

**UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA, NSUKKA  
INSTITUTE OF AFRICAN STUDIES**

**REVISED PGD, M.A AND Ph.D DEGREE CURRICULUM IN THE INSTITUTE OF  
AFRICAN STUDIES FOR:**

- 1. DEPARTMENT OF AFRICAN STUDIES**
- 2. DEPARTMENT OF PEACE AND CONFLICTS STUDIES**

**INTRODUCTION**

The Institute of African Studies offers PGD, MA and Ph.D Programmes for (a) African Studies, and (b) Peace and Conflict Studies. The programmes are designed to cater for the needs of African and foreign students for well-integrated knowledge about African culture, people, peace and conflict issues in emerging economy nations of Africa. The current global trend focuses on a systematic development of research disciplines tailored towards building a dependable pool of knowledge about Africa and its cultural heritage as well as the conflicts issues around humanity today. The PGD, MA and Ph.D Programmes of the Institute of African Studies are therefore part of the new academic re-engineering process.

**PHILOSOPHY**

Culture provides the major conceptual matrices that help to define the precincts within which people in a given geographical area live and have their being. Consequent on this, the postgraduate programme of the Institute therefore hinges on the philosophy of teaching the truth about African culture and “Africaness” and situating this in the context of the new global and cultural development agenda.

**OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of the PGD, MA and Ph.D Programmes in African Studies and Peace and Conflict Studies include:

- i. To preserve, sustain, and promote the African identity;
- ii. To establish a deep-rooted knowledge in African philosophy, politics, art, culture, language, and spiritual essence;
- iii. To establish courses in the cultural, intellectual, and artistic endeavours of the African people;
- iv. To take holistic perspectives and views in inter-disciplinary areas in the basic life patterns of African societies and their culture;
- v. To present to the outside world, the African world view and harness African life patterns and endeavours for development in a modern technological age.
- vi. To establish a better understanding of the scope and concept of Peace and Security Studies
- vii. To analyze existing peace structures in Africa with specific reference to social, psychological, economic, legal, health and educational aspects.
- viii. To develop a theoretical framework for analysis of various dimensions of Peace and Security in Africa.
- ix. To promote a critique of existing knowledge in relation to Peace, Security and Development.
- x. To enable students organize development projects more effectively keeping in view security needs.

## **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

### **Postgraduate Diploma (PGD)**

Candidates for the Postgraduate Diploma degree programme must possess:

- (i) Graduates of the University of Nigeria or other recognized universities who have obtained a degree of bachelor with at least a third class honours with GPA not less than 2.00 on a 5-point scale or its equivalent in Arts, Social Sciences, Law, Business Administration or Education. Candidates from disciplines not mentioned above should in addition, possess a minimum of three years cognate post-qualification experience in administrative/managerial positions.
- (ii) Holders of Higher National Diploma (HND) with a 3.00 Grade Point Average on a five point scale or its equivalent may be admitted. Candidates with professional qualifications, including HND, should have obtained pre-professional qualifications, including 5 credits in WASC or GCE O/L or NECO to satisfy the basic University entry requirement, for admission for postgraduate diploma in peace and conflict studies.
- (iii) In addition to (i) or (ii) above, candidates may be admitted after passing such tests as prescribed by the university.
- (iv) Candidates who hold other qualifications like ICAN, AIA, etc. considered equivalent to the above and acceptable to the Board of Postgraduate Studies and Senate of the University may be admitted.

### **M.A Programmes:**

The following will qualify for admission into the MA degree programmes in African Studies and peace and conflict studies:

- (i) Holders of BA/B.Sc (honours) degrees in Arts or Social Sciences of the University of Nigeria or any other recognized University (First class or Second class upper division)
- (ii) Holders of BA/B.Sc (honours) degrees in Arts or Social Sciences (Second class Lower division) of the University of Nigeria or any other recognized University.
- (iii) Holders of other qualifications approved by the University Senate.

## **DURATION OF STUDY**

The duration of study for full time students on the MA Programme is a minimum of three (3) semesters and a maximum of six (6) semesters.

Part- time students will spend a minimum of five (5) semesters and a maximum of eight (8) semesters on the programme.

The duration of study for PGD students is a minimum of two semesters and a maximum of four semesters.

