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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Public Affairs, Florida International University (FIU) August 2022 - Present
Dissertation: *What Drives the Climate Agenda? A Multi-Level Analysis of Policy Formulation, Legislation, and Local Action.*
Committee: Nazife E. Ganapati (Chair), Milena Neshkova, Sukumar Ganapati, Barry Levitt, and Todd Makse.

M.Phil. Public Administration, University of Ghana (UG) July 2021

CERTIFICATES

Certificate in Quantitative Methods - ICPSR, University of Michigan July 2025
Cyberinfrastructure Security Governance - FIU Microcredential September 2024
Data Science for Public Policy - FIU Microcredential August 2023

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Climate and Environmental Policy
Public Management
Emergency and Disaster Management
Community Resilience and Engagement

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2022 - 2026 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Public Policy & Administration, FIU.
2022 Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Public Administration & Health Services Mgt., UG.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2021 - 2022 Policy Consultant, Dataking Consulting & Research Lab
2021 Technical Consultant, Plan International
2020 - 2021 Policy Analyst, IMANI Centre for Policy and Education
2019 Research Assistant, World Bank Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Country Assessment Report (Ghana)
2017 - 2018 Technical Consultant, Plan International Ghana
2015 - 2016 Aide to Minister, Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Protection (Ghana)

PUBLICATIONS (peer reviewed)

Osei-Kojo, A., Damoah, C., **Nvidah, E.**, & Asamoah, K. (2025). Multiple Streams Framework and Performance Agreement Policy Adoption in Ghana. *Review of Policy Research*. 43(1), e70067 [[DOI](#)]

Duho, K. C. T., Abankwah, S. A., **Nvidah, E.**, Duho, W. D., & Dohou, C. J. (2025). Crime Reduction and Evidence-Based Policing in a Developing Economy: Leadership in Targeting, Testing, and Tracking. In *Effective Police Leadership in the 21st Century* (pp. 131-152).

PUBLICATIONS (Technical reports)

Adiko, D., **Nvidah, E.**, Duho, K. C. T., & Tackie M., (2021). Baseline Study for Plan International Ghana Country Strategy, 2020-2025.

Adiko, D., **Nvidah, E.** & Foley, E. (2018). Context Analysis on Child Rights in Ghana, A Situational Analysis report for Plan International Ghana.

PUBLICATIONS UNDER REVIEW

Nvidah, E., Adu, P. E. Adu-Boahene, E., “Why Citizens Act on Climate Change: Responsibility, Efficacy Beliefs, and Climate Impact Perceptions”

Nvidah, E., Asamoah, E., Nortey P., Adu-Boahene, E., “How Does Political Participation shape Climate Self-Efficacy? Evidence from African Countries.”

Nvidah, E., & Kroll, A. “Does Political Participation Improve Experiences of Administrative Burden?”

Nvidah, E., & Johnson, D. “Effect of Participation on Administrative Burden Reduction: A Randomized Experiment.”

Osei-Kojo, A., Nam, A., **Nvidah, E.**, Agyei-Kyeremeh, N. & Gabehart, K. M. “The Structure of Coalition Beliefs and Stability in Boundary Spanning Policy Subsystems.”

Nvidah, E., Acquah. E., Clarke, G. & Johnson, D., “Governing in the Digital Era: Democracy, Rule of Law, and the Cybersecurity Maturity of States.”

WORKING PAPERS

Nvidah, E., Nyadzi, K. B., Lagble, W. A. S., Adu-Boahene, E., Asamoah K., “Understanding Crisis-Driven Innovation: Actors, Temporal Dynamics, and Mechanisms of Change”

Nvidah, E., Damoah, C., Osei-Kojo, A. “Political Trust and Citizen Demand for Climate and Environmental Action.”

Nvidah, E., & Ganapati, N. E., “Advancing Climate Change Policy Research: Systematic Review of Multiple Streams Framework Applications.”

Osei-Kojo, A., Nam, A., **Nvidah, E.**, “Expanding the Advocacy Coalition Framework’s concept of Policy Actors.”

