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PROFILE

Levina Nyameye Abunya is a Lecturer of Linguistics in the Department of Language and Communication Sciences at Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology. She received her BA (Linguistics and Philosophy), MPhil (Linguistics), and Ph.D. in Linguistics from the University of Ghana. Her research interests include descriptive and theoretical linguistics with a special focus on syntax, morphology, sociolinguistics, language acquisition and grammaticalization. Her research includes projects exploring the aspects of the grammar of Kaakye, a North Guan (Kwa, Niger-Congo) language spoken mainly in the Oti Region of Ghana. She is also passionate about language and literacy education. She is a member of the Association of Contemporary African linguistics (ACAL) and Linguistics Association of Ghana (LAG).

RESEARCH

Interests	Syntax · Morphology · Grammaticalization · Second language acquisition Typology Kaakye Linguistics
Areas	Language and Linguistics · Developmental and Educational Psychology · Linguistics and Language · Literature and Literary Theory · Artificial Intelligence · Computer Science Applications

RESEARCH SUMMARY

22	43	3	2	0.92	18%
Publications	Citations	h-index	i10-index	Field-weighted impact	World top 10%

Counted from the 22 publications listed below, 2010–2026. Field-weighted impact is the mean over the 11 works scored for it; 1.00 is the world average for works of the same field, type and year. 2 of the 11 papers scored for it are among the world's most cited tenth for their field, type and year.

POSITIONS

Lecturer 2020–present
Language and Communication Science, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Kumasi, Ghana

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

PhD 2013–2018
Linguistics Department, University of Ghana, Legon, Ghana

DISTINCTIONS, MEMBERSHIPS AND SERVICE

Linguistics Association of Ghana
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PUBLICATIONS

Journal articles 20

1. CKI Appah, O Broohm, **L Abunya** (2026). Akan Noun-Noun Compounds: A Construction Morphology Account. *Nordic Journal of African Studies*. https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Clement-Appah/publication/408093125_Akan_Noun-Noun_Compounds_A_Construction_Morphology_Account/links/6a3d7ff33a0dbb76335d86d1/Akan-Noun-Noun-Compounds-A-Construction-Morphology-Account.pdf
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3. **LN Abunya** (2026). Rhetorical patterns in abstracts of undergraduate students in a public university in Ghana. *Journal of Education and Learning (EduLearn)*. http://edulearn.intelektual.org/index.php/EduLearn/article/view/24281
4. **LN Abunya** (2025). Animacy distinction in Kaakye. *Contemporary Journal of African Studies*. https://doi.org/10.4314/contjas.v12i1.6
5. Gifty Budu, Edward Owusu, **Levina N. Abunya**, Emma Sarah Eshun (2025). Investigating Undergraduate Students' Learning Styles and Preferences in English as a Second Language: The Case of a Public University in Ghana. *E-Journal of Humanities Arts and Social Sciences*. https://doi.org/10.38159/ehass.2025653
6. **LN Abunya** (2025). Kaakye noun class system. *Journal of Social Sciences and Policy*. https://journal.knust.edu.gh/index.php/jossp/article/view/2067
7. **LN Abunya**, ON Broohm, CKI Appah (2025). LEXICAL NOMINALIZATION IN KAAKYE. *Journal of West African Languages*. https://www.academia.edu/download/123856270/JWAL_52_1_Abunyaetal.pdf
8. CKI Appah, **LN Abunya** (2025). Noun-Noun Compounds in Ewe. *SKASE Journal of Theoretical Linguistics*. https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Levina-Abunya/publication/393128509_Noun-Noun_Compounds_in_Ewe/links/68603b4ce9b6c13c89e50482/Noun-Noun-Compounds-in-Ewe.pdf
9. Edward Owusu, **Levina Nyameye Abunya**, Vera Gyamera, Evelyn Adomah Benneh, Ama Foriwaa Appiah (2025). The Influence of Effective Communication on Conflict Resolution in an Ecocycle Society. *Canadian Journal of Educational and Social Studies*. https://doi.org/10.53103/cjess.v5i5.382
10. **Levina Nyameye Abunya** (2025). The grammaticalization path of the Kaakye relative clause marker. *Folia Linguistica*. https://doi.org/10.1515/flin-2025-0044
11. **LN Abunya** (2025). The grammaticalization path of the Kaakye relative marker. *Folia Linguistica*.
12. **LN Abunya** (2025). The impact of interaction on second-language acquisition and listening. *Journal of Languages for Specific Purposes*. https://openurl.ebsco.com/contentitem/gcd:183590652?sid=ebsco:plink:crawler-gcd&id=ebsco:gcd:183590652&crl=c&jrnl=23599103
13. E. Botchwey, E. Owusu, **L. N. Abunya**, M. A. Addo, P. Appiah (2024). English For Engineering Education: A Corpus Study of Lexicogrammatical Contents Of Engineering Textbooks. *African Journal Of Applied Research*. https://doi.org/10.26437/ajar.v10i2.793
14. Christiana Darkoah, **Levina Nyameye Abunya**, Edward Owusu, Victoria Ogunnike Faleke (2024). Investigating the Effectiveness of Technology-Enhanced Language Learning Tools in Supporting Second Language Acquisition. *Journal of Education and Learning Technology*. https://doi.org/10.38159/jelt.20245104
15. Dorah Mensah, Charles Owu-Ewie, **Levina Nyameye Abunya**, Albert Abban, Halimatu Sadia Jibril (2024). Lexical Errors in English Language Writing – The Case of selected Senior High School students in the Ashanti Region of Ghana. *E-Journal of Humanities Arts and Social Sciences*. https://doi.org/10.38159/ehass.202451631
16. Dorah Mensah, Charles Owu-Ewie, **Levina Nyameye Abunya**, Albert Abban (2024). WRITTEN CORRECTIVE FEEDBACK PRACTICES IN SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS IN GHANA. *LANGUAGE LITERACY Journal of Linguistics Literature and Language Teaching*. https://doi.org/10.30743/ll.v8i1.9259
17. **Levina Nyameye Abunya**, E. Kweku Osam (2022). Relativization in Kaakye. *Legon Journal of the*

Humanities. https://doi.org/10.4314/ljh.v33i1.1

18. **Levina Nyameye Abunya**, Edward Owusu, Faustina Marius Naapane (2021). A Comparative Study of the Simple Clause in Akan, Dagaare and English. *Education and Linguistics Research*. https://doi.org/10.5296/elr.v7i1.18353
19. Edward Owusu, **Levina Nyameye Abunya** (2020). Börjars and Burridge's Introducing English Grammar: Book Review. *OALib*. https://doi.org/10.4236/oalib.1106817
20. **Levina Nyameye Abunya**, Nana Aba Appiah Amfo (2013). Grammaticalization in Kaakyi: From a temporal adverb to a future tense marker. *Acta Linguistica Hafniensia*. https://doi.org/10.1080/03740463.2014.897813

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1. **LN Abunya** (2018). Aspects of Kaakye grammar. *University of Ghana*. https://scholar.google.com/scholar?cluster=7110407812159145267&hl=en&oi=scholarr
2. **LN Abunya** (2010). Kaakyi verbal morphology. *MPhil thesis*. https://scholar.google.com/scholar?cluster=5711305203398191365&hl=en&oi=scholarr