## **DEGREE AWARDED**

- i). Department of African Studies:
  - a. PGD, b). M.A and c). Ph.D



## POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA PROGRAMME

**PGD (Departments of African Studies; Peace and Conflict Studies)**

**Requirements for Graduation:**

### **FIRST SEMESTER**

#### **Core Courses**

<b>Course No</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Units</b>
IAS 0501	Introduction to African Studies	3
IAS 0502	Introduction to Language, Communication and Conflict	3
IAS 0509	ICT and Research Methodology in African, Peace and Security Studies	3
IAS 0503	Introduction to African Religion and Philosophy	3
IAS 0504	Gender and Conflicts in Africa	3
<b>Sub total</b>		<b>18</b>

#### **Electives**

IAS 0507	Introduction to Financial Conflicts and Leadership in Africa	3
IAS 0508	African History	3

### **SECOND SEMESTER**

#### **Core Courses**

<b>Courses No.</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Units</b>
IAS 0511	African Indigenous Approaches to Peace and Security (Seminar)	3
IAS 0512	African Entrepreneurship and Financial Management	3
IAS 0513	African Political Thought	3
IAS 0590	Project Report / Dissertation	6
<b>Grand total</b>		<b>36</b>

#### **Electives**

IAS 0514	African Iron Smelting History	3
IAS 0515	African Folks and Performance Aesthetics	3

## **COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

### **PGD Programme**

#### **IAS 0501: Introduction to African Studies (3 Units)**

An in-depth study of African life, culture, politics, religion, thought and philosophy, with emphasis on man and spirits, life, death, mystical power, destiny, nature, moral. The course will be an introduction to the programmes in African Studies.

#### **IAS 0502: Introduction to Language, Communication and Conflict (3 Units)**

The course examines the nexus between language, culture, communication and conflict. Using cases studies, focus group, panels, etc. It will explore how language usage and differences, stereotypes, perception, verbal as well as non-verbal aspects of communication impact social relationships and how these could be improved or solve potential conflict or contexts through the mastery of conflict-sensitive communication within a cultural areas. What type of communication required in a conflict situation between family members, groups, ethnic regions etc..

#### **IAS 0509: ICT and Research Methodology in African, Peace and Security Studies (3 Units)**

The definition of essentials of Information and Communication Technology tools known in research will be discussed. Definition of research, types of research – Historical, Case Studies, Surveys, Descriptive, etc. Identification of research topic, statement of the problems, objective/purpose of the study, research question, hypotheses, literature review, gap in literature, theoretical framework and definition of terms; Study area and research methodology, design, population, sample and sampling procedure. Etc; instrument for collection of data and tools for analysis. Internet facilities available, issues and problems of scientific research in the field of African studies, peace and security studies will be discussed. The application of computer innovations as well as its uses in enhancing research quality will be examined.

#### **IAS 0503: Introduction to African Religion and Philosophy (3 Units).**

The religious and the moral world view as centred on life. The various aims of the traditional religious life style. The philosophy of the traditionalists as seen and practiced through proverbs, idioms, and wise sayings. The problem of life and after life as demonstrated by the Traditional Religion, etc. The course content includes a study of main characteristics of the African traditional thought (for example, religion, moral, mythological etc.). An in-depth of the ontological and cosmological nations of force in the African life and tradition. A man and spirits, life, death, mystical power, destiny nature etc. It will involve institutional embodiment of African traditional thought.

#### **IAS 0504: Gender and Conflicts in Africa (3 Units)**

This course will x-ray the gender role, impact and conflict in peace and security, right from the family level. The class will examine the debates around the nature of African sexualities and gender relations and their role in understanding the course of the conflict. It would explore remedies for sustainable peace and security among humanity and environment.

**IAS 0507: Introduction to Financial Conflict and Leadership in Africa (3 Units)**

The course will identify the kind, nature and reasons for the financial liquidation in leadership among African leaders; vicious circle of corrupt leaders; unemployment, poverty, hunger and death. Why the quest for enrichment, kidnapping, robbery, internal or external loan and godfathers; what is the level of development and appropriation of national resources in African societies. What kind of kinds and qualities of leaders are required; The course will analyse the level of conflicts arising from bad and fraudulent leaders; model in African countries; measures

**IAS 0508: African History (3 Units)**

The course will highlight the African ancient and modern civilizations with key concepts in African States and kingdoms, African people and their antecedents such as political, economic, social and cultural activities.

