

LORETTA ADDO-DANSO

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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Criminology, University of Delaware Expected graduation: May 2027
- MS. Criminal Justice Science, Illinois State University (ISU) Aug. 2021
Thesis title: *Are Websites of Victim Support Services Representative of Women of Color? A Content Analysis.*
Committee: Dr. Dawn Beichner (Chair), Dr. Ralph Weisheit, and Dr. Miltonette Craig.
- Graduate Certificate. Women's, Gender and Sexuality studies, ISU Aug. 2021
Project title: *Examining Women of Color's Experiences with Intimate Partner Violence and The Criminal Justice System Through the Lens of Intersectionality Theory: A Literature Review.*
- BA Social Work, University of Ghana (UG) May 2018
Minor: Sociology
Thesis title: *Pregnant Women's Knowledge on Postpartum Depression in Ashanti Region, Ghana*

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Role of Kumasi Metropolitan Assembly in keeping Kumasi Clean Nov. 2017 – Jan. 2018
Collected data through semi-structured interviews and helped analyze data collected using SPSS

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- **Graduate Teaching Assistant** Present
Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice, University of Delaware
- **Graduate Research Assistant** Fall 2019 – Spring 2021
Department of Criminal Justice Sciences, Illinois State University.

AWARDS & GRANTS

- *Graduate Teaching Assistantship*, University of Delaware (Present)
- *Graduate Research Assistantship*, Illinois State University (Fall 2019 – May 2021)

PRESENTATION

- *Examining Women of Color's Experience with Intimate Partner Violence and the Criminal Justice System's Response Through the Lens of Intersectionality: A Literature Review.* Illinois State University, April 15, 2021

ACADEMIC SYMPOSIUM/WORKSHOP

- Accepted to the 24.5th Annual Student Research Symposium organized by the Department of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies, Illinois State University. (Spring, 2021)

MANUSCRIPT IN PROGRESS

Addo-Danso, Loretta. "Are Websites of Victim Support Services Representative of Women of Color? A Content Analysis."

RELEVANT GRADUATE COURSE WORK

Illinois State University

- WGS 490: Feminist Theories & Methodological Issues, (Spring 2020, Dr. Alison Bailey)
- CJS 401: Criminological Theory, (Spring 2020, Dr. Shelly Clevenger)
- CJS 440: Statistical Application in Criminal Justice, (Spring, 2020, Dr. Brent Teasdale)
- CJS 470: Seminar in International Justice, Human Rights & Conflict Resolution, (Fall 2020, Dr. Dawn Beichner)
- POL 338: Gender & Political Theory, (Spring 2021, Dr. Julie Webber)
- CJS 339: Women in Criminal Justice, (Summer 2021, Dr. Jessie Krienert)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Sociology and Criminal Justice, University of Delaware Present

- Course: Crime Victims & Victims' Rights

Legal Advocate, Remedies-Renewing Lives, Rockford Oct. 2021 – July 2022

- Facilitated educational groups to clients regarding Orders of Protection and IDVA as assigned
- Assisted clients to complete forms and navigate court process for Orders of Protection
- Accompanied and transported client to police, state's attorney, legal aid and courts to provide support
- Participated in case review meetings to discuss individual client progress and alternative approaches

Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Criminal Justice, ISU Aug. 2019 – May 2021

- Collected and summarized articles related to drug usage and abuse in a useful manner for supervisor
- Located and catalogued criminal Justice research centers and sponsorship agencies for future funding
- Revised scholarly manuscripts before publications.

Administrative Officer, Kwame Nkrumah Uni. of Science and Technology Sept. 2018 – July 2019

- Took and summarized minutes during departmental meetings and submitted to appropriate persons
- Coordinated and proctored examinations
- Assisted in examination grading and input of results using Excel

Social Work Officer, Department of Social Welfare-Ejisu Municipal Assembly June-Aug. 2017

- Accompanied victims of abuse to court hearings and acted as a liaison between them and law enforcers
- Acted a liaison between juvenile delinquents and their parole officer
- Coordinated and implemented a seminar on girl-child education which had a lasting impact on them
- Aided in providing medical care and shelter for a child who was diagnosed with HIV and AIDS and abandoned by both parents which gave a second chance at life

Intern, Department of Social Welfare, Kumasi Regional Office June – Aug. 2015

- Documented reports on criminal and civil cases and escalates for legal action if need be
- Aided supervisor in advocating on behalf of victims of abuse with law enforcers which provided victims with the justice needed
- Worked on comprehensive rehabilitation plans for juvenile delinquents together with supervisor

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Volunteer, Midwest Food Bank, Bloomington/Normal Division Sept. 2020 – Nov. 2020

- Helped in food distribution to the less privileged who are dealing with food insecurities

Social Work Officer, Compassion International, Ghana Nov. 2017- Mar.2018

- Visited 'beneficiaries' in their homes and communities to ensure the provision of basic needs which improved living conditions
- Organized sex education for adolescents which helped to enlighten them on the concept of sex

- Assisted in organizing creative arts competition which helped to bring out the different creative ideas of the children to play