



INSTITUTE OF CLIMATE CHANGE AND HEALTH RESEARCH, Inc

Motto: "Researching today for a healthier, resilient nation"

COHORT 1 GRADUATION CEREMONY



JULY 4, 2026

Venue: Liberian Learning Center

TIME: 12:00 PM

"The Pioneers!"

***ICCHR is a home for developing researchers and problem solvers
for national development.***

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TO THE GLORY OF THE CREATOR OF THE UNIVERSE IN GOD



**HIS EXCELLENCY AMB. JOSEPH NYUMA BOAKAI, SR.
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA**



**HONORABLE ATTY. CORNELIA W. KRUAH
MINISTER
MINISTRY OF YOUTH AND SPORTS**

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Message from the Academic Administrator



This is a historic day for the ICCHR and its pioneer students. Today is not about a commencement. It is about the launch of the newest front an academic and research institute that is geared towards training problem solvers and early career researchers. This is our pilot cohort. The first graduating cohort of the Institute of Climate Change and Health Research (ICCHR) represents a distinct moment.

We structured the academic programming in this pilot cohort because we know that Liberia's problems cannot be solved with yesterday's isolated frameworks. The intersections of environmental health, ecology, and the realities of building community resilience necessitate a generation of scholars, practitioners and leaders who are trained to see the entire board.

You have joined the ICCHR with a deep, collective sense of urgency. You have made an implicit pact that human well-being and planetary health are not separable from the structural justice of our social organizations. You have parsed field datasets, engaged with the deep socioeconomic determinants of health inequities, and evaluated the complex nuances of the global climate change reality. Through all of this you persevered.

As you step from the position of candidates to the alumni who will represent and embody the ethos of ICCHR – whether your next endeavor takes you into environmental health programming management, structural health policy, on-the-ground research, or local advocacy leadership – your professional certificates represent not just personal accomplishment, but a mandate for public service and for transformative, effective leadership. Your ICCHR education places you directly at the intersections of robust scientific evidence and real world outcomes.

Thank you to our Facilitators and partners for your devoted investment in the shaping of these exceptional young minds. Thank you to our families and communities who have been steady pillars of support.

Bravo! And to the Graduates of Cohort 1: we are incredibly proud of the hard work, the tenacity and the vision you bring to bear.

Congratulations!

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Profile of the GUEST SPEAKER



Honorable Naraamand S. Nyonton

Deputy Minister for Technical Vocational Education Training (TVET)
Ministry of Youth and Sports
Official Representative of the Minister of Youth and Sports

Our GUEST SPEAKER is a dedicated Liberian professional with extensive experience in workforce development, conflict resolution and leadership. His journey has been driven by a passion for empowering people, strengthening institutions, and creating sustainable opportunities for youth in vulnerable communities.

Hon. Nyonton serves as the current Deputy Minister for Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) at the Ministry of Youth and Sports. In this role, he leads the implementation of Liberia's National TVET Policy, with a particular focus on expanding access for out-of-school and disadvantaged youth. Hon. Nyonton provides strategic direction, overseeing program design, and ensuring quality assurance through competency-based training systems. He also works to align vocational education with national development priorities, including economic growth and workforce readiness.

Throughout his career, Hon. Nyonton has developed extensive experience in program management and leadership. From working as an Outreach and Job Placement Specialist on the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) program, to establishing an immigrant-led workforce development company in the State of Pennsylvania, USA, Hon. Nyonton's experience has strengthened him with the skills-set to manage and lead projects, partnerships and organizations.

Hon. Nyonton is a Student-at-Law at the Louis Arthur Grimes School of Law in Liberia. He holds a Master of Science in Business from Lincoln University and a second master's in international Peace and Conflict Resolution from Arcadia University. Hon. Nyonton deeply remains committed to national leadership and service, and to the advancement of youth.

