**DR. GEORGE CHIDI IHEANACHO** **October 7, 2026**

Assistant Professor, Faculty of Canon Law, Saint Paul University.

# CURRICULUM VITAE

a) **NAME**:

**DR. GEORGE CHIDI IHEANACHO**, tenure-tracked Member of the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

b) **DEGREES**:

J.C.D, Canon Law, Saint Paul University, Ottawa, ON, 2024.

Ph. D, Canon Law, University of Ottawa, ON, 2024.

J.C.L, Canon Law, Institut catholique de Paris (Université catholique d'Afrique centrale/Institut catholique de Yaoundé, Cameroon), 2009.

B. Th., Theology, Théologat Saint Eugène de Mazenod (Kinshasa), 1997.

Dip. Phil., Philosophy, Spiritan School of Philosophy, (Isienu-Nsukka), 1989.

c) **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**:

Saint Paul University:

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| 2024- | Assistant Professor, Faculty of Canon Law, Saint Paul University, Ottawa, Canada (Since 2024). |
| | Winter Session, Lecturer, Faculty of Canon Law, Saint Paul University, Ottawa, Canada. |
| 2021 | Canonical Assessor, Centre for Canonical Services, Saint Paul University, Ottawa, Canada. |
| 2020 | Fall Session, Part-time Professor, Faculty of Canon Law, Saint Paul University, Ottawa, Canada. |
| | Winter Session, Teaching Assistant, Faculty of Canon Law, Saint Paul University, Ottawa, Canada. |

Elsewhere:

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| 2023-2026 | Unit Animation Vicar and Provincial Councillor, Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, Notre-Dame-du-Cap Province, Québec-Canada. |
| 2021 | Canonical Assessor, Archdiocese of St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada. |
| | Canonical Adviser, Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, Notre Dame-Du-Cap Province, Québec, (Canada). |
| 2016-2018 | Pastoral Leadership, Divine Mercy Personal Parish Community, Maroua-Cameroun. |
| 2017 | Lecturer, English language, Grand Séminaire St. Augustin, Maroua, Cameroon. |
| 2013-2016 | Pastoral Leadership, Saint Martin Parish Community, Ihiteowerri, Nigeria. |
| 2009-2015 | Unit Animation Leader, Nigeria Mission, Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, Nigeria. |
| 2011-2012 | Lecturer, Canon Law, St. Augustine's Major seminary, Jos-Nigeria. |
| 2009-2018 | Canonical Adviser, Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, Cameroon. |
| 2009- | Canonical Adviser, Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, Nigeria. |
| 2006-2009 | Pastoral Leadership Vicar, St. Raphael & St. Tobias Parish Community, Mbankolo-Yaoundé, Cameroon. |
| 2004-2006 | Formator/Animator, Oblate Religious Formation Institute, Maroua-Cameroun. |
| 2000-2004 | Pastoral Leadership, Saint Joseph Parish Community, Obibi-Ochasi, Nigeria. |

d) **HONOURS**: F.R.S., F.R.S.C., Governor Generals Award, honorary degree, etc.

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| 2019-2023 | French Language Exoneration Scholarship, SPU. |
| 2022 | Francis Morrisey Scholarship, SPU. |
| 2019-2022 | Admission Scholarship, SPU. |

e) **SCHOLARLY AND PROFESSIONAL ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES**: e.g., executive and editorial positions but not memberships in societies

Professional Academic Activities:

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| 2026- | Coordinator, Canon Law Webinar Series, Faculty of Canon Law, SPU. |
| 2024- | Scholarships and Academic Awards Committee, SPU. |
| 2024- | Editorial Board of *Studia Canonica* (Faculty of Canon Law, SPU) |
| 2021- | Consultancy services, Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, Province of Notre-Dame-du-Cap, Québec-Canada. |
| 2021 | Assessor, Canonical case, Centre for Canonical Services, SPU. |
| 2009-2018 | Consultancy services, Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, Province of Cameroon. |
| 2009- | Consultancy services, Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, Nigeria Mission, Nigeria. |

Further Academic Activities:

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| 2018 | Preparation of Statutes for the Nigeria Oblate Mission – with modifications approved by the General Administration, Rome; Canonical Expert for the Unit. |

Committees:

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| 2026- | Coordinating Team, Canon law webinar series, Faculty of Canon law, SPU. |
| 2023 | Recruitment Committee for the New Rector, SPU. |
| 2022 - 2024 | Ad hoc Committee for the Revision of the Statutes of SPU. |
| 2022- | Mix Committee, SPU-OMI, Ottawa, Canada. |

Jury Member of JCD - *completed*:

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| 2026 | *Anthoni Bawanthade* (2026), The Reform of Instituted Ministries in Light of *Spiritus Domini* and *Antiquum Ministerium*: Canonical Developments and Synodal Implications, (Supervisor, Prof. Chad GLENDINNING). |
| 2026 | *Stuart Macdonald* (2026), Restricting a Diocesan Priest's Celebration of the Eucharist *coram populo* by Non-Penal Administrative Decree, (Supervisor, Prof. John A. RENKEN). |
| 2026 | *Vincent Gardiner* (2026), The Canonical Institute of Separation of Spouses with the Bond Remaining and Civil Separation and Divorce in the United States of America: Canonical Development since the Late Nineteenth |

Century with Particular Reference to the Archdiocese of Chicago, Doctoral thesis in Canon Law, Completed. Saint Paul University (Supervisor, Prof. Wojciech KOWAL).

2025 *Patience Kinshie Lenye* (2025), Le scandale dans l'Église : la discipline et l'application du canon 1399, Doctoral thesis in Canon Law, Completed. Saint Paul University (Supervisor, Prof. Valere Nkouaya MBANDJI).

2025 *Clark James* (2025), The Presumption of Imputability and the Presumption of Innocence: Two Presumptions in Conflict? Doctoral thesis in Canon Law, Completed. Saint Paul University (Supervisor, Prof. John A. RENKEN).

2024 *Simon Mary of the Cross* (*Nicholas Todd Maroney* [2024]), The Spiritual Director in Orders of Monks: A Canonical Analysis, Doctoral thesis in Canon Law, Completed. Saint Paul University (Supervisor, Prof. Chad GLENDINNING).

f) **GRADUATE SUPERVISIONS**: count of master's, doctoral, postdoctoral – completed / in progress:

Completed: JCD/PhD., Postdoctoral:
JCL/MA: 12

In progress: JCD/PhD.: 3
Postdoctoral:
JCL/MA: 9

**NAME OF STUDENTS** supervised, title of thesis or project, year of first registration and year of completion:

Detailed list of JCD/PhD. *in progress*:

1. *Charles Ogbuagu*, Financial Administration in accordance with Canon 1282: A Canonical Appraisal of the Financial Policies and Practices in Awka Diocese Nigeria, 2025 *in progress*
2. *Patrick Chongo*, Small Christian Communities in AMECEA Region in the Light of Canon 225 in a Synodal Church: A Canonical Analysis, 2025 *in progress*
3. *Thulani Gubula*, Recognition and Penal Measures for Good and Bad Administrators: Looking at Ways of Reinforcing Canons 1284 and 1287 in the Southern African Catholic Bishops' Conference (SACBC) Region, 2026 *in progress*

Detailed list of JCL/MA *completed*

1. *John Arulthas Marlyanayagam*.: Canonical analysis of Spiritual Patrimony in the Religious Institute with specific reference to the Order of St. Augustine in accordance with c. 578 (2025-2026).
2. *Jacqueline Leiter*: *Christo Omnino Nihil Praeponant*: Consecrated Life as Sacramental in the Context of Benedictine Monastic Life (2025-2026).
3. *Vincent Lim*: Parish Corporations envisioned under Ontario Not-for-Profit Corporations Act (ONCA) (2025-2026).
4. *Paul Simms*: The canonical status of church buildings found on First Nations Reserves (2025-2026).
5. *Anthony Simon*: L'implication des fidèles laïcs au pouvoir de gouvernement de l'Église à la lumière de la réforme du Pape François (2025-2026).
6. *Partrick Bénéteau*, The Diocesan Synod: An Expression of Synodality and Mission (2024-2025).
7. *JiHwan CHO*, An Examination of *'Potestas Regiminis'*: The Interplay of Canon 129, §1 and the Canonical Implications of Pope Francis' Rescript on Canon 588, §2 (2024-2025).
8. *Adaeze MUOH*, The Tension Between Individual Right and the Obligation of the Vow of Obedience with Respect to the Missionary Sisters of the Holy Rosary (cc 223, §1; 598, and 601) (2024-2025).
9. *Ambrose OJOKO*, The Role of the Church and the State in Christian Funeral in Nigeria, in the light of Canon 1176, §2 (2024-2025).
10. *Francisco Javier RODRIGUEZ-RUBI.*, The Restoration of the *Bona Fama* (c. 220) of a Cleric After he has been Acquitted (*Constat de no*) of *Delicta Graviora Contra Mores* (c. 1398) (2024-2025).
11. *Arnuphap WONGKAEW*, The Transfer of Religious to Diocesan Clergy according to the Code of Canon Law 1983 (2024-2025).
12. *Michal KRUSZEWSKI*, Diocesan and Parish Pastoral Councils as Expression of Synodality in the Church (2024-2025).

g) **GRADUATE COURSES**: by year

Graduate courses:

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| 2026-2027 | DCA 5137: Teaching Office of the Church (1.5 cr.) |
| 2026-2027 | DCA 5128: Sanctifying Office of the Church (3 cr.) |
| 2026-2027 | DCA 5203: Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life (3 cr.) |
| 2026-2027 | DCA 6395: Research Seminar (1.5 cr.) |
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| 2025-2026 | DCA 6395: Research Seminar (1.5 cr.) |
| 2025-2026 | DCA 5127: Particular churches (3 cr.) |
| 2025-2026 | DCA 6396 - Selected Topics in Canon Law I: Relations between Church and Political Communities (1.5 cr.) |
| 2025-2026 | DCA 5128: Sanctifying Office of the Church (3 cr.) |
| 2025-2026 | DCA 5137: Teaching Office of the Church (1.5 cr.) |
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| 2024-2025 | DCA 6395: Research Seminar (1.5 cr.) |
| 2024-2025 | DCA 5132: Administrative Institutes (3 cr.) |
| 2023-2024 | DCA 5203: Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life (3 cr.) |
| 2023-2024 | DCA 5127: Particular churches (3 cr.) |
| 2020-2021 | DCA 5137: Teaching Office of the Church (1.5 cr.) |
| 2019-2020 | DCA 6161: Foundation of Canon Law and DCA 6117: Institutes of Law (Teaching assistant). |

h) 1. **EXTERNAL RESEARCH FUNDING**: by year, indicating source (granting councils, industry, government, foundations, other); amount; principal investigator; purpose (research, travel, publications, operating, equipment, etc.)

| Year | Source | Program | Type* | Amount/Year | PI | Purpose** |
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*Type: C – Granting Councils; G – Government; F – Foundations; O – Other
**Purpose: research, travel, publication, etc.

2. **INTERNAL RESEARCH FUNDING**: This includes university funds, SSHRS minor grants awarded through the University, etc.

Year Source Program Type* Amount/Year PI Purpose**

*Type: C – Granting Councils; G – Government; F – Foundations; O – Other

**Purpose: research, travel, publication, etc.

| **Year** | **Source** | **Amount** | **Purpose** |
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| 2026-2027 | Professional Development Fund | 2500 | Membership fees; other |
| 2025-2026 | Professional Development Fund | 2500 | Publication; Membership; other |
| 2024-2025 | Professional Development Fund | 2500 | Research material; other |
| 2024 | Travel grants (SPU) | 970.44 | Conference participation; other |

i) **PUBLICATIONS**: The Publications should be listed in the categories shown below and include the following information: books authored, books edited (a list of the chapters contributed by the editor must follow each title), chapters in books (other than those listed in the above category), papers in refereed journals, papers in refereed conference proceedings, technical reports, abstracts and/or papers read, and others. Each title must show the names of the authors in the order in which they appear in the original publication and inclusive page numbers. Publications submitted, but not yet accepted, must be listed separately within the various categories.

1) Life-time summary (count) according to the following categories:

Books authored..... 1
Books co-authored (in preparation) ..... 1
Books edited.....
Chapters in books .....
Papers in refereed journals ..... 2
Papers in refereed conference proceedings .....
Major invited contributions and/or technical reports ..... 12
Abstracts and/or papers read .....
Other (e.g.., workshops presented, other types of publications) ..... 2

2) Details, same categories as above: books, chapters in books, papers in refereed journals, etc.

**Books authored:**

1. IHEANACHO, G.C., *L'Église catholique au Nord-Cameroun et les Missionnaires Oblats : autonomie juridique et dialectique intra-ecclésiale (1946-2026)*, Paris, Édition L'Harmattan-Cameroun, 2026.

**Books co-authored (*in preparation*):**

1. HUELS J.M. and G.C. IHEANACHO, *The Teaching Office of the Catholic Church. A Commentary on Book III of the Code of Canon Law*, 2 edition, Faculty of Canon Law, Saint Paul University, 2028, 400 p.

**Chapters in Books:**

**Papers in Refereed Journals:**

1. IHEANACHO, G.C., « Institutes of Consecrated Life, Societies of Apostolic Life, and Associations of Lay Faithful: The need for Collaboration», in *African Journal of Contextual Theology (AJCT),* vol. 15, n°1 (2026), 236-259, https://www.acjol.com/journal/ajct/ls8qt
2. IHEANACHO, G.C., « Les instituts religieux et les églises particulières face aux œuvres d'apostolat : concurrence déloyale ou culture de relation ecclésiale? », in *Studia canonica*, 59 (2025), 63-94.

