

## Contact details.

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## Current position

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Mar 2024-            Research Associate, UNU- World Institute for Development Economics Research  
UNU-WIDER (Full-time)

## Research network affiliations

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May 2021-            Member, Finnish Centre of Excellence in Tax Systems Research (FIT)

## Previous employment

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Jan 2019 - Sep 2024    Doctoral Researcher, Helsinki Graduate School of Economics (HGSE), University of Helsinki  
Mar 2021-Feb 2024    Research Assistant, UNU- World Institute for Development Economics Research  
UNU-WIDER (Part-time)  
Jan 2016- Dec 2018    Principal Research Assistant, ISSER, University of Ghana  
Sep 2013-Jun 2015    Research Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Ghana

## Academic visits

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March-November 2023    Exchange Scholar, Office of Tax Policy Research, University of Michigan  
May 2022                Development Economics Research Group (DERG), University of Copenhagen  
Sept -October 2021        Visiting Scholar, Zambia Revenue Authority, Zambia

## Education

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2019-2024            PhD in Economics, University of Helsinki, Finland  
2013-2015            M.Phil. in Economics, University of Ghana, Ghana  
2007-2012            BA Economics and French, University of Ghana, Ghana  
2003-2006            WASSCE, Prempeh College, Ghana

## Honours, Scholarships, and Fellowships

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Feb 2021-Feb 2023        Doctoral Working Grant, Finnish Cultural Foundation, Finland  
Dec 2023-May 2024        Doctoral Working Grant, Alfred Kordelin Foundation, Finland  
Feb 2024-Feb 2026        Doctoral Working Grant, Finnish Cultural Foundation, Finland

## Research interests

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Primary field: Public Economics

Secondary fields: Applied Microeconomics, Development Economics

## Publications

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“Differential Bunching Impacts Across the Income Distribution: Evidence from Tax Administrative” with Bryson, Samuel et al Data. *European Journal of Development Research* (2024)

“Differential Bunching Impacts across the Income Distribution: Evidence from Zambian Tax Administrative Data” with Bryson, Samuel et al., *UNU-WIDER Working Paper 2023/142*, December 2023

“Assessing the impact of an intervention to withhold value-added tax in Zambia,” with Koivisto, Aliisa; Kumwenda, Andrey et al., *UNU-WIDER Working Paper 2023/21*, February 2023.

“Estimating Tax Gaps in Zambia: A bottom-up approach based on audit assessments” with Koivisto, Aliisa; Mwale Evaristo et al., *UNU-WIDER Working Paper 2023/25*, February 2023.

“Microsimulation Approaches to Studying Shocks and Social Protection in Selected Developing Economies,” *UNU-WIDER Working Paper 2022/71*, June 2022.

“The Mitigating Role of Tax and Benefit Rescue Packages for Poverty and Inequality in Africa Amid the Covid-19 Pandemic,” with Lastunen, Jesse; Pia Rattenhuber et al., *UNU-WIDER Working Paper 2021/148*, October 2021.

“Effects of an education reform on household poverty and inequality: A microsimulation analysis on the free Senior High School policy in Ghana,” with Robert D. Osei, *UNU-WIDER Working Paper 20118/147*, December 2018.

“Determinants of Return on Equity for a Sustainable Growth of the Manufacturing Industry in the Czech Republic,” with Anarfi, Daniel and Kofi Ampadu Boateng, *Journal of Business Science and Technology*, 2.1, August 2016, 43–52.

## Conference presentations

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- 2024 International Association of Microsimulation (IMA), Annual Conference (University of Vienna), ZEW Public Finance Conference (University of Mannheim), International Institute for Public Finance (IIPF), Annual Conference (Prague University of Economics and Business)
- 2023 International Institute for Public Finance (IIPF), Annual Conference (Utah State University), Centre for the Study of African Economies (CSAE), Annual Conference (Oxford)
- 2022 International Institute for Public Finance (IIPF), Annual Conference at Johannes Kepler University (Linz), Nordic Conference on Development Economics (Helsinki).
- 2021 Development Studies Association (Online), Society for Study of Economic Inequality, ECINEQ (Online)

## Teaching experience

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- 2014-2015 Assisting Bachelor lectures in Microeconomics I, University of Ghana
- 2014-2015 Assisting Bachelor lectures in Microeconomics II, University of Ghana

## Language skills

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Akan (Mother Tongue), English (Fluent), French (Bilingual)