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Education

Ph.D. Candidate. Anthropology, University of Texas at Austin. 2010 - Present. Major: Archaeology.

M.Phil. Archaeology, University of Ghana, Legon. May 2005.

B.A. Archaeology with History. University of Ghana, Legon. June 2001.

Areas of General Interest

Landscape archaeology; ethnoarchaeology; historical archaeology; archaeology of identities; religious rituals; public archaeology; archaeology and community engagement.

Current Professional Appointments

Teaching Assistant, Department of Anthropology, University of Texas at Austin. Fall 2013 and Spring 2014.

Lecturer. Department of Archaeology and Heritage Studies, University of Ghana, Legon. 2005 to Present (currently on study leave).

Courses taught:

- Approaches to the Study of the Past
- Archaeology and Africa's Cultural Heritage
- Introduction to Physical Anthropology
- Practical Archaeology I- Fieldwork and II- Laboratory Analysis
- Introduction to Information Technology in Archaeology and Heritage Studies

Previous Professional Appointments

Teaching Assistant, University of Ghana, Legon. 2001.

Graduate Assistant, University of Ghana, Legon. 2005.

Research Experience

Principal Investigator and Co-director, Krobo Mountain Archaeological Research Project, Ghana. 2007 – present.

Principal Investigator, Archaeological and Ethnographic Study in Krobo, Ghana. 2014 (2 weeks), 2013 (10 weeks), 2012 (8 weeks), and 2011 (3 weeks).

Co-director, Archaeology and Ethnographic Field School, Krobo and Akuse, Ghana. Organized by the Department of Archaeology and Heritage Studies, University of Ghana, Legon. 2006 (2 weeks), 2007 (2 weeks), 2008 (2 weeks), 2009 (2 weeks), and 2014 (2 weeks).

Site Supervisor, 2012 Lose archaeological project, Botswana. Directed by Prof. James Denbow of the University of Texas at Austin. 2012 (6 weeks).

Ethnoarchaeological Research at Small-London, Ghana. 2005 (1 Day).

Principal Investigator, Preliminary Archaeological Reconnaissance at Assin Manso and Assin Praso, Ghana. (1 week).

Research Assistant to Professor James Anquandah. Cultural and Environmental Impact Assessment Surveys at Sega, Tema, and Takoradi (Aboadze) Thermal Power Plant Sites, Ghana. 2003 (1 week).

Site Supervisor, Koma Archaeological Research Project, Yikpabongo, Ghana. 2008 (2 weeks).

Site Supervisor, Kintampo Complex Project at Abetifi (Busumpra Cave excavation), Ghana. 2008 (1 week).

Research Assistant, Onyadi Field school, Ghana. 2004 (2 weeks).

Publications

Journal Articles

Gblerkpor, W.N. 2009. Archaeological Indications of Past Lifeways on the Krobo Mountain, Ghana. *Ghana Social Science Journal* Vol. 5 & 6; Nos. 1 & 2: 152-187.

Gblerkpor, W.N. 2008. Current Archaeological Research at the Krobo Mountain Site, Ghana. Insoll, T. (ed). *Current Archaeological Research in Ghana. Cambridge Monographs in African Archaeology*. 74: 71-84

Gblerkpor, W.N. 2006. An Archaeological Investigation of the Krobo Mountain Settlement Site. *Nyame Akuma*. 65: 18-23

Book Chapters

Gblerkpor, W.N. 2011. Material Culture and Ethnic Identity: The Case of the Krobo, Ghana. Laurer, H. et al (eds.). *Identity Meets Nationality: Voices from Humanities*. Accra, Sub-Saharan Publishers. Pp. 149-174.

Gblerkpor, W.N. and Nkumbaan, S.N. (in press). Archaeology and Socio-political Engagement: The Case of the Krobo Mountain Archaeological Research. *Current Perspective on the Archaeology of Ghana*. Accra, Sub-Saharan Publishers. pp.304-324.

Nkumbaan, S.N. (in press). Cultural Resources Management in Ghana. Anquandah, J. et al (eds). *Current Perspective on the Archaeology of Ghana.* Accra, Sub-Saharan Publishers pp. 268-284.

Technical Reports and Unpublished Papers

Gblerkpor, W.N. 2007. An Archaeological Report on the Krobo Mountain Site, presented to the Krobo Hill Resorts Ltd.

Gblerkpor, W.N. 2006. How to Prepare Damaged Photographs for Digitization and Storage. Presented at the Training of Trainers Workshop organized by the West African Museums Program (WAMP), Dakar, Senegal, 2006

Gblerkpor, W.N. 2005. *An Archaeological Investigation of the Krobo Mountain Dry-Stone Terraces*. Unpublished M.Phil thesis. University of Ghana, Legon.

Gblerkpor, W.N. 2004. Collection of Oral Data and Archaeological Reconnaissance at Assin Manso and Assin Praso, A Report presented to Ghana's Ministry of Tourism.

Scholarly Presentations

Fortress of Resilience: Krobo Hill, Ghana. National Museum, Accra, Ghana. August 2013.

