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Dr (Mrs) Vicky Onu lectures in the Department of Educational Foundation, University of Nigeria, Nsukka. She has two Masters degrees in Educational Psychology, Specializing in Childhood Education and Special Education Respectively, and a Ph.D in Special Education.

A Fulbright Scholar to Florida International University, USA in 1997-1998 and a partner to Hafford Thinking and Creativity Center, USA and Shalom Schools Ltd, Nigeria, she has worked variously with children and youths both nationally and internationally. Some of her creative works on Programme Development for Gifted Learners, Thinking Skills and Creativity are only a few of her laudable projects. She is a member of the Fulbright Alumni Association of Nigeria (FAAN); Founder of Gifted and Talented, and creative Children Association of Nigeria (GITCAN); Home Economic Research Association of Nigeria (HERAN) and the Director, African Network on Creativity among others. She is currently working on children stories, children films and children magazines. She strongly believes in character Development.

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2001 University of Nigeria, Nsukka

1993 University of Nigeria, Nsukka

1985 Ahmadu Bello University Zaria

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M.Ed - 1993 University of Nigeria, Nsukka

B.Sc - 1985 Ahmadu Bello University ZariaS

**WORK EXPERIENCE/POSITIONS HELD WITH DATES:**

2001 - till date Reader (Associate Professor)

Senior Lecturer

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Assistant Lecturer

Unit Head, Special Education, Department of Educational

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1993 - 2001 Coach, University of Nigeria, Nsukka

1987 - 1993 Class Teacher, Nsukka High School, Enugu State

**MEMBERSHIP OF BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

* Founder Gifted and Talented Children’s Association
* Member Fulbright Alumin Association
* Partner Hartford Thinking & Creativity Centre, USA
* Member Multi Educational Services Trust, (MEST) Nsukka
* Director Shalom Schools Limited
* Member Creative Problem Solving Institute (CPSI)
* President African Network on Creativity, Innovation and Entrepreneurship
* Member World Council for Exceptional Children
* Member World Council for Gifted Children

**AREAS OF RESEARCH SKILLS**

* Programming special learners
* Production of Educational Enrichment materials
* Curriculum for gifted/creative and talented children
* Creativity, problem solving, thinking skills, innovation and entrepreneurship

### PUBLISHER BOOKS

1. **Onu V. C** (2012) (3rd ed) Skills for the Gifted and Talented.
2. **Onu V.C** (2012) (3rd ed) Counseling Families with Special needs Children Olis Public.
3. **Onu, V.C.** (2012). Special Education Services. (1st Ed). Nsukka: MEST.
4. **Onu, V. C**., Okoro C., Nnamani, J. (2003). Practical Steps to Quantitative Reasoning Enugu , Olis. Book 1-6.
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Obiyo, N.O.; Igbo, J.N; **Onu, V.C**. (2013). Use of technology for students with emotional-behavioral – disorder (EBD) for enhancement of job opportunities*. International Journal of Education, Learning and Development* (IJELD) I (1), 37 – 45. **Impact Factor 0.7 to 0.8**.

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**Onu, V.C.** (2002). A review of causes and Effects of poverty on Children and Adolescents in Nigeria *Home Economics Research Association of Nigeria (HERAN*). 1 (1) pp 247-251.

## CONFERENCES AND LEARNED SOCIETY ACTIVITIES

**2012** First sub-regional inclusive education summit west and central African china

**2012** 22nd National Annual Conference and Workshop of the National Center for Exceptional Children (NCEC) at College of Health Sciences, Benue State University Makurdi, from 6th – 10th August, 2012

**2011** 13th Annual Internationals Conference of the Home Economics Research Association of Nigeria (HERAN) at University of Nigeria, Nsukka from 19th – 22nd September, 2011.

**2010** Innovation for transformation Creative Education Georgia USA

**2009** Effect of family support an antisocial behavior of schooling adolescents. Home Economics research Association of Ghana

**2008** Creative Problem Solving Institutes GPSI Georgia –Atlanta USA.

**2008** Art of innovation: integrating creativity reducing organization USA – Chicago 2008.

**2008** Assessment and Remediation Behaviors among Schooling Adolescent in Nigeria

**2008** National Council for Exceptional children Assessment of Teacher’s Perceived Role in Ensuring Inclusive Education of Special Need Children in Nigeria.

