UNIVERSITY OF GHANA



Presentation to RSIF

Thematic area: Food Security and Agribusiness

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Brief History

- The University of Ghana is the oldest and largest of the thirteen Ghanaian public universities.
- Incorporated in 1948
- Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness 1968/2005



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UG Vision and Mission (2014-2024)

- Vision: To become a "World Class research-intensive University" over the next decade.
- Mission: We will create an enabling environment that makes University of Ghana increasingly relevant to national and global development through cuttingedge research as well as high quality teaching and learning.











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Current PhD programs related to the thematic area

- PhD Applied Agricultural Economics and Policy
- PhD Agribusiness
- PhD Agricultural Administration

Goal:

- Seek to contribute significantly to the enhancement of the environment for evidencebased policy making in Sub-Saharan Africa,
- To stimulate agricultural productivity growth with sustainable environmental management and improve food security,
- > Enhance the role of agriculture in poverty reduction through better integration of farmers to markets.





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Structure of the PhD Program

- General Structure
 - 4-year programme
 - Year 1: Course work (2 semesters)
 - Year 2: Comprehensive examinations, Experiential Learning (internship) for six months at relevant/partner institutions, Research proposal development and seminar presentation
 - Years 3 & 4: PhD research work, seminar presentations, submission and viva.
- Entry Requirements:
 - A good two-year master's degree (with one-year research) in agricultural economics, agribusiness and related fields in economics, business administration, mathematics and engineering.
 - Background in agriculture provides an advantage.
 - Apply with a concept note or proposal
 - For PhD Applied Economics and Policy, only candidates with quantitative and agricultural/economics background will be considered.

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Research Areas, Faculty and Students

- What cutting edge research is your department well known for?
- Wide range: resource use efficiency, impact evaluation, business model development, agriproduct development
- Number of faculty in department, broken down by level of seniority =12 (+ 2 in Economics
 Department and up to 6 each semester from other Departments in UG and partner Universities)
- Professor (1); Associate Professors (3)
- ➤ Senior lecturers (4)
- ➤ Lecturers (5)
- Major research area for PhD students: Resource and environment, development economics and marketing and trade

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Number of current PhD students = 50

Year	Total	PASET SCHOLARS
1	14	11
2	22	16
3	18	8
4	6	0
Total	50	24

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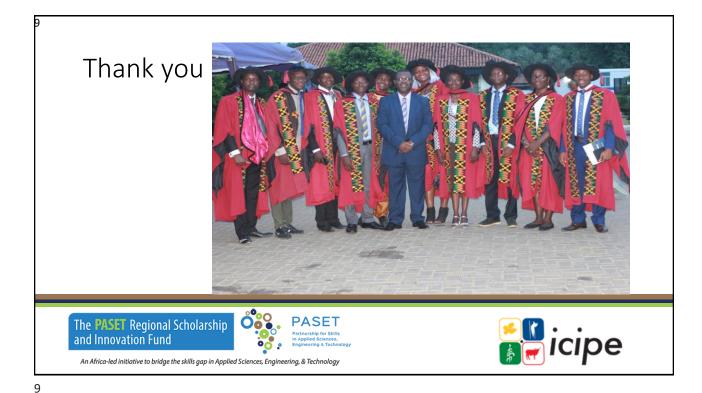




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Child care or Creche	4 on campus	
	-The BabyNest (creche and nursery)	
	-Child Study Centre and Nursery (Family and Consumer Sciences, SoA)	
	- University of Ghana Basic School- kindergarten (<u>www.ug.edu.gh/</u>)	
Women's Centre	Centre for Gender Studies and Advocacy	
	www.cegensa.ug.edu.gh	
Gender Unit	Centre for Gender Studies and Advocacy	
	www.cegensa.ug.edu.gh	
Peer support groups	Centre for Gender Studies and Advocacy	
	www.cegensa.ug.edu.gh	
Counselling, Mental Health or Wellbeing services and	UG Careers and Counselling Centre	
resources	www.ug.edu.gh	
Athletic or sports facilities for women	Directorate of Sports	
	www.ug.edu.gh	
Career services	UG Careers and Counselling Centre	
	www.ug.edu.gh	
Tutoring services	Academic tutorial services	
	Residential tutorial services	
Accessibility /Disability services	Office of Students with Special Needs	
	www.ug.edu.gh/provc-asa/units/office-students-special-needs	
Student clubs geared to women	Student Representative Council (SRC) Women's Commission	
	www.ug.edu.gh/student/src/commitees	
Orientation programs	University, College School and Departmental Orientation for fresh students and researchers	
	www.ug.edu.gh/announcements/orientation-	
Human Rights Office	UG Office of the Legal Counsel	
	www.ug.edu.gh	
Family-friendly or gender-related policies	UG Sexual Harassment and Misconduct Policy	
	www.ug.edu.gh	
Health Services	University of Ghana Hospital	
	University of Ghana Medical Centre	
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