

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

NAME Lartey, Grace		POSITION TITLE	
eRA COMMONS USER NAME Grace K. Lartey		Associate Professor	
EDUCATION/TRAINING			
INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE (if applicable)	MM/YY	FIELD OF STUDY
University of Cape-Coast, Cape-Coast, Ghana	B.Ed	1998	Major in Physical Education and Minor in Biology
University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, Iowa	MA	2002	Major in Community Health
University of Toledo, Toledo, Ohio	PhD	2006	Major in Community Health Education and Minor in Statistics and Research Design

POSITIONS AND EMPLOYMENT

2006 – Present : Associate Professor of Public Health, Western Kentucky University
 2006 – Present : Undergraduate Public Health Program Coordinator, Western Kentucky University
 2007 – Present : Reviewer, Journal of School Health
 2007 – Present : Reviewer, McGraw-Hill Companies
 2005 – 2006 : Injury Prevention Specialist, Toledo Children's Hospital, Toledo, OH
 2005 – 2006 : Member, Department of Public Health Search Committee, University of Toledo
 2004 – 2005 : Doctoral Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Toledo, Toledo, OH
 2003 – 2004 : Teaching Assistant, University of Toledo, Toledo, OH
 2000 – 2002 : Research Assistant, University of Northern Iowa, IA
 1998 – 1999 : Classroom Teacher, Atwimaman Secondary School, Ghana
 1989 – 1993 : Classroom Teacher, St.Monica's Training College, Ghana

FIELD EXPERIENCE

Summer 2003: Health Educator, Operation Crossroads Africa, Ghana medical/health education team.

- Conducted health education programs on HIV/AIDS, nutrition, hypertension and diabetes for schools, groups and communities in the Ga Mashie area.
- Served as program evaluator for health education program.
- Served as Director of Training for peer education training program – HIV/AIDS education program.
- Collaborated with clinics to provide tuberculosis education and screening program. 2002.

Guest Speaker, Hispanic and Latino Round Table Monthly Forum. Sponsored by the YWCA of Black Hawk County, Iowa.

2001-2002: Health Education Practicum

- Assisted with health education and primary prevention screening for African Americans. University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA.
- Assisted with health education and primary prevention screening for Native American Children at the Meskwaki Indian Reservation. University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA.

Program Director/Principal Investigator (Last, First, Middle):

HONORS

2002-2005: Granted full Doctoral Assistantship, The University of Toledo, Toledo, OH.

2000-2002: Granted full Graduate Assistantship, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, IA.

1998 : First Class Honors, University of Cape-Coast, Ghana

PUBLICATIONS (SELECTED)

Refereed Articles

1. Ibrahimou, B., Hamisu, S., English, G., Anozie, C., Lartey, G. & Dagne, G. (2012). The risk of mortality among twins in weekend vs. weekday births: A population-based study. *Arch Gynecol Obst*, 286,1349- 1355.
2. Mishra, S., Thind, H. K., Gokarakonda, S. B., Lartey, G., Watkins, C., & Chahal, M. (2011). Second-hand smoke on a university campus in a tobacco-state: perceptions and attitudes of faculty, staff and students (*International Journal of Health Research* 4(1), 21-27).
3. Lartey, G. K., Mishra, S., Odonwodo, D. E., Chitalu, C., Chafatelli, A. (2009).Factors Influencing the Health Behaviors of International Students at a University. *International Journal of Health Research*, 2, 131-138 (e224, 27-34).
4. Lartey, G., Habib, F., Ranapurwala, S., & Bowles, T. (2008). Health departments' activities in promoting motor vehicle safety among children. *American Journal of Health Studies*, 23, 124-129.
5. Watkins, C., Lartey, G. & Golla, V. (2008). Workers' perception: Environmental factors influencing obesity at the workplace. *American Journal of Health Studies*, 23, 74-80.
6. Lartey, G. K., Price, J. H., Telljohann, S., Dake, J., & Yingling, F. (2007). Primary grade teachers' perceptions and practices regarding pedestrian safety education. *Journal of School Health*, 77, 265-272.
7. Lartey, G. K., Telljohann, S., & Price, J. H. (2007). State mandated school bus safety education on the teaching of bus safety education. *American Journal of Health Studies*, 21, 115-121.
8. Hendershot, C., Dake, J. A., Price, J. H., & Lartey, G. K. (2006). Elementary school nurses perceptions of student bullying. *The Journal of School Nursing*, 22, 229-236.
9. Lartey, G. K. (2002). Factors influencing the health behaviors of International students at the University of Northern Iowa (unpublished masters' thesis).
10. Wilson, S. C., Davis, T. M., & Lartey, G. K. (2001). An epidemic of micro scooter injuries. *Pursuit*, 3, 8-9.
11. Rich, M., Lartey, G. K., & Bienfang, N. (June, 2002). Perception of Iowa Recycling Association members on association's activities. *!! Recycle*, 4.

