

PROVOST'S E-NEWS (JUNE 2015)

COLLEGE SECRETARIAT

The main College secretariat has been set up on the second floor of the International House with the offices of the Provost, College Secretary and the Human Resource Unit. The College's Finance Office and the Academic Affairs Unit are housed in the University of Ghana Business School.

COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES ADVISORY BOARD

The Council of the University of Ghana has appointed Nene A. Amegatcher as Chair of the College Advisory Board. Nene Amegatcher is a Legal Practitioner and President of the Ghana Bar Association.

Other members of the Advisory Board are:

Professor Samuel Agyei-Mensah, Provost of the College of Humanities;

Mr. Richard Kwame Asante, a Chartered Accountant with Kwame Asante and Associates representing the University Council;

Professor Kofi Anyidoho of the Department of English and former Occupant of the Kwame Nkrumah Chair in African Studies, representing the College Academic Board;

Ms. Odile Tevie, Director of Nubuke Foundation representing alumni of the University;

Mr. Robert Armah Dalmeida, student representative;

Mr. Henry Ennison, UGBS Accounts Office, representative of staff of the College;

Mrs. Margaret Takyi-Micah, CEO of Nest of Ideas Consulting Limited;

Mrs. Marian Rosamond Barnor, a Private Legal Practitioner;

Dr. Agnes Akosua Aidoo, an academic;

Mr. Frank Adu, Managing Director of CAL Bank;

Mr. Matthew Boadu Adjei, founder and CEO of Oasis Capital Ghana Limited;

Mr. Ernest D. Akore, Principal Partner, Akore and Associates;

APPOINTMENTS TO THE COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Kofi Saah Addison has been appointed Acting College Finance Officer

NEW AD-HOC COMMITTEES OF THE COLLEGE

Fund raising Committee

The Provost has appointed the following to serve on the College's Fund raising Committee:

- Mr. Kwame Gyan, School of Law
- Dr. Ransford Gyampo, Dept. of Political Science , School of Social Sciences
- Dr. Adelaide N. A. Kastner, Dept. Of Marketing & Customer Management , UGBS
- Dr. Godfred A. Bopkin, Dept. of Finance, UGBS
- Dr. Charles Ackah, ISSER
- Dr. Josephine Dzahene-Quashie, Dept. of Modern Languages, School of Languages
- Professor Kofi Agyekum, School of Performing Arts
- Mr Kofi Saah Addison, Ag. College Finance Officer
- Ms. Araba Nunoo, School Administrator, School of Law

BOOK LAUNCHES

●The College, in partnership with Airtel and Multimedia Limited, launched a book entitled *Changing Perspectives on the Social Sciences in Ghana*. The book is edited by Samuel Agyei-Mensah, Joseph Atsu Ayee and Abena Oduro and published by Springer. The book is the first compilation of its kind that brings together discussions of the evolution of scholarship in different branches of the Social Sciences in Ghana.

●The Institute of African Studies (IAS), in collaboration with Sub-Saharan Publishers, has launched a book; *Africa in Contemporary Perspective: A Text book for Undergraduate Students*. The book, edited by Professors Takyiwaa Manuh and Esi Sutherland-Addy, covers areas such as Geography, Population and Language; Culture, Social and Political Institutions, and Economy, Livelihoods and Security.

●The State of the Ghanaian Economy Report 2013 (SGER 2013), the 23rd in the series, has been launched by the Institute of Statistical, Social and Economic Research (ISSER).

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

●The University of Ghana Business School organized the 3rd Tetteh Quarshie Memorial Lecture on the theme: Ghana's Cocoa-Facts of the value Chain on August 28, 2014. The lecture was delivered by Mr. James Kofi Kutsoati, the Deputy Chief Executive (Ops.) of The Ghana Cocoa

Board (COCOBOD).The School of Arts organized an international workshop on December 14, 2014. The theme of the conference was: The African Heritage Initiative.

- The Regional Institute for Population Studies (RIPS) organized a dissemination workshop on Climate Change Adaptation Research training capacity for Development on 2nd December 2014.

