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Professional Academic Appointments

09/2022 – Present, Assistant Professor, Adelphi University
09/2021 – 05/2022, Visiting Assistant Professor, Siena College.
1/2021 – 06/2021 Adjunct Professor, University of South Dakota.
06/2021 – 08/2021 Research Associate, Government Research Bureau, University of South Dakota.
2017-2020 Graduate Teaching and Research Assistant, University of South Dakota.
2019-2020 Economic Development Assistant, Vermillion Area Chamber and Development Company (VCDC), South Dakota.
2015-2017 Graduate Research Assistant, Savannah State University.
2005-2006 Electrical Engineering Teacher, Modern College of Technology (STARMOTEC) Tiko, Cameroon.

Education

2020 Ph.D. Political Science: University of South Dakota, USA
2018 Post-Secondary Teaching Certificate: University of South Dakota, USA
2017 Master of Public Administration (MPA): Savannah State University, USA
2014 Master of Science (MSc.) Political Science: University of Buea, Cameroon
2010 Bachelor of Science (BSc.) Political Science: University of Buea, Cameroon

Peer - reviewed Publications

Nordyke, Shane & **Godlove Aka, Binda**, University of South Dakota Howard Hughes Medical Institute Grant Program Evaluation 2020-2021. *Government Research Bureau University of South Dakota*. July 2021.

Godlove Aka, Binda, Book Review, Likert, Rensis (1967), The Human Organization: Its Management and Value. *International Journal of Scientific and Engineering Research (ISSN 2229-5518)*. (Nov. 2021). Vol. 12, Issue 11, pp.722-724. [The Human Organization Its Management and Value - IJSER Journal Publication](#)

Godlove Aka, Binda, “The Emergence of Modern Presidency in the United States of America: Presidential Power and Constitutional Shift”. *International Journal of Scientific and Engineering Research (ISSN 2229-5518)*. (2020). Vol. 11, Issue 9, pp. 259 – 278.

Fairholm, Matthew, Dzordzormenyoh, Michael K., and **Godlove Aka, Binda**, (2018). “Trust-Culture Leadership in Local Public Administrators' Work.” *International Journal of Public Leadership*. Vol. 14 Issue: 4, pp. 260-273. (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1108/IJPL-06-2018-0031>).

Godlove Aka, Binda, “Human Relations Approach of Management: An Assessment of Organizational Leadership in Dealing with Informal Work Groups.” *International Journal of Scientific & Engineering Research* (ISSN 2229-5518). (2020). Vol. 11, Issue 8, pp. 754-774.

Fichanfie DJ Nkwain Ngamfon, Ndiyun Kenneth Yufenyuy, and **Godlove Aka, Binda**. (2020). “From Nonviolent Resistance to Violence: A Critical Analysis of Conflict Escalation in an Authoritarian Regime.” *International Journal of Scientific & Engineering Research* (ISSN 2229-5518). Vol. 11, Issue 7, pp. 1795-1807.

Godlove Aka, Binda, (2013). “Security Threats to Peace and Development in Nigeria: The Case of the Niger-Delta Conflict in Nigeria.” *International Bilingual and Multidisciplinary Journal of Contemporary Issues and Development Studies* (IBAMJOCIDS).2:61-66.

Abangma, James A., and **Godlove Aka, Binda**, (2013). “Overcoming Environmental Impediments to Developments in Postcolonial African States: Farce or Reality?” *International Bilingual and Multidisciplinary Journal of Contemporary Issues and Development Studies* (IBAMJOCIDS).2:1-12.

Godlove Aka, Binda, (2012). “Regional Integration and Development in Africa: Constraints and Prospects in the CEMAC Region.” *International Bilingual and Multidisciplinary Journal of Contemporary Issues and Development Studies* (IBAMJOCIDS).1:39-52.

(DOI:http://www.academia.edu/4239202/CENTRE_FOR_ADVANCED_ARTS_SCIENCE_SOCIAL_AND_MANAGEMENT_SCIENCE_RESEARCH).

Godlove Aka, Binda, “The Challenges of Political Leadership in Africa.” (2010). *International Bi-Lingual Journal of Anti-Corruption, Law, Humanities, Social Sciences and Development Studies* (IBJACLSHSSDS).1:99-102.

Godlove Aka, Binda, “Internship Report: City of Savannah, GA, USA and Youth Empowerment.” (<http://www.savannahga.gov/DocumentCenter/View/8883>).

Media Appearance

Godlove Aka, Binda, Foreign Direct Investments (FDI): Emerging Markets in Africa. New York Center for Foreign Policy Affairs (NYCFPA). (November 2021). <https://open.spotify.com/episode/2bGw1CrBi49ZtKPAGt6jqV>

Works-in-Progress

- The United States Congress and institutional decline: policy making perspective.
- Leadership, policy implementation, and disaster preparedness/response: COVID-19 and African States.
- Public Health Policy Response to COVID-19: A Comparative Analysis of the United States of America and Cameroon.

