

# Kofi Addo Annan, BSc.

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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- Electrical/Electronic Engineering graduate with strong problem solving, research abilities and knowledge in power electronics, optimization, machine learning and deep learning.
- Power Electronics Researcher: Published one (1) first author manuscripts in high-impact scientific journals.
- Results-oriented Leader: Mentored four (4) undergraduate student researchers at the department of Electrical/Electronic Engineering, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology.

## EDUCATION

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**Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology**, Kumasi, Ghana

Mphil. Power Systems Engineering -

Jan. 2024 - expected Nov. 2025

**Achievements:** Top 5% of class

**Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology**, Kumasi, Ghana

B.Sc. Electrical/Electronic Engineering (First Class Honours) - Conferred

May 2019

**Achievements:** Top 20 % of class

**Mfantipim Senior High School**, Cape Coast, Ghana

General Science (West African Senior School Certificate Examination) - Conferred

May 2015

**Achievements:** Top 5% of class

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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**Programming Software:** Python and C Programming.

**Graphical Presentation, Word Processing, Spreadsheet and Typesetting Software:** LaTeX, Microsoft Office Suite.

**Simulation Software:** Totally Integrated Automation Portal (TIA Portal), MATLAB, LT Spice, COM-SOL Multiphysics Software Suite, AutoCAD Electrical.

**Hardware Implementation:** Soldering, transmitter and receiver circuits.

## INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

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- Comfortable and experienced working individually or in a team.
- Excellent time management and organizational skills permitting timely project completions.
- Highly creative as exhibited through several works of graphics and animation.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology**, Kumasi, Ghana

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Electrical/Electronic Engineering

Jan. 2025 – date

- Assisted faculty members in the delivery of postgraduate courses.
- Organized tutorial sessions for both regular and institute of distance learning (IDL) students.

Teaching Assistant, Department of Electrical/Electronic Engineering

Sept. 2019 – Aug. 2020

- Assisted faculty members in the delivery and assessment of several undergraduate courses.
- Courses taught include: Electrical Special Machines (EE 463), Electrical Power Generation and Transmission (EE 367), Electrical Engineering Drawing (EE 156), Electrical Service Design (EE 365) and Industrial Automatic Controls (COE 484).

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology**, Kumasi, Ghana

Research Assistant, Department of Electrical/Electronic Engineering

Sept. 2019 – Aug. 2020

- Assisted a professor to supervise a research on mobile traffic light systems to improve efficient use of fuels on the roads and was conducted by three undergraduate students.
- Worked with an undergraduate student to conduct a research on fault diagnosis and isolation in power distribution systems.

**Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology**, Kumasi, Ghana

Undergraduate Researcher, Department of Electrical/Electronic Engineering

Sept. 2018 – Jun. 2019

- Designed, built and tested an automated a 5-phase traffic light pre-emption control system in a research team of three(3) students.
- The sequence of operation of the Siemens S7-1214C controller for the traffic light was programmed using ladder logic in Siemens Totally Integrated Portal Software.
- Installed a 434MHz transmitter-receiver sensors to detect emergency vehicles approaching the traffic light about 240 meters away to begin the pre-emption process when an RF signal is sent by the vehicle.
- The goal of this research was to reduce  $CO_2$  emission in cars by creating a control system to ease congestion in a typical congestion-prone Ghanaian road thus enabling effective use of our fuels and aid improve the response time of emergency vehicles while increasing safety of road users at the intersection during emergencies.

## JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

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1. Kofi Addo Annan, Emmanuel Obuobi Kwame Addo, Jephthah Afedzi Baidoo, Kwame Opare-Anim: *Design and Implementation of an Emergency Traffic Light Pre-emption System Using PLC Automation*, **International Journal of Innovative Research & Development, IJIRD**, Vol.10, Issue 1, 2021.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Menenergy International Ghana Limited**, Accra, Ghana

Electrical Project Engineer, Engineering Department

Nov. 2020 – Oct. 2021

- Worked in conjunction with the business development department to win a contract to supply various electrical consumables to Volta River Authority Operations Store, Akosombo, through the National Competitive Tendering procedures.

## PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

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### Electricity Company of Ghana Limited, Kumasi, Ghana

Student Intern, Engineering Department

Sep. 2024 – Oct. 2024

- Took part in revenue mobilization at Apaaso in Kumasi.
- Gained firsthand experience with fault diagnosis on the Fawoade circuit 1 from the Achiase OV 33/11 kV station
- Gained hands on experience in Cable jointing and termination.

### Ghana Grid Company Limited, Tema, Ghana

Student Intern, Engineering Department

Jun. 2018 – Aug. 2018

- Conducted hourly visual inspections of the switch-yard equipment and transformer temperatures to verify the health of the equipment.
- Performed earth resistance test on Sunon-Asogli 330Kv transmission lines to determine the effectiveness of the ground connections of the pylons.

### Kpone Thermal Power Plant Station, Tema, Ghana

Student Intern, Engineering Department

Jun. 2017 – Aug. 2017

- Performed combustion inspection and hot gas path inspection on the two (2) 110MW Alstom GT11N2 (EV) dual fuel combustion turbine generators.
- Performed type A visual inspection plus additional checks on the auxiliaries, the controls, and the protection and monitoring system including their settings.