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ORDER OF THE PROGRAM

1. Opening Song **Antoinette Wuo Jackson** - Cohort 1 Graduand
2. Opening Prayer **Anthony Saah-Bonkie** - Field Supervisor
3. Welcome Remarks **Julateh Mulbah** - ICCHR Data Scientist and Chairlady, Climate Social Science Track
4. Introduction of the Program **Tina Zulu** - Cohort 1 Graduand
5. History of the ICCHR **Forkpah Pewee** - Founder/Executive Director
6. Introduction of the Guest Speaker **Jonathan Davis** - Cohort 1 Graduand
7. Keynote Address **Hon. Naraamand S. Nyonton** - Deputy Minister for TVET, Ministry of Youth and Sports
8. Presentation of AWARDS to GUESTS OF HONOR - **Anthony Kanteh** - Chairman, Climate Environmental Science Track

The Honorees

Atty. Cornelia W. Kruah - Minister, Ministry of Youth and Sports

Hon. Dr. Emmanuel Urey Yarkpawolo - Executive Director, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Madam Julia Sandiman-Gbeyai -Executive Director, Center of Excellence for Curriculum and Textbooks Research, MOE

Honorable James M. Kolleh - Chair on Rules, Order, and Administration, 55th National Legislature

Honorable Prescilla A. Cooper - Representative, District #5, Montserrado County

Hon. Amos Armah Fully - Deputy Minister for Instruction, MOE

9. Special Remarks
 - i) **Cyrus N. Cooper** - President, Cohort 1 Student Leadersip
 - ii) **Honorees**
 - iii) **Mr. Boimah Yoryor** -Principal, Ann Sandell School
 - iii) **Madam Julia Sandiman-Gbeyai** - Board Chair
10. Presentation of Graduates **Forkpayea Mulbah** - Academic Administrator, ICCHR
11. Presentation of Professional Certificates **Rebecca Blapoh Weah** - Facilitator, ICCHR

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| 12. Vote of Thanks | Abel Jornkatonor - Lead Facilitator, ICCHR |
| 13. Announcement | Forkpayea Mulbah - Academic Administrator, ICCHR |
| 14. National Anthem | Audience |
| 15. Benediction | Anthony Saah-Bonkie - Field Supervisor, ICCHR |

Master of Ceremony - Elsie B.K. Willie - Cohort 1 Graduate

MEET OUR PIONEERS

THE PIONEER CLASS (Class Name: "PONOFALO"- "Light Cannot Be Hidden")



Abel Pobleh
Professional Certificate
Data Analysis, Monitoring & Evaluation



Adolphus K. Zekpeh
Professional Certificate
Data Analysis, Monitoring & Evaluation



Ahmad Tulay
Professional Certificate
Data Analysis in Excel & Jamovi



Anderson Pajibo
Professional Certificate
Monitoring & Evaluation



Andrew Bangaou Fayiah
Professional Certificate
Climate Data Analysis & GIS



Annie Sesay
Professional Certificate
Health Education



Antoinette Wuo Jackson
Professional Certificate
Research Methodology for Thesis Writing



Blama F.M. Yarmah
Professional Certificate
Community Health & Hygiene, Health Education



Beatrice Polay
Professional Certificate
Data Analysis in Excel & Jamovi

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Carlos O. Dennis
Professional Certificate
Monitoring & Evaluation



Chris D. David, Jr.
Professional Certificate
Workplace Health Promotion /
Occupational Health



Cyrus N. Cooper
Professional Certificate
Data Analysis in Excel & Jamovi, Monitoring
& Evaluation, Climate Data Analysis and GIS



Dayton S. Karngar
Professional Certificate
Climate Data Analysis and GIS



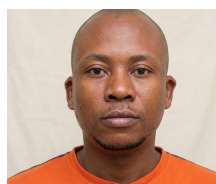
Ellen Vesselle
Professional Certificate
Disaster Risk Reduction & Climate



Elsen B.K. Willie
Professional Certificate
Monitoring & Evaluation, Climate Data
Analysis & GIS, Data Analysis, WASH



Emmanuel G. Flomo
Professional Certificate
Disaster Risk Reduction & Climate



Eugene D. Smith
Professional Certificate
Community Health & Hygiene



Ezekiel S. Barchue
Professional Certificate
Monitoring & Evaluation



Faith Varnie
Professional Certificate
Disaster Risk Reduction & Climate



Foday Sheriff
Professional Certificate
Data Analysis in Excel & Jamovi



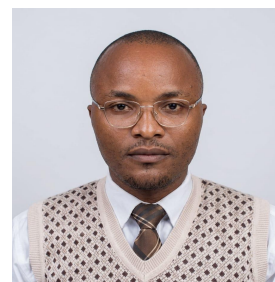
Samuel F. Morris
Professional Certificate
Data Analysis in Excel & Jamovi



