

**Vision of you in the next five years:** A RENOWNED BAKER/EVENT MANAGER





## Gloria Damisa Ugochukwu

**AKA:** Glow with Pride **Class of 2008**

**Position held while in School:** Nil

**Lodge/hostel while here:** Golden garden Uli

**Best course while here:** prose.

**Best friend (s):** Assumpta Ezinteje/ Chinyere Ebubedike

**Best memory of the Department/University:**  
The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day

**Struggle:** Tenacity

**Employment Status:** Employed

**Current Status/Location:** Married/ Abuja

**Your vision for the Department/University:**  
To be recognised as a world class learning centre.

## Mrs. Nwachukwu Chidimma Goodness

**AKA:** Ugodiya **Class of 2022**

**Lodge/hostel while here:** Off campus

**Best course while here:** Literally Appreciation 1

**Best friend (s):** Okaroh Chisom

**Best memory of the Department/University:** My defense day

The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day

**Struggle:** Boldness and fluency in English speaking.

**Employment status:** Self Employed

**Current status/location:** Onitsha

**Contact address/Phone Number \*(optional\*):**

Onitsha /08137146625

**Your vision for the Department/University:** To have a good and accessible English Lab for the students.

**Vision of you in the next five years:** To obtain a greater height in my career pursuit



## Mrs. Okaroh Chisom Precious

**AKA:** Sommie\_Presh **Class of 2022**

**Position held while in school:** Course Rep

**Lodge/hostel while here:** Off campus

**Best course while here:** Romantic Period in English Literature

**Best friend (s):** Nwachukwu Chidimma

**Best memory of the Department/University:** Exam seasons

The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day

**Struggle:** Resilience, diligence and determination

**Employment status:** Employed

**Contact address/phone number:**

Awka/07038482622

**Your vision for the Department/University:** To continue to grow, develop and birth sound and great grammarians.

**Vision of you in the next five years:** To be a great lecturer in the University.



## Nkiru Doris Onyemachi

**AKA:** Buchi **Class of 2006**

**Lodge/hostel:** Female Villa.

**Best friend (s):** Ij, Collette, Amaka, Peace, and Chika.

**Best memory:** Time shared with classmates

**The best thing the Department taught you:** Building a solid foundation and instilling discipline through wonderful lecturers.

**Employment status:** Working

**Current status/location:** Lecturer/Ag. Dean of Students' Affairs, Edwin Clark University, Kiagbodo.

**Contact address/phone number:** Edwin Clark University, Kiagbodo, Ughelli, Delta State/08039303761

**Your vision for the Department/University:** To be a place of intellectual repository where groundbreaking interdisciplinary researches are carried out.

**Vision of you in the next five years:** In the next five years, I should have grown in my field, mentored more students/lecturers/individuals, accessed national and international grants, and carried out more innovative researches while building a solid personal life.



# Okoli Favour A.

**AKA: Fancy Favour** Class of 2016

**Position held while in school (if any):** Editor in Chief  
**Lodge/hostel while here:** St. Charles Lodge  
**Best course while here:** All Literature courses.  
**Best friend (s):** Cleo, Naza, kenny, and Sylvia.  
**Best memory of the Department/University:** Our final paper day  
 The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day struggle is to enjoy every moment and live in the present.  
**Employment status:** Self-employed network marketing professional.  
**Current status/location:** Lagos Nigeria  
**Contact address/phone number:** 07037822618  
**Your vision for the Department/University:** Procurement of departmental vehicles and access to modern facilities for lecturers.  
**Vision of you in the next five years:** Looking forward to lots of beautiful things.

# Chinecherem Innocentia Udemmadu

**AKA: Sec. Gen** Class of 2021

**Position held while in school:** SUG Secretary General, Departmental Librarian  
**Lodge/hostel while here:** CBN hostel  
**Best course while here:** The Renaissance Period  
**Best memory of the Department/University:** The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day struggle is perseverance (Kwechiri)  
**Employment status:** Self-employed  
**Current status/location:** Abuja  
**Vision of you in the next five years:** My vision in the next couple of years is to have of notable impact on society, especially in the areas of girl-child development, gender equality, and women empowerment.  
 In addition, I see myself being a serial entrepreneur (Forbes 30 under 30 CEOs) and an employer of labor.



