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PERSONAL PROFILE

A self-driven and eloquent editor and blogger looking to pursue further studies in Philosophy, with a keen interest in Philosophy of Law and Ethics, including normativity, metaethics, and human rights. Burning desire for research and to positively impact youths' immorality, unethical decisions, human rights, and flourishing within nations and the world. Experienced in educational research as well as writing, proofreading, and editing English content.

EDUCATION

B.A in Philosophy

September 2019-September 2019

Imo State University, Owerri

- Grade: Second Class Upper Division (4.46 CGPA on a scale of 5.0)
 - First Class in Year 4 with a 93.8% average
 - Second Class (Upper Division) in Year 3 with an 81.4% average
 - First Class in Year 2 with a 90.4% average
 - First Class in Year 1 with a 90.8% average
- Thesis: *An Evaluation of Aristotle's Golden Mean in our Contemporary Society*
- Seminar 1: *The Urgent Need for Self-employment among Nigerian Youths*
- Seminar 2: *Dystheism: The Concept of God in our Contemporary Society*

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Thesis Research Assistant

November 2021

Freelance Evaluation, Proofreading, and Editing at Fiverr

- Critically evaluated a cultural-oriented bachelor's thesis in the field of design
- Quantitative research of the indigenous population of Mentawai in Indonesia
- Guided, proofread, edited, and provided constructive feedback using Adobe InDesign software
- Received positive feedback and tips from the client on Fiverr

Research Coordinator

February 2019

Philosophy of Entrepreneurship, Imo State University

- Two empirical investigations to dispel the 'school-is-a-scam' misconception of most Nigerian youths and students
- Explored 5-year immediate Philosophy graduates' job titles and how they relate to their academic qualifications
- Presented students with opportunities to apply Philosophy to a variety of fields of self-development and careers after graduation
- Demonstrated empirical ideas to sensitize Philosophy students who believe Philosophy does not offer career opportunities

Director of Research**June 2019***Smart Online Voting System (SOVS) at Philosophy Department, Imo State University*

- One of eight students to evaluate the voting system in the department to enhance the strategies and eliminate malpractices
- Analyzed the history of elections since 2010 and figured out the gaps to fill
- Gathered former and current students' opinions and collected their data from and outside of the Philosophy department
- Conducted different UI and UX tests on the 'Smart Online Voting System' program, which further boosted my critical thinking ability and data analysis skills

Thesis Researcher**September 2019***Department of Philosophy, Imo State University*

- Research thesis to revive rectitude using Aristotle's Golden Mean theory as a paradigm
- Reviewed and wrote related literature of relevant philosophers, such as Plato and Kant
- Improved research analysis experience with the help of wonderful supervisors
- 30 minutes presentation before the internal and external supervisors and got a distinction and open praise as one of the 14 most outstanding researchers and writers

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

English and Literature Teacher**February 2022-Present***National Youth Service Corps member at Osumenyi High School, Osumenyi*

- Obeying the national clarion call for service as a Nigerian graduate, teaching English and Literature to three Senior Secondary classes of over 100 students
- Implementing a student-friendly curriculum, which further amplifies students' engagement and IQ
- Engaging students in active participation and introducing relevant software, such as Anki, to enhance their vocabulary, learning, and writing skills
- Planning lessons and assignments, leading discussion sections, and grading papers and exams
- Promoting good student relations with each other and the teachers and have won an Award of Excellence for the institution in a State Literature Competition

Music Tutor**August – October 2021***Bonus Pastor Seminary, Osina (Alma mater)*

- Trained a group of 22 junior seminarians on how to play the guitar and keyboard
- Created a coherent and straightforward practicing music guide for students
- Achieved an unstoppable desire for music among otherwise formerly uninterested seminarians
- Ensured unmatched discipline among seminarians and brought creativity to the limelight in the institution

WordPress CMS Instructor**March 2020***Online WordPress class at Machinep*

- Taught WordPress Content Management System to a group of 12 online freelance writers, proofreaders, and editors via written posts and Zoom video calls
- Conducted practical assessments from a subdomain of Machinep.com
- Enhanced learners' blogging, writing, editing, and Search Engine Optimization (SEO) skills
- Ideally motivated editors for online, continuous learning during the 2019 Covid Pandemic, which further lessened frustrations and honed my tutoring skills

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Content Creator, Editor, and Graphic and Web Designer **August 2021-Present**

Wiki Freelancing

- Founded and developed Wiki Freelancing in September 2021 after three years of experience as a freelance writer, editor, and designer
- Researching and have created over 35 original SEO content in the freelancing and finance industries
- Preparing, shooting, editing, and publishing videos on the Wiki Freelancing YouTube channel
- Designing front-end pages with basic programming knowledge and Divi builder theme

Author, Managing Editor, and Graphic Expert **August 2018-Present**

Machinep

- Researching educational and business topics and have written over 120 articles, which generate over 5000 views weekly
- Proofreading and editing high-quality content for accuracy, clarity, and style
- Reviewing and approving all advertisements to increase revenue
- Managing and coaching a team of 14 writers and poets and some other guest writers
- Designing custom featured images for every post using Adobe Illustrator and Photoshop

