

# CURRICULUM VITA

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1981-1988 Assistant Professor, Social Science Division, New College of USF, Sarasota, FL 34243.  
Teach undergraduate economics, supervise undergraduate theses, and conduct research in economics.

1980-1981 Visiting Assistant Professor, Economics Department, Allegheny College, Meadville, Pennsylvania

1974-1975 Lecturer, Economics Department, University of Cape Coast, Cape Coast, Ghana.

## Courses Taught

### Undergraduate

Microeconomics  
Macroeconomics  
Econometrics  
International Economics  
Statistics  
Urban Economics  
Economic Development  
Economics of Crime  
Principles of Economics

### Graduate

Microeconomics  
Econometrics  
Economic Development  
Macroeconomics

## Research Supervision

### *Chair of Committee*

Joseph MacDougald August 2011  
Taiwo Abimbola May 2007

### *Committee Member*

Qing Su May 2006  
Rui Dai May 2009  
Marin Gershkov December 2010

## Under USF Global Academic Partnerships

### *Chair*

Camara Obeng, University of Cape Coast Ghana September 2011  
Isaac Bentum-Ennin (on-going)

## Post-Doctoral Research Supervision

Dr. Jose-Carlos, Kimou (University of Cocodi, Cote d'Ivoire) Currently in residence at USF under my supervision.

## B. Other

June 1986-87 Principal Analyst, Defense and Development in Africa Project, Elliot Berg Associates (EBA), Alexandria, VA 22314. Responsible for research, including field research in Botswana, Senegal, and Ghana, on Defense Spending economic development in Africa as well as supervising 4 research assistants. I was also the liaison between EBA and the Rand Corporation, the main contractor on the project. This was a DoD project.

## Administrative Experience

large undergraduate program as well as provide service courses for the College of Business Administration. One of my major responsibilities is to raise the research profile of the Department.

**2002 – 2004: Program Director, Economics; Social, Behavioral and Economics Directorate, National Science Foundation**, 4201 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA 22230. **Responsibilities:** One of three economists who manage the program's \$27 million annual research program. My specific responsibilities include: evaluation and funding of proposals in the areas of econometrics, international economics, labor economics, and political economy, setting new areas and direction of research in economics science,



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9. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong “Neighborhood Income, “Alcohol Availability and Crime Rates”, *Review of Black Political Economy*, 33 (3), Winter 2006, 21-44.
10. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong and Gregory Price, “Crime and Punishment: And Skin Hue Too?”, *American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings*, Vol. 96 (2), May 2006, pp. 246-250.
11. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong and Jeffrey Racine, “Alcohol Availability and Crime: A Robust Approach”, *Applied Economics*, Vol. 38, 1293-1307, 2006.
12. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong and Samaria Munoz de Camacho, “Corruption and Economic Growth: Are there Regional Differences?”, *Economics of Governance*. Vol. 7 (3), 245-269, 2006.
13. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong and R. Mark Wilson, “Human Capital and Economic Growth: Is Africa Different?”, *Journal of African Development* Vol. 7 (1), 73-109, 2006.
14. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong, Oliver Paddison and Workie Mitiku, “The Effects of Higher Education on Economic Growth in Africa” *Journal of Development Studies*, 42 (3), April 2006, pp. 509-529.
15. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong and Marva Corley, “Civil War Incidence and Economic Growth in Africa”, *Journal of African Economies*, Vol. 14 (2), 2005, pp. 270-311.
16. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong and R. Mark Wilson, “Health Human Capital ad Economic Growth: A Comparative Study”, *Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance*, vol. 44, 2004, pp. 296-320.
17. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong, “Corruption, Economic Growth, and Income Inequality”, *Economics of Governance*, Vol.3 (3), 2002, pp. 183-209.
18. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong and John A. Karikari, “Cost Shifting in Demand for International Telephone Services Between the US and Africa”, *Journal of Development Economics*, Vol. 68, 2002, pp. 455-477.
19. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong and John A. Karikari “The Effects of Capacity Constraints on US-African Telephone Traffic” *Information Economics and Policy* Vol. 13, March 2001, pp. 1-18.
20. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong, “Alcohol Availability and Crime: Evidence from Census Tract Data”, *Southern Economic Journal*, Vol. 68, June 2001, pp. 2-21.
21. John A. Karikari and Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong, “Demand for International Telephone Services Between Africa and the US, ”*Information Economics and Policy*, Vol. 11 1999, pp. 407-435.
22. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong and Thomas L. Traynor, "Political Instability, Investment, and Economic Growth in Sub-Saharan Africa", *Journal of African Economies*, Vol. 8 (1) 1999, pp. 52-86.
23. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong and Samaria Munoz de Camacho, “Human Capital, Political Instability, and Economic Growth in Latin America”, *Journal of Developing Areas* Vol. 32 (4), Summer 1998, pp. 449- 466
24. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong, “The Political Economy of Budgeting in Africa, 1971-1991”, *Public Budgeting and Financial Management*, Vol. 9 (4), Winter 1998, pp. 590-616.