Books

1. Lartey, G. & Balch, L. A. (2012). *Test bank* for Donatelle's Access to Health (12 ed.). Boston: Benjamin Cummings.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

1. Mkanta, W., Lartey, G., Mejia, M., Abrefa-Gyan, T., Singh, S., & Ansari, H. (2011). Racial differences in diagnosis among HIV/AIDS female veterans receiving care in Veterans Affairs facilities (submitted for publication).
 2. Jones, M. S., Abell, C., Williams, D. & Lartey, G. (2011). Measurement of Critical Thinking for the RN to BSN Student.
 3. Lartey, G., Mkanta, W., & Ibrahimou, B. (2011). Improving road safety using policy and regulation: West African Region.
 4. Ibrahimou, B., Mkanta, W., & Lartey, G. (2011). Still birth among multiple pregnancy: Role of complications.
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Program Director/Principal Investigator (Last, First, Middle):

6. Mkanta, W., Lartey, G., & Ibrahimou, B. (2011). Serious mental illness and mortality among HIV infected individuals in HAART Era: A three year service use outcomes study.
7. Mkanta, W., Lartey, G., Mejia, M., Abrefa-Gyan, T., Singh, S., Ansari, H., Duncan, R. P. (2011). Duration of AIDS and Its Influence on Service Use for Serious Mental Illness, Anxiety and Sexual Disorders.

