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The Governing Council of the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA) has appointed Professor. Ebenezer Adaku, an Associate Professor of Operations and Project Management, as the new Deputy Rector of the Institute with effect from October 25, 2024.

Professor Adaku attended St. Peter's Senior High School, Nkwatia-Kwahu and proceeded to the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST) where he earned a BSc (Hons) degree in Building Technology. He then advanced his studies at the University of Stuttgart in Germany, obtaining both an MSc in Infrastructure Planning and a PhD in Civil and Environmental Engineering as a DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) scholar. Additionally, he has pursued further training in Teaching Methodologies in Management Education, Research, and Curricula Development at IESE Business School in Barcelona, Spain.

Prior to his appointment, Prof. Adaku served as the Head, Department of Management Science; and as Acting Dean of the GIMPA Business School, where he provided visionary leadership and mentorship to a dynamic team of academics. His governance contributions to the Institute include active participation in various sub-committees (standing and ad hoc) of the Academic Board and Council.

He has over 19 years of experience in the built-environment and project management sector. Before joining GIMPA, he worked on several large infrastructure projects in Ghana as a Quantity Surveyor. Prof. Adaku

has consulted for Public Procurement Authority (PPA) on Sustainable Public Procurement and rolled out workshops for public procurement entities across Ghana. He has facilitated training programmes/workshops, in operations, procurement and project management, for institutions such as ECOWAS; Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre; Tema Oil Refinery; Absa Bank Ghana; Ministry of Gender and Social Protection, among others.

From 2019 to 2021, Prof. Adaku was appointed by the European Union as a Marie Skłodowska Curie Research Fellow at the University of Wolverhampton in the UK.





Management on construction projects. He is a member of the Governing Council of the Ghana Institute of Procurement and Supply (GIPS). He also serves as a reviewer for the prestigious Marie Sklodowska Curie Post-doctoral Fellowship applications, and is an Editorial Review Board Member of the Africa Journal of Management.

His research focuses on:

- causes and effects of construction projects cost and time overruns;
- social capital and its effects on project performance in developing economy environments;
- occupational safety and health (OSH) management on construction projects; and
- supplier relationship and firm performance in developing economy environments.

Prof. Adaku's research and consultancy projects have benefited funding from notable organizations, including the World Bank; the European Union; the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation; the State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO) in Switzerland; and German Development Cooperation (GIZ). His works have been published in several reputable international peer-reviewed journals and presented at global conferences. He is a member of the Production and Operations Management Society (POMS) in the USA and a fellow of the Ghana Institute of Procurement and Supply (GIPS).

With his extensive expertise and dedication to excellence, Prof. Adaku is poised to make significant contributions to GIMPA as a Deputy Rector.







GIMPA Hosts Inaugural Arts and Culture Exhibition

The Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA) recently launched its first Arts and Culture Exhibition, a month-long event held from **24th September to 31st October 2024**. Designed to celebrate the creative journeys of individuals, communities, and institutions, the exhibition invited the public to reflect on shared aspirations and impacts within Ghana and beyond.

This exhibition aligns with GIMPA's commitment to expanding its visibility in the arts and Culture sector while supporting the GIMPA Endowment Fund. Curated artworks, ranging from paintings and photography to sculptures and mixed media, offered guests an immersive experience into diverse expression of arts. Visitors were welcomed Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for an inspiring blend of visuals and live discussions.

Distinguished speakers, including representatives from

the Ghana Tourist Board, UNESCO, CDD, and Citi/Channel One TV, shared insights on cultural preservation and artistic advocacy. Live performances by local dance troupes and poets enriched the event, while workshops like “Sip and Paint” provided an interactive, hands-on art experience. Five panel discussions explored topics such as mental health, Culture sustainability, and the impact of technology on the arts.

The exhibition attracted students, artists, and the general public, receiving positive feedback for its engaging content and variety. Attendees expressed appreciation for the thoughtful mix of educational and Culture programming, which fostered a deeper understanding of the arts.