- The Impact of Medicaid Expansion on Access to Health Care using Health Facility Audits.
- The effects of the Affordable Care Acts on Medicaid Recipients seeking Appointment.
- Congressional efforts to regain its full control in the process of policymaking as it was in the days of the founders.
- The influence of presidential rhetoric on policies and electioneering process.
- The Shays rebellion and the Capitol insurrection: Administrative and Security Crackdowns.
- Ethno-Religious Politics in Africa: A case study of political divide in Nigeria.
- African-Russian Contemporary Relationship: A Threat to France-Afrique interest.
- The implementation of healthcare policy: Medicaid expansion and access to healthcare.
- Interest groups and the quest for environmental sustainability.
- The importance of diversity in an organization: a comparative analysis in local governance.

Selected Conference and Seminar Presentations

Unmasking Administrative Evil in Cameroon: A Case Study of the Anglophone Crisis (The Ambazonia War). Annual Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference at Palmer House Hilton Chicago, IL (USA), 7th – 10th of April 2022.

An Overview of African Politics. Department of political science, Siena College. October 29, 2021

Human Relations Approach of Management: An Assessment of Organizational Leadership in Dealing with Informal Work Groups.” Annual Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference at Palmer House Hilton Chicago, IL (USA), 4th -7th of April 2019.

Interest Groups and Governmental Agencies in the Policy process: An Analysis of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). American Political Institutions Seminar Paper. University of South Dakota, December 2018.

Africa in the International System: The World View of Africa and What Africa Truly is.” African Student Association (ASA) Week at The University of South Dakota 23rd of October 2018.

Challenges to Effective Presidential Elections Management in Africa: A Case Study of Cameroon Since Multipartism.” Iowa Association of Political Science (IAPS) Conference on 3rd of March 2018.

Obstacles to Effective Presidential Elections Management in Africa: A Case Study of Cameroon since Multipartism.” Savannah State University’s International Education Center Conference on “Presidential Elections in Africa: Change or Status Quo in Political Governance?” 18th of November 2016.

An Update of Commonwealth Students' Association (CSA) Africa Region.” 1st Africa Region Commonwealth Youth Ministers Meeting (1st ARCYMM) in Yaounde, 8th -10th of February 2015 on the theme "Young People Building a Stable and Sustainable Future".

Don't Burn My Plate of Rice.” Fourth annual Commonwealth Summer School at the University of Nottingham Malaysia Campus, 17th -24th of August 2014.

The Challenges of Political Leadership in Africa.” 3rd United Action Against Corruption and Injustice International Bilingual Conference on Research and Development on the theme: Re-Engineering the Fight Against Corruption and Injustice for Good Governance and Sustainable Development Growth in Africa that held at Taraba House, Abuja international Conference Centre and Eagle Square, Abuja, Nigeria, from 24th - 26th of May 2010.

Service to the Disciplines

- Chair Panel: Protest, Resistance, and Political Participation. MPSA, 7th – 10th of April 2022.
- Discussant Panel: Party Politics, Voters and Political Participation in Africa. MPSA, 7th –10th of April 2022.
- Discussant Panel: Citizens and their States. MPSA, 4th -7th April 2019
- Discussant Panel: Youth Engagement and Political Communication. MPSA, 4th -7th of April 2019

Awards and Honors

- 2022 Travel Grant to MPSA, Siena College, \$1,060.20
- 2019 Travel Grant. Department of Political Science, University of South Dakota, \$1000.
- 2016 Phi Alpha Alpha award induction at Savannah State University in honor of my excellence academic performance in the MPA program.
- 2015 Model African Union Awards (2) winner, Macon, Georgia.
- 2014 Travel Grant to Commonwealth Summer School in Malaysia, Cameroon Ministry of Youth Affairs, 200,000 FCFA.
- 2014 Travel Grant to Commonwealth Summer School in Malaysia, The Commonwealth, round trip flights and lodging.
- 2014 Award of best student in leadership at the University of Buea.
- 2014 Award of the most discipline postgraduate student at the University of Buea.
- 2010-14 Cameroon Presidential academic excellence awards.
- 2010 Travel Grant (150,000 CFA) by the University of Buea to attend the 3rd United Action Against Corruption and Injustice International Bilingual Conference on Research and Development at Taraba House, Abuja international Conference Centre and Eagle Square, Abuja, Nigeria.
- 2010 Best Graduating Students, Oshie Students' and Teachers' Union (OSTU) Buea.