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43. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong, "Effects of Exchange Controls on Black Market Exchange Rate in a Less Developed Country," *International Economic Journal*, Vol. 5 (1), Spring 1991, pp. 63--78.
44. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong and Anthony Gyapong, "Characteristics of Education Production Functions: An Application of Canonical Regression Analysis," *Economics of Education Review*, Vol. 10 (1), pp 7-17.
45. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong, "Is the Tradeoff Between Defense Spending and Spending on Social Welfare an Illusion?: Some Evidence from Tropical Africa," *Eastern African Economic Review*, Vol. 5 (2), December 1989, pp. 74-90.
46. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong, "Export Instability and Economic Growth in Sub-Saharan Africa," *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, Vol. (4), July 1991, pp. 815-828.
47. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong, "Dualistic Development Models and Urban Unemployment in LDCs: Theory and Evidence from Tropical Africa," *Journal of Economic Development*, Vol. 15 (1), June 1990, pp. 159--178.
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49. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong, "Production of Public Safety: Are Socioeconomic Characteristics of Local Communities Important Factors?", *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, Vol. 4, 1989, pp. 57-71.
50. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong, "Functional Substitution Among Crimes: Some Evidence," *Eastern Economic Journal*, Vol. 15 (2), 1989, pp. 129-140.
51. Kwabena Gyimah-Brempong and Ishmael Akaah, "Military Participation and Economic Development in LDCs: New Evidence," *Journal of Economic Development*, Vol. 14 (1), June 1989, pp. 115-134.
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## **Work in Progress**

1. Do African Countries Get Health from Health Aid?
2. The Effects Aid on Education and Health Outcomes in Developing Countries (with Elizabeth Asiedu)
3. Remittances and Poverty Reduction in Ghana (with Elizabeth Asiedu)
4. Does Aid to Africa Respond to Good Governance?
5. Urbanization and Deforestation in Africa
6. Mental Health and Crime: Evidence from Florida

## **Other Papers**



"How Will African Countries Fare Under the US Reform of the International Settlement Rate?", Paper presented at the CSAE Conference on African Economies, Oxford University, March 21-23, 2004.

"Alcohol Availability and Crime, the Effect of Income Interaction", Paper presented at the 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Meetings of the Midwestern Economics Association, March 28-30, 2003.

"Defense Economics, Efficiency, and Procurement in Africa", Paper presented at the Senior Leadership Conference in Africa, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, February 24-March 2003.

"Higher Education and Economic Growth in Africa", Paper presented at the Annual American Economic Association Meetings, Washington DC, January 3-6, 2003.

"Management Education and Economic Growth in African Countries", Paper presented at the Annual ASSA Meetings, Washington DC, January 3-6, 2003.

"Conducting Research on Defense Budgeting in Africa: Lessons to be Learnt", Paper presented at the Workshop on Defense Budgeting in Africa, Accra, Ghana, November 2002.

"Corruption and Economic Growth in Africa", Paper presented at the National Science Foundation, Arlington VA, February 16, 2002.

"Human Capital and Economic Growth: Is Africa Different?", paper presented at the Annual ASSA Meetings, Atlanta, GA, January 3-6, 2002.

"Civil War Incidence and Economic Growth in Africa", paper presented at Africana Studies Seminar Series, New York University, April 2001.

"Civil Wars and Economic Growth in Sub-Saharan Africa", paper presented at the annual ASSA Meetings, New Orleans, LA, Jan 4-7, 2001.

"Cost Shifting in Demand for International Telephone Services Between the US and Africa", paper presented at the Southern Economic Association Meetings, Washington DC, November 2000.

"The Effects of Corruption on Economic Growth in Africa", paper presented at the 1<sup>st</sup> AmFiTan development ethics conference, Dar e Salaam, Tanzania, Feb. 8-12, 2000.

"The Effects of Health on Economic Growth: A Comparative Study", paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the ASSA, Boston, MA, Jan 7-10, 2000.

"Aid and Economic Growth in Africa: New Evidence", Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the ASSA, Boston, MA, Jan 7-10, 2000.

"Demand for International Telephone Services Between Africa and the US", paper presented at the annual Meetings of the ASSA, New York, NY, January 1999.

"Economies of Scale and Efficiency in State Prisons", paper presented at the 68<sup>th</sup> Annual Meetings of the Southern Economic Association, Baltimore, MD, November 8-10, 1998.

"The Bottle Made me Do it: The Effects of Alcohol Availability on Crime Rates", Paper presented at the 67<sup>th</sup> Annual Meetings of the Southern Economic Association, Atlanta, GA, November 21-23, 1997.

"Cost Efficiency in Florida Prisons", Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Economics Association, Chicago, IL, March 1998.

"Aid and Development Revisited" Paper presented at the 109th Annual Meetings of the ASSA, New Orleans, LA, January 1997.

"Trade Distortions and Economic Growth in Sub-

"Dualistic Development Theory and Urban Employment Creation: Evidence from Tropical Africa," 4th annual convention of the Association for the Advancement of Policy Research in Development, November 8-12, 1987, Bermuda.

"Defense Expenditure and Economic Development in Africa: Some Observations," International Conference on Security and Development in Africa, Librville, Gabon. December 10-12, 1986.

"Scale Elasticities in Ghanaian Cocoa Production," Eastern Economic Association, 12th annual convention, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, April 9-12, 1986.

"Agricultural Pricing Policies in Ghana and Their Implications for Production," Eastern Economic Association, 12th annual convention, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, April 9-12, 1986.

of socioeconomic factors in the cost of education production in the Dayton Metropolitan Statistical Area.

Wright State University Research Council, 1989/90. Research grant to investigate technical change and economies of scale in the US auto industry. (co-investigator: Rudy Fichtenbaum)

College of Business and Administration, Wright State University, 1989/90. Research grant to investigate economies of scale and economies of scope in Credit Unions in the United States.

College of Business and Administration, Wright State University, 1988/89. Research grant to study the demand for amenities in two metropolitan areas.

Visiting Scholar Program, Center for African Studies, University of Florida, Gainesville, Summer 1982.

Gilbert Waters Associates, 1983. Grant to study the effects of economic and population growth on the financial base of Sarasota County.