# ROSEMARY A. AYELAZUNO

## Curriculum Vitae

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## **EDUCATION**

**Ph.D.** Texas A&M University, College Station

**M.S.** University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Master of Science in Geography and Sustainability

CGPA: 4.00/4.00

**B.A.** University of Ghana, Legon

Bachelor of Arts in Geography and Resource Development

Minor- Archaeology

FGPA: 3.67 (First Class Honors)

**High School** Notre Dame Girls Senior High School

## PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

**2024-present** Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Geography,

Texas A&M University, College Station

2021-2023 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Geography and Sustainability,

University of Tennessee, Knoxville

**2020-2021** Teaching and Research Assistant, Department of Geography and Resource

Development, University of Ghana, Legon

May 2022-Aug 2022 Research Assistant, Department of Geography and Sustainability,

University of Tennessee, Knoxville

## OTHER SIGNIFICANT PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS & LEADERSHIP

2022-2023	Secretary, Geography Graduate Students, University of Tennessee
2022-2023	Treasurer, Geography Graduate Students, University of Tennessee
2020-2022	Planning Committee Member, 4 <sup>th</sup> Biennial Geo Symposium, University of Tennessee
2019-2020	President, Upper East Students Union (BONABOTO), University of Ghana Chapter

2019-2020	Welfare Committee Member, Geography and Resource Development Students Association, University of Ghana
2019-2020	Organizing Secretary, Lectors Association, St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, University of Ghana
2018-2019	General Secretary, Legon Archaeology Students Association, University of Ghana
2018-2019	Secretary, Upper East Students Union (BONABOTO), University of Ghana Chapter
2017-2018	Assistant General Secretary, Legon Archaeology Students Association, University of Ghana

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

**2024. Ayelazuno, R.A.,** Yaro, J.A. Shea butter livelihoods and challenges faced by women in the Kassena Nankana districts, Ghana. *SN Soc Sci* 4, 18 (2024). <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/s43545-023-00810-8">https://doi.org/10.1007/s43545-023-00810-8</a>

**2024**. Sarfo, I., Qiao, J., Effah, N. A. A., Djan, M. A., Puplampu, D. A., Batame, M., **Ayelazuno, R. A.**, Yeboah, E., Allotey, M.K., & Zhu, X. (2024). A bibliometric analysis of China's rural revitalization paradox: opportunities for collaboration, social innovation and global development. *Environment, Development and Sustainability*, 1-43. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10668-023-04302-w

**2024.** Sarfo, I., Qiao, J., Yeboah, E., Puplampu, D. A., Kwang, C., Fynn, I. E. M., Batame, M., Aboagye, A.E., Fiifi, D.T.H., **Ayelazuno**, **R.A**, Boamah, V., & Sarfo, B. A. (2024). Meta-analysis of land use systems development in Africa: Trajectories, implications, adaptive capacity, and future dynamics. *Land Use Policy*, 144, 107261. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.landusepol.2024.107261

**2023. Ayelazuno, R.A,** "Examining housing experiences among International Students at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville (UTK). " Master's Thesis, University of Tennessee, 2023. <a href="https://trace.tennessee.edu/utk\_gradthes/9545">https://trace.tennessee.edu/utk\_gradthes/9545</a>

#### **Works in Preparation and Review**

Rural revitalization crisis in China: Opportunities for Collaboration, Social Innovations, and Global Development

**Ayelazuno, R. A.** and Eaves, L.E. Seen and Unseen: An assessment of housing precarity among international graduate students at University of Tennessee, Knoxville.

**Ayelazuno, R.A.** The "Othering"—Uniquely Discriminated": Experiences of Bias and Discrimination Among International Graduate Students at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Geoforum

**Ayelazuno, R.A**\*, Craig, B.\*, Haynes, V.\*, Kelly, D.\*, Myers-Miller, S.\*, Tarulis, E.\*, El-Amin, E., and Eaves, L.E.\*\* Enlivening The Bottom in Knoxville: Centering Black Geographies as Pedagogy. To submit in early Spring 2023 to *Journal of Geography in Higher Education* 

**Ayelazuno, R.A.**, Roulhac, K., and Luke, N. Examining the Impacts of Studentification: A Case Study on The University of Tennessee, Knoxville

## **GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

**2022.** Stewart K. McCroskey Memorial Fund, University of Tennessee. Funds allocated to assist with master's thesis research, \$1000.

2022. Conference Travel Grant, Funds allocated to assist in travel, SEDAAG, \$250.

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

**2021-2023.** Graduate Teaching Assistantship, University of Tennessee.

2020. Scholarship Award Recipient, Government of Ghana

2017-2020. University of Ghana Scholarship Recipient.

#### INVITED LECTURES AND KEYNOTES

**2023.** Geography of Africa: Agriculture and Rural life in Africa: A case study in Ghana. November 2023. **2024.** Geography of Africa: Gender and Globalization in Africa. October 2024

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

**2022**. Housing Experiences Among International Students at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Division of the American Association of Geographers, Georgia, Atlanta, November.

**2023**. An assessment of housing precarity among international graduate students at UTK, 4<sup>th</sup> Biennial Geo Symposium, Tennessee, Knoxville, February.

**2023**. Examining Housing Experiences Among International Students at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Virtual Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, April.

## **COURSES TAUGHT (TAship)**

#### Texas A&M University, College Station

- Introduction to Human Geography
- Geospatial Cornerstone
- Economic Geography

## **University of Tennessee, Knoxville**

• World Geography

- Sustainable Human Geographies
- Regional Dynamics of U.S/Canada
- Geography of Human Rights: Human Rights Violations and Genocide in the Americas and Africa

## **University of Ghana**

- Rural Resource Development, Theories & Policies
- Rural Development Experiences

## **EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE**

• Editorial Assistant, Ghana Journal of Geography, 2020-2021

## **ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Association of Geographers (AAG) Gamma Theta Upsilon International Geographical Honor Society

**Specialty Groups: AAG** 

Africa
Black Geographies
Feminist Geographies
Geographies of Food and Agriculture

## **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCES**

- The Bottom Knox, Streets & Feets: A Living Exhibit of The Bottom | The Bottom
- Meals on Wheels- Blount County, Knoxville
- Volunteer with The Fish Pantry Community Chest, Knoxville
- Ladies of Charity, Knoxville