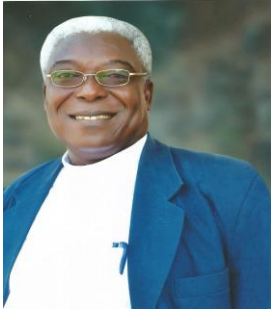


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Currently the Deputy Vice-Chancellor/Administration of Imo State University, Owerri - Nigeria. He was the first Ag. Vice-Chancellor of Gregory University, Uturu. He was two terms Dean of the Faculty of Humanities, Imo State University, Owerri.

- Immediate past Director of the Center for Igbo Studies.
- He is the National Coordinator of the Association for Promoting Nigerian Languages and Culture (APNILAC) and a nationally renowned advocate for using indigenous languages in school instructions.
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- Professor Okonkwo's latest publications include among others:
 - ❖ Philosophical Principles of Sustainable Development: An Overview. *International Journal of Sustainable Development*, 4 (5): 52 - 58 (2011).
 - ❖ Understanding cultural diversity: the Austria-Nigeria experience. *Journal of Nigeria Language and Culture*, 13 (1): 225 -236 (2011).
 - ❖ Okwu Danahu Onu: The Basic Principle of Igbo Philosophy of Language: Owerri, Imo State University Press (2012).
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 - ❖ Appropriate Language in Education: The Strategy for National Development in Nigeria. In: (Zehlia Babaci-Wilhite (Ed.) *Giving Space to African Voices: Rights in Local Languages and Local Curriculum*, Sense Publishers (131 - 146) (2014).