**2008 Onu V.C**. (2008) Teaching Creativity and Technology in Nigeria Schools. (CEDR University of Nigeria Nsuakka).

**2008 Onu V.C**. (2008) Youths as Endangered Specie: What Hope for the Future. A paper read at Ebonyi Youth Empowerment Project August.

**2006** Creative Problem Solving Institute GPSI Chicago –USA

**2006** Breaking of Early Childhood Curriculum into Schemes of Work.

**2006** TOT on Early Childhood Education. UNICEF Enugu June

**2006** Thinking and problem solving skills among primary school learners in UNICEF ZONE A Field office

**2005** Brainwise learning and Implication for Early Childhood caregivers.

**2005** UNICEF TRAINING for Primary Scholl Teachers and Non-formal Educators.

**2004** National Council for Exceptional Children. Assessment and Programming for Special Needs Children

**2004** Onu, V.C. (2004). Competencies for special Educators in Primary Schools; Implications for policy makers in Nigeria. A Paper Presented at the Nigeria Primary and Teacher Education 2004 Conference. Federal College of Education (Tech) Asaba, Delta State 31st-4th June.

**2004** The use of Computer Based Instruction in Teaching Children in the 21st Century. CUDIMAC, UNN Nsukka.

**2004** Nigeria Primary & Teacher Education 2004 conference Delta Asaba Federal College of Education.

**2004** Valedictory Conference in Honour of Prof. (Mrs) O. C Nwanna. The Teacher and Nation Building: A conference hosted by the Dept of Health & Physical Education. U.N.N

**2004** National Council of Educational psychologist: Perspectives and Challenges in Educational Psychology. UNN

**2003** Advocacy and Rehabilitation for Special Needs Children: Integrative disclosure Education for persons with Special Needs for Self Reliance in the Society. Abuja.

**2003** Fulbright Alumni Association of Nigeria: Jos Achieving Fulbright Goals in a Democratic Nation. Jos.

**2002** National Council for Exceptional Children Prospects of Special Education for Children with Special Needs in the 21st Century. Minna.

**2002** Home Economics 2002 Conference: Nsukka Research Imperatives in Home Economics, Home Econ. Nsukka.

**2002** Fulbright Alumni Association of Nigeria Globalization and National Development in Nigeria. Nsukka.

**2000** Onu, V. C. (2000): Dealing with peer pressure a paper presented at a workshop organized for teachers and heads in Anambra State.

**1998** Actions for the Gifted and Talented: Nigerians Perspective Federal Government School for the Gifted. Suleja.

**1998** International Reading Association Conference Tampa FL. USA

**1998** International Workshop in Thinking skills Miami Fl. USA.

**1998 Onu, V. C**. (1998): Development of Educational Programme for Stimulating Problem Solving Skills. An initiative for schools. A paper presented at a workshop for college of Education, Florida International University, U.S.A. (1998).

**1998** **Onu, V. C** (1998): Networking among Non- Governmental Organizations. A challenge for developing nations: A paper presented at a workshop for African Women in the U.S.A, by the Institute for African studies U.S.A.

**1998 Onu, V.C** (1998): Story telling among African Children: A Practical Demonstration, Maimi. FL

**1998 Onu, V.C.** (1998): “Africa in the U.S. Curriculum” Teachers Workshop Maimi, USA.

**1997** Peer Teaching by Special Needs Teachers. Miami Fl. USA.

**1997 Onu, V.C**. (1997): The Role of Gifted Education in Developing Nation: A paper presented at a Workshop on Education for the faculty of Education, Florida International University, Miami.

**GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

Fulbright Fellowship - Florida international university 1997 - 1998

**SKILLS AND QUALIFICATIONS**

* Creativity Training (27 years experience)
* Whole Brain Development (25 years experience)
* Education Resource Centres (15 years experience)
* Textbook development and provision (20 years experience)
* Early Childhood Education (25 years experience)
* Curriculum Development (18 years experience)
* Programme development for Gifted Talented and Creative (20 years)
* Programme Development for learning disabled Children. (20 years).
* Entrepreneurship Development (15 years).