**CV**

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**PERSONAL PROFILE**

I am a reliable and resourceful leader who leads by example. I am versatile and dynamic coupled with good communication skills. I am always excited working with hardworking people. I am able to work effectively under pressure and possess good leadership skills.

**KEY SKILLS**

* Good in Microsoft Word and Average skills in Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS)
* Conversant using the internet, Power point, Microsoft word etc.
* Management skills

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

1. **Doctor of Philosophy Candidate, Counselling Psychology**

(2023-2026)- ***University of Education-Winneba***

1. **Master of Philosophy, Guidance and Counseling**

(2013-2015)***-University of Education-Winneba***

***Thesis Topic****: Influence of Parenting Styles on Academic Performance of Selected Public and Private Senior High Schools in the Effutu Municipality. (****Published****)*

* Research skills
* Lecturing skills
* Counseling skills
* Communication skills

1. **Diploma in Education**

(2016-2018)-***COLTEK, University of Education-Kumasi***

1. **Degree (BA Psychology with Linguistics- *Psychology Major*)**

(2007-2011)-***University of Ghana***

* Understanding the behaviours of people (Students)
* Developed research skills
* Knowledge in Industrial and Organizational Psychology

1. **Senior High School Certificate (Business)**

(2002-2005)- ***Asanteman Senior High School***

* Knowledge in keeping records
* Negotiation skills
* Managerial skills

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

1. **Licensed Counselling Psychologist**

October, 2020 – Current – Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology

* Provide mental health support to students, staff, and their dependents
* Provide psychotherapy/counselling services to other individuals outside the university

1. **English Language Tutor**

November, 2018 **–** September, 2020 **- *Otumfuo Osei Tutu II College-Tetrem***

* Teaching skills
* Preparation of lesson notes
* Handling of students

1. **Assistant Lecturer (Part-Time)-Introduction to Guidance and Counseling**

November 2017- May 2018- ***University of Education, Winneba (Kumasi Campus)***

* Lectured Educational Psychology
* Lectured Guidance and Counseling
* Supervised students' project works
* Engaged in educational counseling for students

1. **School Administrator/Counselor**

(2014-2017)- ***Western Link Educational Complex***

* Recruitment, Training, and Placement of staff
* Lecture teachers on ways of teaching
* Acquired administration skills
* Supervising skills

1. **English Language Teacher**

(2012-2014)- ***Uncle Rich Senior High School***

* Teaching skills
* Preparation of lesson notes
* Handling of students

1. **Teacher- English Language (National Service)**

(2011-2012)- ***Ogyeedom S.H.S.***

***-Obuasi Presby J.H.S***

* Preparation of lesson notes
* Presentation skills

1. **Guidance and Counseling Coordinator**

(2013-2014)- ***Uncle Rich Senior High School***

* Counseled students on diverse issues
* Organized Guidance Programs for students

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATION/CERTIFICATION**

* Member of American Psychological Association (APA). Registered as APA International Affiliate Membership **(Membership ID: C2103362212)**
* Registered with Ghana Psychological Council (GPC) as a Professional Counseling Psychologist **(LN: GPSY 00594-87-20/P)**
* Member, Ghana Psychological Association
* Registered with Ghana National Association of Certified Counsellors (GNACC) as a Certificated Counsellor **(GNACC – 20-480)**
* Professional member of the International Society of Substance Use Professionals.
* Certificate in Crisis Intervention for Addiction Professionals. Organized by the Drug Advisory Programme (DAP) of the Colombo Plan
* Registered with Ghana National Teaching Council as a Licensed Teacher (NTC/RN/14668)

**PUBLICATIONS**

* Amos, P. M., Antwi, T., **Darko, R.**, Acquaye, G. L. N. A., Apambilla, P. A., & Adade, J. R. D. (2025). Challenges and Strengths of Ghanaian Families in Contemporary Society: A Counselling Perspective. *The Family Journal*, 0(0). <https://doi.org/10.1177/10664807251348213>
* Amponsah Adu, G.A., King-Kuadzi, K.E., Apambilla, P.A., Blay, J., **Darko, R**., Fenu, I.K., Asante, A.B., Eduah, A.M.A.K., Soribang, J. & Dadebo, A.A. (2025). The Role of Guidance and Counseling Coordinator in Promoting Effective School Learning. *International Journal of Indian Psychology*,*13*(2)*,* 2955-2963. DIP:18.01.262.20251302, DOI:10.25215/1302.262
* Prince A. A., Gabriel A. A., Dery John, **Darko R**., Kingsley E. King-Kuadzi, Josephine B. and Aaron M. E. Garnet L.N.A.A (2024). Exploring the key determinants of career choice among senior high school students in the Pru West District, Ghana. *IJSSER* 2024; 6(2): 276-285
* Prince A. A., Gabriel A. A., Dery John, **Darko R**., Kingsley E. King-Kuadzi, Josephine B. and Aaron M. E. (2024)**.** Mentoring role of headteachers in management of basic schools in the pru West District*. IJLE* 2024; 4(2): 109-117
* Gabriel A. A., Kingsley E. K.K., Prince A., Charity A. N. A., **Darko R**. & Josephine B. (2024). Guidance and counselling: A tool in combating bullying in senior high schools in Ghana. *International Journal of Advanced Academic Studies,* 01-05
* **Darko** **R**., Joan S. & Ibok N. O. (2023). The role of counselling in science education. *Everyday Science for School Journal*. 12(1), 54
* **Darko R**., Joseph A.-G. & Gilbert K. L. (2021). Examining the roles of traditional guidance and counselling among the people of Sefwi-Bekwai in the Western-North Region of Ghana, Africa. *IJRISS* 5(2). ISSN 2454-6186. DOI: 10.47772/IJRISS.2021.5224
* Article publication- COVID-19 Impact on Ghanaian School Children (June 2020). Published at Ghana Psychological Council Web. (https://www.ghanapsychologycouncil.org.gh/wp-content/uploads/fdownload/news/COVID-19/COVID%2019%20AND%20CHILDREN.pdf) & [www.peacefmonline.com/pages/local/education/202005/408725.php](http://www.peacefmonline.com/pages/local/education/202005/408725.php).
* **Darko R**. & Ficus G. (2019). “Influence of Parenting Styles on Academic Performance of Senior High Schools in Ghana” *International Journal of Psychology and Education* vol.2, pp.83.