- The Centre for Social Policy Studies (CSPS) organized a conference on the theme: Ageing in Ghana: Research, Intervention and Policy, on 3rd December, 2014.

- The Department of Psychology has held the first public lecture in honor of Professors C. Fiscian and H. C. A. Bulley. This lecture series is to become an annual public lecture in honor of the two Professors. The first lecture was delivered by Professor J.Y. Opoku.

- The ECOWAS-SPAIN Migration Project (ESMP) of the Legon Centre for International Affairs and Diplomacy (LECIAD), University of Ghana, Legon, has ended training for 15 migration management officers. The ESMP Project, was organised with funding from the ECOWAS-SPAIN Migration Fund.

- The Institute of Statistical Social and Economic Research (ISSER) in collaboration with the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) has held a roundtable discussion on the theme Youth, Employment and Agriculture. The roundtable discussion brought together academics, researchers, students, policy makers and members of civil society to deliberate on how effectively the agriculture sector can serve as a provider of employment to the youth and the conditions under which the youth can embrace agriculture as a livelihood and a profession.

- The Department for the Study of Religions and the Faculty of Theology, University of Basel have organized an interdisciplinary workshop on the theme: Interdisciplinary Workshop on Religion and Development.

- The College has introduced an Annual International Research Conference. The maiden conference is to be held between June, 18-20, 2015 on the theme *Multidisciplinary Research and Transformation in Africa*.

RESEARCH ENHANCEMENT

- The College Research Board has recently published on the College webpage, a publications section showcasing recent publications published by faculty members since 2014.

- The College Research Board has compiled an index of research publications in the College between 2007 and 2014.The index will be made available to Faculty in due course.

RECENT PROMOTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS IN THE COLLEGE

Recent promotions in the College are as follows:

No.	NAME	FROM	TO	DEPARTMENT
1.	Dr. James Baba Abugre	Lecturer	Senior Lecturer	Organisation & Human Resource Management (UGBS)
2.	Dr. Alfred Barimah	Lecturer	Senior Lecturer	Economics
3.	Dr. Ernest Yaw Tweneboah-Kodua	Lecturer	Senior Lecturer	Marketing and Customer Management (UGBS)
4.	Dr. Charles Andoh	Lecturer	Senior Lecturer	Finance (UGBS)
5.	Dr. Simon Kwadwogah Harvey	Lecturer	Senior Lecturer	Finance (UGBS)
6.	Dr. John Manyimadin Kusimi	Lecturer	Senior Lecturer	Geography and Resource Development
7.	Dr. Stephen Afranie	Lecturer	Senior Lecturer	Sociology
8.	Dr. Albert Ahenkan	Lecturer	Senior Lecturer	Public Administration and Health Services Management (UGBS)
9.	Dr. Philip Kortei Attuquayefio	Lecturer	Senior Lecturer	Legon Centre for International Affairs and Diplomacy

Recent Appointments in the College

No.	NAME	POSITION	DEPARTMENT	EFFECT DATE
1.	Mr. Kofi Darkoh-Ankrah	Assistant Lecturer	English	January 1, 2015
2.	Mr. Alex Osei-Kojo	Assistant	Public Administration &	January 1, 2015

		Lecturer	Health Services Management (UGBS)	
3.	Mr. Sampson Abeeku Edu	Assistant Lecturer	Operations & Management Information Systems (UGBS)	January 1, 2015
4.	Mr. Divine Quase Agozie	Assistant Lecturer	Operations & Management Information Systems	January 1, 2015
5.	Dr. Saint Kuttu	Lecturer	Finance (UGBS)	January 1, 2015
6.	Dr. Monica Puoma Lambon-Quayefio	Lecturer	Economics	January 1, 2015
7.	Dr. Julliete E. Twumasi-Anokye	Part-Time Lecturer	Organization & Human Resource Management (UGBS)	January 1, 2015
8.	Ms. Abigail Adubea Larbi	Assistant Lecturer	Social Work	January 1, 2015
9.	Dr. Mumuni Abu	Lecturer	Regional Institute for Population Studies	January 1, 2015
10.	Mr. Prince Kwame Senyo	Assistant Lecturer	Operations and Management Information Systems (UGBS)	January 1, 2015
11.	Dr. Alexander G. K. Salakpi	Part-Time Lecturer	The Study of Religions	January 1, 2015
12.	Dr. Augustina Naami	Lecturer	Social Work	January 1, 2015