**IAS 0511: Seminar on African Indigenous Approaches to Peace and Security (3Units)**

This course examines traditional approaches to peacemaking, security, and conflict resolution across Africa. Particular attention is paid to peace traditions, conflict resolution, and security mechanisms embedded in cultural practices. Issues covered include conflict settlement traditions in palaces, age grade systems, gender-specific approaches to managing conflicts, and so on. Students will be required to present seminars on topical and practical issues.

**IAS 0512: African Entrepreneurship and Financial Management (3 Units)**

Principles, kinds, skills, environmental issues, linkages, business law, impact assessment, financial investment and profit returns, shares, financial management; marketing and managerial problems, government incentives, tax laws, entrepreneurship; scales, Problems of entrepreneurship in developing nations. Entrepreneurship and rural/national development. Energy, science, technology, enabling environment, and development. Entrepreneurship, industrialization, labour, employment and development. Financial management, bookkeeping, books of account, savings for the entrepreneurship management.

**IAS 0513: African Political Thought (3 Units)**

General historical survey from its origins to the present, followed by detailed study of the political theories of contemporary African leaders, ideologies of liberation, pan-Africanism, nationalism, socialism, humanism, freedom, democracy, revolution, as reflected in the writings of Bylden, Hardored, Azikiwe, Nkurmah, Senghor, Nyerere, Kaunda, Toure, Fanon and Cabral.

**IAS 0514: African Iron Smelting History (3 Units)**

Dating on iron history has age long debate. Anthropological and Archaeological findings remained controversial. What is iron; man and iron; what is the process; where are iron locations; any business or advantage. The course will help develop interest on the God given wealth underneath.

**IAS 0515: African Folks and Performance Aesthetics (3 Units)**

The course involves African folks music, performance aesthetics including typologies, forms, theories, and aesthetics, contexts, mode of performance. Instrument of the arts available will be demonstrated.

**IAS 0590: Research Project Report (6 Units)**

The student will be required to present a well researched paper in any relevant topic of their choice, approved by their supervisor and presented as part of the requirements for the award of PGD in African, Peace and Security Studies. The project must make valuable contribution to knowledge in areas of peace building in Africa. The students would follow the IAS format for project presentation and must be in line with NUC Bench mark.

## MASTER DEGREE PROGRAMMES

### Requirements for Graduation

#### i). DEPARTMENT OF AFRICAN STUDIES

##### (M.A African Studies)

#### First Semester

Core Courses	Title	Units
IAS 611	Introduction to African Studies	3
IAS 612	African Religion and Philosophy	3
PGC/IAS 601	ICT and Research Methodology in African Studies	3
IAS 613	Gender and Role Dynamics in African Societies	3
IAS 614	African Political and Social Systems	3
IAS 615	African Language and Literature	3
<b>Sub total</b>		<b>21</b>

#### Electives

IAS 618	African Political Thought	3
IAS 619	Advanced Social Institutions and Welfare System	3

#### Second Semester

IAS 621	Peace and Conflict Management in Africa	3
IAS 623	African History and Environmental Studies	3
IAS 624	African Entrepreneurship and Financial Management	3
IAS 625	Seminar in African Studies	3
IAS 690	Projects / Dissertations Report	6
<b>Grand total</b>		<b>41</b>

#### Electives

IAS 627	Ethnicity, Religion and Development	3
IAS 628	Iron History in Africa	3

#### 2). DEPARTMENT OF PEACE AND CONFLICTS STUDIES

##### (M.A Peace and Conflicts Studies)



### First Semester

Core Courses	Title	Units
IAS 631	Introduction to Peace and Conflicts Studies	3
PGC/IAS 601	ICT and Research Methodology in African Studies	3
IAS 632	Introduction to War, Society and Security	3
IAS 633	Language, Communication and Conflicts	3
IAS 634	Internal Security and Counter Terrorism	3
IAS 635	Financial Conflicts and Leadership in Africa	3
<b>Sub total</b>		<b>21</b>

