

UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA, NSUKKA

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCE EDUCATION

Information for Advertisement Flyer and Postgraduate Website Enrichment

1. Full name of Department: Social Science Education

2. Driving Philosophy of Development

The postgraduate degree programme of the department is anchored on the innovative and dynamic foundational vision of the University of Nigeria which is to promote functional education with a view to restoring the dignity of man. The philosophy of the Department is therefore driven by the need to develop world class human resource in social science education for national development through quality teaching, learning, research and knowledge dissemination. Thus, in line with both the broad philosophy of the university and that of the department, the driving philosophy of the Departmental Postgraduate programmes is geared towards enhancing professional training of qualified academics, educators and researchers who will be deemed eligible to assume leading positions (by virtue of their in-dept knowledge and skills) in different specialist fields in social science education in relevant tertiary institutions, Research institutions, Development centres, Ministries, Government Parastatals/Agencies, Private Agencies and the teaching profession at large.

3. Brief History of Department

The Department of Social Science Education first emerged as a sub-Department (carved out of the Department of Science Education) on November 27th 2007. It became a full-fledged Department of Social Science Education on the 28th of January 2008 sequel to Senate official approval. This development was based on the recommendations of the National Universities Commission (NUC) Accreditation reports of 2005 and 2007 which favoured the establishment of a separate Department of Social Science Education from Science Education Department.

The department currently has four undergraduate academic programmes namely:

- (i) Economic Education
- (ii) Geography and Environmental Education
- (iii) Political Science Education
- (iv) Social Studies Education

At the Post-graduate level, three key programmes have been developed, and approved by the senate of the university and are currently being run by the Department. These are postgraduate Diploma (PGD) in Geographic and Environmental Education; Masters in Education (M.Ed) and Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) Degrees in Education in specific areas of Economics Education, Geography and Environmental Education, Environmental Education, Political Science Education, Population and Family Life Education and Social Studies Education respectively.

The department since its inception has been headed by Dr. O. O. Nwaubani – Co-ordinator (Sub-Department Status), 27th November, 2007 – 28th January 2008; Dr. (Mrs.) F. N. Akubue, Acting Head, 2nd August 2008 - August 2010; Dr. (Mrs.) B. N. Ezegbe, Acting Head, August 2010 – August 2012; Prof. S. A. Ezeudu, Head, August 2012 – August 2015, and Dr. O. O. Nwaubani, Acting Head, August 2015 – till date.

4. Approved Postgraduate Programme/Date of Approval

(A) Postgraduate Diploma in Social Science Education (PGDE) (2008/2009 session) with options in:

- (i) Geography Education
- (ii) Geography and Environmental Education (inherited from Department of Science Education)

(B) M.Ed M.Ed/Ph.D Degree Programmes in Social Science Education (2011/2012 Academic Session) with options in:

- (i) Economics Education
- (ii) Geography Education
- (iii) Geographic and Environmental Education
- (iv) Political Science Education
- (v) Population and Family life Education
- (vi) Social Studies Education

(C) Ph.D Degree Programme in Social Science Education with (2011/2012 Academic session) options in:

- (i) Economics Education
- (ii) Geography Education
- (iii) Geographic and Environmental Education
- (iv) Political Science Education
- (v) Population and Family life Education
- (vi) Social Studies Education

5. Academic Staff of Department with their Qualifications/Corresponding Affiliations

S. A. Ezeudu, B.Sc Ed, M.Ed, Ph.D (Nigeria)	Professor
E. K. N. Nwagu, B.Sc (Ed), M.Ed, Ph.D (Nigeria)	Professor
B. N. Ezegbe, (Mrs.) NCE, B.Ed, M.Sc., Ph.D (Nigeria)	Senior Lecturer
O. O. Nwaubani, B.Ed, (Nigeria) MA (Lagos), M.Ed, Ph.D (Ibadan)	Senior Lecturer & Ag. Head of Department
J. C. Onuoha, B.Sc Ed, M.Sc.(Nig) Ph.D (Zaria)	Lecturer I
D. I. Mezieobi, B.Ed, M.Ed,(Abraka) MPA(Benin) Ph.D(Abraka)	Lecturer I
B. E. Ugwuanyi, OND, B.Sc Ed, M.Sc (Nigeria)	Lecturer I
S. N. Ogbueghu, B.Sc. (Ed.), PGD, M.Sc (Nigeria) Ph.D (USA)	Lecturer I
C. L. Chukwu (Mrs.) NCE, B.Ed,(Ife), M.Ed, Ph.D (Ibadan)	Lecturer I
N. D. Eneogu, (Mrs.), B.Sc. Ed, PGD, M.Ed (Nigeria)	Lecturer II
G. O. Ugwonna (Mrs.) B.Sc. Ed, M.Ed (Nigeria)	Lecturer II
S. O. Ajaps, B.Sc. Ed (Nig.) M.Phil (Edu) (Cambridge)	Lecturer II
S. O. Ugwuda, NCE, B.Sc. (Ed), M.Ed, Ph.D (Nigeria)	Lecturer II

