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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2021 – present** **Lecturer**, *Alberta School of Business*, University of Alberta, Edmonton – Canada.
- 2016 – 2021** **Assistant Professor**, *Department of Economics*, Girne American University, Girne – Cyprus.
Co-Director, *Center for Gender Studies*, Girne American University, Girne - Cyprus.
- 2015 – 2016** **Instructor**, *Department of Economics*, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta - Cyprus.
- 2011 – 2016** **Research/Teaching Assistant**, *Department of Economics*, Eastern Mediterranean University, Famagusta - Cyprus.

EDUCATION

- 2012 – 2016** **Ph.D. in Economics**, *Eastern Mediterranean University*, Cyprus.
- 2010 – 2012** **M.Sc. in Economics**, *Eastern Mediterranean University*, Cyprus.
- 2004 – 2008** **B.Sc. in Economics**, *Abia State University* Abia State - Nigeria

Research Areas

- Labour Economics, Economics of Gender, Household Decision-Making, Environmental Economics, and Economic Development.
- Microeconometrics - qualitative and limited dependent variables, Discrete Choice models, Selection models (in panel or cross section data).
- Policy Evaluation.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- May - Dec. 2021** **Consultant**, International and International Center for Tropical Agriculture (CIAT) and CGIAR Research Program on Climate Change, Agriculture and Food Security (CCAFS).
- 2016 – Present** **Editorial Member**, *Kadın/Woman 2000*, *Journal for Women's Studies*.
- 2021 – Present** **Editorial Board Member**, *Journal of African Development*.
- 2021 – Present** **Junior Fellow**, Pan-African Scientific Research Council.

PUBLISHED PAPERS – Journals including Social Science Citation Indexed (SSCI)

- **Nwaka, I.D.**, Leila Sabbhokiz, Fatma Guven-Lisaniler "Minimum Wage and Household Consumption in Canada: Evidence from High and Low Wage Provinces". *Sustainability*, (2021) **SSCI**
- **Nwaka, I.D.**, Uma K., Nwogu, M., Obidike, P. "What are the triggers of household decision-making on waste disposal choices? A gender differentiated analysis", *Heliyon*, (2020) - **ESCI Indexed**
- **Nwaka, I. D.**, Akadiri A. "Incidences of experiential and perceptive food insecurity among the Ethiopian and Nigerian households: Do environmental shock and head's gender matter?" , *Public Affairs - Accepted for publication online*, (2020) **ESCI Indexed**
- **Nwaka, I. D.**, Nwogu, M.U., Uma, K.E., Ike, G. "Agricultural production and CO2 emissions from two sources in the ECOWAS region: New insights from quantile regression and decomposition analysis" , *Science of Total Environment - Published online*,(2020) **SCI-Expanded Indexed**
- **Nwaka, I. D.**, Uma, K.E., Ike, G. "Determinants of household fuel choices among Nigerian family heads: are there gender-differentiated impacts?" , *Environmental Science and Pollution Research - Published online*,(2020) **SCI-Expanded Indexed**
- **Nwaka, I. D.**, Seyi, A., Uma, K.E. "Gender of the family head and food insecurity in urban and rural Nigeria" , *African Journal of Economic and Management Studies*,(2020) **ESCI Indexed**
- Guven-Lisaniler, F., Tuna, G., **Nwaka I.D.((2018))** "Sectoral Choice and Wage Differences amongst the Nigerian Public, Private and Self-employees" *International Journal of Manpower*, 39(1), 2-24, (2018) **SSCI Indexed**
- **Nwaka I.D.**, Guven-Lisaniler, F., Tuna, G. "Gender wage differences in Nigerian self and paid employment: Do marriage and children matter?" *The Economic and Labour Relations Review*, 27(4), 490 - 510 (2016) **SSCI Indexed**
- **Nwaka, I. D.**, Uma, K E., Tuna, G. "Trade openness and unemployment: Empirical evidence for Nigeria". *The Economic and Labour Relations Review*, 26(1), 117-136,(2015) **SSCI Indexed**.
- Uma, K. E., Eboh, F. E., **Nwaka, I. D.** "Foreign Direct Investment and Resources Utilisation: Implications for Nigeria's Economic Development" *British Journal of Economics, Management/Trade*,6(2),111-128,(2015).
- Uma, K. E., Eboh, F. E., **Nwaka, I. D.** "Government Expenditure in Nigeria: Effect on Economic Development" *American Journal of Social Issues and Humanities*, 3(3) (2013).
- Uma, K. E., **Nwaka, I. D.**, Enwere, G. (2013) "Restructuring Urban Solid Waste Management and Housing Problems for Economic Development: A Case of Nigeria" *Business Systems Review*, 2(3), 54-71.