Nvidah, E., & Neshkova, M. “Climate Vulnerability and Political Participation: Toward an

Adaptive-Resilient Participation Framework.”

Nvidah, E., Boakye-Boadu, D., & Asamoah, E. “How Does Climate Governance Impact Satisfaction with Democracy? Evidence from Developing Countries.”

FELLOWSHIPS

- 2026 William Averette Anderson Fund Fellowship.
- 2026 Dissertation Evidence Acquisition Fellowship, FIU. (*Summer*) \$7,087.16
- 2026 Dissertation Evidence Acquisition Fellowship, FIU. (*Spring*) \$9,449.55
- 2025 Maurice A. Ferre Leadership Fellowship, FIU.

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2025 Pi Alpha Alpha Honor Society (Public Affairs & Administration National Honor Society)
- 2025 Anthony R. Abraham Scholarship, FIU (*December*).
- 2025 SGA Graduate Scholarship, FIU (*September*)
- 2025 Department of Public Policy and Admin. Student Fund Stipend, FIU (*September*)
- 2025 Barnes and Noble Book Scholarship, FIU (*September*)
- 2025 Opportunity Scholarship, ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods, University of Michigan - (*July 7 – August 1*)
- 2025 Sara and George McCune Scholarship Award, Mixed Methods Program Workshop, University of Michigan (*June*)
- 2025 Miguel B. Fernandez Scholarship, Florida International University (*July*).
- 2024 Stavros Niarchos Foundation Ithaca Civic Engagement, Joseph R. Biden, Jr. School of Public Policy & Administration (University of Delaware) (*October*)
- 2024 Kenneth Meier Travel Inclusion Award - PMRC Conference. (*April*)
- 2024 Institutional Analysis Training, Institutional Grammar Research Initiative (Syracuse University) New York, (Feb 11-14),
- 2024 Professor Allan Rosenbaum PA Travel Scholarship. FIU.
- 2024 Department of Public Policy and Admin. Student Fund Stipend. FIU. *March*.
- 2024 Conference Scholarship Grant - *Green School of International and Public Affairs*, FIU.
- 2024 Conference Scholarship Grant - *Department of Public Policy and Administration*, FIU.
- 2022 Conference Scholarship Grant - *Graduate and Professional Students Committee*, FIU.
- 2022 Conference Scholarship Grant - *Department of Public Policy and Administration*, FIU.

FUNDED RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2024 - 2025 **Graduate Research Assistant**, Champlain Towers South National Construction Safety Team Evidence Preservation: Social Science
Funded by the *National Institute of Standards and Technology, U.S.*
[Award Amount: \$1,210,694].
- 2020 **Co-Principal Investigator**, Baseline Study for Plan International Ghana Country Strategy: 2020-2025
Funded by *Plan International Ghana*
- 2018 **Co-Principal Investigator**, Context Analysis on Child Rights in Ghana: A Situational Analysis Report
Funded by *Plan International Ghana*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor

- Research Methods - FIU Department of Public Administration and Policy (Fall 2025; Fall 2026)

Teaching Assistant

- Smart Governance (PAD 6718) - FIU (Spring 2024)
- Professionalism and Ethics (PAD 6436) - FIU (Spring 2024)
- Analytical Tools for Public Service (PUP 4042) - FIU (Summer 2024, Fall 2023)
- Exploring Leadership (PAD 3431) - FIU (Spring 2022)
- Public Sector Human Resource Management (PAHS 668) - UG (Summer 2022)
- Public Policy Analysis (PAHS 619) - UG (Spring 2022)