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

1. Jones, M. S., Abell, C., Williams, D. & Lartey, G. (2011). Measurement of Critical thinking for the RN to BSN Student. Oral presentation at the Southern Nursing Research Society 25th Annual Conference in Jacksonville, Florida.
 2. Lartey, G., Mkanta, W., Abrefa-Gyan, T., Singh, S., & Ansari, H. (2011). Racial differences in diagnosis among HIV/AIDS female veterans receiving care in Veterans Affairs facilities. Oral presentation at the 138th Annual American Public Health Association Meeting and Exposition. November 6-10, Denver, CO.
 3. Mkanta, W., Lartey, G., Mejia, M., Abrefa-Gyan, T., Singh, S., Ansari, H., Duncan, R. P. (2011). Duration of AIDS and Its Influence on Service Use for Serious Mental Illness, Anxiety and Sexual Disorders. Oral presentation at the 138th Annual American Public Health Association Meeting and Exposition. November 6-10, Denver, CO.
 4. Mandale, P., Bhojar, S. & Lartey, G. (2010). Cultural variation and its effect on student teacher interaction and learning. Poster presentation at the 62nd Annual KPHA Convention. Louisville, KY.
 5. Mandale, P., Bhojar, S. & Lartey, G. (2010). Cultural variation and its effect on student teacher interaction and learning. Poster presentation at the 40th Annual WKU Student Research Conference. Bowling Green, KY.
 6. Jones, M. S., Abell, C., Williams, D. & Lartey, G. (2009). Measurement of Critical Thinking for the RN to BSN Student. Poster presentation at the 2009 American Association of Critical Care Nurses Baccalaureate Education Conference in Chicago, IL.
 7. Jones, M. S., Abell, C., Williams, D. & Lartey, G. (2009). Measurement of Critical Thinking for the RN to BSN Student. Poster presentation at the 12th Annual Nursing Research Day, Bowling Green, KY.
 8. Blick, S., Lartey, G., & Houchin, L. (2008). Trends in teen pregnancy and a practical adaptation of an abstinence curriculum. At the Kentucky Teen Pregnancy Conference, Bowling Green, KY.
 9. Mishra, S., Lartey, G. (2008). Factors influencing the health behaviors of international students at a South Central Kentucky University. At the 60th Annual Convention of the Kentucky Public Health Association, Louisville, KY.
 10. Mounce, A., Hall, Meredith, Ward, J. Francis, M., & Lartey, G. (2008). School bus safety program for Bristow Elementary School. Poster presentation at the 38th Annual WKU Student Research Conference, Bowling Green, KY.
 11. Murray, E., Kariman, M., Starkey, K., Clausen, K., Dandridge, A., & Lartey, G. (2008). Pedestrian safety program for Dishman-McGinnis Elementary School. Poster presentation at the 60th Annual Convention of the Kentucky Public Health Association, Louisville, KY.
 12. Williams, D., Bracewell, J., Deng, K., Bittel, K., & Lartey, G. (2008). Bicycle safety program for Safe-T-City Bowling Green. Poster presentation at the 60th Annual Convention of the Kentucky Public Health Association, Louisville, KY.
 13. Willoughby, N., Johnson, R., Meeks, L., Lartey, G. (2008). Skateboarding program for Parker Bennett Curry Elementary School. Poster presentation at the 60th Annual Convention of the Kentucky Public Health Association, Louisville, KY.
 14. Bowles, T., Shabbar, R., Lartey, G. & Habib, F. (2008). Selected health departments' activities in promoting motor vehicle safety among children. Poster presentation at the 60th Annual Convention of the Kentucky Public Health Association, Louisville, KY.
 15. Lartey, G., Mishra, S., Odonwodo, D., Chitalu, C., & Chafatelli, A. (2007). International students' health: A tool for academic success. Poster presentation at the FaCET 2007 Summer Conference, Bowling Green, KY.
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Program Director/Principal Investigator (Last, First, Middle):

16. Odonwodo, D., Mishra, S., Chitalu, C., & Chafatelli, A., & Lartey, G. (2007). Factors influencing the health behaviors of international students at the Western Kentucky University. Poster presentation at the 37th Annual WKU Student Research Conference, Bowling Green, KY.
17. **Lartey, G.**, Price, J. H., Telljohann, S., Dake, J., & Yingling, F. (2006). Primary grade teachers' perceptions and practices regarding pedestrian safety education. At the 80th Annual American School Health Association Conference, St. Louis, MO.
18. **Lartey, G.**, Iyiegbuniwe, E., & Odonwodo, D. (2006). NGOs and public health in Africa: Health promotion programs to reduce diseases and disabilities. At the 39th Annual Conference of the African Heritage Studies Association, Tampa, FL.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 2011 : Designed PH 383 course online.
2011 : Completed Master Advisor Certificate Program, January-May, 2011. Western Kentucky University.
2011 : 63rd Annual KPHA Convention. March 7-11, Louisville, KY.
2010 : 138th Annual American Public Health Association Meeting and Exposition. November 6-10, Denver, CO.
2010 : 62nd Annual KPHA Convention, March 29-31, 2010. Louisville, KY.
McGraw-Hill Personal Health Symposium, February 18-21, 2010. Amelia Island, FL.
Engaging the Spirit, 2010.
- 2009 : DELO-FaCET Colloquium. October 8, 2009. Bowling Green, KY.
FaCET Workshop. September 21, 2009. Bowling Green, KY.
CDC Webinar. September 10, 2009.
Engaging the Spirit Conference, August 2009.
- 2008 : FaCET Workshop. March 31, 2008. Bowling Green, KY.
FaCET Workshop. February 27, 2008. Bowling Green, KY.
60th Annual Kentucky Public Health Association Convention. April 21-24, Louisville, KY.
Designed PH 381 Community Health online course.
Engaging the Spirit Conference, August 2008.
Critical Thinking Workshop, August 2008.
- 2007 : 59th Annual Kentucky Public Health Association Convention. March 22-24, Louisville, KY.
Engaging the Spirit Conference, August 2007.
Critical Thinking Workshop, August 2007.
135th Annual American Public Health Association Meeting and Exposition. November 3- 7, Washington, DC.
- 2006 : Engaging the Spirit Conference, August 2006.
80th Annual American School Health Association Conference. October 11-14, St. Louis, MO.
39th Annual Conference of the African Heritage Studies Association. October 19-21, Tampa, FL.
- 2004 : 78th Annual American School Health Association Conference. October 13-16, Pittsburgh, PA.

