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EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

Aug 2013-Present	PhD Candidate, Population Studies. University of Ghana. Thesis title: <i>“Food beliefs, food habits and non-communicable disease risk in urban poor communities Accra, Ghana”</i> . (Award Date:) Supervisors: Professor Ama de-Graft Aikins, Prof. John Anarfi and Prof. Matilda Steiner-Asiedu Status: Thesis and viva passed in March, 2017
Aug 2010-July 2012	MPhil, Population Studies. University of Ghana. Dissertation title: <i>“Food perceptions and practices in urban poor communities in Accra Ghana”</i> . (Award date: July 2012) Supervisors: Professor Ama de-Graft Aikins and Dr. Delali M. Badasu
Aug 2005-May 2009	BA (Hons), Sociology with Psychology. University of Ghana. (Award Date: May 2009)

POSTDOCTORAL TRAINING

June 2017 – Date	National Research Foundation (NFR) Postdoctoral Fellowship, University of Stellenbosch, Stellenbosch, South Africa Project: Food system governance: Adaptive governance, food security and obesity in South Africa. Mentors: Dr. Scott Drimie, Southern Africa Food Lab and Centre for Complex Systems in Transition, University of Stellenbosch Dr. Laura Pereira, Centre for Complex Systems in Transition, University of Stellenbosch.
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PREDOCTORAL TRAINING

Aug 2012-May 2013	Population Research Institute, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, USA. Mentors: Professor Melissa Hardy, Professor Gordon F. DeJong and Professor, Jenny Trinitapoli, Population Research Institute, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, USA.
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FELLOWSHIPS AND HONOURS

- Aug 2011-July 2012* Research Fellow, Hewlett Institutional Capacity Building, Regional Institute for Population Studies (RIPS), University of Ghana, Legon
- Dec 2011 Travel Award Winner, Institute of International Education. Travel Award to fund travel to the Sixth African Population Studies Conference for a poster presentation in Burkina Faso.
- Aug 2012-May 2013 Visiting Scholar, The Pennsylvania State University, Population Research Institute, University Park, USA.
- Aug 2014-Dec 2016 Research Fellow, Hewlett Institutional Capacity Building Regional Institute for Population Studies (RIPS), University of Ghana, Legon

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS AND AFFILIATIONS

- Nov 2016-Apr 2017 Field Supervisor, Department of Nutrition, University of Ghana
- April 2015-Oct 2016 Survey Management and Data Analyst, Department of Economics, University College London, London
- 2014-Present Graduate Assistant, Regional Institute for Population Studies (RIPS), University of Ghana, Legon
- August 2014-
- July 2015 Graduate Assistant, Centre for Social Policy Studies, University of Ghana
- 2014 Research Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Boston, Boston
- 2013-2014 Research Assistant, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Ghana
- 2011-2013 Research Assistant, EDULINK Urban Health and Poverty Project, Regional Institute for Population Studies (RIPS), University of Ghana
- 2011-2013 Research Assistant, Research on Obesity and Diabetes among African Migrants (RODAM), Regional Institute for Population Studies (RIPS), University of Ghana
- 2012 Research Assistant, New York Capstone Program, New York University, New York
- 2011-2012 Graduate Assistant, Regional Institute for Population Studies (RIPS), University of Ghana, Legon
- 2009-2010 Teaching Assistant, Language Centre, University of Ghana

UNIVERSITY TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching

MA Courses (University of Ghana: CSPA and RIPS)

1. POPS611: Qualitative Research Methodology (RIPS, August 2013 to July, 2016)
2. CSPA611: Research Methods (CSPA, 2014 to 2015)
3. POPS604: Social Demography (RIPS, 2015 to July, 2016)
4. POPS603: Social Research (RIPS, 2015)

RESEARCH INTEREST AND ACTIVITIES

1. Social/Anthropological Demography of population health and nutrition with specific focus on (a). Foodways; food perceptions and practices (b) Non communicable disease prevention, management and treatment, (c) Community based non communicable diseases interventions
2. Global health: with focus on development, monitoring and evaluation of health policy
3. Aging: healthy aging and care for the aged