Guest Lectures

- American Federal Government (POS 2041) - Miami Dade College, “*Understanding Intergovernmental Relations in the United States*” Fall 2026
- Policy Development and Implementation (PAD 3034) FIU - “*Global Perspectives on Climate Change Policy making*” Fall 2024
- American Federal Government (POS 2041), Miami Dade College - “*Comparative Frameworks in International Climate Policy*” Spring 2025
- Discover Your Major Course (SLS 1402), FIU (Fall 2024)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2026 The Structure of Coalition Beliefs and Stability in Boundary Spanning Policy Subsystems. *American Political Science Association (APSA)*, Boston, MA. September 3-6.
- 2026 Stakeholder Priorities and Government Housing Resilience Plans: Evidence from Greater Miami. *Hazards Researchers Conference Meeting*, Colorado Denver. June 17-18.
- 2025 Does Democracy Matter for Cybersecurity Governance? A cross-national analysis. *SECOPA*, Coral Springs, Florida, September 10-13.
- 2025 Resilience for Whom? Unpacking the Gap Between Housing Resilience Plans and Stakeholder Priorities. *SECOPA*, Coral Springs, Florida, September 10-13.
- 2025 Managing Crises through Innovation: Insights from COVID-19 Pandemic. *American Society for Public Administration (ASPA)*, Washington, D.C., March 28-April 1.
- 2024 Exploring Uncharted Paths in ACF Research: Boundary Spanning Subsystems, Principal & Auxiliary Actors, and Covid-19 Politics in Ghana. *Conference on Policy Process Research (COPPR)*, Syracuse University, May 15-17.
- 2023 Assessing the Nation’s Health - A Political Economy of Health Disparities in Ghana. *Mid-West Political Science Association Conference (MPSA)* - Chicago, April 13-16.
- 2023 Extending the Multiple Streams Framework - Lessons from Performance Management Policy Change in Ghana. *Conference of Public Policy Process Research (COPPR)*- Colorado Denver, January 12-15.

- 2022 Causal Process Tracing, Policy Change, and Performance Management in Ghana
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) Fall Research Conference, Washington D.C., November 17-19.
- 2022 A Comparative Study of Oil and Gas Policy Change in Ghana and Nigeria
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) Fall Research Conference, Washington D.C., November 17-19.
- 2021 Water-Related Reporting and Corporate Governance among Mining Firms in Africa.
Development Studies Association (DSA), Ireland Conference, November 11-12.

INVITED TALKS AND MEDIA ENGAGEMENTS

- 2024 Discussant, "How Scientists Provide Policy Knowledge in Public Discourse about U.S. Offshore Wind Energy," Advocacy Coalition Framework (ACF) Monthly Seminar (May).
- 2020 Policy Analyst, "2020 Elections Manifesto Tracker: Analysis of Education Sector Promises," Joy News Super Morning Show / Joy News Radio, Ghana (September).

POLICY ENGAGEMENTS

- 2021 Partner Representative, Open Society Initiative for West Africa (OSIWA) Advocacy Workshop for Partners in West Africa, Sierra Leone - Freetown. (June 30 - July 2)
- 2017 Delegate, African Youth Sustainable Development Goals Summit, Kofi Annan International Peace Keeping Training Centre (Ghana) (November 1-2)
- 2016 Member of Ghana's Delegation, United Nations Convention on the Status of Women (60th Session), New York - USA. (March 14 - 24)
- 2016 Member of Ghana's Delegation, Rainbow PUSH Coalition and Citizenship Education Fund International Convention, Chicago - USA. (June 27)

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY/DEPARTMENT

Florida International University

- 2026 Chapter President, Pi Alpha Alpha Honor Society
- 2025 Student Ambassador, Ph.D. Public Affairs
- 2023 Student Representative, Ph.D. Committee, FIU Dept. of Public Policy & Administration
- 2022 Student Representative, FIU University Graduate Council
- 2022 Member, PhD Student Council, FIU Dept. of Public Policy and Administration

University of Ghana

- 2020 Graduate Student Representative, Disciplinary Cttee. for Junior Members
- 2020 Member, Gender Commission, National Graduate Students Association of Ghana

SKILLS AND PROFICIENCIES

Quantitative Analysis: R, STATA, Python, SPSS

Qualitative Analysis: Discourse Network Analyzer, Institutional Grammar, NVIVO, Atlas.ti

Spatial Analysis: ArcGIS

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Society of Public Administration (ASPA)

Public Management Research Association (PMRA)

Association for Public Policy Management and Analysis (APPAM)

American Political Science Association (APSA)

Development Studies Association (DSA)