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SUMMARY

A leading international scholar and public intellectual with over 30 years of expertise in gender and African studies, known for her commitment to social justice and activism. With a strong focus on the intersectionality of gender, race, and culture, her scholarship integrates critical theory with artistic expressions, highlighting the transformative power of the arts in advocating for marginalized voices. In the classroom and through public lectures, publications, and community engagement, she challenges prevailing narratives and fosters dialogue on issues of equity, representation, and healing, making significant contributions to both academic discourse and public awareness. In 2024 she established *715House*, a creative media company, with her daughter, Akosua-Asamoabea, a filmmaker.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Professor, Institute of African Studies, 2010 to date
Ag. Dean, International Programmes, 2019 – 2020
Director, Institute of African Studies, 2010 – 2015
Director, Centre for Gender Studies and Advocacy, 2005 – 2009
Associate Professor, Institute of African Studies, 2003 – 2010
Senior Research Fellow, Institute of African Studies, 1996 – 2003
Research Fellow, Institute of African Studies, 1992 – 1996
Junior Research Fellow, Institute of African Studies, 1989 – 1992

VISITING POSITIONS

Wangari Maathai Guest Professor, University of Kassel; 2023 – 2024
Fulbright-Scholar-in-Residence, Concordia University, Irvine; 2015 – 2016
Mellon Visiting Fellow, University of Cape Town; July 25 – Sept. 2014
Guest Researcher, Nordic Africa Institute, Uppsala; May 3 – June 30, 2006
Fulbright New Century Scholar/Professor, The Pennsylvania State University; 2004 – 2005
Visiting Research Fellow, University of Manchester, UK; July – August 2003
Visiting Research Fellow, Centre for West African Studies, University of Birmingham, UK; 2000
Research Associate, African Gender Institute, University of Cape Town; Sept. – November 1998
Visiting Research Fellow, University of Liverpool; November – December 1992
Visiting Research Fellow, Centre for Non-Western Studies, University of Leiden; 1991

EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

1995-1999: Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN; Doctor of Philosophy, Sociology.
1994-1995: Tulane University, New Orleans, LA; (*transferred to Vanderbilt University).
1991-1992: University of Ghana, Legon; Part I towards Master of Philosophy, Population Geography.
1985-1986: Kwame Nkrumah University of Science & Technology, Kumasi, Master of Science, Development Planning & Management.
1984-1985: University of Dortmund, Post-graduate Diploma, Regional & Spatial Planning.
1983-1984: Albert-Ludwigs University, Freiburg, Certificate in German as a

1979-1982: Second Language.
Kwame Nkrumah University of Science & Technology, Kumasi;
Bachelor of Science, Architectural Design.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Sexuality, gender-based violence, masculinities, popular and youth cultures, knowledge systems (decolonizing knowledge and praxis), aesthetics as expressed in art, music, and the built environment. Future directions: bringing over three decades of work into therapeutic stories.

Current Research Projects

- “Healing Justice Chronicles” employs the autobiographical self as a lens to chronicle a social history of practices of kindness, justice and healing that can animate hope-filled visions as we grapple with multilayered experiences of trauma and injustice. Located in the intersection of African/Black, feminist, literary, and contemporary media scholarship, I explore philosophies of human interconnectedness and ethical obligations as therapeutic and transformative tools.
- “Unsettling Masculinities” investigates the multiple and complex ways in which young men express and perform their masculinities. Cities where the research has been carried out so far are Accra, Dortmund, Dusseldorf, Kampala, London, Nairobi, Oshawa, Philadelphia, and Pretoria. A 12-part podcast series is under production
- “Entanglement, Mobility and Improvisation; Culture and Arts in Contemporary African Urbanism and its Hinterlands”. The project seeks to surface the defining features of urban spaces and their rural hinterlands. The cities identified for this study are, Kampala, Pretoria, Johannesburg, Cape Town, Accra, Nairobi and Lagos (with Dr Irene Appeaning-Addo, University of Ghana; PI: James Ogude, University of Pretoria and funded by the Mellon Foundation).

DETAILS OF TEACHING AND SUPERVISION

Undergraduate:

Contemporary African Societies
Culture and Self
Gender and Culture in Africa
Intercultural Communication
Introduction to African Studies
Introduction to Social Research
Issues in Population & Development in Africa
Social Stratification
The Sociology of Medicine and Health Behaviour

Graduate:

African Thinkers
Culture and Gender in African Societies
Gender and Development in Africa
Men and Masculinities in Africa
Reproductive Health in Africa
Research Methods
Advanced Research Methods

AWARDS and HONOURS

2019

- Appointed Honorary Professor, Department of African Studies, University of Birmingham.

2016

- Inducted as a Fellow of the Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences.
- Nr 81 on e.TV Ghana's list of 100 Most Influential Ghanaians.

2015

- Appointed Honorary Fellow of the Human Science Research Council, South Africa.
- Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence (taken up at Concordia University, Irvine, California).
- Selected to present the 2015 Distinguished *African Studies Review* lecture at the Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association (San Diego, November).

2013

- Excellent Leadership Awards Group, ExLA, 2013 Silver award for the Most Pragmatic University Staff Leader.

2010

- 2010 Sociologists for Women and Society, SWS, Feminist Activism Award.

2004 to 2005

- One of 20 individuals selected for the Fulbright 2004-2005 New Century Scholar Award.
- Fulbright Alternate Senior Scholar for Africa 2004 to 2005.
(*declined further consideration)

2002

- Rockefeller Foundation Team Residency Award, Rockefeller Foundation Centre, Bellagio.

1996

- Fulbright Development Scholar Award.

GRANTS

Individual/Team Research Grants (*PI unless otherwise noted)

2019-2022

- Henry Luce Foundation Research and PhD training grant, "Education, FBO Engagement and Training in Critical Investigations into Humanitarianism in Africa" (Partners: Cecelia Lynch, UC Irvine (PI); Mame Penda Ba, Université Gaston Berger (Senegal); Cilas Kemedjio, University of Rochester (USA); Simangaliso Raymond Kumalo, University of Kwa-Zulu Natal (South Africa); Elias Opongo, Hekima University College (Kenya)
- Mellon Foundation Research and Post-Doctoral and PhD Training grant, "Entanglement, Mobility and Improvisation: Culture and Arts in Contemporary African Urbanism and its Hinterlands" (Partners: James Ogude, University of Pretoria (PI); Dr Rebecca Fasselt, Dr Mpho Tshivhase (University of Pretoria); Harry Garuba (University of Cape Town, since deceased 2020); Okot Benghe and Dominic Dipio (Makerere University); Irene Appeaning Addo (University of Ghana).

2019-2021

- British Academy grant for research project "Archive of Activism: Gender and Public History in Postcolonial Ghana" (Co-PI with Kate Skinner, University of Birmingham).

2017

- Office of Research, Innovation and Development, University of Ghana (ORID), Travel grant to attend Third Julius Nyerere Intellectual Festival, University of Dar Es Salaam; April 14-16, 2011.

2014 - 2018

- Henry Luce Foundation Research and PhD training grant for “Religion and Humanitarianism in Africa: “The Critical Investigations into Humanitarian Aid Blog and Supporting Forums” (Partners: Cecelia Lynch, UC Irvine (PI); Mame Penda Ba, Université Gaston Berger (Senegal); Cilas Kemedjio, University of Rochester (USA); Simangalis Raymond Kumalo, University of Kwa-Zulu Natal (South Africa; Toussaint Kafarhire, Senior Lecturer, Hekima Institute of Peace Studies & International Relations (Kenya);

2010

- ORID Research grant for follow-up study on “Changing Representations of Women in Ghanaian Popular Music”.

2009

- ORID Travel grant to attend the Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association (unable to attend, declined acceptance).
- Department for International Development (DFID) Central Research Department grant for “Consolidating Work on Changing Representations of Women in Ghanaian Popular Music”.

2008

- Department for International Development (DFID) Central Research Department grant for “Consolidating Work on Changing Representations of Women in Ghanaian Popular Music” (Co-PI with Awo Asiedu, University of Ghana).
- International Development Research Centre (IDRC) grant for Study “Formalising the Informal and Informalising the formal? Analysing Changes in Women’s Work in Domestic Service and the Banking Sector in Ghana (*PI: Dzodzi Tsikata, University of Ghana).

2006

- University of Ghana Research grant for study on “Faculty Representation, Engagement, Retention and Leadership at the University of Ghana, Legon.”
- Department for International Development, (DFID) Central Research Department grant, Consortium on “Women’s Empowerment: Lessons from Change” (*Team leader: Takyiwaa Manuh, University of Ghana; country teams: *Nucleus for Interdisciplinary Women’s Studies* (NEIM), Federal University of Bahia, Brazil; *Social Research Centre* (SRC), the American University in Cairo, Egypt; *The Development Studies Programme*, BRAC University, Bangladesh; and the Institute for Development Studies, Sussex, UK.
- African Guest Researchers’ Scholarship, The Nordic Africa Institute, Uppsala.

2003

- University of Ghana Research grant for Study “The lives of Non-Ghanaians in Ghana.”
- AAWORD grant for study on “How the Perpetrators of Violence Against Women & Children Escape—a Study of ‘Escapes’ from the Time of the Violent Act, through a formal Complaint, to Prosecution.”
- UNICEF Ghana grant for study on the “Exploitation of Children on the Streets of Accra”.