PUBLICATIONS

1. Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

1. Sanuade, O. A., and Boatemaa, S. (2015). Caregiver profiles and determinants of caregiving burden in Ghana. *Public Health*, **29**, 941-947
2. Nyarko, Y., Goldfrank, L., Ogedegbe, G. Soghoian, S., de-Graft Aikins, A and NYU-UG-KBTH Ghana Ebola Working Group. (2015) Preparing for Ebola Virus Disease in West African countries not yet affected: perspectives from Ghanaian health professionals. *Globalisation and Health*, **11**:7. NYU-UG-KBTH Ghana Ebola Working Group members include Kwadwo Koram, Sammy Ohene, Angela Ofori-Atta, Edwin Afari, Esi Sutherland-Addy, Deborah Atobrah, William Baah Boateng, Sandra Boatemaa, Tobi Sanuade, Naa Koram; Akosua Anyidoho, Margaret Larrey; Jemima Markham-Seadey, Gerhard Ofori-Amankwah; Christian Amenuveve
3. Hebert, J., Boatemaa, S., and Altman, C. (2014) "Migrant Youth's Emerging Dietary Patterns in Haiti: The Role of Peer-Social Engagement." *Public Health Nutrition*, doi:10.1017/S1368980014001372
4. Laar, A., Fiaveh, D., Laar, M., Boatemaa, S., Abugri, J., El-Adas A., Amenyah, R., Atuahene, K., Adjei, A. A., and Quakyi, R. (2014). Profiles of HIV-Affected Households in Ghana. *Health*, **6**, 2004-2013.

2. Peer-reviewed Book Chapters

1. Agyemang C., Boatemaa, S., Agyemang, F. G., and de-Graft Aikins, A. Obesity in Sub-Saharan Africa. (2016). In Rexford Ahima (Ed). *Metabolic Syndrome: A comprehensive Textbook*. Heidelberg: Springer.

REVIEWER POSITION

1. Reviewer, Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health, 2012. Facilitated peer review and publication of paper by Krishman, A. et al. Title: Socio-economic development and girl child survival in rural North India: Solution or Problem?"

CONFERENCES/WORKSHOP PRESENTATION

I have been a presenter, participant, rapporteur and organiser at 11 international conferences and high level/policy meetings convened in Ghana, Burkina Faso, South Africa and United States of America.

1. Participant. 1st Global Conference on Sustainable Food Systems, Pretoria, South Africa. (June, 2017)
2. *“Noncommunicable disease food risk beliefs: a population based study of three urban poor communities in Ghana.”* African Population Studies Conference, Pretoria, South Africa. (December, 2015).
3. NYU-UG-Korle-Bu Teaching Hospital Roundtable on Ebola, Invited Rapporteur, NYU Campus, (Accra 22-23 October, 2014).
4. *Perceptions of healthy and unhealthy eating in urban poor communities in Ghana: implications for dietary interventions.* Presentation (with Ama de-Graft Aikins and Delali M. Badasu), 6th Annual African Nutrition and Epidemiology Conference (ANEC), Accra. (July, 2014).
5. *Food beliefs, food habits and chronic non-communicable disease risk in urban poor communities of Accra, Ghana.* Presentation (with Ama de-Graft Aikins), 7th Annual Faculty of Social Sciences Colloquium, University of Ghana, Legon. (May, 2014)
6. Participant. Ghana Health Service, Stakeholder meeting on funding mechanisms for NCDs and Tobacco control in Ghana, Accra. (January, 2014).
7. Participant, Population Association of America, 2013 Annual Meeting, New Orleans. (April 2013)
8. *Food perceptions, dietary behaviour and health outcomes: evidence from urban poor communities Ghana,* Presentation (with Ama de-Graft Aikins and Delali M. Badasu), Ghana Biomedical Convention, University of Ghana, Legon. (July, 2012)
9. *Diet and Health: lay perceptions of healthy eating in urban poor communities, Ghana,* Presentation (with Ama de-Graft Aikins and Delali M. Badasu), Population Association of Southern Africa, Venda, South Africa. (June 2012).
10. The Nairobi Process: Training and Development Workshop for Early Career Researchers in West Africa. British Academy and Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU). Participant and Organising Team Member, British Council. (23rd-24th April, 2012)

11. Participant. Sixth Annual Research Conference on Population, Reproductive Health and Economic Development. POPPOV Research Network, Accra. (January, 2012)
12. *Correlates of alcohol consumption in urban poor communities*. Presentation, 4th Annual Faculty of Social Sciences Colloquium, University of Ghana, Legon. (November, 2011)
13. *Regenerative health maintenance practice of Ghanaian urban men*. Presentation, 6th African Population Studies Conference, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso. (December, 2011)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

1. Member, Union of African Population Scientist (UAPS) (2011-present)
2. Member, International Union for Scientific Studies of Population Studies (IUSSP) (2011-present)
3. Member, Population Association of America (PAA) (2012-present)

RESEARCH CONSULTING

- May 2016 Health and poverty research in Ghana: a bibliography. Reviewer: Systematic Review Working Group, convened to review academic publications of the University of Ghana Faculty
- Feb 2014 National Health Insurance Authority and Joint Learning Network. Data Analyst: Fraud and Abuse Working Group, convened to examine the nature of fraud and abuse in the Ghana health insurance system.