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

- 2010 : PH 580 Field trip to Barren River District Health Department, April 13. Bowling Green, KY.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Kentucky Public Health Association, Western Kentucky University Chapter

- Co-sponsor

African Heritage Studies Association

American Public Health Association

PUBLIC AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University Service

2011: Member-at-large, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee; College of Health and Human Services. 2009: Member, Office of Sponsored Programs Search Committee
2006-Present: Member, Professional Education Council, Western Kentucky University. Coordinator, Undergraduate Public Health Program.

College Service

2011: Member, Nursing Search Committee
2007-2010: Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Council, College of Health and Human Services, Western Kentucky University.
2006-2007: Alternate Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Council, College of Health & Human Services, Western Kentucky University.
2006-2008: Member, Health Sciences Council, College of Health and Human Services, Western Kentucky University.

Department Service

2006-Present: Coordinator, Undergraduate Public Health Program, Western Kentucky University.
2009 : Member, Biostatistician/Epidemiologist Search Committee, Western Kentucky University.
2009 : Thesis Committee Member, Sohini Dhar, 2009
2006-2009 : Member, Practical Experience Committee, Western Kentucky University.
: Member, Advising and Retention Committee, Western Kentucky University.
: Member, Orientation Committee, Western Kentucky University.
2008 : Member, Public Health Committee
2007 : Member, Public Health/Healthcare Administration Faculty Search Committee, Western Kentucky University.
: Member, Master of Public Health Director Search Committee, Western Kentucky University.
: Member, Healthcare Administration Faculty Search Committee, Western Kentucky University.
: Member, Department's Building and Space Committee.
2006: Member, Healthcare Administration Undergraduate Coordinator Search Committee, Western Kentucky University.

Community Service

2009-2010 : Member, Site Based Decision Making Council, Potter Gray School, Bowling Green, KY.
2007-2010 : Secretary to the Board of Directors, South Central Kentucky Chapter of the American Red Cross, Bowling Green, KY.
: Board Member, South Central Kentucky Chapter of the American Red Cross, Bowling Green, KY.
2005-2006 : Member, Safe Kids Greater Toledo Coalition, Toledo, OH.

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

August 2006-Present
Coordinator and Internship Coordinator
Undergraduate Public Health Program
Department of Public Health
Western Kentucky University

Responsibilities

- Provide information about the program to prospective students and other interested individuals.
- Assign advisors to newly enrolled students.
- Track students' performance.
- Schedule classes and instructors for each semester.
- Curriculum and course revisions.
- Review transfer courses.
- Assign and supervise student interns.
- Ensure that facilities and resources are ready for instruction.

Program Director/Principal Investigator (Last, First, Middle):

- Develop program goals.
- Provide program assessment report.
- Coordinate with part-time instructors to ensure program success.
- Review part-time instructors' applications.
- Review textbooks and other instructional resources for the program.
- Order textbooks and other instructional materials for courses.
- Participate in student recruitment fairs.
- Provide oversight to extended campuses.
- Represent program at professional meetings, seminars, conferences and other professional forum.
- Organize internship orientation for students.
- Identify and visit possible internship sites.
- Recruit and train internship preceptors.
- Supervise student interns.
- Coordinate graduate teaching associate activities.

Program Director/Principal Investigator (Last, First, Middle):