2000

- Spencer Foundation grant for Roundtable and publications on “The State of Education in Ghana and Implications for Development”, 2000 Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Nashville, TN.
- West African Research Council (WARC) grant for five participants’ participation in Roundtable on “The State of Education in Ghana and Implications for Development”, 2000 Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Nashville, TN.
- World Health Organization (WHO, Special Programme of Research, Development and Research Training in Human Reproduction) grant for study on “Gendered Outcomes: The Differential Effects of the Socialisation of Ghanaian Female and Male Adolescents on their Sexual Cultures.”

1997

- Rockefeller Foundation African Dissertation Award.
- Population Council Fellowship Award.
- Vanderbilt University Dissertation Enhancement Grant.
- Rockefeller/ Watson Institute, Brown University Dissertation Proposal Writing Grant.

1996

- Rockefeller/Northwestern University Program of African Studies Dissertation Proposal Writing Grant.

1995

- National Science Foundation Field Research Methods Workshop Grant.

1995 – 1999

- Ph.D. Tuition Award, Vanderbilt University

1994 -1999

- Ph.D. Tuition Award, Tulane University.

1993

- UNICEF grant for Study on Sexualities Among Out-of-School Youth

1992

- World Health Organization (WHO, Special Programme of Research, Development and Research Training in Human Reproduction) Research grant for study on “The Sexual Behaviour of Ghanaian Prostitutes and ‘Free Women’ with their Clients and Partners”.

1991

- United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA) Research grant for study on Adolescents' Knowledge, Attitudes & Practices regarding sex.

Institutional Grants (Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana)

2014– 2018

- Wienco Ghana grant: for “Society and Change in Northern Ghana: Dagomba-Gonja and the Regional Perspective on Ghanaian History research and PhD training project”, (Partners: Michel Doortmont, University of Groningen (PI) and Samuel Ntewusu, University of Ghana).

2015

- International Association of Universities Leadership Development for Higher Education Reform (LEADHER) grant (Partners: International Center for Development and Decent Work (ICDD), University of Kassel).
- Guinness Ghana Breweries Ltd. grant for Drink IQ Phase III study among UG students

2013

- Diverse grants for the IAS 50th anniversary International Conference, viz. Guinness Ghana Breweries Ltd.; Ecobank Ghana; Prudential Bank; Vlisco Ltd.; GTP; Akosombo Textiles Ltd.; The French Embassy, Ghana; Star Assurance Company; Nestlé Ghana Ltd.; The Carnegie Corporation of New York under the NextGen project; and the Vice-Chancellor’s Office, University of Ghana.
- Guinness Ghana Breweries Ltd. grant for Drink IQ Phase II study among UG students

2011

- Guinness Ghana Breweries Ltd. grant for Institute of African Studies International Conference in honour of Emeritus Professor J.H Kwabena Nketia; September 2011.
- Guinness Ghana Breweries Ltd. grant for Drink IQ Phase I study among UG students.

1992-1995 (annually)

- British Council Higher Education links awards (Co-PI Takyiwaa Manuh, University of Ghana).

Institutional Grants (Centre for Gender Studies & Advocacy, University of Ghana)

2008

- US Embassy, Ghana, grant for Photo Exhibition and Symposium: “Celebrating 60 years of Women’s Contributions to the University of Ghana.”

2007

- Leverhume Trust Grant: “Research, Training, Counselling & Legal Support to Prevent and Ameliorate the effects of Violence and HIV-infection among Selected Groups in Southern Ghana”.

2006

- CODESRIA Social Science Faculty Seminar Series grant for faculty seminars on “Gender in the Institution & Gender and the Institution; Academic Inter-disciplinarity and Academic Culture at the University of Ghana.”

2005

- CODESRIA National Working Groups grant for project on “Transforming Gender Relations—exploring masculinities in the making of the Ghanaian Nation” (*Co-PI: Aloysius Denkabe).
- World Bank Teaching and Learning Innovation Fund (TALIF) Grant for the Establishment of the Centre for Gender Studies and Advocacy, University of Ghana (*Team leader Takyiwaa Manuh).

SELECTED KEYNOTE ADDRESSES

2024

“Are you the scholar Africa needs? The Charge in the African Genius and *(re)building a Pan-African together*”, Institute of African Studies at the University of Ghana Graduate Students conference, November 28.

Opening keynote speaker, Ndiva Women’s Film festival 2024, August 9.

“*Unbowed**: African Feminist Journeys of Healing and ~~Survival~~ Thriving”, keynote presented at the *Black Feminism and The Polycrisis* event ‘From Crisis to Liberation’, The New Institute, Hamburg, June 14.

“*Crazy Things*: Can we be true to an African Agenda and Survive in today's Academy?”, Africa Multiple Cluster of Excellence New Year lecture, University of Bayeuth, January 18.

“International Partnerships: Reciprocity and Academic Freedom”, University of Freiburg, January 5.

2023

“Exchanging Our Country Marks*: Emancipated Futures in Solidarity”, presented at TRANSFER(S):From Osnabrück to Tamale; A Discursive programme at Savannah Centre for Contemporary Art (SCCA) Tamale, Ghana, November 30.

““I Can Weep but not Wail”: Contemporary Young African Masculinities”; Lead for *Phresh* conversation; Each One Teach One, Berlin, November 24.

Speaker for the African Studies Global Forum on Southern Epistemologies, The Pennsylvania State University, University of the Western Cape, and Nelson Mandela University Global Forum, June 16, 2023.

Keynote speaker, HBCU Africa Education Coalition and African Univ. College of Education Research conference under the theme, Decolonizing Education in Africa and the Diaspora; Accra, May 26.

“Crazy Things: Can we be true to self, a decolonial agenda and thrive in today's Academy?” delivered at the Social Science Research Council PN-Next Gen-CSPS Writing and Dissemination workshop, Accra, March 6.

2022

Keynote Speaker, 76th Annual Speech Day, Aburi Girls' Senior High School, Aburi, Nov 24.

“Benkum dware nifa, nifa dware benkum: Strategies for Sustainable Familial Intellectual Engagement”; Africa-Europe: Reciprocal Perspectives Conference of the Vereinigung fuer Afriakwissenschaft Deutschland, Albert Ludwig University Freiburg im Breisgau, 7 June.

Decolonial Feminisms: A Transdisciplinary African Feminist Conversation with Dr. Fatou Sow, Prof. Ousseina Alidou, Prof. Françoise Vergès, BIGSAS, Universitat Bayreuth, May 18.

Presidential lecture; Africa and the Human: Old Questions, New Imaginaries African Studies Association (Africa) Biennial meeting, Cape Town, April 11.

“Young People and the Future of African and Pan-African research”, launch meeting of the Global *Africa* journal, St Louis, Senegal, March 17.

2021

“Grace in a Time of Tribalism: Fear, Love and Healing in our Multi-cultural World”, Akrofi Christaller Institute 15th graduation ceremony, Akropong, December 4.

“60 Jahre Unabhängigkeit: Jenseits von Wakanda, Jollofreis und Afrobeats” (60 years of Independence: Beyond Wakanda, Jollofrice and Afrobeats), Presented at the Deutsch-Afrikanische Diaspora Konferenz, Dortmund, May 4 (virtual).

“‘I’m a Feminist. I’ve been a female for a long time now. It’d be stupid not to be on my own side’- Maya Angelou; Feminist Traditions on the Move”, UNISA, College of Human Sciences International Conference on Feminist Readings in Motion, April 13 (virtual).

“(Still) Decolonizing Academia? Pain, Trauma, Imagining, Healing & Recovery” presented as part of the Cutting-Edge Issues in Development Thinking and Practice, London School of Economics, January 29.

2020

“The House that Africa will be Building: We will not be Moved” International Conference of the Brazilian African Studies Association, November 11 (virtual).

“Young African Men Living and Performing Blackness in the Diaspora”, Boston University African Studies Centre Fall 2020 Alumni Weekend lecture, September 30 (virtual).

“Researching Contemporary African Masculinities: Gender, Class and Race”, University of Alabama/Ghana University Partners Virtual Symposium, September 24.

“Cultural perceptions, gender relations and Sexual harassment on University campuses in Ghana and designing meaningful policies during times of crisis such as Covid-19” presented at the Africa End Sexual Harassment Initiative (Aeshi) and African Union International Centre (Au Cieffa) For Women and Girls Education in Africa Webinar on *African Perspectives on Sexual Harassment in Educational Institutions during Covid-19*, August 14.

Panelist, Ghana National Development Planning Commission 11th National Development Planning Forum on Ghana's Development Planning Response to Covid-19 Pandemic: Building resilience against Hazards", Accra, July 29.

Panelist, *Educational Leadership: Building Successful Transnational Education Partnerships-Global Opportunities for Black Students*; at the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Africa (HBCU) Homecoming Ghana Summit (webinar) 2020, July 23.

"COVID-19, Gender and the Law: Matters Arising", presented at the University of Ghana online "Law in Crisis" seminar series on law and policy responses to COVID-19, June 11.

"Decoloniality, Decolonization and the Academy", presented at the London School of Economics Africa Talks Series, London, January 16.

2019

"Cross-Examining African-centredness Debates: Acute on Chronic" African Studies, Decoloniality, Decolonization and the Academy, University of Wisconsin; Nov 18.