**SEMINARS ATTENDED/PRESENTATIONS**

* **Participant,** Trainer of Trainers` Workshop on Anti-Sexual Harassment for The Leadership of KNUST Students` Body-March, 2023
* **Participant,** Mental Health Awareness & Capacity Building of frontline Professionals/Students’ Counsellors by Johnson & Johnson Middle East FZ-LLC (Ghana Branch) at KNUST Hospital-January, 2023)
* **Participant**, Three-day Registrar’s Offices Annual Workshop. Topic: Understanding Digital Tools for Effective Administration Work. Under the Theme:’’ Effective management of University in the COVID-19 Era’’ at Volta Serene Hotel-Ho-January, 2022
* **Participant**, Workshop on Addiction by Narcotics Control Commission, Ghana. Topic: Science Of Addiction and Components of Treatment At KNUST Counselling Center, Ashanti Region. Venue: Directorate of Student Affairs Board Room-March 2022
* **Participant,** COVID-19: A Health Challenge for The Decade, The Role of Health Professionals. 9th Biennial Scientific Conference, COS-KNUST-August, 2022
* **Participant**, Uniting Global Community to face the challenge of addiction conference on 12th-18th May, 2022 by International Society for Substance Used Professional (ISSUP) in Abu Dhabi. (Virtual)
* **Participant**, Counselling Research Conference. Topic: Contextualizing Counselling Psychology Towards Policy Formulation, Best Practice and Monetization: The Current and Future Directions- September, 2021
* **Participant**, College of Counselling and Psychology (CCP). Topic: Counselling The LGBTQIA+-March 2021
* **Participated** and **presented** a paper at the 2nd International Multi-disciplinary Conference for Postgraduate Students. (27th July, 2017)-University of Education, Winneba Conference Hall

**POSITION HELD/PROJECT/GRANT**

* Coordinator/Secretary- Meatless Monday Project at KNUST. (February, 2025-Current)
* Member- Public Health Committee of the University Health Services, KNUST. (November, 2024-Current)
* Member/Secretary-KNUST Wellness Committee (August, 2021- Current)
* Chairman, Project Implementation Team for Anti-Sexual Harassment Action Project (A-SHAP). A Martha Farrell Funded Foundation Project (March to July, 2023)
* Secretary-Committee to Review M.Phil. / PhD One Health Programmes from the Department of Veterinary Public Health and Epidemiology, KNUST, Kumasi. (August, 2021)
* Reviewer. International Journal of Research and Innovation in Social Science (IJRISS). https://www.rsisinternational.org/journals/ijriss/reviewer/rabbi-darko/
* Appointed as a member of the Lead of the Team for the Disbursement of Internally Generated Funds (IGF) at the KNUST Counselling Center.
* Appointed as a member of the Lead of the Media Team at the KNUST Counselling Center. Date:07th February, 2022.
* National Service Personnel Association (NASPA) President- Gomoa East (Nov. 2011- Aug. 2012)
* Deputy Counsellor at Otumfuo Osei Tutu II College. (2019-2020)

**CONSULTANCY WORK**

* Consulting Psychologist: Recovery Pathways Clinic, Asokwa-Kumasi. January, 2024-Current
* Consulting Psychologist: Girls’ Power Foundation, Kumasi-Ghana. September, 2023-Current
* Consulting Psychologist**:** Trial International, Geneva-Switzerland- Provision of Psychological counselling to their Ghanaian client involved in the unlawful killings of about 44 Ghanaians in Gambia in 2005. September 2022-January, 2023
* Consulting Team Member**:** Team of Psychologists for the 2022 National Science and Maths Quiz. KNUST. 10th -26th October, 2022**.**
* Consulting Team Member**:** Team of Psychologists for the 2021 National Science and Maths Quiz. KNUST. 13th -26th November, 2021**.**
* Consulting Team Member**:** Team of Psychologists for Juaben Oil Mills Limited. 11th October, 2021.
* Consultant/Trainer**:** Training Teachers Across The Country On Contemporary Guidance And Counseling – Edlams Consult/National Teaching Council. 28th October, 2023– Current

**HOBBIES**

* Football
* Long Tennis

**REFEREES**

* Mrs. Victoria De-Graft Adjei- Head, KNUST Counselling Center. +233(0) 506449747/+233 (0) 244263984. [vdegraftadjei@yahoo.com](mailto:vdegraftadjei@yahoo.com).
* Prof. Ibok N. Oduro, Chairperson, KNUST Wellness Center. +233(0)244288315/(0)209161906. [inoduro.sci@knust.edu.gh /](mailto:inoduro.sci@knust.edu.gh%20/) ibok.oduro@gmail.com
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