#### Electives (Choose one)

IAS 637	Refugee Regime, Environmental Scarcity and Conflicts	3
IAS 619	Advanced Social Institutions and Welfare System	3

### Second Semester

IAS 641	African Indigenous Approaches in Conflicts Management (Seminar)	3
IAS 642	Funding and Post Conflict Building	3
IAS 624	African Entrepreneurship and Financial Management	3
IAS 643	Law of Armed Conflicts and Post Peace Building	3
IAS 690	Projects / Dissertations Report	6

#### Electives (Choose one)

IAS 627	Ethnicity, Religious and Development	3
IAS 623	African History and Environmental Studies	3

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### M.A Programmes

#### IAS 611: Introduction to African Studies (3 Units)

An in-depth study of African life, culture, politics, religion, thought and philosophy, with emphasis on man and spirits, life, death, mystical power, destiny, nature, moral. The course will be an introduction to the entire programmes in African Studies.

#### IAS 612: African Religion and Philosophy (3 Units)

The religious and the moral world view as centred on life. The various aims of the traditional religious life style. The philosophy of the traditionalists as seen and practiced through proverbs, idioms, and wise sayings. The problem of life and after life as demonstrated by the Traditional Religion, etc. The course content includes a study of main characteristics of the African traditional thought (for example, religion, moral, mythology etc.). An in-depth of the ontological and cosmological nations of force in the African life and tradition. A man and spirits, life, death, mystical power, destiny nature etc. It will involve institutional embodiment of African traditional thought.

**PGC/IAS 601: ICT and Research Methodology in African, Peace and Security Studies (3 Units)**

The definition of essentials of Information and Communication Technology tools known in research will be discussed. Definition of research, types of research – Historical, Case Studies, Surveys, Descriptive, etc. Identification of research topic, statement of the problems, objective/purpose of the study, research question, hypotheses, literature review, gap in literature, theoretical framework and definition of terms; Study area and research methodology, design, population, sample and sampling procedure. Etc; instrument for collection of data and tools for analysis. Internet facilities available, issues and problems of scientific research in the field of African studies, peace and security studies will be discussed. The application of computer innovations as well as its uses in enhancing research quality will be examined.

**IAS 613: Gender and Role Dynamics in African Societies (3 Units)**

This course will x-ray the gender role, impact and conflict in peace and security, right from the family level. The class will examine the debates around the nature of African sexualities and gender relations and their role in understanding the course of the conflict. It would explore remedies for sustainable peace and security among humanity and environment.

**IAS 614: African Political and Social Systems (3 Units)**

Theories and descriptions of African traditional political and social organisation – village democracy, sedimentary administration, the institution of family and other social groups, etc. The nature and roles of chiefs and kings in political, social systems and their leadership styles, norms, and leadership accountability. It will also examine the traditional checks and balances and adherence to traditional norms, values and rules. Political ideologies – communalism, African socialism, humanism, etc, the relevance of these systems in contemporary African leadership / governance issues.

**IAS 615: African Language and Literature (3 Units).**

Several languages in Africa are identified and their relationships examined, for instance, among the Kwa language family groups in Africa. Also, content and subject matter of African folk literature such as folk tales, folklore, songs, dance, proverbs, wellerisms will be examined and studied.

**IAS 618: African Political Thought (3 Units)**

General historical survey from its origins to the present, followed by advanced detailed study of the political theories of contemporary African leaders, ideologies of liberation, pan-Africanism, nationalism, socialism, humanism, freedom, democracy, revolution, as reflected in the writings of Bylden, Hardored, Azikiwe, Nkurmah, Senghor, Nyerere, Kaunda, Toure, Fanon and Cabral.

**IAS 619: Advanced Social Institutions and Welfare System (3Units)**

The social institutions of West, East, Central and Southern Africa, structure of decent systems; types of political organisations- Kingdoms, centralized societies, age grades; the economic institutions (market, system of land tenure, agricultural and pastoral pursuits); the legal systems-types of courts, officials, procedures and nature of crime; marriage and family life- stage of marriage, rules of divorce, system of inheritance, types of locality, domestic cycles, functions of the family; ritual institutions- priesthood, sacrifice, symbolism and belief system- witchcraft, sorcery and magic mortuary rites. Specific major ethnic groups in each region will constitute the basis of the comparative analysis with social institutions.