"I want to be me, more than just be like a black male': Identity and Blackness among Young Diaspora Men", presented at the International Conference "Africa Multiple: Conversations and Building Networks", Bayreuth University, Bayreuth, October 30-31.

President's Address at the Biennial African Studies Association of Africa Conference, United States International University, Nairobi, October 24-26.

"The Higher Education Industry and Citizen Responses in Africa", presented under The Global Diversity of Universities in the 21st century programme, University of Bonn, Bonn, July 3.

"Cross-Examining African-centredness in International Education", presented at the 2019 NAFSA Annual Conference & Expo in Washington, DC under the theme Global Leadership, Learning, and Change; Washington, May 31.

The University of Cambridge Arts & Humanities Research Council Doctoral Training Partnership Keynote Lecture, *"Race-ing the Academy: Acute on Chronic"*; Cambridge, May 8.

The University of Cambridge Centre of African Studies Audrey Richards Distinguished Public Lecture in African Studies, "Accra to Lagos; Lagos to London: African Engagements with the Higher Education industry (*culled from the titles of two music volumes by Mr Eazi), Cambridge, May 2.

2018

Opening keynote, "The Futures we want. Wissen und Innovationen für Unsere Zukunftsentwürfe", Conference on Afrika Neu Denken VI Wissen und Innovationen für gesellschaftliche Transformationsprozesse, Frankfurt, November 23.

Presidential Roundtable, "Ruptures" in response to Jean Allman's 2018 presidential talk, "Herskovits must Fall", Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Atlanta, November 30.

“Creating Emancipatory Spaces in the Academy: Thinking, Writing and Speaking in Africa’s Universities”, presented at the conference on Public Humanities: Thinking freedom in the African University, Catholic University of Angola, August 1.

“The African Futures We want and an African-centred Approach to Knowledge Production” presented at the Deutsch-Afrikanische Diaspora Konferenz, Dortmund, May 19.

“Foretelling our Futures: ~~deleting~~ Silences and **Restoring** our Stories”, presented at the Fourth NEST International Conference, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, March 23 (also presented at the Seminar Series of the Centre for Advanced Scholarship, University of Pretoria, June 26, 2018).

Keynote presented at the Pepper Dem Ministries/AWDF Intergenerational Conversations on the Women’s Movement in Ghana, Accra, March 8.

2017

“Who are we and whose are we? Identity and Transforming the Nation?”, Inaugural lecture Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences, August 25.

“Whose Africa? *Re-presenting the Self, Re-telling our Stories*”, 35th Intertional Visual Sociology Conference, Concordia University, Montreal, June 22.

“Invigorating the Academy: Appropriating Traditions, Strengthening Collaborations and Connecting Globally”, presented at the Women Advancement Forum International Research and Academia (WAFIRA) Forum 2017, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Kumasi, March 28.

“Black=African Lives Matter and Decolonizing the Academy”, presented at the Bayreuth International Graduate School of African Studies (BIGSAS), University of Bayreuth, Bayreuth, January 19.

2016

“Institutionalizing Gender at the University of Ghana: Foremother and Resistance Journeys”, presented at the CEGENSA International Conference in honour of Takyiwaa Manuh, University of Ghana, Legon, October 26

“The Africa we want and an African-centered Approach to Knowledge Production”, Closing keynote Plenary Speaker at the Third International Sociological Association’s Forum of Sociology, Vienna, July 14.

“Does a bullet know a Christian from a Muslim? Fear, Love and Healing in our Multicultural World”, Concordia University Convocation lecture, Irvine, April 4.

“Global Learning, Globalization, and Justice in Africa: Sharing our Humanity”, presented at Soka University of America, Aliso Viejo, March 31.

“African-centred Knowledge and the Politics of Knowledge Production”, Centre for African Studies, University of Florida, Gainesville, March 25.

“Globalization, Justice in Africa and Sharing our Humanity”, George Washington University, Washington, March 1.

"Re-viewing Studies on Africa and Envisioning our Futures" Howard University, Washington, February 29.

2015

Distinguished African Studies Review lecturer, "Re-viewing Studies on Africa: Black Lives Matter and Envisioning our Futures", presented at the 2015 Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, San Diego, November 20.

MA in International Studies: Africa (MAIS) Inaugural lecture, "Globalization, Justice in Africa: Sharing our Humanity", Concordia University, Irvine, November 6.

"Comparing regions of the world to feed sociological imagination", Semi-plenary session of the European Sociological Association on Public policies and solidarity in women's lives, Prague, August 26.

Keynote Speaker at the Alliance to Advance Liberal Arts Colleges (AALAC) Conference on Negotiating Global Feminisms: Creating New Academic Collaborations, Bryn Mawr College, Bryn Mawr, May 8.

2014

"Whose Unmet Need (for contraception)? Deconstructing Received Concepts", presented at the First Annual African Conference at Lehigh University under the theme Africa in the 21st Century: Heritage, health and Sustainability, Bethlehem, November 19.

2013

"Ubuntu: Strategies for a People-centered African Renaissance", presented at the OAU/AU@50 High level African Forum; Accra, August 3.

"Who Is The Next Generation Scholar In Africa?" presented at the Next Generation of Scholars SSRC/IAS Workshop at the University of Ghana, Legon, July 2.

Keynote speaker at the Awards and Recognition Day, Merton International High School; "Educating Today's student for tomorrow's world"; Accra, June 28.

Professorial Inaugural lecture, "The Driver and the Mate: Gender Politics in Africa and Social Transformation"; University of Ghana, Legon, February 28.

2011

Sociologists for Women and Society, SWS, Feminist Activist Award Lectures, "Responding to Violence: Local Activism in a Global Context"; University of Wichita and Monmouth University; November 12 & 15.

Keynote Speaker at the Forum on Democracy, organised by the Department of Ecumenical and Social Relations, Presbyterian church of Ghana, "Putting Our House in Order for a peaceful Election 2012: Religious Organizations and Civil Society in the Conduct of Peaceful Elections", Accra, November 8.

"Vice-Chancellor's Palaver: 50 Years of Generating Knowledge at The Hill: Re-positioning the University of Dar es Salaam as a Pan-African University", Third Julius Nyerere Intellectual Festival Week, University of Dar Es Salaam, April 14.

Keynote Speaker at the Forum on Democracy, organised by the Department of Ecumenical and Social Relations, Presbyterian Church of Ghana: "How can Ghana's Democracy be Sustained Without Violence, Vengeance, Vindictiveness, Malice and Insults?" Accra, March 27.

2010

Sociologists for Women and Society 2010 Feminist Activism Lecture "Doing and Undoing Gender: African Voices Inside and Outside The Academy"; Atlanta, August 15. (Also presented at the Bergen Resource Centre for International Development; Bergen, May 19, 2011).

Keynote Speaker at the SOS Herman Gmeiner 2010 Speech Day; "Knowledge in the Service of Africa: Planning to be change agents", Tema, June 12.

2009

"Collective Action for Women's Citizenship: The Domestic Violence Bill becomes Law in Ghana", presented at the Zentrum Gender Studies, University of Basel, September 14.

"If he's the 'Man on Top' is she the 'Naughty Girl'? Changing meanings and measurement of gender equality and women's empowerment"; presented at the International IUSSP Seminar on Gender and Empowerment in the 21st Century in Africa, Nairobi, August 24.

2008

"Higher Education Networks in Africa", presented at the Higher Education Resources Services South Africa (HERS) 2008 Academy; University of Cape Town, September 21.

2007

Emily Mumford Distinguished Lecture in Medical Sociology, "Women's Well Being and Gender Activism: The Domestic Violence Bill becoming law in Ghana", University of Tulsa, October 16.

Keynote Speaker, 56th Annual Speech Day, Aburi Girls' Secondary School, Aburi, March 24.

2004

"Meanings of Manhood among Boys in Ghana", presented at the University of the Western Cape Meeting *From Boys to Men*; Cape Town, January 26.

Special Address on "The Women's Movement in Ghana" at the Annual Winter Meetings of the Sociologists for Women in Society, SWS, on the theme "Women's Rights, Globalization, and Feminist Praxis"; Albuquerque, New Mexico, January 29.

2003

"Women, Men, Livelihoods and the Politics of AIDS in Africa", presented at the Women's Studies Graduate Students' conference; University of Florida, Boca Raton, FL, March 21.

"From Distant Shores: Black and White Non-Ghanaian Women in Ghana", presented at the 2003 David C. Driskell Center for the Study of the African Diaspora Colloquium series, University of Maryland, MD, March 18.

2000

"Socialisation of Boys and Girls and Behavioural Outcomes—Sexual Identity and Practices", Panel on Sexual and Reproductive Health Needs and Perspectives of Adolescent Males in

Sub-Saharan Africa; for the Child and Adolescent Health Department, WHO, Technical Consultation on programming for boys in the AFRO Region, Pretoria, September 29.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS

2023

Panelist, African Women Now symposium, African, African American and Diaspora Studies Center, James Madison University, March 24, 2023.

2022

Panelist, Roundtable on Women, Agency, Activism, and Leadership in Africa, presented at the Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Philadelphia, November 19.

Multiple presentations of the documentary *When Women Speak*; please see [Media and other presentations](#) (including at the African Studies Association, Philadelphia, Oct; and the African Studies Association of Africa, April).

Panelist, Round table on Amplifying African Voices in Academic Writing, Africa-Europe: Reciprocal Perspectives Conference of the Vereinigung fuer Afriakwissenschaft Deutschland, Albert Ludwig University Freiburg, 8 June.

