

Profile of Academic Staff

i. **Brief Biography**

Nwaorgu holds B.A, M.A and PhD degrees in Philosophy from the University of Ibadan. His area of specialisation is Critical Thinking and Philosophy of Science. He is a member of many professional and academic bodies such as Nigeria Philosophical Association, the Philosophers' Association of Nigeria and the Society for Peace Studies and Conflict. He is widely published in areas of philosophy of science and critical analysis of societal problems. He had been both vice-chairman and chairman of the Academic Staff Union of Universities, UNAAB Branch. He is a natural negotiator and social commentator. His works has featured in local and international journals including Journal of International Women's Studies, LWATI among others.

ii. **Passport-sized Photograph**



iii. **Personal Information**

- Name: **NWAORGU Onyekwere George-Felix**
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xiii. Qualification

- Ph.D., University of Ibadan, Ibadan - 2005-2011
- M.A., University of Ibadan, Ibadan - 1988-1990
- B.A., University of Ibadan, Ibadan - 1984-1987

xiv. Membership of Professional Bodies

- Philosophers Association of Nigeria: 2018- Date
- Society for Peace Studies and Practice: 2012- Date
- Association for Promoting Nigerian Languages and Culture: 2007- Date
- Nigerian Philosophical Association: 2006- Date

xv. Award Received

- i. Letter of Commendation from the Registrar, Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta (FUNAAB/R/ESTAB. 119/1/233). 14/8/2015
- ii. Friends of Jesus, Valuable Associate, Awarded by the Catholic Archdiocese of Ibadan 4/8/ 2012
- iii. Letter of appreciation by the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA) 21/5/2012
- iv. Letter of appreciation by the Nigerian Federation of Catholic Students University of Agriculture, Abeokuta 17/9/2007

xvi. Research Conducted

- a. The paradox of Quine's Two Dogmas of Empiricism
- b. Logic and Human Affairs

- c. Science in Africa: Past, Present and Future
- d. Mechanistic Reductionism and Morality
- e. Scientific Theories Derive More from Reason than Experience: A Case Study of the Concept of Gravitation
- (f) The Centrality of Religion in Human Culture

xvii. Conference Attended

1. Thompson, O.O and **Nwaorgu, O.G.F** (2019) **A Three Day Conference on Fela Kuti International Conference on African Homelands and Social Theory**, at the Institute of African and Diaspora Studies, University of Lagos. July 4-8.
Paper Read: Can The Leopard Change Its Spot? An Assessment of Human Rights in the ‘Outside World’ Under President Muhammadu Buhari, 2015-2019.
2. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F** (2018) The 2018 Biennial Conference of the Philosophers Association of Nigeria In collaboration with UNESCO Regional Office in Abuja. At Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba Akoko, Ondo State. Nigeria, 14-17 November.
Paper Read: Morality for the Young, the Values of Patriotism and Rational Cultural Integration
3. Okolo, M.SC & **Nwaorgu, O.G.F** (2017) An International Conference on General Studies programme: Relevance for National Development. At Redeemer’s University Osun State. 30th & 31st May.
Paper Read: The Nexus between Logic and General Studies.
4. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F** (2016) A Four Day Conference on Critical Thinking and Creativity for Sustainable Development. Held at Permanent Site, University of Jos, Plateau State. Nigeria. 26-30 October 2016.
Paper Read: Critical Thinking and Human Creativity in Democracy and good Governance
5. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F** (2016). Nigerian Philosophical Association Biennial International Conference. At the University of Uyo, Akwa-Ibom State, Nigeria 27th – 28th
Paper Read: Philosophy and Nation Building.
6. Thompson, O.O., **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** and Raheem Abiodun (2016): The 10th International Conference organized by the Society for Peace Studies and Practice on “Curbing Corruption and Building Sustainable Peace” held at the Grand Hotel, Asaba, Delta state, 15- 17 August.
Paper Read: Even Our Leaders of Tomorrow?: A Silhouette of Corruption and Anti-corruption crusades in Nigeria.
7. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** and Udefi, Amaechi (2016) A One-Day Colloquium in Honour of Emeritus Professor, Godwin Sogolo by the Department of Philosophy, University of Ibadan in Conjunction with Former students of Godwin Sogolo, 10th May, 2016 at the University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria.

