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RESEARCH

Primary Area of Interest

Philosophy of law; Political Philosophy; Philosophy of Language

Secondary Area of Interest

African Philosophy; Metaethics; Philosophy of Economics

EDUCATION

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Ph.D. in Philosophy and Minor in Law

May 2028

University of Tennessee, Knoxville

M.A in Philosophy

Thesis: On the Possibility of Correct Answers to Questions in Legal Interpretation

Committee: David Reidy (Chair); Jonathan Garthoff; Adam Cureton

May 2023

University of Ghana, Legon-Accra

B.A in Philosophy and Minor in Political Science

May 2019

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Council of Graduate Students Conference Grant

This Grant is intended for presenting original work at a conference with a poster, oral presentation, or other acceptable format.

November 2023

Department of Philosophy First Year Fellowship

The department awards prospective graduate students some fellowships with/without teaching responsibilities. They are intended for recruiting outstanding new students.

August 2023

University of Tennessee, Graduate School Conference Grant

UTK Graduate School, in collaboration with the Graduate Student Senate, grant financial support for conference traveling, via application.

March 2023

Stanbic Bank Award for Best Graduating Student in Philosophy

Graduated as the overall Best Philosophy Student for 2018/2019 Graduating Class of the University of Ghana.

February 2020

PRESENTATIONS

“On the Possibility of Correct Answers in Legal Interpretation”

2023 SPEL Philosophy Graduate Student Conference, Binghamton University, New York

November 2023

“Wittgenstein’s Place in the African Conception of Self”

Minorities and Philosophy Graduate Conference, Florida State University, Tallahassee

March 2023

“Lynn White, Medieval Judaeo-Christian Philosophy and the Ecologic Crisis”

Values in Medicine, Science, and Technology Conference, The University of Texas, Dallas.

May 2022

Concordia University Graduate Philosophy Conference, Montreal

April 2022

PUBLICATIONS

Nyamekeh, Francis Kwame Jr, “On the Possibility of Single Correct Answers in Legal Interpretation” Master’s Thesis, University of Tennessee, 2023. https://trace.tennessee.edu/utk_gradthes/9230

TEACHING

Discussion Section Instructor

PHIL 3305 Medical Ethics (Nathan Lackey)	Spring 2024
PHIL 1004 Introduction to Political Philosophy (Sarah Holtman)	Fall 2023
PHIL 244 Professional Responsibility (Ryan Windeknecht)	Fall 2022, Spring 2023
PHIL 101 Introduction to Philosophy (Kristina Gehrman)	Fall 2021, Spring 2022

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Representative to the Graduate Student Senate, University of Tennessee.	Fall 2022, Spring 2023
Assistant Programs Coordinator, African Youth Adolescent Network, Ghana	January – August 2021

GRADUATE COURSEWORK

Ancient Philosophers	Spring 2024
Modal Logic	Spring 2024
Jurisprudence	Spring 2024
Kant's Moral and Political Philosophy	Fall 2023
Seminar: Metaphysics	Fall 2023

REFERENCES

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