2021

“Archiving Activism: filmed interviews with gender activists in Ghana”, presented at the 63rd Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, virtual, November (with Jovia Salifu, Kate Skinner and Aseye Tamakloe).

2019

“Perspectives on African Masculinities”, presented at the 62nd African Studies Association of Africa Biennial conference, United States International University (Africa), Nairobi, October 25 (with Akosua Asamoabea Ampofo).

“For us Women, by us Women: addressivity and Gender Activism in a Postcolonial Ghanaian newspaper”, presented at the African Studies Association of Africa 3rd Biennial conference, United States International University (Africa), Nairobi, October 24 (with Jovia Salifu and Kate Skinner).

“Performance of Black Masculinities in Ghana”, presented at the Ghana Studies Association Conference, University of Ghana, Legon, July 9-10 (with Akosua Asamoabea Ampofo).

2018

“Performance of African Masculinities”, presented at the 61st Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Atlanta, November 29 (with Akosua Asamoabea Ampofo).

“Who Is an African Woman? Towards a New Paradigm of Feminist Knowledge Production and Activism”, presented at the International Sociological Association Congress, Toronto, July 17.

2017

“Back to the Root: Agriculture and the Small-Scale Farmer in Ghana”, presented at the 60th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Chicago, November 18 (with Yaa Oporebea Ampofo).

“A Man Doesn’t Carry a Woman’s Handbag: Men of God and the Place of Women” presented at the African Studies Association of Africa (ASAA) 2nd Biennial Conference, University of Ghana, Legon, October 13. (Also presented in the Panel on “Defining Duty: Religiosity, Ethnic Diversity and Family Law”, Cadbury Conference on Marriage in Africa, University of Birmingham, June 1).

Participant and rapporteur at the Inaugural meeting of the AHP Project on Mentorship, Makerere University, June 13.

“The Changing face of Feminism: Millennials in Ghana”, presented at the Women in Africa and the Mediterranean Conference, African Feminist Initiative, Fez, Morocco, May 6.

2016

“Honouring Elaine Salo: The African Feminist Forum and *Gandhi for come down!*” 2016 AfricaNow! Session at the 59th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Washington, December 3.

“Christian Feminists and Anti-Hegemony Work: Unpacking Discourses”, presented at the Conference on Feminisms Beyond the Secular, Lehigh University, March 21.

2015

Member, panel on the Women’s caucus of the African Studies Association on the history of the Women’s Caucus, panellist 58th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, San Diego, November 19.

“*Me san aba: Culture, Identity and Sharing*”, The Critical Investigations into Humanitarianism in Africa Blog: A look at Humanitarianism through Multicultural Eyes, *presented at* the African Studies Association of Africa 1st Biennial conference, University of Ibadan, October 16.

2014

“Demanding Democracy Without, Championing Democracy Within: Public and Not-so-Public Protests at UG”, 57th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Indianapolis, November 20 (with Richard Asante).

“Digital Archiving at the Institute of African Studies”, University of Michigan Workshop on African Studies in the Digital Age, Ann Arbor, November 17 (with Judith Opoku-Boateng).

Panelist, “*Theory from the South, Revisited*”, at the Consortium of Humanities Centers and Institutes’ Special Meeting on African Humanities, Stellenbosch, October 20.

Panelist at the workshop on “Alternatives to Development? Operationalizing, Theorizing and Comparing Post-Development Concepts and Practices”, the University of Kassel, October 2.

Panelist, “The Next 40 Years and Beyond: African Futures and the New Frontiers for Social Science Research and Knowledge Production in Africa” at the CODESRIA 40th Anniversary Conference on the Theme: *Building on 40 Years of Research and Knowledge Production for Africa*, Dakar, June 11.

“Holding African States to Task on Gender and Violence: Domesticating UNSCR 1325 through National Action Plans and NGO Advocacy”, International Sociological Association Congress; Yokohama, July 15 (with Josephine Beoku-Betts and Njoki Wamai).

2013

"*My children are not raced! My children are Ghanaian*. Transnational mothering in Ghana" presented at the 56th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Baltimore, Nov. 23.

"Institutionalising Gender as a Field within African Studies: The University of Ghana Experience" (with Maame Kyerewaa Brobbey and Patience Addo), presented at the 50th Anniversary Celebration International Conference on African Studies, Under The Theme: "*Revisiting The First International Congress Of Africanists In A Globalised World*"; University Of Ghana, Legon, October 25.

"Development and Gender Inequality: Evaluation's Call to Action", AGDEN Panel on Evaluation Strategies for Reducing Gender Inequality: The AGDEN Approach" presented at the 2013 Global Assembly on *Evaluation and Inequality: Moving Beyond the Discussion of Poverty*, of the International Development Evaluation Association, IDEAS; Barbados, May 8.

2012

"Of Woyome, Azonto, Youth Pop Culture and Citizenship" presented at the 55th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Philadelphia, November 29.

2011

"Women's Work in the Banking Sectors in Ghana: Informalising the Formal" Ghana Studies Council Panel on The Changing Nature of Work in Ghana: What prospects for decent work in the next fifty years? Presented at the 54th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Washington, November 18 (with Nana Akua Anyidoho).

"Do Women Do Music The Same Way As Men Do? Ghanaian Women Musicians, Their Songs And Their Relationship With The Industry"; International African Studies Conference in honour of Emeritus Profesor J.H Kwabena Nketia; Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana, Legon, September 23 (With Abena Kyere and Awo Asiedu).

2010

"What Is Sexual Harassment? Responses from Women Students at The University of Ghana", presented at the 17th International Sociological Association World Congress, Gothenburg, 13 July (with Fidelia Ohemeng and Akosua Darkwa).

"Pathways to an Empowering Song: Marrying research and Advocacy", presented to the Crossroads for Cultural Studies Conference, Hong Kong, June 20 (with Awo Asiedu).

2009

"*Naughty Girl: (Re) appropriating female Sexuality in Ghanaian music?*" presented at the German Anthropological Congress, Frankfurt, October 1 (with Awo Asiedu).

"The Harder They Come", Presidential Panel on Human Rights in Africa, 52nd Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, San-Francisco, August 8.

"Mainstreaming the periphery: (re)interpreting and (re)defining Woman: A new female Sexuality in Ghanaian music?" presented at the Conference on Gender and Transformations—Global, Transnational and Local Realities and Perspectives, Beijing, July 18.

2008

“Changing Representations of Women in Ghanaian Popular Music”, presented at the 51st Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Chicago, November 15 (with Awo Asiedu).

“In My Mother’s House: Mothering and Race Work in Ghana”, presented at the International Sociological Association Panel on Researching Women in Africa and the African Diaspora: New Social Science Perspectives; Barcelona, September 6. (Also presented at the 50th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association; New York, NY., October 17, 2007).

2006

“‘Wisdom Is Not Like Gold Which Should Be Kept In A Safe’ (Twi proverb): Female Faculty and Perceptions of Women in Leadership at the University of Ghana, Legon”; presented at the 49th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association; San Francisco, November 16.

2005

“‘No, there’s no room for Depression’: Ghanaian Women Coping with Mental Health Issues”, presented at the 48th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Washington, November 15 (with Sherrill Sellers and Susan Frazier Kouassi). (Also presented at the 10th International Women’s Health Meeting; Delhi, India, September 22).

“‘Sometimes it’s home and sometimes we are strangers’: The Saliency of Race and Ethnicity for Non-Ghanaian women in Ghana”, presented at Women’s Worlds Congress 2005, Seoul, June 22.

2004

“Stress, Coping and the Health of Ghanaian Women at the Crossroads of Change”, presented at the Global Health Forum, Mexico City, November 18 (with Sherrill Sellers and Susan Frazier Kouassi).

“Globalization, Social Change and Sex work in Ghana”, presented at the Conference on The Meanings and Representation of Work in the Lives of Women of Color, African American Studies Department, University of Maryland/The Rockefeller Foundation, Bellagio, August 3.

2003

“Gender and Women’s Studies in Africa”, presented at a Women’s Caucus panel at the 46th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Boston, November 1 (co-panelists: Josephine Beoku-Betts Mary Osirim, and Wairimu Njambi; discussant: Ayesha Imam, BAOBAB).

“S/he who has strength s/he has the truth”, presented at the University of Ghana/Nordic Africa Institute workshop on Research, Activism, Consultancies: Dilemmas and Challenges, University of Ghana, Legon, Oct 12. (Also presented at the Workshop on Contexts of Gender in Africa, Uppsala, February 21, 2002).

“Cultural Factors and Socialisation: Mothering among Black and White Non-Ghanaian Women in Ghana”, presented at the Conference on Images of ‘Motherhood—African and Nordic Perspectives, Dakar, February 17.

2002

“Whose ‘Unmet Need’ and Issues of ‘Agreement’ in Reproductive Decision Making”, Workshop on Contexts of Gender in Africa, Uppsala, February 24.

2001

“The Socialization of Ghanaian Adolescents and their Gendered Sexual Role-Expectations and Sexual Culture”, presented at the 44th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Houston, November 15.

“Gender Relations and Adjustment in Ghana”, presented at the Conference on Structural Adjustment and Socio-Economic Change in West Africa, Lagos, April 28.