Fortress of Resilience: Krobo Hill, Ghana. Ashesi University College, Brekuso, Ghana. August 2013.

Interpreting a Religious Ritual Landscape: A Preliminary Report on an Archaeological Survey on Krobo Hill, Ghana. New Directions in Anthropology Conference. Rice University, Houston. March 2013

The Krobo Krobo Mountain Archaeological Research Project: A Preliminary Report. Department of Archaeology, University of Ghana, Legon. June 2013.

Joint-presenter, Controlling the Fire: Individuation, Wealth, and Glass Beads in Ghana. Annual 127th American Historical Association Meeting, New Orleans. January 2013

Archaeology and Heritage Matters: An Assessment of the Krobo Mountain Archaeological Research Project, Ghana. Presented at the Program of African Studies, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinoi, March 2012.

Discussant, Premiere Screening of "Controlling the Fire: The Value of the Bead in Ghana" at the Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinoi, March 2012.

Discussant, Movie: "Controlling the Fire: The Value of the Bead in Ghana". Presented at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, March 2012.

Archaeology and Heritage Matters: An Assessment of the Krobo Mountain Archaeological Research Project, Ghana. "Our Future's Past: Sustainable Cultural Heritage in the 21st Century" Conference. American University of Rome, Italy. November 2011.

Archaeology and Heritage Matters: An Assessment of the Krobo Mountain Archaeological Research Project, Ghana. Works in Progress. Department of Anthropology, University of Texas at Austin. November 2011.

Gblerkpor, W.N. 2010, Beyond Legislation and Policies: Approaches to Managing Renewed Interest in Archaeology in Ghana. Presented at the 13th PANAF/ 20th SAFA Meeting. Dakar, Senegal. November 2010.

The Krobo Mountain Archaeological Research Project (K-MAP): A Review. Brown Bag Discussion. Museum of Anthropology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. January 2010

Gblerkpor, W.N. 2009. The Search for Krobo Identity – Archaeological Survey of the *Klowem*, Ghana. Presented at the 74th annual Meeting of the Society for American Archaeology, held in Atlanta, Georgia. April 2009.

The Search for Krobo Identity – Archaeological Survey of the *Klowem*, Ghana. Faculty of Arts Symposium, University of Ghana, Legon. 2009.

Archaeological Indications of Past Lifeways on the Krobo Mountain, Ghana. 6th Annual Faculty of Social Studies Symposium, University of Ghana, Legon. 2006

The Krobo Mountain Archaeological Research Project (K-MAP): A Review. 1st Conference on Archaeology and Heritage Management in Ghana. Accra. August 2006.

Gblerkpor, W.N. 2003. Collection of Oral Data and Archaeological Reconnaissance at Assin Manso and Assin Praso, presented at the first National Slave Conference, Accra, Ghana, November 2003).

Workshop Participation

Mutual Heritage Council Workshop on Managing Indoor Climate Risks (course), organized by the Netherlands' Cultural Heritage Agency, Ministry of Education and Culture. Olinda, Brazil. March 2011.

Training of Trainers Workshop, West African Museums Program (WAMP), Dakar, Senegal. 2006 and 2007.

Museum Exhibits

Current Archaeological Research in Ghana. Museum of Archaeology, University of Ghana, Legon. 2008.

Service to the University of Ghana, Legon.

Co-convener, 2nd Conference on Archaeology and Heritage Management in Ghana. September 2013.

Photographic Exhibit: Krobo Mountain Archaeological Research Project (K-MAP). 2007 and 2008.

Chair, Planning Committee for the organization of the International Conference on Archaeology and Heritage Management in Ghana. 2006.

Chair, Planning Committee Museum Exhibit: Football in Ghana: People and Social Cohesion. University of Ghana, Legon. 2008.

Member, Board of Faculty of Social Studies, University of Ghana, Legon. 2006 - 2009.

Member, Annual *Kloyosikplemi* festival Planning Committee of Yilo Krobo. 2006 - 2009.

Representative, University of Ghana Timetable Planning Committee. 2005.

Member, National Heritage Bill Review Committee, Ghana Museums and Monuments Board. 2013.

Other Service

Member, Ghana Museums and Monuments Board's Sites identification and Documentation Committee. 2013 - present.

Fellowships and Grants

Faculty Development Grant, University of Ghana, Legon. 2013.

Professional Development Awards, the University of Texas at Austin. 2011.

Ford International Fellow, the Ford Foundation International Fellowships Program. 2010 - 2013.

Wenner Gren Travel Scholarship. 2010.

Visiting Scholar, the University of Michigan African Presidential Scholars Program (UMAPS). 2009 - 2010.

Travel in Africa Grant, University of Ghana, Legon. 2010.

Conference and Research Grant, University of Ghana, Legon. 2006, 2007, and 2009.

Research (Small) Grant, Ghana Studies Council. 2008.

Membership of Professional Associations

Ghana Studies Council (GSC)

African Heritage Initiative (AHI)

Society for American Archaeology (SAA)

Society of Africanist Archaeologists (SAfA)

World Archaeological Congress (WAC)

Hobbies

Photography.