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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy in Mass Communication, Scripps College of Communication Ohio University, Athens Ohio. 2008

Masters in International Affairs, (Communication & Development Studies) International Studies, Ohio University, Athens Ohio. 2001

Bachelor of Arts, (Publishing Studies) College of Art, University of Science and Technology, Kumasi, Ghana. 1997

COURSES TAUGHT

Introduction to Mass Communication
Mass Media Law
Mass Media Ethics
Introduction to Journalism
Seminar in Communication Instruction at the College Level
Seminar in Public communication
World Broadcasting Systems
Exploring Globalization
Popular Culture
Mass Communication Practicum
Senior Project
Media Internship
Research Project in Mass Communication
Special Topics in Education

Additional Courses Prepared to Teach

Media and Society
Children and Media
Women and media
Media for Social Change

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record

World Broadcasting Systems (School of Telecommunications, Ohio University) Introduction to Journalism, Mass Communication Ethics, Communication Instruction at the College Level, Media Law, Introduction to Mass Communication (Department of Communication, West Texas A & M University) June 2007 – June 2010

- ♦ Creating course syllabi and holding office hours
- ♦ Preparing exams, class projects and assignments
- ♦ Identifying and selecting text books and course readings
- ♦ Grading student exams, papers, class projects and creating student assessments

Instructor of Record

Seminar: Exploring Globalization, Popular Culture (University College)

September 2006 – November 2007

- ♦ Modifying syllabi templates to suit the classes listed and holding office hours
- ♦ Supervising teaching assistants and facilitating group activities and projects
- ♦ Grading student exams, papers and class projects

Instructor of Record

Special Topics in Education: Paraprofessional Class (College of Education, Ohio University)

August 2001 – Present

- ♦ Modifying syllabi templates to suit the classes listed and holding office hours
- ♦ Supervising teaching assistants and facilitating group activities and projects
- ♦ Grading student exams, papers and class projects

Academic Advisor

University College, College of Business and College of Communication-Ohio University, Department of Communication, West Texas A & M University

September 2006 - June 2009

- ♦ Advise first year communication majors, international business majors and undecided undergraduate students
- ♦ Serve as a mentor for advisees and residence hall residents
- ♦ Help first year students with their transition into college, course selection and scheduling

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Publication and Editing Experience

N. Pecora , E.M. Osei-Hwere & U. Carlsson (Eds). African Media African Children. UNESCO International Clearinghouse on Children, Youth and Media 2008 Year Book.

Osei-Hwere, E. M. & Pecora, P. (2008). Children's Media in Sub-Saharan Africa. In N. Pecora, E.M. Osei-Hwere & U. Carlsson (Eds.) African Media African Children . UNESCO International Clearinghouse on Children, Youth and Media 2008 Year Book.

Guest reviewer for Ecquid Novi – South African Journal for Journalism Research, July 2007

Conference Presentations

N. Pecora & E.M Osei-Hwere. The State of Children's Media in Africa. (A paper presented at the 2008 Global Fusion Conference Athens Ohio, October 31- November 3)

P.V. Osei-Hwere & E. M Osei-Hwere. Advocacy and HIV/AIDS Related Stigma in Ghana: An Examination of Extramedia Influences on the Framing of a Public Health Issue. (A paper accepted to the 2008 International Association of Media and Communication Research Convention Stockholm, Sweden July 20 – 25)

E.M. Osei-Hwere & P.V. Osei-Hwere. Nollywood: A multilevel analysis of the international flow of Nigerian video films. (A paper presented at the 2008 Conference of the International Communication Association Montreal, Canada May 22 – 26, 2008)

E.M. Osei-Hwere & A. Manning. From Theory to Practice: Intentionality in Programming in Residence Life. (A program presented at Ohio College Personnel Association Conference, Worthington, Ohio USA January 30 –February 2, 2008)

E.M. Osei-Hwere & N. Pecora. African children and African media: An overview of children television programming in selected African countries. (A paper presented at the International Association of Media and Communication Research 50th Anniversary Conference, Paris, July 2007)

E.M. Osei-Hwere. Children's media in Africa: Challenges in a changing media environment. (A paper presented at the 5th World Summit on media and children, Johannesburg, March 2007)

P.V. Osei-Hwere & E.M. Osei-Hwere. Anti-stigma and AIDS related news in Ghana: An examination of extramedia influences on the framing of a public health issue (A paper presented at the Communication and Development Studies Graduate Student Conference, Ohio University, April 2007)