2000

“Who is the Driver and who is the Mate? Gender Orientations and Household Decision Making in Ghana”, presented at the 43rd Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Nashville, Nov 17. (Also presented at the Centre for West African Studies, University of Birmingham, October 24, 2000).

Roundtable on “The State of Education in Ghana and Implications for Development”, presented at the 43rd Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Nashville, Nov 19.

1999

“To Have or Not to Have a Child; Whose Decision, Hers, His or Theirs?” presented at the 42nd Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, Philadelphia, November 12.

“Who wanted this child? Gender and Reproductive Decision-Making among Urban African Couples”, Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, Nashville, April 10.

1998

“Framing Knowledge, Forming Behavior: Ghanaian Women's STD-Protection Strategies”; presented at the 29th Congress of the South African Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, Stellenbosch, March 8-12.

1997

“Nice Guys and Condoms, Women’s HIV-Preventive Strategies”, 40th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, November 14.

1996

“Awareness, Risk, and AIDS-related Behaviour among Married Men in Kenya”, presented at the 39th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association, San Francisco, November 26 (with Francis N.A. Dodoo).

“Women’s Capacity To Protect Themselves From AIDS”; presented at the CODESRIA/Orstom Social Science and AIDS Conference; Saly Portudal, November 6.

“AIDS-related Behaviour Among A ‘Low-Risk’ Group: Risk Perception and Protection Among Married Men in Kenya”, Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, New York, August 17 (with Francis N. A Dodoo).

1995

“Nice Guys, Condoms, Incisions and Other Forms of STD Protection”, Third World Studies Conference, University of Nebraska at Omaha, October 13.

1994

“Looking for Intimate Details in Hidden Places: The Challenges of Sexual Behaviour

Research”, British Council/Kenyatta University Seminar on Women in Development, Nairobi, January 9.

1993

“Sexual Relationships and Survival Strategies—Some Experiences of Ghanaian Women in Low-paid Jobs”, Nordic Africa Institute's International Conference on Transformation of Female Identities and Women's Organisational Forms in West Africa, Ngaoundéré, March 20.

“Women and AIDS In Ghana: ‘ I Control My Body (or do I)?””, International Union for the Scientific Study of Population (IUSSP) International Seminar on Women and Demographic Change in Sub-Saharan Africa, Dakar, March 4.

1991

“Management and Sustainability: Participation of The Community In Development Projects”; SPRING Forum on District level Participation, University of Science and Technology, Kumasi, November 6.

“Traffic in West African Women to Europe And Conditions in the Prostitution Industry”, Dutch Inter-Universitarian Network of Non-Western Studies Ph.D. Seminar on Africa, University of Leiden, Leiden, and The Hague, May 13.

OTHER INVITED PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)

2024

Workshop on “Gender, Solidarity, and Social Change”, 4th Deutsch-Afrikanische Diaspora Konferenz, Dortmund, September 7.

Opening Roundtable: MIASA-CEGENSA-GHIP Female Academic Careers in Africa Workshop, May 29.

2023

VKII Ruhrbezirk Panel on, “Was bedeuten Feminismus und Solidarität in einer pluralen Gesellschaft?” (What does Feminism and Solidarity mean in a Plural society); Dusseldorf, October 11.

Panelist, Workshop on German Feminist Development Policy organized by the Neue Deutsche Median, virtual, June 7.

“Reflections on Ghanaian Women’s Activism”; African Women Now symposium, James Madison University; March 24.

2022

“Building Your Academic Community: The Role of Networks”, presented at the Second Summer Institute for the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation funded project Entanglement, Mobility and Improvisation: Culture and the Arts in Contemporary African Urbanism and its Hinterlands; Kampala, October.

Academic Freedom and the African University: Contemporary issues in Ghana’s Higher Education, panelist, University of Ghana; August 11, 2022.

2021

Panelist, SDG Africa Summit Panel on Instruments for Social Justice;
<http://www.sdgsafricasummit.uct.ac.za/> September 14.

Panelist, Kwame Nkrumah (Youth First) Festival,
<https://kwamenkrumahfestival.com/youth-first-festival/> September 15.

2020

“Feminist Researchers Exploring Young African Men Living and Performing Blackness in the Diaspora”, Africa Multiple Cluster of Excellence, University of Bayreuth, virtual, October 28.

“Researching Contemporary Young African/black Masculinities in Africa and the Diaspora”, University of Maryland Mellon Diaspora Seminar, virtual, October 2.

Panelist for the session on Women of African Descent in Higher Education: Challenges and Opportunities: Association of African Universities African Academic Diaspora Virtual Homecoming 2020, Sept. 28.

“Researching Contemporary African Masculinities: Gender, Class and Race” presented at the University of Alabama-University of Ghana Virtual Symposium, Sept. 23.

2019

“Cross-examining African-centredness Debates: Whose Conversations, What do they Say, Where and To Whom?” presented at the Global Africa: African and African Diaspora Studies in the 21st Century conference, The Africa Institute, Sharjah UAE, January 13.

2018

Discussant for Ousseina Alidou on “Gendered educational moralities” at the Point-Sud conference on Knowledge Production in and about Africa: Intersections of Moralities and Higher Education, Dakar, December 11.

“Women’s Sexual Rights in Marriage and the Performance of Black Masculinities”, presented at the seminar on Marital Rape in Global Context: Social Suffering, Adverse Health Consequences and Culturally Sensitive Intervention, School for Advanced Research Santa Fe, New Mexico, October 15, 2018 (with Akosua Asamoabea Ampofo).

2017

“Becoming an African wife; becoming a Wife in Ghana”, presented at the Workshop on Transnational Migrants and the Dynamics of Kinship and Marriage; New Barriers, New Assemblages, University of Amsterdam, December 20.

“Doing African Studies in Africa: The Institute of African Studies at the University of Ghana”, Presented at the International Conference, *African Studies –Multiple, and Relational*, University of Bayreuth, December 7 (lead author: Dzodzi Tsikata).

“Analysing Qualitative Research Data: Approaches and the Use of Software”, International PhD Summer School, Land Use and Mobile Livelihoods: Intersectional Perspectives on Pastoralism, Migration and Displacement. The Centre for Gender Research, Advocacy and Documentation, Univ. of Cape Coast/Theologische Hochschule Friedensau, Cape Coast, July 31.

2016

Panelist at the Consortium of Humanities Centers and Institutes Annual Meeting, June 28-July 1. Panel: *Area Studies in a Globalizing World: Past, Present, and Future Beyond the University*, School of Advanced Study, University of London, London, June 30.

2015

Discussant, "The Meaning of Humanitarianism in Africa", Workshop on Rethinking the Origins of Humanitarian Action in Africa: Religion, Secularism and the Nigerian Civil War (1967-1970), organised by the Critical Investigations into Humanitarianism Blog, in partnership with the Institute of African studies at the University of Ghana, Legon, October 18-20.

Concordia University *Cui Bonno* lecture, "The Scholar Who Sets the Captives Free", Concordia University, November 11

"Transatlantic Feminisms: Lessons for #Whose Lives Matter, University of Rochester, Rochester, November 5.

2014

"Popular Culture, Domestic Violence Legislation: Marrying Research and Advocacy", University of Cape Town Mellon Fellow lecture, August 26.

"Art, Technology and African Cultural futures" presented at the Bayreuth Academy of Advanced African Studies Workshop on Technology, Internet and its Effects on Diaspora, Notions of *race* and Conceptions of the Future, Bayreuth, January 12-17.

2013

"Are You the Scholar Africa Needs?" presented to the Yale Undergraduate Association for African Peace and Development (YAPD), New Haven, December 2.

"To Smash the Ceiling Or Build Open Houses: Gender Politics and the Glass Ceiling", presented to the Africana Studies Department, SUNY Cortland, November 20.

"Gender Politics in Africa and Social Transformation", presented to the African American and African Diaspora Studies Program, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, November 19.

"Is Africa Rising? Situating Africa in Today's Global Geo-Politics", presented at Concordia University, Irvine, November 14.

"Are you the Scholar Africa Needs?", presented to the Centre for African Studies, University of the Free State, Bloemfontein, October 3.

2012

Discussant at the Agenda Setting workshop on "Transformative change: Integrating Responsibilities, Solidarity, and Care into Dominant Climate Science, Policy and Public discourse", held under the auspices of CICERO, the Center for International Climate and Environment, Oslo, December 13.

Panelist, "Collaborative Conversations: Exploring Artistic Connections between Ghana and Africa-America, at the UCI and Africa: Expanding Engagements, Ongoing Dialogues conference, University of California, Irvine, December 6.

“Men of God and Neo-popular Discourse: (Re)Defining Woman”, University of Aruba, Oranjestad, May 4.

“Popular Music and Women’s Citizenship: A look at Ghanaian song lyrics”, presented at the seminar on *What is culture? Different Perspectives*, University of the Netherlands Antilles, Curaçao, May 2.

2011

“If he is the *Man on top* is she the *Naughty girl*? Changing Representations of Gender in Urban Popular Music”, presented to the Africana Department, Brooklyn College, New York, Nov. 22.

“Men of God in the Pentecostal Movement and their visions of women's Roles”, presented at the Africa and Switzerland Conference, Women in Processes of Religious and Secular Transformation, Basel, October 15 (with Michael P.K Okyerefo).

Facilitator for “Men and Feminism” Session at the Second National Feminist Forum on *Exploring the Multiple Forms of Feminism and Implications for Constructing a Ghanaian Feminist Identity*, Accra, August 11.

