

CURRICULUM VITAE OF CHRISTOPHER DANKWAH

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Summary

Multifaceted project and community Liaison officer with over Six-year experience in the NGO sector, Specializing in advocacy, social justices, gender integration, natural resources and biodiversity conservation, community development and additional livelihood provisioning, ecotourism development, youth training, social protection and poverty alleviation programs with concise and professionally sound concept papers and proposal writing skills.

- Over Six-year experience in A Rocha Ghana and in HECDEV (NGO's)
- Strong knowledge and experience in Fund-raising activities through the development of concise and professionally sound concept papers and proposals
- Strong knowledge in establishing project monitoring systems, including overall design, instrumentation, data collection and analysis; overseeing quality and processing of data collection etc.
- Excellent ability to develop various project management tools such as activity plans, operations manuals, scope statements, concept notes, training materials, M&E indicators and strategic plans; reviewing project reports for quality and to ensure that reports and other project documents capture progress, effectiveness and impact of programs; ensure that results of report reviews are constructively fed back to project teams.
- Excellent knowledge and use of both qualitative and quantitative research methods i.e. word processing & spreadsheet packages including power point, QGIS, Fragstats & SPSS.
- Significant experience in additional livelihood provisioning training i.e. Climate Smart agriculture, Beekeeping, Grasscutter and snail rearing etc.
- Excellent ability to produce policy briefs, fact sheets and other communication materials; reviewing, improving and disseminating general project reporting guidelines, for both periodic and final project reports.
- Practical experience in community facilitation, youth capacity building and strong team building skills
- Strong organisational and partnership building skills
- Valid Driver's License B with 3 years active driving experience (stick/manual)

EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Kumasi Ghana

Master of Science in Wildlife and Range Management

Sept. 2016 – Deferred

Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Kumasi Ghana

Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources Management

Sept. 2010 – July. 2014

Modules Included; Introduction to Forestry, Natural Resources Extension and Education, Environmental Issues in Natural Resources Management, Multiple Landuse Management, Agroforestry, Introduction to Economics, Statistics, Introduction to Agriculture, Technical Communication, Computer and Computer Applications in Agriculture and Natural Resources Management etc.

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West Africa Civil society Institute, Accra, Ghana

Certificate in Project and Financial Management, Grant Reporting, Monitoring and Evaluation and Communicating Impact

Sept, 2019

Staley School of Leadership, Kansas, USA

Certificate in Adaptive and Strength-Based Leadership

Oct, 2018

Creative Action Institute and the New England Biolabs Foundation, USA

Certificate in Creative system (creative facilitation and advocacy, collaboration and systems)

Dec. 2016 – May. 2018

T. I. Ahmadiyya Senior High School, Kumasi, Ghana

WASSCE Certificate in General Science

Modules Included; Biology, Chemistry, Elective Mathematics and Physics etc.

2006 - 2009

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

Community Liaison Officer – A Rocha Ghana – Kumasi

Sep 2015 - Date

- ✓ Assisting in project design, implementation and donor reporting
- ✓ Designing and leading tree planting and ecosystem restoration programmes
- ✓ Training and coordinating activities of student clubs (tertiary, SHS and JHS Clubs of A Rocha Ghana) in the Ashanti and Central Regions
- ✓ Leading classroom and practical training sessions using power points presentations, art codes, group activities and Creative tools etc.
- ✓ Facilitate additional livelihood trainings i.e. Climate Smart Agriculture, beekeeping, grasscutter and snail rearing etc.
- ✓ Preparing outreach materials and leading conservation awareness and advocacy programmes in local communities, Social media and local radio stations
- ✓ Liaising and building partnerships and collaborations with stakeholders including local communities
- ✓ Preparing and requesting project / activity budgets from A Rocha Ghana's National office and sending returns for auditing
- ✓ Organizing and facilitating youth and adult training programmes using CAI's Creative facilitation and advocacy tools
- ✓ Organizing conferences, meetings and trainings; Arranging logistics, booking of hotels, preparing and sending invitation letters to participants and facilitating sessions

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Global Landscape Forum, Youth in Landscape (YIL) initiative Camp, Muni-Pomadze Ramsar site, Winneba

Oct 2019

- ✓ Lead and facilitated planning, reviewed programme outlines and training content of the YIL camp via Skype
- ✓ Facilitated both classroom and led real life simulations of A Rocha Ghana's Community entry protocols
- ✓ Professionally represented A Rocha Ghana and communicated A Rocha's culture, principles and way of conservation to YIL participants
- ✓ Participated in a one day hACCRAthon challenge at the FAO regional office in Accra
- ✓ Participated in the 2019 Global Landscape Forum at the Accra International Conference Centre

Development Officer (Volunteer)—Heritage and Culture for Development (HECDEV) – Tema

Feb 2016 - Date

- ✓ Compile and prepare regular summaries and reports. Ensuring that they are in line with donor requirements and are shared with relevant bodies
- ✓ Lead project development, fund raising and training activities.
- ✓ Undertake duty travel relating to project assessments as required
- ✓ Act as key project contact and manage or online platforms and databases
- ✓ Assist in publishing press releases, Public Information (PI) and Monitoring and Evaluation

National Service Personnel - Office of the Administrator of Stool Lands (OASL), Bibiani & District SPA President

Sep 2014 - Aug 2015

Anhwaiso Bekwai District, Western Region

- ✓ Prepared and distributed annual ground rent notices to land owners (hand delivery) within the District
- ✓ Received payments and issued receipts
- ✓ Acted as front desk officer and office administrator tasked with keeping office records, received phone calls and professionally responded to public enquiries
- ✓ District President of the Bibiani Anhwaiso Bekwai National Service Personnel Association, attended to the Welfare needs of all service personnel

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SPECIAL SKILLS

Personal Projects Developed and Implemented

USD 10,000 (**New England Biolabs Foundation**): Our Forest our Heritage – Youth action in securing a forest at crossroads - 2018

USD 5,000 (**National Geography**): Status of Endangered Primates in the Atewa Range Forest Reserve - 2018

USD 10,000 (**Prince Bernhard Foundation**): Towards Crocodile Haven and Wetland Conservation; A Collaborative Approach in Amansuri Wetlands, Ghana - 2016

USD 15,000 (**Fondation Ensemble & Columbus Zoo & Aquarium**): Securing the Future of Endangered Primates in the Ankasa Conservation area - 2016

USD 2,500 (**Explorers Club & Idea Wild, USA**): Density and Distribution of White-breasted Guineafowl in the Ankasa Conservation Area -2013

Professional Membership and Voluntary Experience

- ✓ Member, Society for Conservation Biology (SCB)
- ✓ Volunteer Technical officer, Wild Fauna Foundation (NGO)
- ✓ Young Professionals and Youth Coalition (YPYC)

Information Communications Technology

- ✓ Microsoft Office suite (Word, Power Point, Outlook, Excel, Publisher and Access)
 - ✓ QGIS, Google Earth PRO
 - ✓ Statistical Package for Social Scientist (SPSS) Data Analysis.
 - ✓ Fragstats
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