PAPERS UNDER REVIEW–Social Science Citation Indexed (SSCI) and Scopus Journals

- **Nwaka, I. D.** "The drivers of home-based self-employment choices in Nigeria: Does homeownership matter?" *Journal of Family and Economic Issues*
- **Nwaka, I. D.**, Emeagwali, L.O. "Informal Service-Oriented, Non-Farm Household Enterprises

in Nigeria: Does Location Matter?" *IZA Journal of Development and Migration*

- **Nwaka, I D. and Uma K. E.**, "Examining Health and Productivity Differences in Urban – Rural Nigeria" *International Journal of Manpower*
- Nwaka, I.D. and **Uma, Kalu.**, "Dynamic Entrepreneurs or Subsistence Self-employed? Self-employment among urban and rural workers" *Small Business Economics*
- **Nwaka, I D.; Ongaro J.; Agboola E.; Yusuph, G.**, "Exploring Food Security, Agri-investment and agri-land in Kenya: Longrun Effects." *SageOpen*

Published in Conference Proceedings

- **Nwaka I. D.** "Globalization and Urban Informal Sector in Nigeria: Gender Perspective". *International Conference on Women Studies-Gender Equality and Law publications*, Center for Women Studies–Eastern Mediterranean University–(2012)

WORKING PAPER SERIES

- Nwaka, I. D., Onifade, S. T. "Government Size, Openness and Income Risk Nexus: New Evidence from Some African Countries" *African Governance and Development Institute (AGDI Working Paper)*, WP/15/056 (2015)

Thesis Supervision - Masters

- Eze Chijioke, (Completed May 2020) "Fresh Insights on Air Travel Demand in Nigeria: Determinants and Constraints"
- Patrick Ekpenyong Eyamba, (Completed - April 2019) "Determinants of Innovation across the Nigerian Enterprises: Does Size matter? "
- Kikemolomo Marilyn Johnson, (Completed - January 2019) "Gender and Urban/Rural Differences in Self-employment Earnings in Nigeria"
- Judith Anyango Ongaro, (Completed - June 2018) "Are there any effects of public spending and agricultural land-use on food security in Kenya?"
- Ugochukwu Godwin Odukwe, (2021) "Does the utilization of information and communication technology drive entrepreneurship in Nigeria?"
- Ouamba Aristide, (2021) "Beyond GDP: Social Progress and Self-employment in Africa"

Doctoral Thesis Assessor

- Okorie Uchekwu Emena, (Covenant University - Nigeria - January 2020) "The Role of Government Expenditure on Agricultural Output and Export in Nigeria under Break Stationary Series?"

On-Going Research

- Innovation and Productivity Differences across the Nigerian Firms: A micro evidence from Endogenous Switching Regression
- The Basic Income and Minimum Wage Debate in Canada.
- Gender Differences in Environmental Concerns and Activism in Africa.
- Does Home-Ownership Promote Self-employment entry in Nigeria?
- ICT Penetration in Africa: Exploring Gender/Regional Differences in Computer and Internet Use
- Labour Market Efficiency in North-Cyprus: Minimum Wage and Unemployment Effects
- Mostepenuik, A. and **Nwaka, I D.**, "Any Gender Gaps in Labour Force Participation Rates across Europe and Africa?"

Nwaka, I. D. "On Distributional Nature of Gender Occupational Segregation and Wage Gap in Nigerian Public and Private Employments"

- Self-employment, Trade Openness and Social Progress in Africa.
- Acute Respiratory Infection amongst Children in Nigeria: Does Women Empowerment Matter?
- Food Security and Homeownership in Africa.
- Household Food Expenditure Patterns in Nigeria: Any Regional Differences?

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES - MOST RECENT

- October 2019** 7th International Conference on Gender Studies Gender, Space, Place and Culture - Famagusta, Cyprus, via Mersin 10-Turkey. **Presented a paper on: Challenges of Women Entrepreneurs in North Cyprus: A Mixed Methods Approach**
- June 2019** 53rd Annual Canadian Economics Association Meetings (CEA)- Banff Center, Banff, Alberta, Canada. **Organized by the University of Calgary**
- January 2018** 2018 Allied Social Science Association (ASSA)/African Finance and Economic Association (AFEA)- Philadelphia, USA. **Presented a paper on: Are Female Headed Households More Food Secured? Evidence from Nigeria and Ethiopia**
- July 2016** 91st Annual Meeting of the Western Economic Association International-Portland Oregon, USA. **Paper on: Sectoral Choices and Wage Differences among the Nigerian Private, Public and Self-employees.**
- March 2015** 5th International Conference on Women Studies: Neoliberal Discourse and Gender Equality; Famagusta, Cyprus, via Mersin 10-Turkey. **Paper on: The Position of Women in the Nigerian Labour Market.**

SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2011-2012** Eastern Mediterranean University, Tuition Waiver for M.Sc. Economics programme.
- 2012 - 2016** Eastern Mediterranean University, Full Tuition Waiver for entire PhD Programme.

Refereed for: Economic and Labour Relations Review; African Development Review; International Journal of Manpower; Review of Development Economics; International Economic Journal; Energy and Environment; African Journal of Management and Economics; Environmental Science and Pollution Research; Applied Economics.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

Canadian Economics Association (CEA)
International Association of Feminist Economics (IAFFE)
Western Economic Association Internationals (WEAI)
African Finance and Economics Association (AFEA)
Allied Social Science Association (ASSA)
Junior Member; Business Laboratory (BS Lab), Spain
Associate Member; Institute of Chartered Economists of Nigeria (ICEN)