

DR. MICHAEL ASIGBAASE

A. Profile/Personal Details

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B. Educational Background

| SN | Dates | Degree/Diploma/Certificate Obtained | Institution | |
|----|-------------------------|--|---|--|
| 1 | Oct. 2015 – Oct. 2019 | PhD Environmental Science | University of Nottingham, United Kingdom | |
| 2 | May 2018 – Jan. 2019 | Certificate in Preparing to Teach in Higher Education | University of Nottingham, United Kingdom | |
| 3 | Sept. 2011 – Sept. 2012 | MSc. Natural Resources (Sustainable Environmental Management) | University of Greenwich, United Kingdom | |
| 4 | Aug. 2006 – June 2010 | BSc. Natural Resources Management (Silviculture and Forest Management) | Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Ghana | |
| 5 | Jan. 2011 – Mar. 2011 | Diploma Human Resources Management (Single Subject) | Institute of Commercial Management, United Kingdom | |
| 6 | Oct. 2010 – Dec. 2010 | Diploma Project Management (Single Subject) | Institute of Commercial Management, United Kingdom | |

C. WORK/PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

| SN | Dates | Employment Organisation | Department/Sc hool/Unit | Position Held |
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| 1 | Feb. 2021 – date | University of Energy and Natural Resources | Forest Science | Lecturer |
| 2 | Mar. 2020 – Aug. 2020 | University of Nottingham | School of Biosciences | Teaching Demonstrator |
| 3 | Apr. 2018 – Apr. 2019 | University of Nottingham | School of Biosciences | Teaching Demonstrator |
| 4 | May 2015 – Oct. 2015 | Ghana Wildlife Society | Conservation Education, Marketing and Communication | Project Officer |
| 5 | Nov. 2013 – Apr. 2015 | OLAG Senior High School | Science | Teacher |
| 6 | Oct. 2010 – Sept. 2011 | KNUST | Silviculture and Forest Management | Teaching and Research Assistant (National Service Person) |

D. UNIVERSITY TEACHING AND SUPERVISION

- i. Lectures undergraduate level courses in Forest Ecology and Natural Forest Silviculture, General Ecology and Biodiversity Conservation, Forest Systematics, Nursery Management and Plantation Silviculture, Forest Policy and Legislation, Project Planning and Management, Plant Physiology and Genetics, Forest Soils and Hydrology, Natural Resources Inventory
- ii. Lectures postgraduate level courses in Environmental Impact Assessment and Occupational Health and Safety, Forest Policy and Legislation, Forest Ecology and Silviculture, and Project Planning and Management.
- iii. Supervision of undergraduate theses
- iv. Supervision of postgraduate theses
- iv. Academic Tutor/Counsellor of undergraduate students

E. AREA OF SPECIALITY

- i. Agroforestry and Environmental Sustainability
- ii. Ethnoecology/Medicinal Plants
- iii. Plant-Environment-People Interactions

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TITLE OF PUBLICATION

- Mohammed, L., Mensah, J. K., Abugre, S., **Asigbaase, M.,** & Opuni-Frimpong, E. (2025). Efforts towards restoring Tetrapleura tetraptera in forest landscapes threatened by the insect pest, *Tragocephala nobilis*. International Journal of Tropical Insect Science. https://doi.org/10.1007/s42690-025-01579-4
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- Asigbaase, M., Anaba, L., Adusu, D., Abugre, S., Musah, A. A., Nsor, C. A., & Sarfo, D. A. (2025). Ethnobotanical Study of Medicinal Shrubs and Herbs Used by Forest-Fringe Communities of Ghana. Scientifica, 1362301. https://doi.org/10.1155/sci5/1362301
- 8 Nsor, C. A., Perry-Amissah, M., Mensah, J. N., Boadi, S., **Asigbaase**, **M.**, Addae-Wireko, L., & Acolatse, R. (2025). Birds' co-occurrence is mediated by diet, habitat type, and anthropogenic disturbances in Ghana's Central Region. Avian Research, 16(3), 100251. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.avrs.2025.100251
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- Okyere, I., Abugre, S., Kwawuvi, D., Adusu, D. and **Asigbaase, M.** (2025). Influence of municipal dumpsite on water quality in Sunyani Municipality. Ethiopian Journal of Environmental Studies & Management 18(3): 285 303, 2025. ISSN:1998-0507. https://ejesm.org/doi/v18i3.2.
- Asigbaase, M., Annan, M., Adusu, D., Abugre, S., Nsor, C. A., Kumi, S., & Acheamfour, S. A. (2024). Teak-soil interaction: Teak (*Tectona grandis*) plantations impact and are impacted by soil properties and fertility in Southwestern Ghana. *Applied and Environmental Soil Science*, 2024, 7931830. https://doi.org/10.1155/2024/7931830
- 12 **Asigbaase**, **M.**, Adusu, D., Sarfo, D. A., Nsor, C. A., Kumi, S., Adams, S., Nsiah, P. K., & Acheamfour, S. A. (2024). Evaluating growth patterns and soil dynamics of the endangered African rosewood (*Pterocarpus erinaceus* Poir.) in contrasting ecological

