

ODETOLA, Tolulope Olutayo

PERSONAL PROFILE

FUT, Akure (BTech) and Reading University (MSc.), Agricultural Development Economics trained with experience in rural development issues, project management and academic research. Currently seeking to pursue an advanced degree in a prestigious institution while utilizing acquired skills and knowledge.

PERSONAL DATA

Nationality: Nigerian

Date of Birth: 4th March 1985

Address: 7, Yemi Ajibade Street, Okuta Elerinla, Akure, Ondo State, Nigeria.

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SKILLS

- Excellent oral communications skills with demonstrated proficiency in English language
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively as part of an independent as well as complex team setting
- Strong analytical skills and attention to detail
- Strong work ethic and healthy sense of humor
- Demonstrated judgment in managing information and relationships
- Proficiency in full set of MS Office applications as well as statistical packages (SPSS)
- Interest in and commitment to the foundation's domestic priorities

EDUCATION

University of Reading, Reading, UK.

2010–Sept, 2011

MSc Agricultural Development Economics – Merit

- Core skills developed:
 - Teamwork—modules have collaborative elements
 - Presentation Skills—regular presentation to seminar groups
 - Time management—intensive timetabling of course demands considerable self-management
 - Project development and management skills
- Course work included Research and study Skills, Agricultural Project Planning and Management in Developing Countries, Resource and Environmental Economics.
- Dissertation “Effects of Food Insecurity on Child Well-being (Case study of Jigawa State, Nigeria)”

Federal University of Technology, Akure, Nigeria

August, 2008

B.Tech Agric. Economics & Extension – 2:1

- Core skills developed:
 - Ability to work under pressure with little supervision
 - Organizational skills developed through intensive work schedule
- Dissertation “Poultry Meat in Household Food Security in Nigeria”

Parker International High School, Akure, Nigeria

July, 2002

Senior Secondary School Leaving Certificate (SSCE)

WORK EXPERIENCE

1. SENIOR RESEARCH ASSISTANT

January 2013 – Date

International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), Nigeria

Responsibilities

- Perform various task involving data collection, data maintenance, and data analysis using statistical software (STATA) and other computer programs
- Conduct literature review and synthesis analysis
- Write project research reports and other related reports
- Assist senior researchers in undertaking IFPRI research programs or projects
- Assist with implementation of capacity strengthening activities and workshops/seminars/ and conference
- Perform some administrative activities related to IFPRI research programs or projects

2. PROJECT ASSOCIATE

October 2012 – January 2013

The Nigerian Academy of Science (NAS), University of Lagos Campus, Lagos

Responsibilities

- Oversee the execution of research project
- Establish and manage correspondence with experts
- Develop project timelines and survey tools
- Writing reports

3. PROJECT EVALUATOR (NYSC)

March, 2009 – Feb, 2010

Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Development, Ibadan, Nigeria

Responsibilities

- Identifying, monitoring and giving prompt feedbacks on all opportunities and competitive activities related to the services rendered by the department
- Monitoring and Evaluation of School Farm Projects
- Evaluation of tenement and land use request
- Enlightening farmers and farm investors on new technologies and innovations

4. PEER EDUCATOR (Volunteer)

March, 2009 – Feb, 2010

NYSC HIV/Reproductive Health Scheme, Nigeria

Responsibilities

- Organizing trainings for youths on HIV and reproductive health issues
- Educating rural dwellers on HIV testing
- Development of projects
- Project impact analysis

5. DATA ANALYST (Part time)

April 2009 to date

Primestat Associates, No 4 Flat 3 Benue road, University of Ibadan, Nigeria

Responsibilities

- Data entry and analysis (with the use of SPSS & Microsoft excel)
- Interpretation of statistical analysis
- Review of research report
- Advice on research methodology

6. INTERN/TRAINEE

April 2007 – October 2007

Nigerian Institute of Social and Economic Research, (NISER), Nigeria
Agricultural and Rural Development Department

Responsibilities

- Developing and maintaining adequate resource files for assigned program areas
- Sourcing for information on the internet for research purposes

- Data cleansing and processing
- Review of research reports
- Handling all incoming and outgoing correspondence

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES

PRO, NYSC HIV/Reproductive Health Scheme **April 2009 – Feb 2010**
WELFARE OFFICER, Agricultural Economics Students' Association **2005 – 2006**

INTERESTS

- Research in Agricultural and human development issues with specific interest in rural development, child well-being, child education, women empowerment and food security.
- Teaching in tertiary institution of a multicultural setting
- Writing both academic and non-academic materials
- Travelling, communication and management.

REFERENCE

Available upon request.