2010

“Empowering Culture: Marrying Research and Advocacy in Song”, presented to The Supreme Council of Culture in Egypt (SCC) International conference on The Interaction of African Cultures in the Age of Globalization, Cairo, May 10.

2009

“Who will speak for Women? Women and Sisterhood in Ghana” presented at the International Mentoring Conference on “Gender Transcripts”, Interdisciplinary Centre for Sexuality Research, University of Bern, September 11.

2008

“Higher Education Networks”, presented at the Higher Education Resources Services (HERS), South Africa Academy, University of Cape Town, September 22.

2007

“Establishing a Gender Studies and Advocacy Program at the University of Ghana”; presented to Women's Studies Lunch & Learn event, Florida Atlantic Univ., Boca Raton, October 15.

“In My Mother's house: Mothering, Othering and Race Work in Ghana”, presented at the African American Research Library and Cultural Center Round Table on Telling Our Story, Archiving Our History, Fort Lauderdale, October 12.

“Surviving the Global Economy”, presented at the Women's Labor in the Global Economy Conference and Book Launch, University of Maryland, College Park, October 4.

“Challenges and Openings Within Gender and Feminist research in Africa”, presented at the SIDA and CODESRIA workshop on Supporting Feminist and Gender Research in Africa, Dakar, June 26.

2006

Responder to Zene Tadese’s “Perspectives on Higher Education in Africa” at the Conference on Research and Higher Education for the African Renaissance”, Saltsjöbaden/Stockholm, June 2.

“White women have more sex”—Race, Othering, Gender, and Sexual Identities of Foreign Women in Ghana”, presented to the Nordic Africa Institute, Uppsala, June 8. (Also presented to the Development and Women's Studies Department, University of Tampere, June 12; Christina Institute for Women's Studies, Helsinki University, June 13; and Feminism and Development Series, Institute for Development Studies, Sussex, June 21).

2005

“Marriage Matters: Ghanaian Youth discuss Roles, Rights and Responsibilities in Marriage”, presented to the Dept. of Sociology and Population Research Institute Seminar, The Pennsylvania State University, April 6.

“Multiple Meanings of Manhood among Boys in Ghana”, presented at Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, March 4.

2004

“Intimate Bargains: Ghanaian Women Negotiating Sexual Space”, presented at the Pennsylvania State University, State College, November 5.

“Gender Socialisation and the Reproduction and Contestation of Patriarchy”, presented at the Research Seminar, Spelman College, Atlanta, April 16.

2002

“*When men speak women listen*; Gender Socialisation and Young Adolescents' Attitudes to Sexual and Reproductive Issues”, presented at University of Bergen, February 25.

“If a woman wants to urinate the way a man does she will wet her hands”, presented to the Centre for Women's Studies and Gender Research, University of Bergen, February 26. (Also presented at Swarthmore College, PA, November 7, 2001).

2001

“Beyond Cairo; Gender, Sexual Behaviour, and Reproductive Health: A Situation Analysis”, presented to the 2001 CODESRIA Gender Institute, Dakar, June 11.

“Beyond Cairo; Gender, Sexual Behaviour, and Reproductive Health: What's Gender got to do with Fertility and HIV/AIDS?” presented to the CODESRIA Gender Institute, Dakar, June 10.

1999

“To have or not to have a Child; Whose Decision, Hers, His, or Theirs? Reproductive decision making among Urban Ghanaian couples”, presented to the African Population Policy and Health Research Centre, Nairobi, January 20.

1995

“Gender Studies and the Future Directions of Development & Women's Studies Programmes” presented at the Institute of African Studies/British Council Dialogue with Policy Makers, Politicians and NGOs on Enhancing Gender Research & Training, Accra, February 21.

SELECTED CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS AND PANELS CO-ORGANISED

2022

The Africa Institute, Sharjah Global Ghana scholarly country-focused conference “Global Ghana: In Search of Africa’s Black Star” (with Jean Allman, Joseph Oduro-Frimpong and Carina Ray), Accra, October 26-29.

African Studies Association of Africa (ASAA) 4th Biennial Conference held with the Institute for Humanities in Africa, HUMA, University of Cape Town, April 11-16, under the Theme: “Africa and the Human, Old Questions, New Imaginaries”.

2021

The Africa Institute, Sharjah Global Ghana scholarly country-focused conference “Global Ghana: Sites Of Departure/Sites Of Return” (with Jean Allman, Joseph Oduro-Frimpong and Carina Ray), Sharjah, March 8-10.

2019

African Studies Association of Africa (ASAA) 3rd Biennial Conference held at The United States International University, Africa, USIU, October 24-26, under the Theme: “African and Africana Knowledges: Past Representations, Current Discourses, Future Communities”.

Facilitator, Workshop on “Creating Emancipatory Spaces in the African Academy: the place of the scholar activist”; under the theme Africa as Concept and Method: Decolonisation, Emancipation, Freedom; University of Addis Ababa, in collaboration with the Consortium of Humanities Centres and Institutes, Addis Ababa, January 10.

2018

Organized 40 sessions and two workshops for the Research Committee on Women and Society (RC32) during the International Sociological Association’s 15th World Congress, Toronto, July 15-21 (co-organiser RC32 co-president Josephine Beoku-Betts, Florida Atlantic Univ.)

2017

African Studies Association of Africa (ASAA) 2nd Biennial Conference held at The University of Ghana, Legon, October 12 - 14, 2017 under the Theme: “African Studies and Global Politics” (under the auspices of the ASAA).

2016

Organized 26 sessions for the Research Committee on Women and Society (RC32) during the International Sociological Association’s 3rd Forum, Vienna, July 10-14 (co-organiser RC32 co-president Josephine Beoku-Betts, Florida Atlantic University).

2015

Critical Investigations into Humanitarianism in Africa Blog’s workshop on “Re-thinking the Origins of Humanitarian Action in Africa: Religion, Secularism and the Nigerian Civil War (1967-1970)”, University of Ghana, October 18-20.

2013

Facilitator, Carnegie Corporation/National Research Foundation Workshop on Expanding and Sustaining Excellence in Doctoral Programmes in Sub-Saharan Africa: What Needs to be done? Pretoria, October 28-29.

Institute of African Studies 50th Anniversary International Conference: Revisiting the 1962 Congress of Africanists in a Globalised World, Legon, October 24-26. (Keynote Speakers: Dr

Carlos Lopes, Professor Fatou Sow, Professor Ngūgĩ wa Thiong'o; Guest of Honour: HE the President of Ghana John Dramani Mahama).

2012

Co-host, Sixth International Conference of the African Evaluators Association, AFREA, in collaboration with African Evaluators Association, Accra International Conference Centre, Accra, January 9-13.

2011

Institute of African Studies International Conference in honour of Emeritus Professor J.H Kwabena Nketia; University of Ghana, Legon, September 22-23 (as part of the Institute of African Studies' honouring of Professor Nketia on his 90th birthday).

2010

Organiser & host, Pan-African Intellectual and Cultural Festival: The Dream, The Reality: Reassessments of African Independence held under the auspices of the Kwame Nkrumah Chair, Professor Kofi Anyidoho, Legon, September 26-29 (under the auspices of the Inst. of African Studies, University of Ghana).

Centre For Gender Studies & Advocacy (CEGENSA), and CODESRIA Social Science Seminar Series, "Gender in the Institution and Gender and the Institution", University of Ghana, Legon, January 18 – 20 (under the auspices of CEGENSA, University of Ghana).

2008

International Sociological Association Panel on *Researching Women in Africa and the African Diaspora: New Social Science Perspectives*, Barcelona, Spain, September 4-7 (Panel organiser and RC32 Africa Representative with Josephine Beoku-Betts, Florida Atlantic University).

2007

Centre For Gender Studies & Advocacy (CEGENSA), Curriculum Development Workshop on Pedagogy & Feminist Methods, Ho, May 8-12 (under the auspices of CEGENSA, University of Ghana; Co-organiser, Dzodzi Tsikata).

2006

Centre For Gender Studies & Advocacy (CEGENSA), Gender and Women's Studies Curriculum Development Workshop on Curriculum Design, Sogakope, April 24- 27 (under the auspices of CEGENSA, University of Ghana; Co-organiser, Dzodzi Tsikata).

2004

Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana/Women's Studies Programme, Florida Atlantic University (FAU) Graduate Student Symposium on "Women, Men, Culture and Development" (Faculty collaborator at FAU: Josephine Beoku-Betts).

2003

Institute of African Studies/Nordic Africa Institute (NAI) International workshop on "Research, Activism, Consultancies : Dilemmas and Challenges", Legon, June 15-16 (Faculty collaborator at NAI, Signe Arnfred).

2001

Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana/University of Bergen's Centre for Women Studies/NUFU International workshop on Globalisation and Changing Cultures of Survival and Care, October 10-13 (Faculty collaborator Delali Badasu, University of Ghana).

1995

Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana/British Council International Conference on Enhancing Gender Research & Training : Dialogue With Policy Makers, Politicians & NGOs, Accra, February 21-24.

1992

Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana/British Council International Gender Analysis Workshop, University of Ghana, Legon, July 14-16.