**IAS 621: Peace and Conflicts Management in Africa (3 Units)**

The origins and patterns of violence (local, national and international), historical perspective. Alternatives to practical coercion in the resolution of conflict (intra-group, inter-group, international). Methods of restoring peace through non-violence, e.g negotiations, peace treaties and stressing the ones search for effective and enduring ways of encouraging amity and peaceful relationship.

**IAS 623: African History and Environmental Studies (3 Units)**

The course is an examination of an African Kingdoms, nations and empire. It also examines the internal and external factors of change and reactions to such changes in African economy, politics and social issues. It will introduce students to the general overview of the spatial pattern of physical and human environment of Africa. The scramble for Africa – regionalization of Africa and the environmental problems in Africa.

**IAS 624: African Entrepreneurship and Financial Management (3 Units)**

Principles and methods of entrepreneurship. Problems of entrepreneurship in developing nations. Entrepreneurship and rural/national development. Energy, science, technology, enabling environment, entrepreneurship and development. Entrepreneurship, industrialization, labour, employment and development. Financial management and bookkeeping for the entrepreneurship management will be taught.

**IAS 625: Seminar in African Studies (3 Units)**

The course is designed to give practice in critical reading of research articles. Students will present seminars on topical and practical issues in the field of African studies and must participate in the Institute's seminars.

**IAS 690: Projects / Dissertations Report (6 Units).**

This is a program of individual research bearing on each student's field of specialization. The focus of the student's research is to produce an original work with new ideas on the processes of security and resolution of conflicts in Africa. Detailed investigation of problems in Peace and conflict studies as well as African study areas under the supervision of approved academic staff in this specialities will be required. The report / results of the study will be defended before the board of examiners.

**IAS 627: Ethnicity, Religion and Development (3Units)**

The social psychological origins and reasons for ethnicity and religion will be presented. The psychological necessity for religion as well as its force for good and ill will be taught and

treated especially in the context of religion. The effects of religious and ethnic controversies to the development and growth of the people and their national identities.

**IAS 628: Iron History in African (3 Units)**

Dating on iron history has age long debate. Anthropological and Archaeological findings remained controversial. What is iron; man and iron; what is the process; where are iron locations; any business or advantage. The course will help develop interest on the God given wealth underneath.

**IAS 631: Introduction to Peace & Conflicts Studies (3 Units)**

This course introduces students to key foundational concepts in the field of Peace and Security Studies with a view to familiarizing them with meanings, as well as everyday and contextual usages.

**IAS 632: Introduction to War, Society and Scarcity (3)**

This study will focus on the development of modern military organizations and the conduct of war in recent history. Among topics of particular concern: the nature and implications of the Great War 1914-1918; World War II; African major wars; armament and disarmament processes. The study will further explore irregular forces and their strategies; modern terrorism.

**IAS 633: Language, Communication and Conflict (3)**

The course examines the nexus between language, communication and conflict. Using case studies, it explores how language usage and differences, stereotypes, perception, verbal as well as non-verbal aspects of communication impact social relationships and how these could be improved in potential and actual conflict contexts through the mastery of conflict-sensitive communication.

**IAS 634: Internal Security and Counter Terrorism (3)**

This course provides students with the fundamentals of internal security and critical infrastructure protection from an information study perspective and will focus on an overview of major internal security issues in Nigeria, technologies and approaches as they relate to telecommunications, energy, banking and finance, transportation, the Internet, and emergency services, both governmental and private. The study aims at providing theoretical foundations for addressing Nigerian internal security issues.

**IAS 635: Financial Conflicts and Leadership in Africa (3 Units)**

The course will identify the kind, nature and reasons for the financial liquidation in leadership among African leaders; vicious circle of corrupt leaders; unemployment, poverty, hunger and death. Why the quest for enrichment, kidnapping, robbery, internal or external loan and godfathers? What is the level of development and appropriation of national resources in African societies? What kind of kinds and qualities of leaders are required? The course will analyse the level of conflicts arising from bad and fraudulent leaders; model in African countries; measures set to ameliorating them.

