# 4<sup>th</sup> African School on "Electronic Structure Methods and Applications" (ASESMA 2016) 12 to 25 June 2015

## will be held at University of Ghana, Accra, Ghana

venue: University of Ghana computing systems, Legon, Accra



#### PRE-ARRIVAL INFORMATION -smr.2882

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http://indico.ictp.it/event/7664/

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#### BRIEF PROFILE OF THE UNIVERSITY

The University of Ghana, the premier university and the largest university in Ghana was founded as the University College of the Gold Coast by Ordinance on August 11, 1948 for the purpose of providing and promoting university education, learning and research. It is located about 10 km from the Kotoka International Airport in the capital city, Accra.

University of Ghana is run on a collegiate system and comprises the following colleges:

- College of Basic and Applied Sciences <a href="http://www.cbas.ug.edu.gh/">http://www.cbas.ug.edu.gh/</a>
- College of Education http://www.coe.ug.edu.gh/
- College of Health Sciences <a href="http://www.chs.ug.edu.gh/">http://www.chs.ug.edu.gh/</a>
- College of Humanities <a href="http://www.coh.ug.edu.gh/">http://www.coh.ug.edu.gh/</a>

In addition, the University has several research institutions and centres for learning and research, including Noguchi Memorial Institute for Medical Research (NMIR), <a href="http://www.noguchimedres.org/">http://www.noguchimedres.org/</a> Centre for Tropical, Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics, Regional Institute for Population Studies

http://rips-ug.edu.gh/ Institute for Environmental and Sanitation Studies <a href="http://iess.ug.edu.gh/">http://iess.ug.edu.gh/</a> and the Institute for Statistical, Social and Economic Research. <a href="http://isser.edu.gh/">http://iess.ug.edu.gh/</a>

#### **ON VISAS TO GHANA**

**HEALTH:** A yellow fever vaccination certificate is mandatory on arrival from all travellers. You are required to have been vaccinated against yellow fever at least ten days before the proposed date of travel and where already vaccinated the duration of the vaccination status should not be more than ten years before entering Ghana.

We advise that you speak to your doctor for specific health advice before you travel.

Please see the following link for more information for travellers to Ghana:

http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/ghana

### HOLDERS OF PASSPORTS EXEMPTED FROM VISA REQUIREMENTS

<b>Country</b>	<b>Category of Passport(s)</b>
1 ECOWAS countries (14)	All passports
2 Rwanda	All passports
3 Kenya	All passports
4 Lesotho	All passports
5 Mauritius	All passports
6 Namibia	All passports
7 Singapore	All passports
8 Tanzania	All passports
9 Trinidad and Tobago	All passports
10 Uganda	All passports
11 Zimbabwe	All passports
12 Seychelles	All passports
13 South Africa	Diplomatic and Service
14 Cuba	Diplomatic and Service
15 Brazil	Diplomatic and Service
16 Germany	Diplomatic and Service
17 Hong Kong	Diplomatic and Service

A visa may be obtained from Ghana Embassies/High Commissions, Consulates or other Embassies authorized by the Government of Ghana to issue visas on her behalf. Please check the websites of the embassies/High Commissions of Ghana in your countries.

For further information regarding your Visa application, Please contact Ms. Eccles Adwoba Andoh, the University of Ghana Public Affairs Directorate's Protocol Unit at Email: <a href="mailto:ecclesandoh@ug.edu.gh">ecclesandoh@ug.edu.gh</a>, Mobile: +233 20 821 2828

**Culture, History & Tourism:** Rich in culture, with various unique ethnicities and over 200 local languages, Ghana is home to many tourist attraction sites and United Nations World Heritage Sites (Kakum National Park, Village on stilts, the Elmina Slave Castle).

**Weather:** Ghana is warm all year round. Temperatures in Accra range from 25 to 33° C. Come along with summer-type clothes. Nights can sometimes be chilly, so a few light sweaters can also help. The major rainy season often occurs between June to August. The Weather forecast for June is mostly cloudy with a shower and an average temperature of 30° C.