## Chinenye Queendarlyn Obiukwu

**AKA:** Mmildoluedo

**Class of 2019**

**Position held in school:** None

**Lodge/hostel while in school:** Aso rock lodge Otoko, igbariam

**Best Course:** Structure of English language, Psycholinguistics, Renaissance period, Phonology of English English.

**Best friend(s):** Dr. Ikechukwu Emmanuel Asika( De Omile) and Azike Vera.

**Best memory of the department:** Always running to meet up with the classes of De Omile and Agujiegbe  
The best thing taught by the department is self-reliance and believing in yourself no matter the huddles

**Employment status:** Self Employed

**Current status/ location:** Single/ Asaba

**Phone number:** 08143742276

**Vision for the department:** I visualize creativity, productivity, and positivity for the department and the university



## Okoli Hillary Ekene

**AKA:** Hills **Class of 2014**

**Position held while in school:** None

**Lodge/hostel while here:** Great Lodge Otoko

**Best course while here:** History of Theatre -EGL 351

**Best friend (s):** Felix, Eblaze, Lydia, Foster

**Best memory of the Department/University:** Acting Ola Rotimi's "The Gods Are Not to Blame" with the whole class

The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day struggle: I can do anything I put my mind to

**Employment status:** Business owner (ALL ON THE HILLS HUB )

**Current status/location:** LAGOS, ILORIN

**Contact address/phone number:** 08161213388

**Your vision for the Department/University:** To see the university become the best in Nigeria

**The vision of you in the next five years:** Forbes-rated entrepreneur to look out for in the world.



## Lydian Adikaibe

**AKA:** Lydian John **Class of 2013**

**Position held while in school:**

- NASELS Departmental Director of Socials (DOS) (2013/2014)
- NASELS National Director of Socials. (2012/2013)
- NASELS National Vice President. (2013/2014)
- SUG Head of Socials (2012/2013)

**Lodge/hostel while here:** Christ Embassy Lodge, Otoko.

**Best course while here:**

- History of Theatre: Aeschylus (ENGL 351)
- Intro. to Gen. Phonetics & Phonology (ENGL 201/203)

**Best friend (s):** Uchechi Onwuyirimmadu.

Amaka Agba, Basil Echedom (E blaze), Hillary Okoli.

**Best memory of the Department/University:**

An unforgettable memory, was when I became the first lady to contest for the SUG Director of Socials in 2012. Eventually, I became the first and only lady in the DOS Cabinet that year, as HEAD OF SOCIALS SUG!

Also, when I directed and acted in the play, "The gods are not to blame" by Ola Rotimi for our collective course work. It was a first of its kind theatre production, in the department and the school.

**The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day living:**

- 1- Networking, inclusion, unity in diversity, importance of fun and experiential learning, through our annual ICOSELS trips across the country with students of English from Universities all over Nigeria.
- 2- Resilience in the face of the storm!!! Everything that has a beginning, has an end.
- 3- Let nothing and no one stand in your path to achieving GOOD success.

**Employment status:**

**Profession:**

Actor! Filmmaker! Acting Coach! Author of the first Acting Book in Nigeria (title: GET THAT ACTING JOB) Founder of LYDIAN ADIKAIBE FOUNDATION

**Current status/location:** Lagos

Contact address/phone number \*(optional\*):

**Instagram:** @LydianJohn, **Facebook:** @LydianJohn, **Twitter:** @Lydian\_John,

**TikTok:** @LydianJohn, **YouTube:** Lydian John

**phone:** 08124762030, **Email:** hellolydian@gmail.com

**Your vision for the Department/University:**

To be a safe haven for the impartation of knowledge and positive, profitable transformation of students, for the betterment of the students, the society and the world at large.

**Vision of you in the next five years:**

Over the next five years, I aim to take on new challenges, continue making meaningful contributions to my industry, living a fulfilling life, loving and sharing JESUS with nations.

