



April 9, 2019

From: **Chidi Igwe, PhD**
ISA 2019 Program Chair

Dear ISA Members and Conference Participants:

Greetings to all of you!

We are getting closer to the 17th Annual International Conference of the Igbo Studies Association to be held at the Dominican University, River Forest, Illinois, USA, May 9-11, 2019. I would like to bring you some important information and updates.

1. CONFERENCE INFORMATION

The updated conference information including abstracts and names of conference participants will soon become available on the ISA website: <https://igbostudiesassociation.org>.

2. ACCOMMODATION

Please contact the conference hotel as follows to reserve your rooms. You may call the hotel by phone or book online through the link below. To be guaranteed a room, please make all reservations by **May 2, 2019**. Thereafter, reservations will be taken on a space and rate availability basis only:

Hotel: Holiday Inn Express and Suites
Chicago West O'Hare Airport Area
200 South Mannheim Road, Hillside, IL 60162, USA

Group Name: Dominican University
Conference Discount Code: DUD
Conference Discount Rate: \$92 Per Night (*discount rate is valid till May 2, 2019*)
Checking in: May 8, 2019
Checking out: May 12, 2019
Hotel Front Desk: 708-544-2700

Online Booking:
<https://www.hiexpress.com/redirect?path=hd&brandCode=EX&localeCode=en®ionCode=1&hotelCode=CHIHA&PMID=99801505&GPC=DUD&cn=no&viewfullsite=true>

3. AIR TRANSPORTATION

Your destination airport is: **O'Hare International Airport, 10000 W O'Hare Ave, Chicago, IL 60666, USA**

4. GROUND TRANSPORTATION

We have made an arrangement with the hotel for their shuttle to pick you up at the airport when you arrive. **Please contact the hotel latest 24 hours ahead of your arrival time to book appointment for their shuttle to pick you up.** You may need to provide your flight information and arrival time. You may reserve your shuttle by phone or using the following email address: gm@holidayinnwestohare.com.

5. CONFERENCE REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

We are encouraged by the number of participants who have completed their \$50 or ₦15,000 pre-registration. If you are yet to pay yours, please pay immediately using the following details:

Account Name: Dr. Ijeoma Nwajiaku
Bank: Fidelity Bank PLC
Account No: 6052600842

You may pay the conference fee through the link below or wait till you arrive in Chicago: <https://www.igbostudiesassociation.org/index.php/membership/conference-fees>

The conference fees are as follows:

- Regular Member - \$100
- Regular Africa – \$70
- Student Member - \$50
- Life Member - \$100
- Non-Member - \$120

Please ensure to forward an electronic copy of your payment confirmation to Dr. Chidi Igwe (chidi.igwe@gmail.com), Sr. Dr. Bellarmine Ezumah (bellaezuma@gmail.com) and Dr. Ada Azodo (azodo@aol.com).

6. CONFERENCE BROCHURE

You have an opportunity to advertise your business, your book(s) or send a goodwill message to the Igbo Studies Association for a small fee. Please contact me at chidi.igwe@gmail.com, regarding this opportunity, before April 15, 2019.

7. CONFIRMATION OF YOUR ARRIVAL

As you receive your visa and confirm your travel plans, please inform me by email. Having an idea of how many people coming will definitely help the conference committee in our planning process.

8. COMPLETED CONFERENCE PAPER

Note that it is extremely important that you submit a fully completed conference paper. You must use the Chicago Manual of Style for endnotes and bibliography. We would appreciate the submission of papers that have been fully written and edited, between 22-25 pages in length and includes full bibliographical references and citations. Selected papers will be included in the Igbo

Studies Review or in an edited collection. Send your papers directly to conference@igbostudiesassociation.org.

Thank you and we hope to see all of you in Chicago!

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