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## EDUCATION

**Oklahoma State University** **08/2023- Ongoing**
**School of Media and Strategic Communications**
**Oklahoma, USA.**
MSc in Mass Communication
*Thesis: Does Preexposure to AI Resources in Home Country Predicts Adoption of Generative Artificial Intelligence Tools Amongst International Students at OSU?*

**School of Graduate Studies and Research** 08/2017-06/2018
**Ghana Institute of Journalism**
**Accra. Ghana**
MA in Public Relations.
*Thesis: Social Media Consumption Habits Among Slum Dwellers in Ghana. A case Study of Old Fadama.*

**Ghana Institute of Journalism** 08/2010-11/2014
**Accra. Ghana**
BA in Communication Studies.
Major: Public Relations.
*Thesis: The Practice of Public Relations in the United Nations; A case Study of UNHCR Ghana Office.*

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Artificial Intelligence in Communication
- Global Communication
- Political Communication
- Media Effects

## ACADEMIC AWARDS, HONORS AND GRANTS

- Dr. Carolyn Stroman Graduate Student Award- AEJMC Minorities & Comm Division 2024
- Third Best Paper Position- AEJMC Minorities & Communication Division 2024
- Outstanding Graduate Student Awards- Scholars Spotlight Event, SMSC- OSU
- Media Ecology & Strategic Analysis (MESA) Medal for Research 2024
- Graduate Student Travel Funds, SMSC, Oklahoma State University ($250)

## PUBLICATIONS, ESSAYS AND JOURNAL ARTICLES

- **Dinko R.** (2022) Five PR Trends to Expect in 2022 for the Maritime Industry; The Business and Financial Time. *Five PR trends to expect in 2022 for the maritime industry*
- **Dinko R.** (2018) *Social Media Consumption Habits Among Slum Dwellers in Ghana; A Case Study of Old Fadama*
- **Dinko R.** (2017) MUGABE; *Telling the Modern African Stories through Poetry.* *https://www.amazon.com/MUGABE-Telling-Modern-African-Through-ebook/dp/B077 Q8XTK6*
- **Dinko R.** (2014) *The Practice of Public Relations in the United Nations; A Case Study of UNHCR Ghana Office.*
- **Dinko R.** (2014) Lack of Motivation; A Poison to many Ghanaian writers. https://newsghana.com.gh/lack-motivation-poison-many-ghanaian-writers/
- **Dinko R.** (2014) Challenges of the African Young Writer. https://www.modernghana.com/news/585312/challenges-of-the-african-young-writer s.html
- **Dinko R.** (2015) Encourage the Patronage of Ghanaian Books https://www.modernghana.com/news/591314/encourage-the-patronage-of-ghanaian-books.html

## CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

**2025 AEJMC MIDWINTER CONFERENCE- COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY DIVISION (PAPER ACCEPTED)- NORMAN, OKLAHOMA.**

**Topic:** *The effects of Video Background and Device Type on Mental Health: A Study of Meditation Videos Among College Students.*

**2024 AEJMC CONFERENCE, PHILADELPHIA- PENNSYLVANIA**

**Topic:** *Voiceless Migrants: Divergent Realities in the Framing of Immigration Narratives Across Social Media Platforms.*

**2024 AEJMC WIDWINTER CONFERENCE, OKLAHOMA UNIVERSITY- NORMAN.**

**Topic:** *How Differently Do International Students Think of Generative Artificial Tools Compared to Domestic Students in The United States.*

**2024 GLOBAL FASHION MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE, MILAN- ITALY.**
**Topic:** *What Factors Influence Consumers to Have Positive Attitude Toward Fashion Virtual Influencer.*

**2024 SCHOLARS SPOTLIGHT EVENT, SCHOOL OF MEDIA AND STRATEGIC COMMUNICATION, OSU**

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Graduate Teaching Assistant**

**Oklahoma State University.**
School of Media and Strategic Communications. August 2023 till date

- Assist faculty with classroom instruction, records, and assignments.
- Assist in research activities for the Department.
- Grading assignments or papers.
- Providing feedback on assignments.

**Assistant Public Relations Officer**

Ghana Maritime Authority. November 2015 to 2023

- Producing content for the official website and social media platforms of the Ghana Maritime Authority.
- Responsible for promoting, monitoring and measuring media content concerning the Authority.
- Designed a media campaign to rid the beaches of filth and plastic waste.
- Responsible for external relations communications.

## PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY AFFILIATIONS.

- Media Ecology and Strategic Analysis (MESA) Research Group
- United Nations Association- Oklahoma City Chapter
- Member - Toastmasters International.
- Global Member- Chartered Institute of Public Relations, UK.
- Member- Institute of Public Relations, Ghana.

## VOLUNTEERING/ COMMUNITY SERVICE

- **Co-founder** -Single Mum Scholarship. (Providing scholarship to children of single mothers in rural and deprived communities in Ghana). www.singlemumscholarship.org.

- **Communication Officer for UNHCR**, Liberia Cessation Campaign Project, Budumburam Refugee Camp. Accra