## Mbunabo Felix Chukwunonso

**AKA:** None **Class of 2010**

**Position held while in school:** Financial secretary.

**Lodge/hostel:** karakuta Republic

**Best course while here:** literature ( African literature)

**Best friend (s):** Celestine Anene

**Best memory of the Department/University:**

**The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day struggle:** is a better understanding of human character and communication skills

**Employment status:** Self-employed

**Current status married/Location:** Abuja

**Contact address:** C24/25/26/20/46 Emmanuel Plaza Utako, Abuja, FCT, Nigeria 08037863008.

**Your vision for the Department/University:**

**The vision of you in the next five years:** To become the biggest estate developer in the continent.





# Chief & Lolo Chidiebere Umeh

NZEATUEGWU 1 OF AKOKWA

**Class of 2008**

Congratulations for making the department proud through a union of two Grammarians (Class of 2007 & Class of 2008).

## Mrs. Ugochukwu Christiana Uchechukwu **Aka: Tiana** **Class of 2022**

**Lodge:** Acorn Villa Lodge  
Otoko

**Best friend:** Mrs Wilfred  
Chidinma Jane (coco)

**Married to:** Mr Ozoekwe  
Ugochukwu(aka:  
Akusinachi)





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CHRISTIAN  
AKA: Caesero Paciotti  
CLASS OF 2014**

Pro Nasel  
Renaissance Period  
Mr. Cyril Okechukwu Ofoegbu  
The Department Taught me  
Confidence, Critical Thinking, And  
Work.  
Self Employed  
Awka  
My vision is that our students both past  
and present will rule our world in  
positive light.  
I will be a great attorney for the  
downtrodden in our society.





## Onyejekwe Nnamdi Kelvin **AKA: Cobweb**

**Position held while in school:**

President, NASELS COOU chapter  
Secretary, NASELS COOU chapter, etc

**Lodge:** Kalakuta Republic, Achalla

**Best course:** Syntax

**Best friends:** Sanctuary, Target, Syl ,  
Tochukwu

**Best Memory:** Jos conference

**Employment Status:** Employed

**Contact address:**

Abuja, 08064501699

**Vision for the department:**

To produce more employable and innovative graduates that can fit well in the society of today

**My vision:** To be one of the great employers of labour in the country.

## Okosa Izunna **Class of 2015**

**Position held while in school:**

Departmental Secretary

**Lodge/hostel while here:** St Paul's  
Lodge, Ukwulu.

**Best course while here:**

Semantics

Best memory of the

**Department/University:**

Departmental Night

The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day

**Struggle:** Employment status:

Employed

**Current Status/Location:** England



## Nwaogo Theresa Aroh

**AKA: Tessy** Class of 2015

**Position held while in school:** Editorial Secretary

**Lodge/hostel while here:** Hostel B

**Best course while here:** Discourse Analysis, Pragmatic and Nigerian Literature.

**Best friend (s):** Joy Okoye, Muna Chuma-Udeh, Cynthia Ijomah, Sonia Katchy Munachi, Anene Chidimma and Ilikwu Christianna

**Best memory of the Department/University:** The first Department of English International Conference

The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day struggle is resilience most importantly it's not about where you are it's about how you envision your future.

**Employment status:** Employed. Manager WOODstyles Ltd

**Current status/Location:** Victoria Island Lagos

**Your vision for the Department/University:** As an alumnus of the Department of English at Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University, my vision is for the department to be a beacon of academic excellence and innovation.



## Ogbunabi Israel Jennifer Olachi

(Class of 2007)



# Arinze Chiemenam

**AKA:** Ariwa **Class of 2020**

**Position held while in school:** Special advisor to the South East regional director, 2018/18.

**Lodge/hostel while here:** Shalom Lodge.

**Best course while here:** African Poetry

**Best friend (s):** Lois Onyemuche

**Best memory of the Department/**

**University:** Winning the Fassa Cup.

The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day struggle is that you can fit in anywhere, all you need to do is try.