Following the success of this inaugural event, GIMPA plans to expand its arts and Culture programming, with discussions already underway for future exhibitions.







GIMPA Welcomes New Freshmen: A Journey Begins

On October 11, 2024, GIMPA celebrated the official matriculation of the September 2024 intake, warmly welcoming 1,304 first-year graduate and undergraduate students into its dynamic academic community. Held at the GB Auditorium Greenhill campus Accra.

The event, a cherished tradition at GIMPA, accommodated students from the main campus and the three satellite campuses, held both in person and virtually to ensure inclusivity. The freshers were inducted into degree programs across GIMPA's five prominent schools: The Business School, the School of Public Service and Governance (SPSG), the School of Technology and Social Sciences (SOTSS), and Gimpa Law School.

In his welcoming remarks, the Ag. Deputy Rector, Dr. Kwame Agyemang Budu, warmly affirmed GIMPA's commitment to academic excellence, encouraging the new students to engage fully with the enriching opportunities available. His address inspired optimism and dedication among the freshers, marking a pivotal moment in their academic lives.

A significant highlight was the recitation of the matriculation oath, led by Dr. Mrs. Victoria Kunbuor, Registrar, symbolizing the formal acceptance of students into GIMPA and their pledge to uphold values of integrity, diversity, and knowledge.

Representing her peers, Ms. Winifred Frimpong, a graduate student from SOTSS, delivered the freshmen's expectations speech, expressing the cohort's excitement to join GIMPA. "We chose GIMPA not just for higher education, but for its commitment to excellence, leadership, and innovation," she noted, emphasizing the students' eagerness to acquire industry-relevant skills for tackling global challenges.

Adding to the warm welcome, Mr. Emmanuel Kra, Vice President of the Student Representative Council, encouraged students to embrace the community spirit at GIMPA.

In his address, The Rector Prof. Samuel Kwaku Bonsu motivated students to make the most of their time at GIMPA, striving for excellence and seizing both academic and extracurricular opportunities. Prof. Bonsu highlighted the mutual commitment between students and the Institute, emphasizing GIMPA's dedication to creating a supportive learning environment and fostering relationships critical for future success.

As these new students embark on their academic journeys, GIMPA reaffirms its commitment to nurturing their growth, preparing them for a future of success, leadership, and excellence.

We warmly welcome all our freshers!

Recap of German Days 2024 at GIMPA: Celebrating Cultural Exchange and Career Opportunities



For the past three years, the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA) has been a vital partner in hosting and supporting the "German Days in Ghana," an annual celebration of German-Ghanaian relations. This year, GIMPA once again played a central role by hosting two flagship events on its main campus, strengthening the bridge between the two countries and reinforcing its commitment to international engagement, education, and sustainable development.



Bicycle Ride from German Embassy to GIMPA

On October 12, 2024, the German Embassy in collaboration with GIMPA organized a community bicycle ride from the Embassy to GIMPA's Greenhill campus. The event brought together cyclists, students, and community members in a vibrant celebration of fitness, sustainability, and friendship. Sponsored by prominent German and international companies such as DHL, Liebherr, Hapag-Lloyd, and Brussels Airlines, the bicycle ride aimed to promote eco-friendly transportation and community connection within Accra.

The event not only symbolized the growing bond between Ghana and Germany but also aligned with GIMPA's dedication to environmental sustainability, health, and community-building initiatives. Participants enjoyed a day of fun and fitness, underscoring the shared values of both nations in a unique and impactful way.





