

Richard Doku



Richard Doku holds Bachelor degree in Special Education from the University of Education, Winneba (UEW), Ghana. Richard is Deaf. He is a mathematics teacher and also the sign language project officer with the Ghana National Association of the Deaf (GNAD).

As the Sign Language Project officer, Richard has been supporting the GNAD to promote and recognize Ghanaian Sign Language (GhSL) in Ghana. His roles include developing GhSL videos for Deaf children and their families, GhSL Teaching and Learning Materials, and supporting in developing GhSL curriculum for Deaf schools.

With his rich experience as a Deaf adult, GNAD's sign language project officer, and many years of teaching in Deaf schools, Richard also plays other roles such as training and facilitating GhSL workshops for Ghanaian Sign Language Interpreters, and supporting parents of Deaf children with special counseling service and as Research Assistant for many organizations and institutions including a recent British Academy Global Challenges Research Funded research on Early education for young deaf children and their caregivers in Ghana which is a collaboration between the University of Leeds, UK and UEW.

His research interests are in early education for deaf children, inclusion for special needs individuals, and sign language recognition in Ghana.

Richard is currently a final year Master of Philosophy in Special Education student. He hopes to build his research network with academics across the globe to support early education for deaf children in Ghana.