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### EDUCATION

- 2016 – present      Ph.D. Student, Sociology, Louisiana State University (LSU), Baton Rouge, LA.  
                                 Advisor: Prof. Wesley Shrum
- 2018                      MA Sociology, Louisiana State University (LSU), Baton Rouge, LA.  
                                 Empirical Paper: “Disease as a site of trust and control, and the construction of scientific knowledge in vaccine trials.”
- 2014                      MPhil Sociology, University of Ghana (UG), Accra, Ghana.  
                                 Thesis: “Commercialization of Land and the Peasant Economy of Ewusiejo in the Western Region of Ghana.”
- 2003                      BA (Hons) Sociology and the Study of Religions, University of Ghana (UG), Accra, Ghana.

### PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

- 2016 – present      Graduate Teaching Assistant, Sociology, LSU
- 2015 – 2016          Instructor, Sociology, St. Paul’s Catholic Seminary, Accra, Ghana.
- 2013 – 2014          Graduate Teaching Assistant, Sociology, UG, Accra, Ghana.

### RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

- Sociology of Infectious Diseases
- Sociology of Disaster
- Medical Sociology
- Science and Technology Studies

### JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- 2018                      Meyer, Michelle A., J. Carlee Purdum, Kyle Breen, **John K. Aggrey**, Danequa Forrest, Cristian Nunez, and Walter Gillis Peacock. “Perspectives from Nongovernmental Organizations on Education and Training Needs for Community Disaster Recovery.” *Journal of Emergency Management*. 16(1)
- 2018                      Dzokoto, Vivian A., **John K. Aggrey**, Hortance Hounbeke, and Edwin C. Mensah. “Exploring Knowledge Gaps and Financial Exclusion in Ghanaian Monetary Transitions.” *Journal of Information and Knowledge Management*, 17(3): 1-25.
- 2016                      Dzokoto, Vivian Afi, Rebecca Asante and **John K. Aggrey**, “Money that isn’t: A Qualitative examination of 1 pesewa coin and biometric card adoption in Ghana.” *Ghana Studies Journal*. 19(1), 3-34.

## UNDER REVIEW

Shrum, Wesley, **John K. Aggrey**, André de Campos, Janaina Oliveira Pamplona da Costa, Prablo Kreimer, Rhiannon A. Kroeger, Leandro Rodriguez, Paige Miller, Antony Palackal Ana Pandal de la Peza, Abou Traore. "Who's Afraid of Ebola? Epidemic Fires and Locative Fears in the Information Age" *Social Studies of Science*.

## IN PROGRESS

**Aggrey, John K.**, and Wesley Shrum. "Disease as a site of Trust and Control in Vaccine Trials."

**Aggrey, John K.** "The Globalization of Emerging Infectious Disease Clinical Trials"

**Aggrey, John K.**, and Wesley Shrum. "'Do they want to kill us with Ebola?' Vaccine Trials and Risk Communication in Ghana."

Shrum, Wesley, Paul Mbatia, Dan-Bright Dzorgbo, **John K. Aggrey**, Antony Palackal, and Paige Miller. "Mobile and Social Networks."

## CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PRESENTATION

- 2018                      **Aggrey, John K.**, *Disease as a Site of Trust and Control, and the Construction of Scientific Knowledge in Vaccine Trials*. Midwest Sociological Society (MSS) Annual Conference, March 22 – 25, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- 2017                      **Aggrey, John K.**, and Wesley Shrum. '*Do they want to kill us with Ebola?*' *Vaccine Trials and Risk Communication in Ghana*. Society for Social Studies of Science (4S) Annual Meeting, August 30 – September 2, Boston, Massachusetts.
- 2015                      **Aggrey, John K.**, *The Role of Local Actors, and the Impact of Land Commercialization on the Peasant Economy*. Ghana Sociological and Anthropological Association (GSAA), November 26-28, University of Ghana, Accra, Ghana.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2017                      Research Assistant: "Structures of Long-Term Disaster Recovery: Organizational Roles and Collaboration in Six Recent Cases." National Science Foundation. PI: Meyer (LSU), Co-PIs: Cooper, Bierling, Van Zandt, Peacock, (TAMU).  
                                ■ Updated online database; analyzed data using Atlas.ti; reviewed a book and undertook online research
- 2016 – 2017              Networked Knowledge and Preparedness for Ebola. A Multi-National Research Project II – Prof. Wesley Shrum, LSU