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

- The University of Ghana Business School (UGBS) has introduced a Corporate Executives-in-Residence Programme (CERP). The programme seeks to foster the goals of educating business leaders who are able to evolve innovative solutions to challenges confronting both the public and private sectors in Africa and beyond, promoting theory and practice and also making a positive impact on the business community and society. Under the CERP, accomplished executives are invited to share their rich experience and insights with students and faculty.
- The UGBS in January 2015, held a one-day national workshop on a proposed Ghana Business Development Review Project. The purpose of the project is to create a national platform for the provision of a research-based annual report on business development in Ghana.

PARTNERSHIPS/RESEARCH PROJECTS/GRANT PROPOSALS

- The School of Languages has initiated two major new partnerships with the Lancaster University and the Stockholm University. As part of this effort, colleagues from the Lancaster University will visit the School of Languages during the 2015 long vacation to train both students and faculty on Corpus Linguistics. The School is also working on a proposal with Lancaster University to obtain funding for creating a credible language corpus to make data readily available for various forms of language analysis.
- IAS is undertaking an institutional *Biography Project*, a biographical study of the lives and times of identified prominent “ordinary” Ghanaians both living and deceased, whose lives and achievements serve as potential models for the study of influence as well as role models for Ghana’s youth. The current personalities being “studied” include:
 - Tolon-Na Yakubu Tali
 - Okyeame kwadwo Boafo Akuffo
 - Professor Florence Abena Dolphyne
 - Oyeeman Wereko Ampem
 - Alhaji Yakubu Tali
 - Justice Annie Jiagge
 - Dr. Oku Ampofo
 - Saka Acquaye

FUND-RAISING

- Following a request from the Provost of the College, the ECOWAS Bank for Investment and Development has provided financial support for the first annual Research Conference of the College to be held in June 2015.

- Ghana National Petroleum Corporation (GNPC) has donated a 1030 KVA genset for the new UGBS graduate building. This support will help in addressing the problem of constant disruptions to academic work due to power cuts. Dizengoff Ghana Ltd. has been selected to supply and install the generator.

HONOURS AND AWARDS

Faculty members in the College continue to receive honours and awards

- Prof. Henrietta Mensa-Bonsu, Director of the Legon Centre for International Affairs and Diplomacy (LECIAD) has been appointed a member of the High Level Independent Panel on Peace Operations by the United Nations General Secretary. The panel is to among other things “make comprehensive assessment of the state of the UN Peace operations today and the emerging needs of the future”.

- Dr. Peace A. Medie, a Research Fellow at LECIAD, has been selected as one of eight fellows of the 2014 edition of the African Studies Association (ASA) fellowship programme.

- Dr. Majeed Mohammed, Department of Philosophy and Classics has been awarded an African Humanities Program Postdoctoral Fellowship 2014. The title of his project is: *Reincarnation, Predestination and Moral Responsibility: Critical Issues in Akan Philosophical Thought*.

- Prof. Nana Aba Amfo, Dean, School of Languages, has been selected to participate in the 2015 International Dean’s Course, Africa sponsored by DAAD.

- Professor Helen Yitah, Head, Department of English, has been appointed as Distinguished Scholar on the University of Pretoria Mellon Multidisciplinary Research Project, 2014-2015. As part of her role on the project, she travelled to the University of Pretoria to present a lecture on “The Child and the Story” and also facilitated a workshop on research in children’s literature in Africa.

- The Provost has initiated Paper Awards Competition for doctoral students; early career and mid career faculty in the College.