Paper Presented: The Role of Intellectuals in Contemporary Africa

8. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F** (2012) A 3-Day Conference on the Security Sector and Conflict Management in Nigeria Organized by the Institute of Africa Studies (50th Anniversary) Peace and Conflict Studies programme, University of Ibadan in collaboration with IFRA, Nigeria, Ibadan 14th-16th August, 2012 at Institute of African Studies, University of Ibadan.
Paper Read: The Genesis and Nature of Nigeria's Insecurity as Inherent in the Formation of the Nigerian Nation-State.
9. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F** (2012) Golden Jubilee International Conference by the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration, 7th-11th May, 2012 at the (MPA) Executive Conference Centre (GECC) Accra, Ghana.
Paper Read: Scientific Culture, Globalization and Africa.
10. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F** (2012) 6th Annual Conference and General Assembly of the Society for Peace and Practice in collaboration with the Nigerian Army Peacekeeping Centre, Jaji. Kaduna 7th-9th March at the Nigerian Army Peacekeeping Centre, Jaji.
Paper Read: Critical Thinking and the Problem of Conflict and Insecurity in Africa.
11. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (2010) International Conference on the Development Philosophy of Osigwe Anyiam-Osigwe: Theme: "A Holistic Approach to Human Existence and Development" organized by the Department of Philosophy, University of Ibadan, The Osigwe Anyiam-Osigwe Foundation, Lagos and Africa Institute for Leadership, Research and Development, South Africa. 22nd-24th November, University of Ibadan.
Paper Read: Scientific Attitude as the Foundation of Technological Progress and Economic Development

xviii. Publications

(a) Projects/Dissertations/Thesis

- i. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F. (2011).** The Kantian Defence of Induction." Unpublished PhD Thesis Department of Philosophy, University of Ibadan.
- ii. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F., (1990).** Quine's Two Dogmas of Empiricism: A Critical Appraisal. Unpublished MA Dissertation, Department of Philosophy, University of Ibadan.
- iii. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F. (1987).** A Critique of Spinoza's Ethical Theory. Unpublished BA Long Essay, Department of Philosophy, University of Ibadan

(b) Articles in Learned Journals

1. Afolabi, A. S., Thompson, O. Ademola, E. O., **Nwaorgu, O. G. F.,** and Onifade, C. A (2020) Public Reaction to Federal Government's Farmer-Herder Conflicts through the Ruga Policy: Can One Continuously do the same and Expect Different Result? *Africa Insight*. Vol 49 (4): 88-103. Published by the African Institute of South Africa, South Africa. (Schimago)

