

## Administrative Title

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Interim Director African American Studies Program

Editor-in-Chief *Studies in African Linguistics* < <https://journals.flvc.org/sal>>

## Professional Title

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- 2012- Associate Professor: Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures, University of Florida, Gainesville (Affiliated to Linguistics, Center for African Studies, Center for Latin American Studies and African American Studies).
- 2005-2012 Assistant professor: Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures, University of Florida, Gainesville (Affiliated to Linguistics, Center for African Studies, Center for Latin American Studies and African American Studies).
- 2004-2005 Visiting Assistant Professor: Department of African and Asian Languages and Literatures, University of Florida, Gainesville
- 2003-2004 Postdoctoral Fellow, Research School for Asian, African and Amerindian Studies (CNWS), Leiden University (The Southern Ghana-Togo Mountains Languages Project)
- 2000-2003 Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Leiden Center for Linguistics (ULCL) (The Trans-Atlantic Sprachbund)
- 2003 Postdoctoral Fellow on Kwa, University of Leiden Center for Linguistics (ULCL) (The Spinoza Lexicon and Syntax Project)
- 1998-1999 Lecturer in African Linguistics, Leiden University
- 1995-1998 Doctoral Fellow, Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics, Nijmegen. The Netherlands.

## Education

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- 1999 Ph.D., Leiden University, The Netherlands. Thesis: *Inherent complement verbs revisited: towards an understanding of argument structure in Ewe*.
- 1994 Candidatus Philologiae, University of Trondheim, Norway, 1994. Thesis: *The anaphoric phenomena of Ewe*
- 1988 B A Honours (Second Upper) in Linguistics and French, University of Ghana, Legon, 1988.

## Awards & Fellowships

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- 2018 University of Florida College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and Center for the Humanities and the Public Sphere (Rothman Endowment) Book Publication Award of \$1100
- 2018 NSEP grant of \$324,975.51 to continue the domestic eight-week Intensive African Languages Initiative –summer program on the campus of the University of Florida (Co-PI with Akintunde Akinyemi and Charles Bwenge)
- 2017 NSEP grant of \$406,169 to continue the domestic eight-week Intensive African Languages Initiative –summer program on the campus of the University of Florida (Co-PI with Akintunde Akinyemi and Charles Bwenge)
- 2017 NSF grant to host CoLang 2018 (the Institute for Collaborative Language Research) during summer 2018 at the University of Florida - \$149,500 (Co-PI with Aaron Broadwell, Brent Henderson, and Eric Potsdam)

- 2016 NSEP grant of \$312,067.26 to continue the domestic eight-week Intensive African Languages Initiative –summer program on the campus of the University of Florida (Co-PI with Akintunde Akinyemi and Charles Bwenge)
- 2016: NSF grant of \$94,969 (NSF 1644439) to co-organize a School in Documentary Linguistics: Methods and Data management at the University of Education, Winneba, Ghana (Co-Pi with Fiona McLaughlin).
- 2015: NSEP grant of \$312,067.26 to continue the domestic eight-week Intensive African Languages Initiative –summer program on the campus of the University of Florida
- 2014: NSEP grant of \$310,653 to continue the domestic eight-week Intensive African Languages Initiative –summer program on the campus of the University of Florida
- 2013 Endangered Languages Documentation Grant for documentation of fishing practices among the Dwang (SG0193)
- 2009 Humanities Scholarship Enhancement Fund, University of Florida
- 2011 Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER) and the Center for African Studies. Grant to develop Online Akan Course
- 2007-2009 NSF #0651800 Documentation of Nyangbo (NYB)
- 2007 Humanities Scholarship Enhancement Fund, University of Florida
- 2003-2004 Postdoctoral Fellowship from the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO)
- 2000-2003 Postdoctoral Fellowship from the Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research (NWO)
- 1995-1998 Doctoral stipend at the Max Planck Institute for Psycholinguistics, Nijmegen
- 1993- 1994 Norwegian Science Foundation for Humanities Fellowship

### **Committee membership**

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Chair	CLAS Diversity and Inclusion Steering Committee
Liaison	LLC Diversity and Inclusion
Member	LLC Graduate Studies Committee
Member	Advisory Board of the Center for Humanities and the Public Sphere
Member	Advisory Board of African Languages Materials Archive
Member	Executive Committee, Association of Contemporary African Linguistics

### **Membership in Professional Organizations**

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West African Research Association (WARA)  
 Linguistic Society of America (LSA)  
 Society for Pidgins and Creole Languages (SPCL)  
 Society for Caribbean Languages (SCL)  
 African Studies Association (ASA)  
 African Language Teachers Association (ALTA)  
 The West African Linguistics Society (WALS)