- 2015                      Networked Knowledge and Preparedness for Ebola. A Multi-National Research Project I – Prof. Wesley Shrum, LSU  
                                  ■ Designed semi-structured interview guide, conducted in-depth interviews, transcribed interviews, and analyzed data using Atlas.ti.
- 2013                      African Diaspora Project – Dr. Akosua Darkwah, Co-PI, University of Ghana & University of Cape Town  
                                  ■ Conducted in-depth interviews using semi-structured interview guide
- 2012                      Skilled Ghanaian Migrant Research Project – Dr. Madeline Wong, St. Lawrence University, New York.  
                                  ■ Conducted in-depth interviews using semi-structured interview guide
- 2004                      Child Labor and Palm Plantation in Ghana – Ghana Employers Association/ International Labor Organization (ILO).  
                                  ■ Recruited data collectors, designed questionnaires, collected survey data and wrote research report
- 2003                      Drug Addiction and HIV Infection – Ghana Health Service/UNDP  
                                  ■ Reviewed Literature, designed questionnaire, and collected survey data.

### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

- 2018 – present        William Averette Anderson Fund Fellowship, Fellow.
- 2018                      Graduate Student Travel Grant – Midwest Sociological Society (MSS)
- 2017                      Graduate Student Travel Grant – Society for Social Studies of Science (4S)
- 2014                      Ghana Studies Research Grant – Ghana Studies Association, USA.

### **TEACHING ASSISTANT EXPERIENCE**

- 2019 (Spring)<sup>1\*</sup>      Statistics Lab– Miss Jiabin Fan, LSU
- 2018 (Fall)\*           Statistics Lab – Dr. Hyojung Kim, LSU
- 2018 (Spring)\*       Statistics Lab – Dr. Heather Rackin, LSU
- 2014                      Basic Concepts in Sociology – Dr. Samson Obed Appiah, UG
- 2014                      Foundations of Social Thought – Dr. Dan-Bright Dzorgbo, UG
- 2014                      Comparative Social Institutions – Dr. Samson Obed Appiah, UG
- 2013                      Social Anthropology – Dr. Kodjovi Akpabli- Honu, UG
- 2013                      Culture and Development – Miss Beatrice Akumatey, UG

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<sup>1</sup> \*Fully Responsible for the Lab sessions.

## **GUEST LECTURES AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

2018 “Cybercrime in Ghana” Guest Lecture for Honors Class: Introductory Sociology, Department of Sociology, LSU. August 23.

2017 “Cybercrime in Ghana” Guest Lecture for Honors Class: Introductory Sociology, Department of Sociology, LSU. August 24.

## **ACADEMIC SERVICE AND SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY**

2018 Presider, “Constructing and Understanding Knowledge, Emotions and Behavior” Midwest Sociological Society (MSS) Annual Conference, March 22 – 25, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

2017 – 2018 Peer Mentor, Department of Sociology, LSU Sociology

2017 Volunteer, Society for Social Studies of Science (4S) Annual Meeting, August 30 – September 2, Boston, Massachusetts.

## **WORKSHOPS**

2018 William Averette Anderson Fund Fellowship  
Research with Relevance Workshop  
Disaster Research Centre, University of Delaware, October 18 – 20, Newark, Delaware.

2015 1<sup>st</sup> CODESRIA/CASB Summer School  
Interdisciplinary and Methodological Challenges in Area Studies in Africa. March 23 – 27, Dakar, Senegal.

## **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

American Sociological Association (ASA), Member  
Society for Social Studies of Science (4S), Member  
Midwest Sociological Society (MSS), Member  
Ghana Sociological and Anthropological Association (GSAA), Member  
Council for Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA), Member  
Alpha Kappa Delta (AKD) International Sociology Honor Society, Member

## **REFERENCE**

Available upon request