**Papers in Refereed Conference Proceedings:**

**Major invited contributions and/or technical reports**

1. IHEANACHO, G.C., La vie consacrée, le diocèse et le droit canonique aujourd'hui : quelques modifications normatives récentes et défis. À l'occasion des 80 ans de la présence/action missionnaire des Oblats de Marie Immaculée au Cameroun et du lancement/séances de dédicaces du livre *L'Église catholique au Nord-Cameroun et les Missionnaires Oblats : autonomie juridique et dialectique intra-ecclésiale (1946-2026)*, Paris, Édition L'Harmattan-Cameroun, 2026, le 24 juin 2026 à l'Institut Supérieur de Philosophie Saint Joseph Mukasa Nkolbisson-Yaoundé-Cameroun.

2. IHEANACHO, G.C., La vie consacrée, le diocèse et le droit canonique aujourd'hui : quelques modifications normatives récentes et défis. À l'occasion des 80 ans de la présence/action missionnaire des Oblats de Marie Immaculée au Cameroun et du lancement/séances de dédicaces du livre *L'Église catholique au Nord-Cameroun et les Missionnaires Oblats : autonomie juridique et dialectique intra-ecclésiale (1946-2026)*, Paris, Édition L'Harmattan-Cameroun, 2026, le 3 juillet 2026 à l'Église paroissiale Saint Pierre, Garoua-Cameroun.
3. IHEANACHO, G.C., Legal Education: The Concept of Proper Law in Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life. Legal education for Leadership of Religious Institutes and their Lay Collaborators, 8-11 June 2026, Ottawa, Faculty of Canon Law, Saint Paul University.
4. IHEANACHO, G.C., Formation légale: Le concept de lois propre dans les institutes de vie consacrée et les sociétés de vie apostolique. Formation légale pour le leadership des instituts religieux et leurs collaborateurs laïques, 8-11 juin 2026, Ottawa, Faculté de Droit canonique, Université Saint-Paul.
5. IHEANACHO, G.C., Formation légale: Collaboration des autres fidèles avec les instituts religieux : le cas des associations de fidèles laïcs. Formation légale pour le leadership des instituts religieux et leurs collaborateurs laïques, 9-12 juin 2025, Ottawa, Faculté de Droit canonique, Université Saint-Paul.
6. IHEANACHO, G.C., Legal Education: Collaboration of other Faithful with Religious Institutes: The case of the Association of Lay Faithful. Legal education for Leadership of Religious Institutes and their Lay Collaborators, 9-12 June 2025, Ottawa, Faculty of Canon Law, Saint Paul University.
7. IHEANACHO, G.C., La concurrence déloyale ou la culture de relation ecclésiale? Le défis de la collaboration entre les institutions diocésaines et religieuses dans une Église synodale, Société canadienne de Droit canonique, 58$^{e}$ congrès annuel, octobre 21-24, 2024, Hôtel Château Laurier, Québec.
8. IHEANACHO, G.C., Unhealthy Competition or Culture of Ecclesial Relationship? Challenges of Collaboration Between Diocesan and Religious Institutions in a Synodal Church, Canadian Canon Law Society 58th Annual Convention, October 21-24, 2024, Château Laurier Hotel Québec.
9. IHEANACHO, G.C., Webinar. Normes sur les Instituts de vie consacrée et les Sociétés de vie apostolique : évolutions et modifications récentes, Online, 23 November 2022, Ottawa, Faculté de Droit canonique, Université Saint-Paul.

10. IHEANACHO, G.C., Leadership and Governance in Religious Life Today: Some Challenges and Recent Modifications in Canon Law, Congregation of the Sons of Mary Mother of Mercy, Regional Assembly, Cornwall, ON, 3 October 2022.
11. IHEANACHO, G.C., Présentation de la *Ratio Fondamentalis Institutionis Sacerdotalis* au presbyterium, Diocese of Maroua-Mokolo, Cameroon, March 22, 2018.
12. IHEANACHO, G.C., Religieux dans l'église locale : dialogue au service de la communion. *« Religieux et clergés diocésains : mission commune dans l'église particulière »,* Formation Session for Religious men and women, at Édéa and Nkongsamba, Ecclesiastical Province of Douala, Cameroun, 2009.

**Abstracts and/or papers read**

**Other** (e.g.., workshops presented, other types of publications)

1. IHEANACHO, G.C., "The Final Report of the Canonical Commission is Out - What Next?", in *VoiceAfrique. Catholic News Analysis*, October 5, 2026, 1-5, https://voiceafrique.org/the-final-report/
2. IHEANACHO, G.C., Vers une structure oblate plus adaptée au contexte de la Province Notre-Dame-du-Cap, Assemblée de mi-mandat, Les Missionnaires Oblats de Marie Immaculée, Richelieu, 18-21 février 2025.

**Membership in Professional Associations and Societies:**

1. Canon Law Society of America (CLSA).
2. Canadian Canon Law Society (CCLS).

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**October 7, 2026**