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GETFund Scholarship Programme (2024/25 Academic Year Application)
111888 GETFund Postgraduate Application - Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

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ID Expiry
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National Service Details

National Service Detail
I did my National Service

National Service Certificate / Attestation from National Service Secretariat

Personal Statement

Write a brief statement outlining your personal and academic goals

> My academic journey includes obtaining a Certificate in Basic Education from Dambai College of Education, a Certificate of Bachelor of Education in IT and Master of Science in IT both from the University of Cape Coast.
> My technical skills encompass a wide range, including proficiency in Office Suite, database management, hardware and software manipulation, and other related areas. This knowledge has been honed through practical experience, including role as an ICT teacher at Saba D/A JHS.

Describe your involvement and the outcome of one significant community leadership initiative in which you played a role

> In addition to my academic pursuits, I have actively contributed to various community and national initiatives. I served as a Mobile Registration Workstation Operator for the National Identification Authority during the 2019 Mass Registration
> Exercise and as a Supervisor Registration Officer for the same authority in the 2019 Mass Registration Exercise in the Nanumba South District (My community). My experiences as a Public Relations Officer for the National Service Personnel's Association and a Data Entry Clerk at the Electoral Commission attest to my capacity for managing responsibilities efficiently.

What is your vision for your community

> Improving and expanding educational opportunities for the youth in my community, through initiatives to enhance digital literacy, access to quality education, and skills development.
> Promoting awareness of civic rights and responsibilities, encouraging voter registration, and fostering a sense of community participation in civic processes.
> Leveraging technology to empower individuals and the community, through initiatives to bridge the digital divide, promote technological literacy, and implement solutions that address local challenges.
> Fostering collaboration among various stakeholders for holistic community development. By partnering with local organizations, government agencies, and community leaders to address social, economic, and infrastructural challenges.
> Empowering the youth by creating opportunities for skill development, mentorship programs, and initiatives that support young individuals in realizing their full potential.

Please share the key challenges you have encountered, either personally or within your identified industry or community. Additionally, explain why you believe obtaining sponsorship through the GETFund Scholarship is crucial in addressing these challenges. If applicable, outline any specific challenges within your chosen industry or community that you are passionate about solving through your academic pursuits

As an individual deeply engaged in the fields of education, technology, and civic engagement, I have encountered several challenges, both personal and within my community.
These challenges have underscored the critical need for support, and I believe obtaining sponsorship through the GETFund Scholarship is crucial in addressing these issues.

Limited Access to Quality Education: In my community and beyond, access to quality education remains a significant challenge. Many individuals, especially in remote areas, face barriers such as insufficient infrastructure, lack of qualified teachers, and limited educational resources. Obtaining the GETFund Scholarship would enable me to further my studies and acquire advanced skills, positioning me to contribute significantly to improving educational access and quality in my community.

Digital Divide: The technological gap between urban and rural areas, often referred to as the digital divide, is a challenge I've witnessed firsthand. In my role as an ICT teacher, I've seen the impact of limited access to technology on students' learning outcomes. Through the scholarship, I aim to gain expertise in cutting-edge technologies, empowering me to bridge this divide and implement effective solutions that enhance digital literacy in underserved communities.

Civic Engagement and Awareness: A challenge prevalent in many communities is the lack of civic engagement and awareness. Limited understanding of civic processes, voter apathy, and inadequate awareness of civic rights hinder the development of an active and informed citizenry. With the GETFund Scholarship, I intend to pursue advanced studies that equip me with the knowledge and skills to design and implement community-centric programs fostering civic education, engagement, and awareness.

Socio-economic Disparities: My community, like many others, grapples with socio-economic disparities. The lack of economic opportunities, especially for the youth, contributes to various challenges, including unemployment and poverty. Through academic pursuits supported by the GETFund Scholarship, I aspire to develop innovative solutions that address these socioeconomic disparities, creating pathways for sustainable development and empowerment.

Inadequate Technological Infrastructure: Insufficient technological infrastructure poses a hindrance to the effective implementation of digital solutions in various sectors. With the GETFund Scholarship, I aim to explore research and acquire knowledge that will enable me to contribute to the development and implementation of robust technological infrastructure,
laying the foundation for sustainable growth and advancement.

How do you envision that obtaining a undergraduate,postgraduate degree through the GETFund Scholarship will contribute to overcoming challenges and making a meaningful impact on both yourself and your community?

Advanced Knowledge and Skills: The Postgraduate degree will equip me with advanced and specialized knowledge in Information Technology. This expertise is crucial for addressing the challenges faced by my community, particularly in the areas of digital literacy, technological infrastructure development, and the effective integration of technology into education and civic processes.

Innovative Solutions: Through rigorous academic training and research, I will be better positioned to

develop innovative solutions to the pressing challenges identified in my community. Whether it's designing educational programs that leverage technology to improve access and quality or creating civic engagement initiatives that utilize digital platforms, the Postgraduate degree will empower me to think critically and implement solutions that have a lasting impact.

Community Empowerment: Armed with a Postgraduate degree, I will be in a stronger position to contribute to the empowerment of my community. This could involve establishing training programs, workshops, and awareness campaigns
that enhance digital literacy, civic education, and overall community development. By sharing my knowledge and skills, I aim to uplift individuals and create a more informed and empowered community.

Contributions to National Development: Beyond the community level, the expertise gained through the Postgraduate degree will position me to contribute meaningfully to national development. Whether through policy recommendations, technology-driven initiatives, or educational reforms, I envision playing a role in shaping the broader landscape of my
country.

In a few words, decribe your strengths, gifts, and areas you consider there is the need for growth

Strengths:
Strong oral, written, and presentation skills.
High tolerance for stress and responsibility.
Quick learner with excellent grasping ability.
Action-oriented and result-focused.
Effective team leader with organizational skills.
Proficient in Office Suite, database, hardware, and software manipulation.

Gifts:
Technological proficiency and expertise in Information Technology.
Leadership and organizational abilities demonstrated in various roles.
Effective communication and public relations skills.
Capacity for civic engagement and community development.

Application Details

University
Accra Institute of Technology

Programme Level
PhD

Programme
Information Technology

Course Type
STEM

Course Delivery Mode
Weekend

Programme Duration / Length
48 months

Start Date of Programme
17th September 2024

Do you have your University Student ID / Ref No.?
Yes

Student ID / Ref No.
PHD24S3010026

Tuition Fees
GHS 65,520.00

Admission Letter

Fee Schedule

List of Referees

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Applicant Qualification

Bachelor's Degree Certification

University / Tertiary Institution
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Programme / Course Name
Information Technology

Year Completed
2023

Honours Earned
2nd Class Upper

Academic Certificate

Academic Transcripts

1st Degree Certification

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How many people live off the combined family income

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Who provides your financial support?

Self

Document Uploads

CV (Curriculum Vitae)

Academic Recommendation Letter