**IAS 637: Refugee Regime, Environmental Scarcity and Conflicts (3 Units)**

This course is designed to analyze the nature, causes, patterns, texture and consequences of refugee regimes in contemporary conflict theatres. Focus is on how the redrawing of national, ethnic, and cultural boundaries condition refugee flows, how the incidence of displacement impact vulnerable groups within impacted societies, and the prospects of, and problems

associated with the response of the international community to large-scale displacement of peoples.

**IAS 641: African Indigenous Approaches to Conflicts Management (Seminar). (3 Units)**

The course focuses on the analysis of conflict and violence as the foundation for designing strategies for conflict prevention, peacemaking, and peace-building. Drawing from broad inter-disciplinary theoretical bases, the course focuses on the complex causes of conflict, crime, and violence using context, stakeholder, needs, power, cultural, and psychological analyses of conflict. It exposes students to practical skills in conflict analysis, process planning, strategic planning, as well as communication, facilitation, negotiation, reconciliation and mediation skills. Interaction with traditional rulers and stakeholders in the society shall be a primary assignment.

**IAS 642: Funding and Post Conflicts Building, (3 Units)**

The course is designed to provide sources for funding refugee problems in Africa. The role of countries in Africa, the Non-governmental organisations, societies, clubs and individuals. Who is concerned with refugee issues, rebuilding, reconstructing, renovating, settlements for war-manned citizens, etc. what could be done to stop wars and conflicts.

**IAS 643 Law of Armed Conflicts and Post Peace Building (3 Units)**

This course exposes students to international mechanisms for detection and sanction of crimes in the context of war including Genocide, Crimes against Humanity, Crime against the Peace, the use of Child Soldiers, Sex slavery, the use of Human Shield, Systematic Rape, and so on. It focuses on the tasks and challenges of building peace in societies devastated by high-intensity internal conflicts and warfare. It discusses the tasks and challenges of crisis management, disarmament, demobilization and reintegration in post-conflict societies, as well as the structuring of peace agreements, power-sharing arrangements, and transitions from war to peace in a number of African countries.

**Ph.D DEGREE PROGRAMME.**

**Doctor of Philosophy**

**Ph.D, (African Studies)**

The objective of the programme is to develop scholars committed to academic excellence and social responsibility in Africa, the black world, and the broader international community.

**ENTRY QUALIFICATION**

Graduates of the University of Nigeria or of other recognized universities who hold qualifications in African Studies or in any other relevant disciplines and who have obtained a master degree appropriate for the proposed areas of study with a minimum of 3.50 grade point average on a 5-point scale or 3.00 on a 4-point-scale are eligible for admission into the Ph.D programme of the Institute of African Studies.

**MODE OF STUDY**

The Ph.D degree programme is based on research work to be embodied in a thesis and on successful presentation of two seminars as approved by the Institute. The candidates admitted in the programme are required to take some fundamental courses in line with the revised PG regulation of the University of Nigeria, Nsukka.

**DURATION**

The full-time programme will run for a minimum of 8 semesters and a maximum of 12 semesters.

Part-time students will be required to spend a minimum of 8 semesters and a maximum of 14 semesters to complete the programme.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION**

To be awarded a Ph.D degree in African Studies, the candidate must pass courses approved for the programme:

**COURSES TO BE OFFERED FOR Ph.D PROGRAMME****Ph.D (African Studies)****First Semester**

PGC/IAS 701	Synopsis and Research Grant writing	3
PGC/IAS 750	ICT and Research Methodology in African Studies	3
IAS 751	African Religion and Philosophy	3
IAS 752	African History and Environmental Studies	3
IAS 753	Financial Conflicts and Leadership in Africa	3
IAS 754	African Political and Social Welfare System	3
<b>Sub total</b>		<b>18</b>

**Second Semester**

IAS 756	Special Seminars in African Studies	3
IAS 790	Project /Thesis	12
<b>Sub total</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>33</b>

**COURSE DESCRIPTIONS****PGC/IAS 701: Synopsis and Research Grant writing (3 Units)**

Steps in writing of synopsis from research project document as approved by the postgraduate school. Common errors in synopsis writing and strategies for avoiding them. The role of the student and supervisor in the production of synopsis. Study format of synopsis (Introduction, methodology and results). Identification of types and nature of grant writing, mining of grant

application calls on the internet. Determine appropriate strategy for each grant application. Study of various grant applications, budgeting and budget defence. Study of sample grant writings in various forms. All Ph.D students must attend an interactive workshop to be organised by the school of postgraduate studies for practical demonstration and application of the knowledge acquired from the course. A quality paper publishable in an international journal should arise from the thesis.