P.V. Osei-Hwere & E. M. Osei-Hwere. Ghanaian concert party theater: An examination of the structural, narrative, and thematic characteristics as an effective medium for social change (A paper presented at the Entertainment-Education and the Global Africa Experience Conference, April 2004)

E. M. Osei-Hwere. Street children in Ghana: Emerging street families and challenges for development workers (A paper presented at the Children of the World Conference, Ohio University, 2001)

Grants and Awards – Ohio university Athens, Ohio

- ♦ \$500 Faculty Development Award from the Core Fellows Program
- ♦ \$800 Faculty Development Award from West Texas A & M University
- ♦ \$3000 original research grant from the Scripps College of Communication
- ♦ \$2500 conference and research grants from Scripps College of Communication and the School of Telecommunications
- ♦ \$3000 professional development funds from the Department of Residence Life

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Interim Assistant Director

Department of Residence Life and Off Campus Living, Ohio University, Athens OH

December 2007 – June 30, 2008

- ♦ Direct responsibility for all student personnel functions of residential area with a student population of 2,400 and oversight and management of green reserve and budget
- ♦ Direct supervision of 85 professional and paraprofessional staff members and responsibility for all professional recruitment efforts
- ♦ Serving on upper level administration in a planning and coordination capacity including staffing, training of over 300 professional and paraprofessional staff and administration and programming for an 8,000 student residential system
- ♦ Planning and coordinating staff orientation programs and teaching the paraprofessional training class; Supervising professional, graduate, administrative and student staff
- ♦ Planning, coordinating and evaluating residence hall education for student's development needs including academic success and retention, community and leadership development, wellness and cross-cultural understanding
- ♦ Assisting with departmental and the dean of students area research projects
- ♦ Assisting with the development, coordination and evaluation of residential programs and educational materials

Residential Coordinator

Department of Residence Life and Off Campus Living, Ohio University, Athens Ohio

July 2007 - November 2007

- ♦ Direct responsibility for a residence hall and supervision of 14 paraprofessional staff
- ♦ Served as a judicial hearing officer and advised registered student organizations
- ♦ Coordinated academic success workshops for students experiencing academic difficulty
- ♦ Co-chaired the professional recruitment team for Residence Life
- ♦ Planned orientation and training for professional and paraprofessional staff
- ♦ Developed assessment and evaluation tools for the department of Residence Life

Resident Director

Department of Residence Life, Ohio University, Athens Ohio

March 2003 - June 2007

- ♦ Running a residence hall and directly supervising 13 resident assistants and two security aides assigned to the hall.
- ♦ Hearing judicial cases and enforcing University regulations through counseling, educational discipline, and effective follow through with University Judiciaries
- ♦ Participating in professional and paraprofessional staff selection and training processes
- ♦ Designed and developed recruitment and marketing tools for residence life
- ♦ Coordinating and implementing all hall programming for residential students
- ♦ Advised hall council and complex councils and student organizations
- ♦ Coordinated and implemented academic awards reception for students

Collateral Assignment

Learning Communities, University College, Ohio University, Athens Ohio

June -Sept. 2006 & June-Sept. 2007

- ♦ Developed training materials for learning community instructors and peer mentors
- ♦ Facilitated and trained learning community instructors and precollege advisors
- ♦ Assessment of student evaluations from about 100 learning community sections

Graduate Resident Director

Department of Residence Life, Ohio University, Athens Ohio

July 2002-March 2004

- ♦ Directly supervised 5 resident assistants and the security Aide assigned to the hall
- ♦ Participated in paraprofessional staff selection and training processes, including teaching the paraprofessional training course

- ◆ Coordinated and implemented all hall programming and program plans
- ◆ Met with Resident Assistants and Security Aide to review and evaluate programs
- ◆ Heard judicial and conduct cases, advised hall council and other student organizations
- ◆ Supervised academic awards receptions for students who achieved academic success

Assistant Resident Director

Department of Residence Life, Ohio University Athens Ohio

May 2000-June 2002

- ◆ Assisted with paraprofessional training and advised complex council
- ◆ Directly supervised the Security Aide assigned to the complex in
- ◆ Supervised paraprofessional staff programming efforts
- ◆ Reviewed significant discipline concerns as determined by the Resident Director