D. M. Eze, NCE, B.Sc. Ed, M.Sc (Nigeria)	Lecturer II
P. N. Aroh, B.Sc Ed, M.Sc. Ph.D (Nigeria)	Lecturer II
J. N. Okeke, NCE, B.Sc. Ed, M.Ed (Nigeria)	Assistant Lecturer
A. N. Obiagu, B.Sc., M.Ed (Nigeria)	Assistant Lecturer
L. C. Ezema, B. Sc.Ed, M.Sc. (Nigeria)	Assistant Lecturer
N. C. Edeh, B.Sc.Ed (Nigeria)	Graduate Assistant
E. Eze, B. Sc. Ed (Nigeria)	Graduate Assistant
O. V. Nwaubani (Mrs.) B.Ed , M.Ed (Nig.)	Assistant Tutor
C. C. Offor, B. Sc. (Nig.), PGDE	Assistant Tutor
P. N. Ugwu (Mrs.) B. Sc. (Ed) (Nig)	Technical Instructor II
F. Ekwesaranna (Mrs.) B.Sc, PGD(Mgt.) (Nig.)	Prin. Exec. Officer/ Departmental Secretary

6. Postgraduate Experience

(a) Number of PGDs, M.Sc., Ph.D graduates produced since the inception of Postgraduate studies

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| (i) | PGD | - | Nil |
| (ii) | M.Ed | - | 31 |
| (iii) | Ph.D | - | 1 |

(b) List of Approved Postgraduate supervisors with title and affiliations

1	EZEUDU, SAMUEL AGOZIE B.Sc. (Ed), Geo. (Nig), M.Ed, Ph.D (Meas and Eval) (Nigeria)	Professor (Geography Education & Measurement and Evaluation)
2	NWAGU, ERIC KENECHUKWU B.Sc (Ed/Geo) (Nig) M.Ed (Meas & Eval) Ph.D (Meas & Eval) (Nigeria)	Professor (Geography Education & Measurement and Evaluation)
3	EZEGBE, BENEDICT NKIRUKA B.Sc (Ed) Pol.Sc. (Nig), M.Sc. (Pol.Sc.) (Nig) M.Ed & Ph.D (Ed/planning (Nig) Ph.D (Social Studies (Ebonyi)	Senior Lecturer (Political Science Education & Social Studies)
4	NWAUBANI, OKECHUKWU ONYINYECHUKWU B.Ed (History) (Nig), M.A (History) (Lagos), M.Ed, Ph.D (Social Studies) (Ibadan)	Senior Lecturer (Social Studies Education) & Acting Head of Department
5	ONUOHA, JOSEPH CHINWEOBO B.Sc Ed (Economics) (Nig) M.Sc (Economics) (Nig) Ph.D (Social studies) (Zaria)	Lecturer I (Economics Education & Social Studies)
6	MEZIEOBI, DANIEL IBEABUCHI NCE (Social Studies) (Owerri) B.Ed (Social Studies) (Zaria) M.Ed, Ph.D (Social Studies) (Abraka)	Lecturer I (Social Studies Education)
7	OGBUEGHU, SYLVESTER NWIGWE B.Sc Ed (Economics) (Nig) PGD (Business Mgt.) M.Sc (Economics) (Nig) Ph.D (Economics) (USA)	Lecturer I (Economics Education)
8	CHUKWU, CHINYERE LOVETH B. Ed (Social Studies) (Ile Ife) M.Ed (Ph.D) (Social Studies) (Ibadan)	Lecturer I (Social Studies Education)
9	UGWUDA, SYLVANUS OCHETACHUKWU	Lecturer II (Geography

	NCE (Bio/Georg.) Awka; B.Sc. Ed (Geog); M.Ed (Meas. & Eval.) Ph.D (Meas. & Eval.) (EBSU)	Education & Measurement and evaluation
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7. Statement of Competencies/Skills Acquirable at the end of postgraduate studies in the Department.

Competencies achieved are in the following areas:

- (i) Conducting funded Social Science Research Projects,
- (ii) Identifying Social Science Researchable Issues and Utilization of Appropriate Methodologies,
- (iii) Developing and Applying effective Methods and Media for Social Science Teaching and Learning,
- (iv) Mastering the Logic behind World Economics, Social, and Religious Growth and Developmental Issues,
- (v) Conducting Routine Research in Social Science Education,
- (vi) Community Development mindedness,
- (vii) Research proposal writing,
- (viii) Initiating and organizing workshops and Conferences,
- (ix) Editorial skills,
- (x) Initiating, developing and writing academic programmes and proposals.

8. Some pictures of Activities Undertaken by the Department

9. Distinguished Graduate Alumnus of the Department: Senator. Utazi Godfrey Chukwuka, Enugu North.

10. Any other Information

The Department is relatively new, both in terms of existence and introduction of the Postgraduate Programmes. However, it has committed and vibrant academic and other supportive staff, who are very eager to contribute their quota towards achieving the philosophy and objectives of Postgraduate Programme, and that of the University at large.

To achieve these lofty goals, we need both routine internal administrative support/motivation, as well as external technical and financial support from relevant education donor agencies, governmental and non-governmental organizations, research institutes and other well-meaning collaborators in the field of teaching, research and knowledge dissemination in social science education. Thus, specific collaborations and financial aids from the above relevant bodies could help the department, not only to strengthen the Postgraduate Programmes but to reposition them through well-funded research programmes, conferences, workshops, seminars and resources exchanges in order to meet the demands of the 21st century in human resource development.