

Profile of Michael PK Okyerefo

Michael Okyerefo is a Cultural Sociologist & a Sociologist of Religion with keen interests in alternative epistemologies, a growing interest he has garnered through teaching graduate students African Social Thought. This is the foundation of his contribution toward advancing critical university studies across Africa. While a sociologist by training, he also applies anthropological skills with an emphasis on fieldwork in his research, as these are skills he refined during a fully paid Fellowship on Religion and Public Culture at the University of Cambridge.

An Associate Professor, Michael Okyerefo is a graduate of the University of Ghana, University of Vienna and the University of Cambridge. He is currently Dean, School of Arts, University of Ghana; Visiting Professor, Chair for Critical Studies in Higher Education Transformation, Nelson Mandela University, South Africa; External Research Fellow at the Global African Diaspora Studies (GADS), Institut für Afrikawissenschaften, University of Vienna; and a member of The New Global (De)Centre that seeks to produce, disseminate and make knowledge inclusive. He has published one book, co-published a second and several book chapters as well as articles in peer-reviewed journals.

Books Authored

1. Gueye, A., **Okyerefo, M.P.K.**, Diédhiou, P. & Bogale, A. (2019). *De la dépendance vis-à-vis de l'Occident à l'expression du besoin de diaspora intellectuelle africaine: L'Université africaine et les défis de son développement*. Dakar: CODESRIA.

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