General Manager

Data Center Limited-(funded by Ford Foundation) Accra, Ghana

September 1998 - August 1999

- ◆ Managed a staff of legal officers in compiling legal information for a human rights database for the Attorney General's Department, Ghana
- ◆ Supervised the heads of the secretarial, editorial, financial and technology departments
- ◆ Developed databases for Ghana law reports and the Muslim law project
- ◆ Facilitated administrative and management meetings of the company
- ◆ Prepared quarterly reports on projects for the Director and Ford Foundation
- ◆ Advised management on efficient and cutting edge processes, ideas and equipment

Head of Editorial Department

Data Center Limited-(funded by Ford Foundation) Accra, Ghana

October 1997 - September 1998

- ◆ Supervised editorial department in editing legal materials for the database
- ◆ Facilitated editorial department staff meetings
- ◆ Participated in management meetings and prepared quarterly reports for the department

Chief Executive Officer

ENYO Publishing Services Accra, Ghana

September 1995 - August 1999

- ◆ Provided private consulting, publishing and graphic design work for Save the Children, UNICEF, UNAIDS, Ghana HIV/Aids Network and Ghana Aids Traditional Healers Association.
- ◆ Negotiated and obtained projects and contracts for the company
- ◆ Published HIV/AIDS manuals for distribution to organizations and the public
- ◆ Designed and printed certificates for participants in seminars and workshops
- ◆ Prepared training documents for workshops and training sessions on development issues

PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

- ◆ West Texas A & M Core Fellows Program January 2009- December 2009
- ◆ College of Fine Arts and Humanities Curriculum Committee August 2008 – May 2009
- ◆ Department of Communication Accreditation July 2008 – May 2009
- ◆ Department of Communication Travel Fund Committee August 2008 – May 2009
- ◆ Co-Chair for Professional staff recruitment committee July 2006 – June 2008
 - Oshkosh Placement Exchange Recruiter
 - NASPA Placement Exchange Recruiter
- ◆ Programming Model Development Committee September 2006 – June 2007
- ◆ Professional Grant Certification in Program Development and Evaluation; Professional Grant Proposal Writing; and Grant Research (Institute for Communication Improvement - The Grant Institute) June 26- 28, 2006
- ◆ Planning Committee 5th World Summit on Media and Children Ohio University Pre-summit March, 2006
- ◆ Student Information System Workshop July 2006
- ◆ Synergistic Supervision training July 2006
- ◆ University Games Planning Committee July 2005 – June 2006
- ◆ Academic Advising Workshop July 2005
- ◆ Student Development Learning Outcome Committee July 2005 – September 2005
- ◆ Staff Orientation and Training Committee July 2003 – June 2005
- ◆ Diversity Training for professional and paraprofessional staff August 2003
- ◆ Diversity Education Team September 2001- June 2002
- ◆ Planning Committee, Children of the World Conference March 2001
- ◆ Institute of African Child, Ohio University

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION

- ◆ Member, International Communication Association (ICA)
- ◆ Member, International Association for Media and Communication Researchers (IAMCR)
- ◆ Member, National Broadcasting Society (NBS)
- ◆ Member, Madison's Who is Who
- ◆ Member, Ohio College Personnel Association (OCPA)
- ◆ Member, National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA)
- ◆ Member, American College Personnel Association (ACPA)
- ◆ Member, Great Lakes Association of College and University Housing Officers (GLACUHO)

ORGANIZATION AFFILIATION

- ◆ Member, Caucus of Educators and Staff of African Descent (COESAD)
- ◆ Member, Ohio University Administrative Senate
- ◆ Member, International Students Union (ISU)
- ◆ Member, African Students Union (ASU)
- ◆ Member, Graduate Student Senate (GSS)

SELECTED COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

Canyon and Amarillo, Texas

August 2008 - Date

- ◆ Core Office Campus wide Work- a- thon September 27, 2008
- ◆ Panhandle Aids Support Organization Incorporated Fundraiser November, 2008
- ◆ Evelyn Rivers Children's Christmas Project November, 2008

Athens, Ohio

August 2001-January 2008

- ◆ Extensive food drive and volunteer work South Eastern Ohio Food bank
- ◆ Video Documentary about Hannah House for Good Works in Athens Ohio
- ◆ Clothing drives, fundraisers, food and blood drives for local Athens Ohio agencies
- ◆ Relay for Life activities
- ◆ Ohio University's international outreach program for the people of Southeastern Ohio