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## EDUCATION

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**Doctor of Philosophy** *August 2018 - Present*  
Purdue University, West Lafayette IN

- Major: Comparative Politics
- Minors: Research Methods and International Relations

**Post Graduate Certificate, Research Methods** *August 2020 - May 2021*  
Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN.

**Master of Arts, Political Science** *August 2018 - August 2020*  
Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN.

**Master of Arts, Political Science** *August 2016 - July 2019*  
Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, IL.

**Bachelor of Arts, Political Studies** *August 2010 - July 2014*  
Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Kumasi, Ghana.

- Minor: Geography and Rural Development

## WORKING PAPERS

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Visconti, Giancarlo, Owura Kuffuor, Kayla Young. (2021) Constructing Generalizable Geographic Natural Experiments

Kuffuor, Owura Kwabena.(2021) Economic Informality and Political Participation: The Ghanaian Example.

Kuffuor, Owura Kwabena.(2021) Partisanship Resilience in Candidate Centered Democracies.

## PUBLICATIONS

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Brenya Edward and Owura Kwabena Kuffuor. (2015). Regional Organizations and Response to Political Threat: A Review of the Role of ECOWAS in Ebola and Boko Haram Crises Asian Journal of Social Science and Management. Vol. 2 (3): 82:88

Brenya, Edward, Owura Kuffuor, Jennifer Aboagyewaa Asamoah, Yaa Yeboah Adu-Gyimah, Abena Dugan. (2014). Democratic Institutions and Political Accountability: A Case Study of Ghanas Fourth Republican Constitution International Journal of Humanities and Social Studies Vol. 2(12):52-67

## PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION AND ACTIVITIES

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*Partisanship Resilience in Candidate Centered Democracies.* A paper presented at the Western Political Science Association (April 10, 2020)

*Assessing the impact of State Factors on the Success or Failure of Revolutions.* A paper presented at the Illinois Political Science Association Conference (November 4, 2017) and the Midwest International Studies Association Conference at St. Louis, Missouri. (November 17, 2017)

*Arab Spring in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Close Shave or a Beckoning Crisis?* A paper presented at EIU Student Research Creative Discovery conference at Charleston (April 2017) and the Midwest International Studies Association St. Louis, Missouri

*Substantive Representation in US State Immigration Policy.* A paper presented at the Illinois Political Science Association Conference (November, 2017)

*Arab Spring in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Close Shave or a Beckoning Crisis?* A research poster presented at Midwest Political Science Association Conference at Chicago (April 2017) and the Joint Area Centers Symposium on Governing Globalization at University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign (April 2017)

*Regional Organization and Response to Political Threat.* A paper presented at the Illinois Political Science Association Conference (November, 2016)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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*Research Consultant*, Purdue Policy Research Institute (PPRI), Purdue University. Tracking and Assessing Actionable Bills and Policies at US Congress (Summer 2019). Supervisor - Dr. Stacey Connaughton

*Research Assistant*, Purdue Policy Research Institute (PPRI), Purdue University. Socio-Legal and Ethical implications of Autonomous Vehicles (Summer 2019). Supervisor- Dr. Rosalee Clawson

*Research Assistant*, Department of Political Science, Eastern Illinois University. (Fall 2016). Supervisors- Dr. Richard Wandling Dr. David Carwell

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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*Independent Instructor*, Department of Political Science, Purdue University. (Fall 2019, Summer 2020, Summer 2021).

*Teaching Assistant*, Department of Political Science, Eastern Illinois University. (Fall 2016, Fall 2017).

*Teaching and Research Assistant*, Department of Political Science, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST).(Fall 2014 to Spring 2015).

## ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

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*Student Engagement Officer*, Office of International Students and Scholars, Eastern Illinois University. (Fall 2016).

## RESEARCH GRANTS

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APSA EPOVB Early Career Research Fellowship (1000) *September 2021*

Purdue Research Foundation Research Grant (3000) *March 2020*

PROMISE Grant Award - College of Liberal Arts. Purdue University (1500) *January 2020*

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

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Distinguished Graduate Student - Graduate School. Eastern Illinois University. *April 2018*

Graduate Student Investigator Award - College of Sciences. Eastern Illinois University. *April 2018*

Annie Weller Scholarship Award - Graduate School. Eastern Illinois University. *April 2018*

Hamand Society Scholar - Graduate School. Eastern Illinois University. *April 2018*

Frances Meyer Hampton Graduate Scholarship - Graduate School. Eastern Illinois University. *April 2017*

Interdisciplinary Center for Global Diversity Student Travel Award. Eastern Illinois University. *April 2017*

Distinguished International Student - Office for International Students and Scholars. Eastern Illinois University. *April 2017*

Williams Travel Grant - Graduate School. Eastern Illinois University. *March 2017, November 2016*

Andrew Galo Scholarship - Department of Political Science. Eastern Illinois University. *August 2016*

## MEMBERSHIPS

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American Political Science Association

Midwest Political Science Association

African Studies Association

Western Political Science Association

## SKILLS

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### Language

### Level of Proficiency

English

*native*

### Computer

### Level of Proficiency

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*intermediate*

Latex

*intermediate*

Stata

*basic*

Qualtrics

*intermediate*