Freelance Editor, Proofreader, and Graphic Designer **August 2018-Present**

Fiverr Marketplace

- Developmentally edited and completed over 30 writing projects in the education, health, finance, marketing, and advertising industries
- Proofreading and editing of educational and marketing content, with over 45% repeated clients
- Proofread and formatted books with Amazon's publishing specification
- Provided administrative support by organizing data, creating project plans and budgets, and posting on social media

ACHIEVEMENTS AND AWARDS

Anambra State NYSC Camp **July 2022**

- Represented Platoon 4 and emerged as the second runner-up in the Mr. Macho Contest

Philosophy Department, Imo State University **2018-2019**

- Third Best Graduating student (4.46 overall GPA on a scale of 5.0), 2019
- Top 5% in Professional Ethics (98%), Philosophy of Law (94%), Symbolic Logic (96%), Social and Political Philosophy (90%), and other modules, 2015-2019
- Best Assistant Editor and Graphic Designer, *La Sagesse* Magazine, Department of Philosophy, 2019
- Generated over ₦10,000 for NAPS from advertisements at the 'Who Wants to be a Philosopher King or Queen?' event, as the computer director and assistant programmer, National Association of Philosophy Students Week, 2018
- Exco Award of Excellence as the 'Most Versatile and Tech-Oriented Director of Information, National Association of Philosophy Students, 2018

Mavis Beacon Typing Software **2015**

- Exceptional Typist with an average of 96 WPM (words per minute) and 100% accuracy

- One of 15 with a distinction in the Latin Diploma exam among 167 seminarians

PUBLICATIONS AND MEDIA

- Obiaraije, S. (2022). *Business Ethics Case Study: Merck and the Drug for River Blindness*. <https://machinep.com/merck-drug-for-river-blindness/>
- Obiaraije, S. (2021). *A Lawa A Hara: The Philosophy of Vanity of Uche Ogbuagu*. <https://machinep.com/philosophy-of-vanity>
- Obiaraije, S. (2019, March). How to Harness your Talents. *La Sagesse Magazine*, Department of Philosophy
- Machinep, <https://machinep.com/author/smart/>
- Wiki Freelancing, <https://wikifreelancing.com>

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Skilled Typist

February-May 2022

Assa Youths Association (AYA)

- Transcribed over 12500 written pages of an old (2006-2021) minute books of Assa Youths Association (AYA) in 2 months, which boosts the efficiency of decision making

Music Tutor

August 2021

Bonus Pastor Seminary, Osina (Alma mater)

- Taught a group of 22 junior seminarians how to play the Guitar and Keyboard

Library Technician

January-April 2021

Faculty of Humanities, Imo State University, Owerri

- Offered guidance and advice to library users on locating resources and the use of ICT and other technology facilities available to maximize their educational experience
- Kept records of borrowed and returned books using Microsoft Excel

Bouncer

August 2019

Humanities Faculty Freshers' and Award Nights

- Maintained order and ensured adherence to dress code
- Inspected IDs for proper entrance and escorted noncompliant students out of the hall

ADDITIONAL ONLINE COURSES AND CERTIFICATIONS

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

September 2022

- [Ethics, Culture, and Global Perspective](#)

LinkedIn Learning

February-March 2022

- [Writing a Compelling Blog Post](#)
- [Body Language for Authentic Leadership](#)
- [How to Speak So People Want to Listen](#)
- [Critical Thinking for Better Judgment and Decision-Making](#)

Imperial College London

February 2022

- [Creative Thinking: Techniques and Tools for Success](#)

University of Michigan

February 2022

- [Finding Purpose and Meaning in Life: Living for What Matters Most](#)
- [Successful Negotiation: Essential Strategies and Skills](#)
- [Writing and Editing: Structure and Organization](#)

- Writing and Editing: Word Choice and Word Order

Arizona State University

January 2022

- Teach English Now! Foundational Principles

University of California, Irvine

November 2021

- Grammar and Punctuation

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- National Youth Service Corps (NYSC)
- International African Writers' Association (IAWA)

SKILLS

- Excellent communication skills: Verbal and Written Grammar
- Highly analytical in judgment, communication, strategic planning, organizing, and troubleshooting skills
- Negotiation, influencing, and conflict resolution
- Clear and persuasive content development, writing, editing, and proofreading
- VBA in Microsoft excel, creating interactive presentations in PowerPoint, and proficiency in Office
- Excellent customer service skills and professional in the use of business English
- Self-motivated and capable of independent study and thought
- Excellent interpersonal, leadership, presentation, and managerial skills
- Conceptual and visual thinking and Agile mindset
- Hands-on experience in Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, After Effects, and Premier Pro
- Professional typing skills with 96 WPM and 100% accuracy

HOBBIES & INTERESTS

- Reading, researching, writing, and blogging
- Creating and editing graphics and videos
- Fast typing, playing the guitar/keyboard, physical workouts, and skating

LANGUAGES

- Igbo: Native speaker
- English: Fluent in writing, reading, and speaking skills (Bilingual)
- French: Basic level
- Latin: Basic level (Distinction in the Latin diploma examination)

REFERENCES

Prof. Michael Obioha Okoro

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