### **PGC/IAS 750: ICT and Research Methodology in African Studies (3 Units)**

The definition of essentials of Information and Communication Technology tools known in research will be discussed. Definition of research, types of research – Historical, Case Studies, Surveys, Descriptive, etc. Identification of research topic, statement of the problems, objective/purpose of the study, research question, hypotheses, literature review, gap in literature, theoretical framework and definition of terms; Study area and research methodology, design, population, sample and sampling procedure. Instrument for collection of data and tools for analysis. Internet facilities available, issues and problems of scientific research in the field of African studies, peace and security studies will be discussed. The application of computer innovations as well as its uses in enhancing research quality will be examined.

### **IAS 751: African Religion and Philosophy (3 Units)**

The religious and the moral world view as centred on life. The various aims of the traditional religious life style. The philosophy of the traditionalists as seen and practiced through proverbs, idioms, and wise sayings. The problem of life and after life as demonstrated by the Traditional Religion, etc. The course content includes a study of main characteristics of the African traditional thought (for example, religion, moral, mythology etc.). An in-depth of the ontological and cosmological nations of force in the African life and tradition. A man and spirits, life, death, mystical power, destiny nature etc. It will involve institutional embodiment of African traditional thought.

### **IAS 752: African History and Environmental Studies (3 Units)**

The course is an examination of an African Kingdoms, nations and empire. It also examines the internal and external factors of change and reactions to such changes in African economy, politics and social issues. It will introduce students to the general overview of the spatial pattern of physical and human environment of Africa. The scramble for Africa – regionalization of Africa and the environmental problems in Africa,

### **IAS 753: Financial Conflicts and Leadership in Africa (3 Units)**

The course will identify the kind, nature and reasons for the financial liquidation in leadership among African leaders; vicious circle of corrupt leaders; unemployment, poverty, hunger and death. Why the quest for enrichment, kidnapping, robbery, internal or external loan and godfathers; what is the level of development and appropriation of national resources in African societies. What kind of kinds and qualities of leaders are required; The course will analyse the level of conflicts arising from bad and fraudulent leaders; model in African countries; measures set to ameliorating them.

### **IAS 754: African Political and Social Systems (3 Units)**

Theories and descriptions of African traditional political and social organisation – village democracy, sedimentary administration, the institution of family and other social groups, etc. The nature and roles of chiefs and kings in political, social systems and their leadership styles, norms, and leadership accountability. It will also examine the traditional checks and balances and adherence to traditional norms, values and rules. Political ideologies – communalism, African socialism, humanism, etc. the relevance of these systems in contemporary African leadership / governance issues.

### **IAS 756: Special Seminar in African Studies (6 Units)**

The course is designed to give practice in critical reading of research articles in journals and relevant literature in African studies. Students will present seminars on topical and practical issues in the field of African studies and must participate in the Institute's seminars.

### **IAS 790 Project /Thesis (12 Units)**

The Ph.D students must conduct research in critical areas of African life and social system. The topic must be approved by the supervisor. Two seminars must be presented before the proposal and defence (internal and external). A quality paper publishable in an international journal should arise from the thesis.

## **LIST OF APPROVED POSTGRADUATE SUPPERVISORS**

Emeka P. Nwabueze, B.A, M.A, Ph.D (Nig.)	Professor
Tony Nwaezeigwe, B.A, M.A, Ph.D (Nig.)	Senior Research Fellow
Ifeanyi E. Iwundu, B.Ed, PGD, MPA, M.Sc, DPA (Nig.)	Senior Research Fellow
J. Tochkwu Omenma, B.Sc., M.Sc. Ph.D (Nig)	Senior Research Fellow
Nkiru Ohia, B.Ed, M.Ed, Ph,D (Nig.)	Research Fellow 1
Magnus Aniago, B.A, M.A. Ph.D	Research Fellow 1