SELECTED HIGHER EDUCATION MEETINGS

Historically Black Colleges and Universities Africa (HBCU) Homecoming Ghana Summit (webinar) July 23-25, 2020. <https://www.hbcuafricahomecoming.com/>

NAFSA Annual Conference & Expo under the theme Global Leadership, Learning, and Change; Washington D.C, May 31, 2019.

Consortium of Humanities Centres and Institutes Special Meeting: Discussion on setting up the African Arts and Humanities Consortium, Venice, October 8-11, 2015.

African Leadership Forum 2015 held under the Office of the former President of Tanzania, HE Benjamin Mkapa, Dar es Salaam, July 30, 2015.

Consortium of Humanities Centres and Institutes 2015 Annual Meeting on Humanities by the Numbers, Madison, June 5-7, 2015.

African Higher Education Summit, under the theme Revitalizing Higher Education for Africa's Future, Dakar, March 10-12, 2015 (under the auspices of The Council for Social Science Research in Africa, CODESRIA, Trust Africa et al.).

African Humanities Forum, hosted by the University of South Africa, UNISA, in collaboration with the African Humanities Program, Pretoria, June 6-7, 2014.

African Humanities PhD Workshop, African Humanities Program; Dar es Salaam, December 13-19, 2013.

Higher Education Resources Services (HERS), South Africa Academy, University of Cape Town, September 21-27, 2008.

Association of African Universities Leadership Development Workshop, Kigali, Rwanda, April 25-May 1, 2008.

International Methodology Workshop of the Global Consortium on Women's Empowerment, Cairo, January 27- February 3, 2007.

Kenya Association of Professional Counsellors 7th Counselling Conference, Nairobi, September 26-28, 2006.

Africa Gender and Development Evaluation Network Workshop on Gender and Human Rights Monitoring & Evaluation; E-tools for Monitoring & Evaluation, Pretoria; October 6-8, 2005.

Curriculum Workshop on Transformative Methodologies, under the African Gender Institute's Gender and Women's Studies for Africa's Transformation Project, University of Cape Town, September 21-26, 2003.

Curriculum Workshop on Sexuality, Culture and Identity, under the African Gender Institute's Gender and Women's Studies for Africa's Transformation Project; University of Ghana, Legon, 25-30 May 2003.

PUBLICATIONS

Edited Books & Special Issues (Peer Reviewed)

Adomako Ampofo, Akosua and Josephine Beoku-Betts. 2021. (Eds.) *Producing Inclusive Feminist Knowledge: Positionalities and Discourses in the Global South*. Bingley: Emerald Publishing.

Awedoba, Albert, Jacob Gordon, Esi Sutherland-Addy and **Akosua Adomako Ampofo** (Eds.) 2017. *Revisiting African Studies in a Globalised World: International Conference on African Studies*. Accra: Smartline/Institute of African Studies.

Rodriguez Cheryl, Dzodzi Tsikata and **Akosua Adomako Ampofo** (Eds.). 2015. *Transatlantic Feminisms: Women's and Gender Studies in Africa and the Diaspora*. Lanham, MD, Lexington Books.

Ampene, Kwasi, **Akosua Adomako Ampofo**, Albert Awedoba, and Godwin K. Adjei (Eds.). 2015. *A Festschrift in honour of Emeritus Profesor J.H Kwabena Nketia*. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.

Adomako Ampofo, Akosua and Signe Arnfred (Eds.). 2009. *African Feminist Research and Activism - Tensions, Challenges and Possibilities*. Uppsala: Nordic Africa Institute.

Adomako Ampofo, Akosua and Mary Esther Kropp Dakubu (Eds.). 2009. *Knowledge Transmission in Ghana: Research Review Supplement 19*. Legon, Institute of African Studies.

Adomako Ampofo, Akosua, Josephine Beoku-Betts and Mary Osirim. (Eds.) 2008. Special Issue *African and Asian Studies: Researching African Women and Gender Studies; New Social Science Perspectives*. 7(4): 323 – 563).

Adomako Ampofo, Akosua. (Ed.). 2002. *Teaching and Learning in Ghana; Historical and Contemporary Perspectives; Special Issue of Ghana Studies*. 5:3 – 157.

Manuh, Takyiwaa and **Akosua Adomako Ampofo**. (Eds.). 1992. *Gender Analyses in Ghana*. Legon, Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana. 142pp.

Journal Articles (Peer Reviewed unless otherwise noted)

Skinner, Kate, Jovia Salifu and **Akosua Adomako Ampofo**. (forthcoming 2025). "The right type of woman at the policy making level': the International Women's Year and representational struggles in Ghana." *Journal of Women's History* 37(3).

Adomako Ampofo, Akosua. Forthcoming 2024. "I Shall Live and not Perish: Revisiting Revise and Resubmit" *African Studies*.

Skinner, Kate, Jovia Salifu and **Akosua Adomako Ampofo**. 2023. "Edited and approved by women, for the maximum benefit of all readers': newsprint journalism, the International Women's Year, and the remaking of a gendered national public in 1970s Ghana." *Gender & History*. <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/1468-0424.12745>

Adomako Ampofo, Akosua. 2022. "Grace in a Time of Tribalism: Fear, Love and Healing in our Multi-cultural World", *Journal of African Christian Thought* of the Akrofi Christaller Institute.

Adomako Ampofo, Akosua. 2019. "The house that Africa built." *Journal of African Cultural Studies* 31(3): 293-295.

Adomako Ampofo, Akosua. 2017. "Sitting on a Man: Forty Years Later." *Journal of West African History* (3)2: 146-155.

Anyidoho, Nana Akua and **Akosua Adomako Ampofo**. 2017. "Informalising the formal: The conditions of female agency workers in Ghana's banking sector" *Contemporary Journal of African Studies* 4(2):67-92 .

Adomako Ampofo, Akosua. 2016. "Re-viewing Studies on Africa, #Black Lives Matter, and Envisioning the Future of African Studies" *African Studies Review* (59)2: 7-27.

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Silicon Valley, African film festival, 2022
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Business and Executive Committee (2010 to 2015; & 2019 to 2020)
Board of the College of Humanities (est. 2014, 2014 to 2015)
Centre for Gender Studies and Advocacy Committees: Consultative; Extension & Advocacy; Policy; Mentoring; Sexual Harassment (2005 to 2010)
Council of the University of Ghana Professorial elected Member (2006 to 2010)
Digital Collections Committee (2007 to 2009)
Endowment Fund (2010 to 2011)
Faculty of Arts Board (2003 to 2004)
Faculty of Social Sciences Board (2001 to 2014)
Faculty of Social Studies Research Grants Review Committee (November 2008)
Governing Council of Volta Hall (2002 to 2004)
Institute of Adult Education Advisory Board Member (2001 to 2003)
Physical Development Committee (nominated by Council; August 2006 to 2010)
Review of University of Ghana Statutes, Sub-committee of Council (February to May 2010)
Review of the Applications for Renewal of Appointment of the Vice-Chancellor and Pro Vice-Chancellor, RID (2014)
School of Research & Graduate Studies Board (& associated sub-committees; 2004 to 2009)
Search Party for Chair in Accounting, UG Business School (October to November 2011)
Search Party for ISSER Director, University of Ghana (November 2009 to February 2010)
Search part for Director, Office of Research and Innovation (May 2013)
Search party for Kwame Nkrumah Chair in African Studies; Director, Legon Centre for International Affairs and Diplomacy; Director, School of Communication Studies; and review Director of School of Continuing and Distance Education (April to June 2012)
Student Experience Centre Legacy Project Competition (Chair, 2023-2024)
Strategic Plan Revision Committee (2014-2015)
Technical Review Team for Kisseman Housing Project (June to November 2009)
University of Ghana @75 Planning Committee (Chair, 2022-2023)
University of Ghana Mentor Representative, African University College of Communication (2011-2015)
University of Ghana Enterprises Ltd. (UGEL, UG Council Representative, 2007 to 2011)
Miscellaneous ad-hoc Committees & Review panels set up by the Vice-Chancellor/Council

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

African Evaluators Network; AFREA (2004-2005; 2012)
African Feminist Initiative (2015 to date)
Africa Gender and Development Evaluation Network; AGDEN (2004 to date)
African Studies Association (USA, 1994 to date; board member since 2019)
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Fellow, Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences (2016 to date)
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International Development Evaluation Association, IDEAS (2013 to 2014)
International Sociological Association, ISA (2006 to date; Co-President of RC32, Research Committee on Women and Society 2014-2018); **first, and till date only Africa-based Co-President*
Population Association of America, PAA (1996 to 1997; 2004 to 2005)
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Strengthening Gender Studies for Africa's Transformation Curriculum Working Group (Coordinated by the African Gender Institute, University of Cape Town, 2003 to 2004)
Women's Caucus of the African Studies Association (1995 to date)
Steering Committee Member, Women's Caucus of the African Studies Association (& co-convenor 2004 to 2006) **first Africa-based Convenor*
University Teachers Association of Ghana (UTAG; 1989 to date)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editorial Board Member & Reviewer

