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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Applied Microeconomics:
Labor Economics Health Economics Education Economics Development Econ

EDUCATION

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC-CH), NC, USA
Ph.D. Economics 2021-Present

University of North Carolina at Greensboro (UNCG), NC, USA
M.A. Applied Economics 2020

University of Ghana (UG), Legon-Accra, Ghana
M.Phil. Economics 2018
B.A. (Hons) Economics and Statistics 2015

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Enterprise Analysis Unit, The World Bank Group
Consultant — Survey design and implementation Aug 2023 - Present

Economics Department, **UNC-CH**
Teaching & Research Assistant Aug 2021 - Present
Teaching Fellow June 2023 - Dec 2023

Economics Dept., Bryan Sch of Business and Economics, **UNCG**
Teaching & Research Assistant Aug 2019 - July 2021

Economics Department, **UG**
Research Assistant Aug 2018 - June 2019
Teaching Assistant Sept 2015 - June 2016

REFEREED ACADEMIC JOURNAL ARTICLES

1. Yorke, F.R., Wahab, S., & **Turkson, D.** (2023). [Maternal Education and Child Malnutrition: Evidence from West Africa](#). *SN Social Sciences*, 3 (200): 1-30.
2. Nyarkpoh, M.K., **Turkson, D.**, & Buaka, E.S. (2023). [Tax compliance in Ghana: does corruption and trust in the government matter?](#) *SN Social Sciences*, 3 (155): 1-18.
3. Osei, K.B., & **Turkson, D.** (2022). [Cash Transfer and Multidimensional Child Poverty: Evidence from Ghana](#). *International Journal of Social Economics*, 49 (5): 744-764.
4. **Turkson, D.**, Addai, N.B., Chowdhury, F., & Mohammed, F. (2021). [Government Policies and Firm Performance in the COVID-19 Pandemic Era: A Sectoral Analysis](#). *SN Business Economics*, 1(12): 1-22.
5. Arthur, G.A. & **Turkson, D.** (2021). [The Welfare Impact of Household Loans: An Analysis for Ghana](#). *Journal of Finance and Economics*, 9(2): 83-92.

	6. Turkson, D. , & Ahiabor, J.K. (2020). Implication of Natal Care and Maternity Leave on Child Morbidity: Evidence from Ghana . <i>Global Journal of Health Science</i> , 12(9): 94-104. 7. Turkson, D. , & Codjoe, E.A. (2020). The Household Enterprise Sector in Ghana: Overview and Challenges . <i>International Journal of Business and Management</i> , 15(8): 140-151.
MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW	Kuperberg A., Turkson D. , Mazelis J. M., Fredricks K., & Pant A. Student Loan Debt and Higher Education Disruptions During COVID-19 . <i>Review of Higher Education</i> .
WORKING PAPERS	1. Turkson, D. (2024). Impact of Alcohol Use on Academic Performance Among College Students: The Case of Acute and Chronic Drinking . 2. Onyina, K. & Turkson, D. (2024). Cash Transfer and the Labor Supply of Vulnerable Households and Individuals: Does Household Indebtedness Matter? A Triple DiD Analysis . 3. Turkson, D. (2021). Are Formal and Informal Loans Substitutes or Complements?: The case of Household Enterprise credit access in Ghana .
MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION	Kuperberg A., Hamza-Saloum S., Mazelis J., & Turkson D. Student Loans and Mental Health among College Students Before and During the COVID-19 Pandemic .
CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS	2022. Kuperberg A., Turkson D. , Mazelis J. M., Fredricks K., & Pant A. “Student Loan Debt and Higher Education Impacts of COVID-19”. <i>American Sociological Association Conference, Los Angeles, CA</i>
INVITED TALKS	2021. “Impact of Student Loans on College Students in the Covid-19 Pandemic”. <i>Kuperberg Labs: Student Loans and the Transition to Adulthood, UNC Greensboro</i>
PROJECT REPORTS	Addai, N.B., Turkson D. , Sturdivant J., Holland S., & Queen W. (2021). Modeling Energy Consumption at UNC Greensboro II . <i>Green Fund Project</i> . Queen W., Holland S., Turkson D. , Addai, N.B., & Willis K. (2020). Modeling Energy Consumption at UNC Greensboro . <i>Green Fund Project</i> .
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	Undergraduate , Economics Department, UNC-CH ECON101: Introduction to Economics Summer II 2023, Fall 2023
GRANTS	National Science Foundation [Grants #1947603 and #1947604] Student Loans & Transition to Adulthood —\$360,228 May 2021 - Present PI: Arielle Kuperberg, co-PI: Joan Maya Mazelis, RA: Danny Turkson <i>Should student loan be forgiven, and if so by how much? Exploring the impact of student loans and COVID-19 on human capital and health (academic performance, student wellbeing and job prospects after graduation)</i> Green Fund Modelling Energy Consumption II — \$9,720 May 2021 - August 2021. PI: Danny Turkson , co-PI: Nana Addai

Modelling Energy Consumption I — \$11,232 May 2020 - August 2020.
 PI: Will Queen, *co-I: Danny Turkson*, co-I: Nana Addai
Forecasting of energy consumption in on-campus buildings at UNCG

PEER REFEREE	<i>Review of Development Economics</i>	
FELLOW	Sigma Xi, Member	2023
	American Economic Association, Member	2023
	Beta Gamma Sigma Scholar	2020
	Kathleen Price & Joseph M. Bryan Fellow	2020
SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS	JosephM. Kampf and the Elizabeth & Harry Brainard Scholarship, 2021	\$21,700
	Data Dive Hackathon - 2 nd Runner-up , Arch MI, 2021	\$2,000
	Joseph M. Bryan Foundation Scholarship, UNCG, 2020 & 2021	\$26,000
	BB&T Academic Excellence Fellow, UNCG, 2019	\$6,000
	Bryan Sch of Business and Economics - Academic Excellence Medal, 2020	
VOLUNTEERISM	Graduate Program Ambassador, Bryan Sch of Business and Economics	2020
	i-Ambassador, International Student Rep, UNCG	2020
SOFTWARE SKILLS	Stata, SAS, R, MATLAB, Fortran, SPSS, E-Views	
TOOLS	L^AT_EX, GitHub, Microsoft office	