Theses/Dissertation

Congressional Policy Implementation and Coverage Expansion under the Affordable Care Act: Access to Primary Care in Ten States” (2012-2016). In Partial fulfillment for the Award of Doctor of Philosophy (**PhD**) in Political Science. Department of Political Science, University of South Dakota, USA (December 2020).

A Critical Analysis of The Savannah Chatham Metropolitan Police Department in Coordinating the Savannah Pre-Apprentice Program (SPAP).” In Partial fulfillment for the Award of Master of Public Administration (**MPA**). Department of Political Science, Savannah State University, Georgia, USA (April 2017).

Commonwealth’s Efforts Towards Strengthening the Electoral Reform Process and the Trade and Investment Sectors of Cameroon, 1995-2013.” In Partial Fulfillment for the Award of **M.Sc.** Degree in Political Science (2014). University of Buea (March 2014).

Poverty Reduction in Cameroon under the HIPC Program.” In Partial fulfillment for the award of Bachelor of Science (**B.Sc**) Degree in Political Science. University of Buea (July 2010).

Design and Construction of a Forward and Reverse Starter.” In Partial fulfillment for the award of National Diploma (**ND**) in Electrical/ Electronic Engineering. The Polytechnic Calabar (December 2004).

Professional Affiliations

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), 2018 – Present.

Pi Alpha Alpha Honor Society (The Global Honor Society for Public Affairs & Administration), 2017- Present.

General Academic Service Activities

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| 2022 | Advisor, African Students Organization (ASO), Siena College. |
| 2020 | President, African Students’ Association (ASA), University of South Dakota.
Project Director of African Speakers Series 2020. |
| 2018 | Facilitator; Talking Change, Making Change Critical Dialogue, Office of Diversity, University of South Dakota. |
| 2016- | Member Pi Alpha Alpha Fraternity. |
| 2016-2017 | President, Graduate Association of Public Administration (GAPA), Savannah State University (August 2016 - May 2017). |
| 2016-2017 | Project Director, GAPA Capstone seminar, Savannah State University. |
| 2015 | Coordinator of a workshop on “Empowering students to market themselves in the job Market upon graduation from the University” that took place on 10 th June 2015 at the University of Yaounde 1 hosted by Commonwealth Club, University of Yaounde 1. |

- 2016-2017 Search Committee member, Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Savannah State University.
- 2014 Director of RECAAD-CAMEROON training workshop on “Responsible Leadership and Non-violent Movements” at the University of Buea.
- 2014-2015 National President, Commonwealth Students’ Union Cameroon (CSUC).
- 2014-2015 Steering Committee Member, Commonwealth Students’ Association (CSA) Africa Region.
- 2013-2015 Coordinated visitations to orphanages in Cameroon to provide school and basic needs to children.
- 2014 Organizer of an environmental sensitization program within the Buea Municipality on the non-use of some polythene bags (non-biodegradable plastic bags) in Cameroon by FATACAM-CIG.
- 2014 Implemented the FATACAM-CIG academic empowerment seminar on effective research writing.
- 2014 Initiated the “Commonwealth Young Leaders Forum” at B.G.S. Molyko Buea where youths were trained on the acquisition of good leadership skills.
- 2011-2014 Initiator of The Commonwealth Students’ Union University of Buea (COMSU-UB) Cultural festival for the promotion of Cameroon culture among students.
- 2013- President/CEO, First Aid for Technological Advancement in Cameroon Common Initiative Group (FATACAM-CIG).
- 2010-2012 Project Coordinator, Commonwealth Students Union University of Buea
- 2010 Initiated and Coordinated Commonwealth Students’ Union University of Buea (COMSU-UB) project on marketing yourself in the job market.
- 2013-2014 Coordinated Commonwealth Business School of 2013 and 2014 at the University of Buea.
- 2010 Organizer of two weeks Cholera sensitization campaign at Mile 16-Buea, Muea and Mamu village during the outbreak of cholera in Fako Division, S.W.R., Cameroon where members of Commonwealth Students’ Union at the University of Buea sensitized the population of these localities.
- 2009-2010 President, Commonwealth Students Union University of Buea.
- 2007-2011 Councilor, University of Buea Student Representative Council.
- 2007-2008 President, Oshie Students’ and Teachers’ Union (OSTU) Buea.

Teaching Load at Adelphi University

Fall 2022:

- POL 101-005 Introduction to the American Political System
- POL 200-001 Public Policy: Theory and Issues

Other Courses Taught:

- Contemporary U.S. Politics
- Public Policy Analysis and Evaluation
- Introduction to Comparative Politics
- African politics
- Introduction to Public Administration
- American Politics
- American Government

- Introduction to Political science

Curriculum vitae last updated August 2022.