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- Asigbaase, M., Adusu, D., Anaba, L., Abugre, S., Kang-Milung, S., Acheamfour, S. A., Adamu, I., & Ackah, D. K. (2023). Conservation and economic benefits of medicinal plants: Insights from forest-fringe communities of Southwestern Ghana. *Trees, Forests and People*, 14, 100462. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tfp.2023.100462
- Asigbaase, M., Dawoe, E., Abugre, S., Kyereh, B. and Nsor C.A. (2023). Allometric relationships between stem diameter, height and crown area of associated trees of cocoa agroforests of Ghana. *Sci Rep* 13, 14897. https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-023-42219-6
- Asigbaase, M., Dawoe E., Lomax, B.H. and Sjogersten, S. (2021). Temporal changes in litterfall and potential nutrient return in cocoa agroforestry systems under organic and conventional management, Ghana. *Heliyon* 7(10):e08051. doi:10.1016/j.heliyon.2021.e08051.
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- Asigbaase, M., Sjogersten, S., Lomax, B.H. and Dawoe, E. (2019): Tree diversity and its ecological importance value in organic and conventional cocoa agroforests in Ghana. *PLoS ONE* 14(1): e0210557. https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0210557.
- Haggar, J., **Asigbaase**, **M.**, Bonilla, G., P., and Quilo, A. (2015): Tree biodiversity on sustainably certified and conventional coffee farms in Central America. *Biological Conservation* 24, 1175–1194. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10531-014-0851-y.

G. RECENT RESEARCH WORK

- i. Plant-Soil Interactions in Timber Plantations Jan. 2022 Date
- ii. Ethnobotanical Assessment of Medicinal Plants Jan. 2022 Date
- iii. Ecosystem Services of Agroecosystems Oct. 2019 Date
- iv. Impact of Cash Crop Plantations on Soil Properties and Fertility Jan. 2023 Sept. 2024

- v. Integrated Landscape Management and Restoration Nov. 2023 Nov. 2024
- vi. Allometries of Shade Trees on Cocoa Agroecosystems Feb. 2021 Dec. 2023
- v. Contribution of Organic Cocoa Agroforestry to Sustainable Land Management Oct. 2015 Oct. 2019
- vi. Biodiversity conservation and carbon sequestration of shade trees in coffee stands in Central America 2011 2012

H. RESEARCH INTEREST

- i. Ecosystem Ecology and Environmental Change: Investigating ecosystem dynamics, resilience, and responses to environmental shifts, with a focus on understanding biodiversity patterns and ecosystem services under changing climatic and land-use conditions.
- ii. Ethnoecology and Medicinal Plants: Exploring traditional ecological knowledge and the use of medicinal plants in indigenous and rural communities, examining the cultural significance, conservation, and potential pharmacological applications of ethnobotanical resources.
- iii. Plant-Environment-People Interactions: Studying the interactions among plants, their environments, and human societies, with emphasis on resource management, and ecological adaptation.
- iv. Agroforestry and Agroecology: Assessing sustainable agroforestry systems and agroecological practices that enhance biodiversity, promote soil health, and increase productivity while supporting climate resilience and rural livelihoods.
- v. Sustainable Environmental Management: Developing and applying sustainable management practices that balance ecological health, economic needs, and social well-being, aiming to protect natural resources and foster resilient communities.
- vi. Linking Biodiversity and Quality of Health: Exploring the interconnections between biodiversity and human health, with a focus on how diverse ecosystems support physical, mental, and societal well-being.