Reviewer, African Humanities Fellowship Programme (2008 to 2019)
Reviewer *African Journal of Reproductive Health* (1998 to 2004)
Editorial board member, *African Perspectives* series at the University of Michigan Press.
Editor, *African Studies Review* (2017 to 2019) and Reviewer (1998 to date)
Advisory Board member, *The Africa Team* (2016 to date)
Editorial assistance, *Association of African Universities Research Papers 2000*
Reviewer *Agenda* (2005 to 2010)
International Editorial Board Member, Brill (Grey) Series (2014 to 2017)
Advisory Board member and Reviewer, *Journal of Art and Humanities*, College of Art and Social Studies, KNUST (2008 to 2009)
Reviewer *Chemchemi*, Journal of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Kenyatta University (2007 to 2010)
Editor-in-Chief, Contemporary Journal of African Studies (2018 to date)
Co-Editor, *Critical Investigations into Humanitarianism in Africa* blog (2010 to date)
Editorial Board member, and Reviewer *Culture, Societies and Masculinities* (2007 to date).
Editorial Board member and Reviewer, *Feminist Africa* (2007 to date)
Editorial Board member, *Journal of African Gender Studies* (2018 to date)
Editor, *Ghana Studies* (2008 to 2013); Reviewer (1999 to date); Guest Editor (2002)
Gender and Society Advisory Board member (2003 to 2015); Reviewer (2000 to date)
Reviewer *Institute of Statistical, Social and Economic Research Publications*, UG (2008)
Reviewer *Journal of Health and Social Behaviour* (2004 to 2010)
Editorial Board member, *Journal of World Popular Music* (2013 to date)
Reviewer *Legon Journal of International Affairs* (2008)
Member, Scientific Committee & Social Science Sub-committee, Ghana AIDS Commission National HIV-AIDS Research Conference, "Sustaining a Comprehensive National Response to HIV/AIDS" (2008)
Reviewer Norwegian Programme for Development, Research and Education (NUFU) Grant Proposals (August 2008)
Reviewer *Social Science and Medicine* (2004 to 2010)
Reviewer *Social Studies Journal* (2007 to date)
Reviewer *Women's Studies International Forum* (1997 to 2000)

UNIFEM Gender Evaluation Specialist (2004 to 2008)
Co-editor, *Wagadu* (2017 to date)

Current Advisory Board Memberships

Academic and Administrative Council, & Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Access Committee (IDEA), *Concordia University*, Irvine CA (2015-2016)
Africa-based Gender Technical Platform for Gender Responsive Malaria Advocacy and Policy Project of the Centre for Gender Studies and Advocacy, University of Ghana (2023 to date)
African Feminist Initiative, The Pennsylvania State University (2015 to date)
African Heritage Initiative, University of Michigan (2011 to date)
Chair, “*Africa Multiple*” *Cluster of Excellence*, University of Bayreuth (2019 to date)
“*Beyond Borders*” ZEIT-Stiftung Ebelin und Gerd Bucerius Scholarship Prog. (2020 to 2024)
Centre for the Advancement of Scholarship, Univ. of Pretoria, South Africa (2018 to 2024)
Edinburgh University Press Feminist Studies on Peace, Violence, and Justice (2023 to date)
President, *Scientific Committee of the Journal Global Africa* (2021 to date)
Ghana Inst. of Linguistics, Literature and Bible Translation (representing Univ. of Ghana 2010 to 2015; Vice -Chair 2015 to date).
Institute for Humanities in Africa, HUMA, University of Cape Town (2020 to date)
Advisory Council, *North Rhine-Westphalian Academy of International Affairs* (2022 to date)
Ethical Review Board, *Participatory Development Associates* (2015 to date)
Perivoli Africa Research Centre, University of Bristol (PARC, 2020 to date)
Transatlantic Roundtable on Religion and Race (2011 to date)
Women at Work: a comparative history of African female urban professions (Sudan, Ethiopia, Tanzania and Ghana), 1919-1970” project (sponsored by the European Research Council, ERC) (2023-2027)

Previous Board Memberships

Board Member, Action Aid Ghana, (2005 to 2013)
President, *African Studies Association of Africa* (and foundation Vice-President, 2013-2022)
African Studies Association (US, 2019-2022)
Governing Council, and Appointments and Promotions Board, *Central University* (2019-2022)
DataBank Foundation (2012 to date)
Centre for African Studies, University of the Free State, South Africa (2010 to 2015)
Christian Rural Aid Network (CRAN; 1999 to 2013)
Forty Roses Foundation (2014 to 2015)
Board Member/Vice-Chair, Ghana Institute of Linguistics, Literacy & Bible Translation (2010 to 2024)
Ghana National AIDS Commission (& member Prevention & Advocacy sub-committee; 2001 to 2008)
Ghana National Theatre (Institutional Representative, 2014-2015)
SSRC Next Generation Social Sciences in Africa Fellowship Program(2010 to 2020)
Social Science Research Council
SOS Herman Gmeiner International School (2021 to 2024)

MEMBERSHIP OF CIVIL SOCIETY ASSOCIATIONS

Ghana Domestic Violence Coalition (2003 to date)
Network for Women’s rights in Ghana, NETRIGHT (1999 to date)
R3M Champions: Reducing Maternal Mortality and Morbidity (2013 to 2015)
Women’s Manifesto Coalition (2000 to date)

SELECTED CONSULTANCIES AND EXTENSION WORK

2022

Team member “A global view on social equity: addressing insider/outsider dynamics” for Thomas Leyland on behalf of EY (formerly Ernst and Young) and facilitated by Joerg Schmitz.

2020

Team member, “The Black Diaspora, Systemic Racism and Inclusive Leadership now, next and beyond” for Thomas Leyland on behalf of EY (formerly Ernst and Young) and facilitated by Joerg Schmitz.

2017

Consultant, Victims of Trafficking Identification and Screening Protocol Training of Duty Bearers, Ghana; Participatory Development Associates on behalf of International Migration Organization.

2015

Domestic Violence in Ghana: Prevalence, Incidence, and Causes; Team member with Institute for Development Studies, Brighton, and ISSER; on behalf of the Ministry for Gender & Social Protection, Ghana.

2014

Blood at the Roots: A Roadmap to the Racial Divide. A four-part documentary series on the origins of global racism. Executive Producer: Carlos Moore.

2014

Modern Slavery Landscape in Ghana, for Participatory Development Associates and Free the Slaves.

2013

Consultant on Ghanaian Culture for Crown Solicitor, New South Wales, Australia.

2009 -2010

Survey on Violence and HIV” Gender Studies and Human Rights Documentation Centre; Accra.

2008

“Diversity and Human Relations” sessions for Kofi Annan Peacekeeping Training Centre Workshops on Equality and Diversity facilitated by Psychon HR, October.
Evaluation of the Nkyinkyim Anti-Violence Programme of Gender Studies and Human Rights Documentation Centre, Accra. On behalf of Comic Relief.

2007

Resource Person, Participatory Development Associates seminar on Multiple Intelligences, March 15-16.

2006

Resource Person, Leadership Training, the Ark Foundation.

2004

Facilitator, UNIFEM Evaluation and Monitoring Workshop; Accra, June 2 - 6.
Curriculum Development Committee member, WIELD.

Resource Person, the Ark Foundation, Women's Leadership Development Training Programme, Ghana.

Resource Person, Women's Initiative for Self Empowerment (WISE), Ghana.

2003

Resource Person, the Ark Foundation, Ghana.

Resource Person, Women's Initiative for Self Empowerment (WISE), Ghana.

2002

Consultant Save the Children Fund Ghana: National Reproductive Health Baseline Survey – Supplementary Survey; July – October (with Kweku Yeboah, University of Ghana).

Resource Person, Women's Initiative for Self Empowerment (WISE), Ghana.

Resource Person, the Ark Foundation, Ghana.

2001

Resource Person, CODESRIA 2001 Gender Institute, Subject: "Beyond Cairo: Gender, Reproductive Behaviour and Sexual Health", Dakar, July 5- 21.

Consultant for UNAIDS/WHO Gambia National AIDS Control Programme – Technical assistance/evaluation of the sex worker project in the Gambia; March 28 – April 8.

Lead Researcher Save the Children Fund Ghana: National Reproductive Health Supplementary Survey; January – April (with Kweku. Yeboah, UG).

2000

Lead Researcher, Save the Children Fund Ghana: National Reproductive Health Baseline Survey; February - August (with Kweku Yeboah, UG).

1997

Research Consultant, *Incredible Africa* Film Project, High-Five Entertainment Group Nashville, TN, April - May.

1996

Resource Person Emory University Law & Religion project *Human Rights in Africa*, March.

1993

Consultant, UNICEF: AIDS Knowledge, Attitudes & Practices; Accra, April-August

Resource Person, Ghana Ministry of Health National Consultative Meeting on Safe Motherhood.

Resource Person, Soroptimists International Seminar on Adolescent Sexuality for Adolescents and Parents; Accra, March.

Consultant, Institute of Adult Education, University of Ghana/Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore Family Planning Education and KAP evaluation, February – March.

Analyst for Statistical Services Ghana; analysis of data on women in Ghana, June 1990 - February 1993 (with Takyiwaa Manuh, UG).

1992

Consultant, SAWA, Utrecht, the Netherlands; Evaluation of Water Supply project in Northern Ghana, June - July.

1991

Consultant, Planned Parenthood Association of Ghana; Adolescent Reproductive Health Project Orientation September/November.

Other:

Miscellaneous media appearances: Ghana TV (GTV); Metro TV; TV3; BBC; Citi FM; CNN (Amanpour); Joy FM; Radio GAR; Meridian FM; Metro TV; Thank God it's Friday; The Lounge.

*Languages in addition to English: Asante and Akuapem Twi (native spaker); German (native speaker); Ga (fair); French (rudimentary)