**Employment status:** Employed

**Current status/Location:** Lagos

**Contact Address/Phone Number:** 08109391873

**Your vision for the Department/University:** To be the very best.

**Vision of you in the next five years:** I just want to be better than I am today.



# Oluchi Ezennajiaku

**Class of 2017**

**Lodge/hostel while here:** Hostel A  
**Best memory of the Department/University:**

The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day struggle is that I can be whatever and whoever I want to be when I put my mind to it.

**Employment status:** Employed.

**Current status/location:** IT Business Analyst, London United Kingdom.

# Ikenna Stephen Okwara

## Class of 2018

**Best Course while here:** English as a second language in Nigeria.

**Best memory of the department/University:** A whole lot both in and outside school but I'll go with ICOSELS 2017

The best thing the department taught me that is beneficial to my present-day struggle is narrative and Descriptive Writing.

**Employment Status:** Self-Employed

**My vision for the department/university:** I know a lot of people who graduated from the Department of English, COOU, personally, and one trait that each and every one of us exhibits consciously or unconsciously is our ability to write proficiently. With this, we have been able to influence our careers and businesses positively with a few having ventured into writing as a career. I'm looking beyond this for the department. My vision is that they produce students who will not only know how to write proficiently but will have the motivation to influence the world positively with their writing to the point that their voices are heard and known from their words. It is however not late for the alumni of the department to sojourn on this path but I believe that nurturing this character within the walls of the classroom will yield greater results.

**Vision of me in the next five years:** A successful entrepreneur, building a reputation that would last a lifetime.



# Okafor Ogechi Precious

## AKA: Miss pee

**Class of Graduation:** Class of 2022

**Position held while in school:** Face of Nasels

**Lodge/hostel while here:** St Stephen's Lodge Otoko

**Best course while here:** Literary Appreciation

**Best friend (s):** Onyinye, Emmanuella

**Best memory of the Department/University:** Sign-out day

The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day struggle is resilience

**Employment status:** Realtor

**Current status/location:** Lagos

**Contact address/phone number \*(optional\*):** 0813 019 1253

**Your vision for the Department/University:** To value faculty scholarship and service through greater support for and participation in activities of the profession.

**Vision of you in the next five years:** To live a life of balance and harmony.



**Onwuha, Christian Ebube**  
**AKA: Chris Ebube**  
**Class of 2021**

**Position held while in school:**

CLASS REPRESENTATIVE [Yr 1]  
 MUSIC DIRECTOR (JCCF)  
 MUSIC DIRECTOR (RCF)

**Lodge/hostel while here:** Ultimate Eagles' Lodge, Otoko.

**Best course while here:** Studies in Drama

**Best friend (s):** JESUS.

**Best memory of the Department/University:** The learning and laughter during Dr. Asika's lectures.

The best thing the Department taught you that is beneficial to your present-day struggle: is SERVICE!

**Employment Status:** Employed

**Current status/Location:** School Manager/Asaba

**Your vision for the Department/University:** I envisage the Department emerging as a beacon of unparalleled excellence and boundless creativity. Consequently, COOU will radiate with even greater brilliance, with the Department of English as its crowning jewel.

**Vision of you in the next five years:** (smiles) I'd still be doing the Will of Him Who sent me!

**Dr. Chukwulobe, Innocent Chimezie**

**AKA: Saint Class of 2006**

**Position held while in School:** Dept of English President, Secretary General, and Director of Social

**Lodge while here:** Angels Paradise, Uli.

**Best Course:** African Fiction

**Best friend:** Chukwuma Okocha

**Best memory of the uni:** During my first year

**What the Department taught me:** resilience and hard work.

**Employment Status:** Paul University Awka

**Current Status/Location:** Awka

**Contact:** [saintchuks11@gmail.com](mailto:saintchuks11@gmail.com)

**Vision for the department/university:** To see it become the best and to compete favourably globally.

**Vision of you in the next five years:** I will rather work silently and allow the outcome to speak for itself.





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- Rescued 3 persons at Okija Hospital through our medical health intervention scheme.

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O mere - Ora I of  
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