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**Education**

**AUBURN UNIVERSITY** Auburn, AL

Master of Public Administration August 2019 – December 2021

Certificate in Non-Profit Organizations and Community Governance

**KWAME NKRUMAH UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (KNUST)** Kumasi, Ghana

Bachelor’s in Economics August 2011 – November 2015

**Work Experience**

**OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS (INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL CENTER)** Auburn, Al

***Student Ambassador (*Facilitating *strategic internationalization for students, faculty, and staff)*** July 2021- December 2021

* Collaborated with Alabama German partnership to engage and educate students on German culture and values.
* Created initiatives and programs to promote cultural awareness of several countries for local and international students.
* Facilitated seminar series with experts (faculty and students) to discuss interdisciplinary and “just in time” topics, to advance international advance international learnings.
* Organized and facilitated leadership conference at Walt Disney, Orlando, Florida.

**STORYBOOK FARM (Empowering children and young adults through equine-assisted activities)** Auburn, AL

***Intern (fundraising, stewardship and donor relationship development)***January 2021- May 2021

* Successful research on available grants and foundations to suit organizations current financial needs.
* Collaborated with executive director in writing post grant evaluation for a previous successful grant.
* Organized, compiled guest list, and sent out invitations for an upcoming event in May 2021.
* Reviewed and procured items worth $6,000 for the 2021 Kentucky Derby auction.
* Organized and trained volunteers to participate in the 2021 Kentucky Derby fundraiser.
* Worked with a diverse group of interns in coordinating and participating in programming activities (equine-assisted).
* Updated and tracked donor records of donations, gifts and feedback through etappestry.

**BASSE ENGINEERING & MICHEL LTD (Construction and equipment leasing)** Akwa Ibom, Nigeria

***Cost Control personnel*** January 2016 – April 2019

* Controlled project costs by devising effective methods to minimize deviations from the proposed budget.
* Increased overall efficiency, improved turnaround time on daily transactions and reduced crowd size by 15%.
* Effectively managed data of over 5000 customers and vendors while complying with relevant regulatory and safety guidelines.
* Oversaw procurement department delivery from vendors.
* Collaborated effectively with the leasing department and increased hiring of equipment by 20% in my first year of service.

**CHILDHOOD CANCER FOUNDATION (AIESEC**) Johannesburg**,** South Africa

***Intern (fundraising to enable children and teenagers with cancer get health care)***  February 2014 – June 2014

* Established and maintained donor relationship for 3months.
* Created content and increased social media presence, public engagement increased on social media platforms by 25%.
* Organized a matching grant scheme and partnered with a local lifestyle media magazine, engaged in daily sales of magazine, and interacted with potential donors daily.

**KWAME NKRUMAH UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (KNUST)**  Kumasi, Ghana

***Welfare leader associate intern with the International Student Association*** September 2013 – August 2014

* Coordinated photography, videography, musicians, and increased ceremony participation during the international student week.
* Managed administrative logistics of event planning services and identified opportunities for improvement.
* Negotiated and sold daily boots/stands to vendors, exceeding the initial proposed profit to be made from sales.
* Negotiated and partnered with local restaurants to give matching grants to support the associations activities.
* Coordinated programs and activities development to be inclusive of all international students.

**Skills**

* Skilled in Microsoft office Applications, statistical software (SPSS, R).
* Scheduling and events logistics management.
* Stewardship development and donor management.

**Accomplishments**

* Student representative for the department of political science in the Graduate School Council (GSC) July 2021 - Present
* College of liberal arts dean search committee, Auburn University August 2021- Present
* Research Project- Racialized power in Auburn May 2020 – February 2021

**Key contribution:** Research on early African American students and athlete at Auburn university, Alabama.

<http://auburncommunitymap.com/aboutUs.html>

* Research Project - The determinants of health insurance demand in Ghana February 2014 –July 2014

**Key contribution**: Created and administered questionnaires in rural areas of Kumasi, Ghana.

: Used statistical software package (SPSS) to check the correlation between collected variables.