

# ONA OSHEN

## Curriculum Vitae

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Osgoode Hall Law School, York University  
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### EDUCATION

Current	<b>PhD, Law (Candidate)</b> Osgoode Hall Law School, York University	Toronto, Canada
2023	<b>Certificate, Interactive E-Learning Module on Operationalizing the Right to Development in Implementing the Sustainable Development Goals</b> University for Peace (UPEACE), Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), and United Nations University International Institute for Global Health (UNU-IIGH)	Online Course
2014	<b>Diploma, Professional French/Business</b> CCI Paris Île-de-France	Paris, France
2008 – 2009	<b>MPhil in Management</b> Judge Business School, University of Cambridge	Cambridge, United Kingdom
2007	<b>LLM, Regulatory Law</b> Oliver Schreiner School of Law, University of the Witwatersrand	Johannesburg, South Africa
2003 – 2006	<b>LLB, Law (with Distinction) (First Class)</b> Oliver Schreiner School of Law, University of the Witwatersrand	Johannesburg, South Africa

### ACADEMIC FELLOWSHIPS

2021 – 2023	<b>York University Graduate Fellowship (Doctoral)</b> Osgoode Hall Law School, York University	Toronto, Canada
2021 – 2022	<b>Harry W. Arthurs Fellowship</b> Osgoode Hall Law School, York University	Toronto, Canada

### OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2020 – Present	<b>Principal</b> OneRose Consulting	Toronto, Canada
2023 – 2024	<b>Consultant</b> United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)	New York, USA
2018 – 2020	<b>Legal Counsel and Board Director</b> JCM Power Corporation	Toronto, Canada

2017 – 2018	<b>Associate (Finance Practice)</b> Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP	New York, USA
2015 – 2016	<b>Senior Associate (Tax &amp; Regulatory Services)</b> PricewaterhouseCoopers Limited	Lagos, Nigeria
2015	<b>Associate</b> Templars	Lagos, Nigeria
2012 – 2013	<b>Corps Member, National Youth Service Corps</b> Chasel Chambers	Abuja, Nigeria
2009 – 2012	<b>Associate (Environmental &amp; Capital Markets Practices)</b> Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP	New York, USA
2008	<b>Researcher (Digital Media &amp; Electronic Communications Practice)</b> Werksmans Attorneys	Johannesburg, South Africa
2007	<b>Research Assistant</b> African AIDS Vaccine Programme (AAVP), WHO/UNAIDS	Johannesburg, South Africa

#### **HONORS, AWARDS & RECOGNITION**

2023 – 2024	<b>Newton W. Rowell Ontario Graduate Scholarship</b> Osgoode Hall Law School, York University
2023 – 2024	<b>Ontario Graduate Scholarship</b> Osgoode Hall Law School, York University
2021 – 2025	<b>Elia Scholars Program</b> York University
2021 – 2024	<b>Harley D. Hallet Graduate Scholarship</b> Osgoode Hall Law School, York University
2020	<b>Highest number of nominations for company performance awards</b> JCM Power Corporation
2019 – 2020	<b>Win-of-the-month employee award (three-time recipient)</b> JCM Power Corporation
2018 – 2019	<b>Canada Graduate Scholarships – Master’s Program (CGS-M) (<i>declined</i>)</b> University of Toronto
2009	<b>Most Outstanding Youth Award</b> Nigeria Achievement Awards, South Africa
2008 – 2009	<b>Commonwealth (Cambridge) Scholarship</b> University of Cambridge
2007	<b>Postgraduate Masters Merit Award</b>

University of the Witwatersrand

- 2006      **E P/Henry Bradlow/John Lemmer Scholarships**  
University of the Witwatersrand
- 2006      **EJA Loerincz Scholarship**  
University of the Witwatersrand
- 2006      **Bell, Dewar and Hall Prize in Administrative Law**  
Oliver Schreiner School of Law, University of the Witwatersrand
- 2006      **Nadine Mann Memorial Prize in Practical Legal Studies**  
Oliver Schreiner School of Law, University of the Witwatersrand
- 2006      **Certificates of Merit for Best Student in Administrative Law, Appropriate Dispute Resolution, Practical Legal Studies, and Security Law**  
Oliver Schreiner School of Law, University of the Witwatersrand
- 2006      **Top Achievers Award**  
Jubilee Hall, University of the Witwatersrand
- 2004 – 2005      **University Council Merit Scholarship**  
University of the Witwatersrand

## **MEDIA, PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT & ADVOCACY**

### **CONFERENCES AND PANELS ORGANIZED**

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- 2023      Africa Climate Forum. *Powering the Future: Financing Energy Transition for Sustainable Progress*. Abuja, Nigeria. October 10 – 11 (Organizer, with: Global Centre for Law, Business and Economy).

### **MEDIA ENGAGEMENT**

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- 2024      *Spotlight on Ona Oshen (NY, '09, Revisited '17)*. Featured by the international law firm, Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP (March).
- 2019      *'I Could Have Been an Astronaut, Musician'*. Described as a mentor. The Nation Newspaper (June 4).
- 2016      Featured in annual “10 years on” segment, regarding top law students of 2006. Without Prejudice legal magazine, Vol. 16, No. 4 (May).
- 2011      *Where Are They Now? – Top Students of 2006*. Without Prejudice legal magazine, Vol. 12, No. 5 (June).
- 2007      *Top Law Students in SA's Top Universities*. Without Prejudice legal magazine, Vol. 7, No. 3 (April)

## ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

### INTERNATIONAL AND NATIONAL EXPERT PANELS/COMMITTEES

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2022 – 2023      *National Artificial Intelligence Policy*. Member, Volunteer Expert Group, and Lead, Security Cluster. National Information Technology Development Agency, Nigeria (September 30 – April 30).

### PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

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2024 – Present      **Legal Advisor**  
Dominican College Abuja

### ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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2020 – Present      **Law Society of Ontario**

2014 – Present      **Nigerian Bar Association**

2010 – Present      **New York Bar**

## LANGUAGES

**English**              Advanced written, oral, and reading proficiency

**French**                Written, oral, and reading proficiency