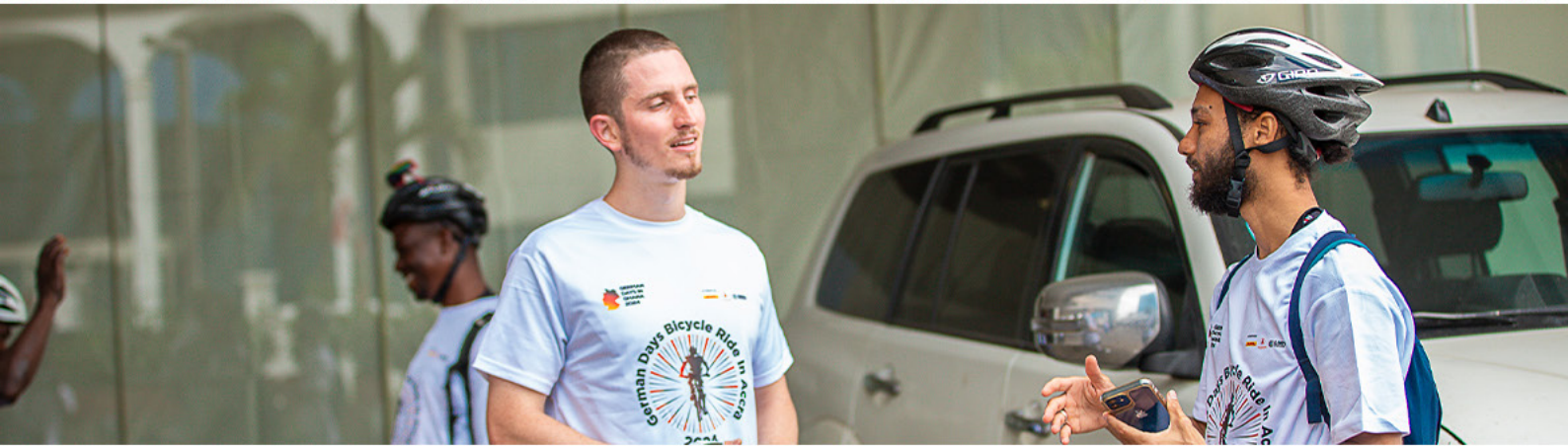
Live, Study, and Work in Germany Seminar

On October 3, 2024, GIMPA hosted the Live, Study, and Work in Germany seminar, a gathering focused on presenting career and educational opportunities in Germany. Organized with key partners such as AHK Ghana, DAAD, the Ghana-European Centre for Jobs, Migration, and Development, and the German Sparkassenstiftung, the seminar was a one-stop resource for students and professionals interested in exploring study, work, and integration opportunities in Germany.

The event featured presentations on topics like academic pathways in German universities, employment prospects, and life in Germany, with insights from DAAD alumni and professionals working in German-related fields. This session provided invaluable information for GIMPA's students and alumni, opening doors to international opportunities and expanding their professional horizons.

GIMPA's partnership over the past three years has been a cornerstone of the German Days in Ghana, providing a robust platform for cultural exchange and career advancement. As these events continue to grow, GIMPA remains dedicated to strengthening this bridge between Ghana and Germany, empowering its students and advancing its mission as a globally connected institution.







GIMPA Celebrates First Cohort of Chartered Professional Administrators from CIAMC

The Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA) proudly celebrates its first cohort of administrators who have graduated from the Chartered Institute of Administrators and Management Consultants-Ghana (CIAMC), earning the prestigious Chartered Professional Administrator (ChPA) designation. This landmark achievement underscores GIMPA's commitment to fostering a high level of professionalism and expertise within its administration team.

The 14 GIMPA administrators, comprising both senior and middle-level professionals, have completed CIAMC's Fast-track Intensive Professional Certification Programme (FIPC). Through this rigorous program, they gained essential skills in key areas such as administrative law, professional ethics, advanced communication, and strategic decision-making. Additionally, the participants undertook a six-month internship, where they applied their knowledge in real-world scenarios and documented their experiences, culminating in an investigative project defense before a panel of CIAMC examiners.

GIMPA extends heartfelt congratulations to these trailblazing graduates, whose dedication and hard work have set a new standard of excellence within the institution. "We are immensely proud of our administrators for their achievements and commitment to advancing the practice of professional administration at GIMPA. Their success not only enhances the capabilities within our institution but also contributes to elevating the standards of administration across Ghana."



As they are inducted as Associate Members of CIAMC, these administrators are now poised to bring renewed insight and expertise to GIMPA's administrative functions, reinforcing the institution's leadership in public administration and management education. With a second cohort already in planning, GIMPA looks forward to building on this momentum and supporting the continuous development of top-tier administrators within Ghana.