2. Thompson, O. O., Afolabi, A. S., **Nwaorgu, O.G. F.** & Aduradola, R. R. (2020). ‘*Oku Mi Ko Gbodo Sun Ita*’: (Mis)Appropriation of Burial Sites and Public Cemeteries among Indigenous People of Egba, South-western Nigeria.” *Ethnic Studies Review*. 43 (1):125-144.
3. Thompson, O. O., Afolabi, A. S. & **Nwaorgu, O. G. F.** (2019). “Sweeter with Age: The Enigmatic Miss Jane McCotter in the Colonial Services of the Egba Native Administration in Abeokuta, Nigeria, 1929 - 1955.” *Journal of International Women’s Studies*. 20 (7): 334 –348. Published by Department of Anthropology, Bridgewater University, MA., USA. ISSN: 1539-890. Available online at: <https://vc.bridgew.edu/jiws/vol20/iss7/21/> (Scopus)
4. Odozor, U. S., Akintona, E.O., Adebuyi, A, A., & **Nwaorgu, O. G. F** (2019) “Rethinking the Vehicular Conception of Language in Human Communication and Logic” *English Language teaching Today*, Vol 14: 153- 169. .
5. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (2019). “Logic and Life: The Import of Ratiocination.” *African Philosophical Inquiry*. Vol 7. Publisher: Department of Philosophy, University of Ibadan. Letter of Acceptance dated 2 March, 2019
6. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F. (2019)** Morality for the Young, the Values of Patriotism and Rational Cultural Integration. *Journal of Nigerian Languages and Culture (JONLAC)*, 18, (1) Publisher: Association for Promoting Nigerian Languages and Culture (APNILAC) Nigeria. ISSN: 1595-4730
7. Thompson, O.O., **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** and Aduradola, R.R. (2019). Remembered or Dismembered, Deified or Defied? The Challenges of African Heroines in Contemporary History. *LWATI: A Journal of Contemporary Research*. 16(1): 94-115. Publisher: The Universal Academic Service, University of Swaziland, Southern Africa. ISSN: 1813-222.
8. **Nwaorgu, O. G. F.**, Badru, R. O., Odozor, U. S., and Thompson, O.O (2018) Historical Analysis and Social Reconstruction of Africa. *African Philosophical Inquiry*, Vol. 8: 49-66
9. **Nwaorgu, O. G. F.**, Thompson, O.O., Afolabi, A. S., & Odozor, U. S. (2018). “When Religion Threatens the School: The Hijab Crisis and Emergence of President Muhammadu Buhari in a Multiethnic State” *Ife Journal of Religion*. 14:1-36. Published by Department of Religious, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile Ife, Osun State Nigeria.
10. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.**, Ojukwu, C.C. and Okolo, M.S.C (2017). Philosophy and Nation Building. *Or-Che Uma: African Journal of Existential Philosophy*. 5(2): 166-194. Publisher: Department of Philosophy with TETFUND, Benue State University, Makurdi, Nigeria. ISSN: 2276-8068
11. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** and Akomolafe, O.M. (2017). Interrogating Richard Rorty’s Critique of Analytic Philosophy. *Ibadan Dominican Studies: A Dialogue of Faith, Reason and Science*. 3: 201-211. Publisher: Dominican Institute (now University) of Philosophy and Theology, (Formally Affiliated to the University of Ibadan), Ibadan, Nigeria. ISSN: 978-978-3205-320

12. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F** (2016). Occupational Prospects in Philosophy. *Philosophy and Praxis: Journal of the Nigeria Philosophical Association*. 7:102-118. Publisher: The Nigeria Philosophical Association. ISSN: 2006-9235
13. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F** (2016). An Evaluation of the Moral Doctrine of Spinoza and the Ethical Theory of Emotivism. *African Philosophical Inquiry*. 6: 81-98. Publisher: African Society for Philosophical Research. ISSN: 0794-6031
14. Thompson, O.O., **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** and Boge, F.I.O. (2016). The Leahy Law, Nigeria's Counter-Terrorism Measures and Foreign Policy Direction. *African Journal of International Affairs and Development*. 20(1&2): 61-85. Publisher: College Press Publishers & Lead City University, Ibadan. Nigeria. ISSN: 117-272X
15. Thompson, O.O., Ojukwu, C.C. and **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (2016). United we Fall, Divided we Stand: Resuscitation of the Biafra state secession and the National Question Conundrum. *Journal of Research in Development*. 14(1): 255-267. Publisher: Department of Maritime Management Technology, Federal University of Technology, Owerri (FUTO). ISSN: 1596-8308. Available online at <http://www.transcampus.org/JORINDV14JUN2016/24.pdf>
16. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (2015). Scientific Culture, Globalisation and Africa, *Journal of Philosophy and Nature*. 11(1):86-102. Publisher: Department of Classics and Philosophy, University of Cape Coast, Ghana. ISSN: 0855-6881.
17. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (2013). Anomalies of the Nigerian Federalism. *Canadian Social Science*, 9(4): 116-125. Publisher: Canadian Academy of Oriental and Occidental Culture, Canada. ISSN: 1712-8056. Available online at <http://www.cscanada.net/index.php/css/article/view/j.css.1923669720130904.5720/4323>
18. Ojukwu, C. C. and **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (2013). Ethnic Elite Organization and Political Transitions in Nigeria: Ohaneze Ndigbo in Perspective. *Canadian Social Science*, Vol. 9(1): 106-115. Publisher: Canadian Academy of Oriental and Occidental Culture, Canada. ISSN: 1712-8056 Available online at <http://www.cscanada.net/index.php/css/article/view/j.css.1923669720130901.9555/3584>
19. Badru, R. O. and **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (2013). The Ethnic Primordialist-Constructivist /Instrumentalist Debate, and the Politics of Disjunction in Nigeria: Exploring Trust as a Moral Resource for the Process of National Integration, *African Journal of International Affairs and Development*. 17(1&2): 211-236. Publisher: College Press and Lead City University, Ibadan, ISSN: 1712-272x
20. Ojukwu, C. C and **Nwaorgu, O. G. F** (2012) ideological Battle in the Nigerian State: An Interplay of Democracy and Plutocracy. *Global Journal of Human aSocial Sicens* vol. 12, issue 6: 29-37.
21. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (2011). Rethinking the Political Economy of Africa from a Humanist-Moral Angle, *Journal of Humanities, Social Sciences and Creative Arts*. 6(2): 38-52 Publisher: Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta. ISSN: 2277-078N Available online at <http://journal.unaab.edu.ng/index.php/JHSSCA/article/view/1273>

22. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (2009). Science and Technology in Development. *Journal of Humanities Social Sciences and Creative Arts*, 4(2): 80-86 Publisher: Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta, Nigeria. ISSN: 2277-078x. Available online <http://journal.unaab.edu.ng/asset>.
 23. Odozor, U.S and **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (2009). Prospects for Evolutionary Philosophy. *Journal of Philosophy and Nature*, 5, 1:82-108. Publisher: Department of Philosophy and Classics, University of Cape Coast, Ghana. ISSN: 0855-6881.
 24. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (2007). The Problem of Induction and the Concept of Universals, *Amamihe: Journal of Applied Philosophy*. 5: 163-173 Publisher: Department of Philosophy, Imo State University, Owerri, Nigeria.
 25. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (2007). The Role of Mathematics in Learning, *Journal of Nigerian Languages and Culture*. 9(2): 107-120 Publisher: Association for Promoting Nigerian Languages and Culture (APNILAC) Nigeria. ISSN: 1595-4730.
 26. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (2004). An Evaluation of the Standard of Education in Nigeria. *Journal of Nigerian Languages and Culture*, 6(2): 118 - 125. Publisher: Association for Promoting Nigerian Languages and Culture (APNILAC) Nigeria. ISSN: 1595-4730
 27. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (2003). The Copernican Revolution, Galileo, and the Catholic Church, *CONTEXT: Journal of Social and Cultural Studies*, 6(2): 31 -41; Publisher: Context Research Network (CR-Net) ISSN: 1119-9229. Department of English, University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria. Available online at <http://contextJournal.wordpress.com/>.
 28. **Nwaorgu, O. G. F.** (2002). Sentences, Statements, Propositions, and the Idea of a Technical Language for Philosophy, *CONTEXT: Journal of Social and Cultural Studies*. 5(2): 67-81 Publisher: Context Research Network (CR-Net) ISSN: 1119-9229. Department of English, University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria. Available online at <http://contextJournal.wordpress.com/>
 29. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (1999). The Interface of Culture and Economic Development *CONTEXT: Journal of Social and Cultural Studies* 3(2): 104-119 Publisher: Context Research Network (CR-Net), ISSN: 1119-9229. Department of English, University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria. Available online at <http://contextjournal.wordpress.com/>
 30. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (1997). Philosophy in Africa: Towards a Pragmatic Approach, *ESSENCE: An International Journal of Philosophy*. 1 (2 & 3): 48-54 Publisher: Department of Philosophy, Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos, Nigeria ISSN: 1118-8170
 31. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.** (1996). The Place of Logic and Philosophy of Science among the Sciences, *Bauchi Liberal Studies Series*. 1 (1): 36-45. Publisher: General Studies Directorate, Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi, Nigeria
- d. Chapters in Books.**
32. Thompson, O.O., Aduradola, R.R., Odozor, U.S., **Nwaorgu, O.G.F.**, Afolabi, A.S and Ade-Ibijola, A.O (2019) 'The World Against Us': The Vulnerable Group, Marange Diamond Mines and the Corporate Social Responsibility Question. Pp123-138. In Mugova, S. and Sachs, P (Eds) *Opportunities and Pitfalls of Corporate Social*

Responsibility: The Marange Diamond Mines Case Study. Switzerland: Springer ISBN: 978-3-030-17101-8.

