# **Angela Frimpong**

# **EDUCATION**

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology with a Minor in Global Development Studies from Grinnell College, IA May 2020 Selected courses: Fundraising and Development, Organizing for Nonprofits, Applied Policy Analysis, International Economics, Applied Statistics, Macro-economics and Micro-economics

# SUMMER INTERNSHIPS & LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

#### **Administrative Intern at the African American Policy Forum (AAPF)**

New York, NY

The AAPF is an innovative think tank affiliated with the Center for Intersectionality and Social Policy Studies at the Columbia Law School that connects academics, activists and policy-makers to promote efforts to dismantle structural inequality.

June – August 2020

- Supported strategic planning of programs, projects, and the overall operation of the organization;
- Researched several of strategies to increase community engagement and AAPF's social media footprint;
- Organized meetings with existing and potential partners of AAPF

# Public Policy and International Affairs (PPIA) Junior Summer Institute (JSI) Fellow

Princeton, NJ

Selected to participate in a nationally recognized graduate-level preparation program for undergraduate juniors interested in pursuing a career in public service.

June-August 2019

- Completed graduate-level economics, statistics and policy writing courses as part of this fully-funded seven-week fellowship held by Princeton University's Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs
- Gained skills in STATA, policy writing and public speaking in addition to leadership training during the fellowship

# Pan- African Church Relations Intern, Bread for the World

Washington, DC

Selected to intern for Bread for the World, an organization that fights hunger and malnutrition through faith, advocacy and policy analysis

May-August 2018

- Assisted with development and promotion of Pan-African resources
- Lobbied for the passing of the Global Food Security Act in 2018
- Provided recommendations for Bread for the World's engagement with young Africans and expanding Pan-African Youth Adult Network through marketing and partnership

# **Davis Projects for Peace Grant Recipient**

Jamestown, Ghana

Awarded a \$10,000 grant to execute a grassroot project, "Aspire for More Project," which was centered on achieving peace though education

May-August 2017

- Designed a project centered on education and eradicating negative attitudes such as internet scamming by using technology positively; formulated and managed budget
- Organized a weeklong seminar for 140 students from four public schools to motivate and encourage critical thinking among students
- Partnered with the Vodafone Ghana Foundation to introduce students to Instant Schools, a free online educational resource curated by Khan Academy

#### **Monitoring Officer at Challenging Heights (CH)**

Winneba, Ghana

CH is a children's rights advocacy group that rescues children who have been enslaved and introduces them to basic education before reintegrating them with their families

May-December 2017

- Assisted staff to redesign evaluation forms of soon-to-be reintegrated children
- Communicated and translated laws and policies regarding children's rights in the local language, Fante, to parents/guardians of rescued children
- Conducted financial status assessment on CH beneficiaries
- Interviewed reintegrated children and recorded data during monitoring meetings

#### **AWARDS & RECOGNITION**

# 2020 Leonard M. Kurz '75 Student Peace Award Recipient

Grinnell, IA

This award is given to an upperclassman who has exemplified engagement with the field of Peace and Conflict Studies both inside and outside the classroom. This Award includes a \$1,000 prize and it is awarded at graduation.

# 2020 Samuel Huntington Public Service Award

Massachusetts, MA

The Samuel Huntington Public Service Award provides \$15,000 stipends for graduating college seniors to pursue one year of public service anywhere in the world. The competitive award allows selected recipients to engage in a meaningful

public service activity for one year before proceeding on to graduate school or a career. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, my project has been postponed to Fall 2020.

# Charles W. White '09 Memorial Scholarship Recipient

Grinnell, IA

Selected by Grinnell College to receive said scholarship based on demographics, academic performance, and academic interests to fund undergraduate studies for the 2018 to 2020 academic years. In the current academic year, the scholarship is worth \$28,000.

#### 2018 B. A. Rudolph Undergraduate Public Service Scholar

Washington, DC

One of 20 women selected, from a national pool of 275 applications, for the aforementioned scholarship sponsored by the B. A. Rudolph Foundation to help fund unpaid internship at Bread for the World. The financial award was \$4,800.

# **Community Service Award**

Accra, Ghana

Received a community service award from the Anglican Diocese of Accra & Anglican Educational Authority (Ghana) in January 2018 for efforts in promoting education in Accra, Ghana

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# **Independent Researcher**

August 2019 - May 2020

Paper title: "Non-governmental organization (NGO) sponsored skills training for migrant head porters"

- Investigated the best ways to provide skills-training for young female migrants who work as laborers in markets in Southern Ghana
- Received funding from Grinnell College in December 2019 to collect qualitative data in Northern and Southern Ghana

# **Independent Researcher**

August - December 2017

Paper title: "A comparison of Challenging Heights's monitoring policies to globally accepted practices"

- Researched methods of monitoring the progress of the reintegration process of enslaved children and child soldiers at Challenging Heights
- Presented research at the 2018 Peace and Conflict Studies Conference, Grinnell College and the 2018 Iowa Human Rights Research Conference held at Central College

#### **CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT**

# Peace and Conflict Studies (PACS) Student Committee Member

Grinnell, IA

"The Peace and Conflict Studies Program seeks to give students, faculty, and staff the tools to understand conflict and to creatively manage and transform conflict."

August 2018 - March 2020

- Provided assistance to the PACS committee to plan and promote several events on campus, especially events
  celebrating the International Day of Peace
- Managed PACS social media pages and used official PACS Facebook page to promote events
- Provided advice and guidance to students interested in applying for the Davis Projects for Peace Grant

# **Rosenfield Program Student Committee Member**

Grinnell, IA

"The Rosenfield Program prepares students for a lifetime of civic engagement and connects the Grinnell community to the broader social and political issues"

August 2019 - March 2020

- Brainstormed event ideas that cover the Program's interests; and provided feedback on all events organized by the Program including the celebration of Constitution Day, Martin Luther King Day, etc.
- Assisted with hosting speakers and planning logistics of events
- Advertised Program's events on campus by distributing posters and using social media platforms

#### **VOLUNTEER & WORK EXPERIENCE**

Volunteer Grinnell, IA

Yale African Scholars Mentor October 2019 - present

Student Lead Worker Grinnell, IA

Spencer Grill Cafeteria September 2016- March 2020

Tour Guide Grinnell, IA

Grinnell College Office of Admissions

August 2019 – May 2020

# SKILLS & CERTIFICATES

Technical: Microsoft Office Suite, Canva, Raiser's Edge Basics, Raisers Edge NXT, STATA, SPSS, NVivo, ArcGIS

Languages Spoken: English (fluent), Akan (Native)

Certificate: Basic Human Subjects Research Ethics and Compliance Training Certificate