GIMPA Hosts Seminar on Holistic Healthcare



On Thursday, 24th October 2024, the GIMPA Moot Court became a hub of knowledge and wellness as the Department of Computer Science and Information Systems, in collaboration with Women in Information Technology & Engineering (WITE), GIMPA Association of Technology Students (GATS), and the Learning Tree Foundation, hosted a transformative seminar under the theme: "Holistic Healthcare for Technology Students."

The seminar, brought together health and wellness experts across the industry to address the unique health challenges faced by individuals. The panel included Chief Inspector Rosemary Osei Kuffour from the Pharmacy Technical Police Hospital, Dr. Emmanuel Kwaku Duah, a medical doctor at Premiere Care Hospital, Eugenia Mantete Duah, a registered midwife from Korlebu Teaching Hospital, and Dr. Felicia Engmann, Senior Lecturer and Coordinator of WITE at GIMPA.

Each speaker shared valuable insights into both physical and mental health, emphasizing a proactive approach to wellness tailored to the high-paced, often sedentary lives of technology students. Topics covered included stress management, physical fitness, mental health awareness, and the importance of regular medical check-ups.

The event successfully sparked meaningful discussions among students and staff on incorporating health and wellness into daily life. The collaboration between WITE,



GATS, and the Learning Tree Foundation highlighted the importance of a holistic healthcare approach, making it a memorable and impactful session for all attendees.



Congratulations on your Appointments and Promotions!

We warmly congratulate all faculty and staff who have been recognized for their hard work, expertise, and dedication to excellence. This achievement underscores your exceptional contributions to the academic community and your commitment to GIMPA's mission. As you step into your new roles, we look forward to the continued impact you will bring in advancing GIMPA's vision of education, leadership, and service.

Congratulations once again!

APPOINTMENTS

	Position	Tenure
Prof. Ebenezer Adaku	Deputy Rector	Three (3) years
GIMPA Business School (GBS)		
Prof. Bernard Obeng Acquah	Dean	Three (3) years

PROMOTIONS

	Former Rank	New Rank
SCHOOL OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND GOVERNANCE		
Dr. Gifty Oforiwaa Gyamera	Senior Lecturer	Associate Professor
GIMPA Business School (GBS)		
Dr. Francis Atsu	Senior Lecturer	Associate Professor
Dr. Emmanuel Amikiya	Lecturer	Senior Lecturer
Dr. Kofi Joseph Agyapong Darmoe	Lecturer	Senior Lecturer
SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIAL SCIENCE		
Dr. Augustina Akonnor	Senior Lecturer	Associate Professor
Dr. Nana Assyne	Lecturer	Senior Lecturer
Dr. Emmanuel Antwi Bosiako	Lecturer	Senior Lecturer



Faculty Spotlight

Prof. Charles Amoatey is an Associate Professor at the GIMPA Business School. He teaches Project Management, Supply Chain Management and Monitoring & Evaluation.

Prof. Amoatey is currently the Director of the GIMPA Training and Consulting. He also heads the Development Impact West Africa Project (DIWA), an initiative to build evaluation capacity of researchers and governments for evidence-informed policymaking in the sub-region.

His research and teaching interests include: Sustainable Infrastructure Financing, Impact Assessment of Development Projects, and Legislative Capacity for Oversight.



Prof. Charles Amoatey



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GIMPA
Law School

Congratulations

To the **231** GIMPA Law students out of the 1,441 students who passed the Ghana School of Law entrance exam this year, making GIMPA Law School the number one Law School in Ghana and the School with the highest number of students admitted to the Ghana School of Law.

The Admission Cycles of our Four (4) Years (Day - WASSCE option) Bachelor of Laws Degree (LL.B) programme (February 2025); as well as the Three (3) Years (Evening) and Two Years (Day) Post First Degree Bachelor of Laws Degree (LL.B) programmes (September 2025) are now open. Apply online via apply.gimpa.edu.gh

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