33. **Nwaorgu, O. G. F.** and Udefi, Amaechi (2016) The Role of Intellectuals in Contemporary Africa, In *Ethics, Governance and Social Order in Africa*, O.A. Oyeshile and F. Offor (Eds.) pp 31-41, Ibadan.
Publisher: Zenith Book House Ltd. ISBN: 978-50793-7-1.
34. **Nwaorgu, O.G.F. (2003)** Ethnic Suspicion in Nigerian Politics, In *Philosophy and Politics: Discourse on Values, Politics and Power in Africa*, M. Dukor, (ed.) pp. 122-133, Lagos: Publisher: Malthouse Press Limited, ISBN: 978-023-1692.
35. **Nwaorgu, O. G. F. (2000)** Spinoza's Metaphysics and Moral Philosophy, In *The Great Philosophers Vol. III*, G.O. Ozumba (ed.) pp. 28-43, Awka: Publisher: R&K Books. ISBN: 978-047-319-2.
36. **Nwaorgu, O. G. F. (2000)** Two Dogmas of Empiricism Reconsidered, In *The Great Philosophers Vol. 111* G.O. Ozumba (ed.) pp. 111-130, Awka: Publisher: R&K Books ISBN: 978-978-047-391-2.
37. **Nwaorgu, O. G. F. (2000)** Freedom and Determinism: A Crucial Theme in Metaphysics. In *Issues and Problems in Philosophy*, K.A. Owolabi (ed.) pp. 122-127, Ibadan. Publisher: Grovacs (Network).ISBN: 978-044-311—8
38. Nwaorgu, O. G. F (1998) Science in Our Country: As it was, as it is and as it should be” In Oduwaye, J. O.M, Adegoke, R., & Edegbai, b. Issues on Science and Health Education of Nigerian Child. Ibadan: School of Science and Technology, FCE Osiele, Abeokuta, Ogun State, Nigeria. Pp.2-7
- e. ***Edited Conference Proceedings***
39. **Nwaorgu, O. G. F.** (2013) Critical Thinking and the Problem of Insecurity in Africa, In *Managing Security in a Globalised World*, I. O. Albert and W. A. Eselebor. (Eds.) pp. 140-154, Ibadan. Publisher: Society for Peace Studies and Practice ISBN: 978-978-51368-7-6
40. **Nwaorgu, O. G. F.** (2010) Scientific Attitude As The Foundation of Technological Progress And Economic Development, In *A Holistic Approach to Human Existence and Development*, K.A. Olu-Owolabi and A. B. Ekanola (Eds.) pp 415-431, Ibadan:
Publisher: Hope Publications. ISBN: 978-978-919-146-8

f. Monographs

41. **Nwaorgu, O. G. F.** (2011) *The Root and Importance of Kant's Copernican Revolution in the Philosophy of Science*, Ibadan. Publisher: Book Wright Publishers (25 pages) ISBN: 978-978-49579-7-7

42. **Nwaorgu O. G. F.** (2011) *Reductionism and the Traditional Approach in Interpreting Human Experiences*, Ibadan. Publisher: Book Wright Publishers (31 pages) ISBN: 978-978-49579—8-4
43. **Nwaorgu, O. G. F.** (2010) *Spinoza's Metaphysics and Positivism*, Ibadan. Publisher: Book Wright Publishers (24 pages). ISBN: 978-978-49740-4-2.
44. **Nwaorgu O, G, F.** (2010) *African Philosophy and Africa's Predicament*, Ibadan. Publisher: Book Wright Publishers (33 pages).ISBN: 978-978-49740-1-1