## WORKSHOPS ATTENDED

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- *Machine Learning Masterclass* moderated by **Dr. Elvis Twumasi** on Saturday, May 31, 2025 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM GMT.
- *Wireless Power Transfer - The Invisible Truth* moderated by **Dr. Sheldon Williamson** on Wednesday, September 22, 2021 8:00 PM - 9:30 PM UTC.
- *Adaptive EMC Design for Wide Bandgap Power Converters in Aviation Applications* presented by **Dr. Cong Li** on Tuesday, July 22, 2021 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM UTC.
- *Testing Inverters using Electric Motor Emulators: Benefits, Challenges* presented by **Dr. Uday Deshpande** on Tuesday, June 29, 2021 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM UTC.
- *Advanced Health-Conscious Fast Charging Schemes and Battery Management Systems for Autonomous E-mobility* presented by **Dr. Sheldon Williamson** on Tuesday, June 15, 2021 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM UTC.
- *Power Electronics for Precision Farming with Sustainable and Cleaner Environment* presented by **Dr. Brij N. Singh** on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM UTC.
- *Using Time Synchronization to Improve Your Protection and Control System* presented by **Walid Ali, P.Eng** on Monday, May 10, 2021 07:54 PM.
- *IEEE Future Tech Forum: Climate Change Roundtable* presented by **Dr. Charles Despins** and **Professor Jaafar Elmighani** as part of IEEE Future Directions Tech Forum on Friday, April 30, 2021 2:00 PM ET.

- *Clean Energy, the Circular Economy, and the Age of Artificial Intelligence for SmartGrid Systems* presented by **Professor Marcelo Godoy Simoes** and sponsored by The University of Sheffield and IEEE United Kingdom and Ireland Section on Wednesday, April 28, 2021 16:00 London.
- *High-Density Motor Drive Design for Electric Aircraft Propulsion: what we might know and what we don't* presented by **Dr. Fang Luo** and sponsored by the IEEE Transportation Electrification Community and the IEEE Power Electronics Society Technical Committee on Aerospace Power on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM UTC.
- *Unlimited Range Electrified Drones for Emergency Medical Response Activities* presented by **Dr. Sheldon Williamson** and **Dr. Carolyn McGregor AM** and sponsored by the IEEE Transportation Electrification Community and IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society on Thursday, April 1, 2021 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM UTC.

## PROJECTS

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1. **DC/DC Converter Circuit:** Designed, built and tested a 3.7V to 30V DC-DC boost converter with two (2) 12V cooling fans connected in series at the output. Completed on **June 2022**.
2. **Battery Management Systems:** Designed, built and tested a cost effective, less efficient, non-smart wired battery management system which is capable of charging a 3S battery pack, protect it from over-voltage, balance the batteries, and limit the charging current. Completed on **February 2022**.
3. **A Wireless Power Transmission Circuit:** Designed, built and tested a simple wireless power transmission circuit which lights up LEDs and powers a USB charging port. Completed on **January 2022**.
4. **A Traffic Light Pre-emption Control System:** Designed, built and tested an automated 5-phase traffic light pre-emption control system using the TIA portal software and a PLC. Completed on **May 2019**.

## CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSES

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1. **Electric Vehicle Battery Pack Calculations Using Microsoft Excel:** A course of study offered by **Decibels Labs**, Issued November 2021.
2. **IEEE Innovation at Work (1PDH):** Wireless Power Transfer - The Invisible Truth, Issued September 2021.
3. **LTspice Tutorial for Beginners in Electronic Simulations:** A course of study offered by **Udemy**, an online learning tool instructed by **Ye Zhao, PhD**, Issued September 2021.
4. **MATLAB/Simulink for Power System Simulations:** A course of study offered by **Udemy**, an online learning tool instructed by **Ricardo Romero, PE**, Issued September 2021.
5. **MATLAB/Simulink for Electronics Simulations:** A course of study offered by **Udemy**, an online learning tool instructed by **Ricardo Romero, PE**, Issued September 2021.
6. **Simulating Power Electronic Circuits Using Python:** A course of study offered by **Udemy**, an online learning tool instructed by **Dr. Shivkumar Iyer**, Issued July 2021.
7. **IEEE Innovation at Work (1 PDH):** Adaptive EMC Design for Wide Bandgap Power Converters in Aviation, Issued July 2021.

8. **IEEE Innovation at Work (1 PDH):** Testing Inverters using Electric Motor Emulators: Benefits, Challenges, Issued June 2021.
9. **IEEE Innovation at Work (1 PDH):** Advanced Health-Conscious Fast Charging Schemes and Battery Management Systems for Autonomous E-mobility, Issued June 2021.
10. **eCARS2x: Electric Cars: Technology:** A course of study offered by **DelftX**, an online learning initiative of Delft University of Technology, Issued June 2021.
11. **IEEE Innovation at Work (1 PDH):** Power Electronics for Precision Farming with Sustainable and Cleaner Environment, Issued May 2021.
12. **General Electric Grid Solutions (1 Training Hour):** Using Time Synchronization to Improve Your Protection and Control System, Issued May 2021.
13. **IEEE Innovation at Work (1 PDH):** High-Density Motor Drive Design for Electric Aircraft Propulsion: what we might know and what we don't , Issued May 2021.
14. **IEEE Innovation at Work (1 PDH):** Unlimited Range Electrified Drones for Emergency Medical Response Activities, Issued April 2021.

## HOBBIES

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- Love learning new languages and techniques through videos on Youtube channels.
- Enjoy listening to radio podcasts to update myself in the world of electronics for technical tips and applications during commutes.
- Admire next generation technologies on transportation electrification by frequently reading publications on the newest breakthroughs released online via IEEE Xplore.

## REFERENCES

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Available upon request.