Francis Narmah
Professional Certificate
Climate Change and Health



Gbolon Y. Miller
Professional Certificate
Water, Sanitation, & Hygiene

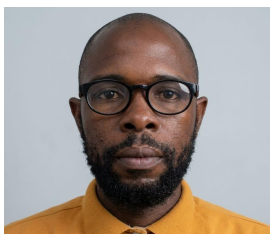


J. Calsious B. Weayatoe
Professional Certificate
Climate Data Analysis & GIS

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Jonathan L. Davis
Professional Certificate
Data Analysis in Excel, Jamovi, & SPSS,
Climate Data Analysis & GIS



Johnson Flomo
Professional Certificate
Monitoring & Evaluation, Disaster Risk
Reduction & Climate



Johnson Toby
Professional Certificate
Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH)



Joshua Ceegar
Professional Certificate
Disaster Risk Reduction & Climate



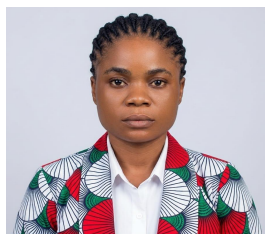
Josiah Bangura
Professional Certificate
Monitoring & Evaluation



Junior Koiyan
Professional Certificate
Monitoring & Evaluation, Disaster Risk
Reduction & Climate



Kwame Okai
Professional Certificate
Disaster Risk Reduction & Climate



Lango Korvah
Professional Certificate
Disaster Risk Reduction & Climate



Marthaline Tokpah
Professional Certificate
Workplace Health Promotion /
Occupational Health



Massaquoi Harris
Professional Certificate
Monitoring & Evaluation, Research
Methodology



Matthew J. Kollie
Professional Certificate
Monitoring & Evaluation



McAnthony Dolo
Professional Certificate
Disaster Risk Reduction & Climate



Meally M. Massaquoi
Professional Certificate
Data Analysis, Climate Data Analysis &
GIS



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Professional Certificate
Monitoring & Evaluation, Water,
Sanitation, & Hygiene



Membah B. Duo
Professional Certificate
Gender Equality & Social Inclusion in
Climate Finance

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Moses F.M.D. Nemour
Professional Certificate
Data Analysis in Excel & Jamovi



Musa Sedebay
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Disaster Risk Reduction & Climate



Patricia Y. Davis
Professional Certificate
Community Health & Hygiene and
Mental Health Literacy



Rachel H. Tiah
Professional Certificate
Social Intrapreneurship for Innovation in
Health



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Professional Certificate
Monitoring & Evaluation



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Professional Certificate
Mental Health Literacy



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Monitoring & Evaluation



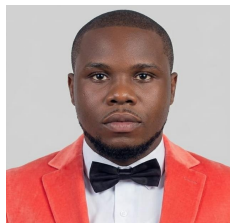
Sarah Gmawlue
Professional Certificate
Monitoring & Evaluation



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Professional Certificate
Monitoring & Evaluation, Climate
Change & Health



Snorti P. Wollor
Professional Certificate
Data Analysis in Excel & Jamovi, Health
Education



Sumoiwuo S. Smith
Professional Certificate
Mental Health Literacy, Workplace
Health Promotion/ Occupational Health



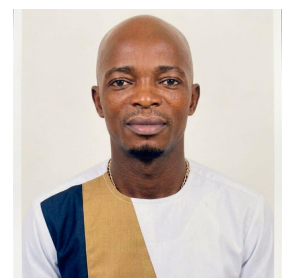
Tina Zulu
Professional Certificate
Monitoring & Evaluation, Disaster Risk
Reduction & Climate



Varney K. Siafa
Professional Certificate
Monitoring & Evaluation



William Dukuly
Professional Certificate
Monitoring & Evaluation, Disaster Risk
Reduction & Climate



Gordrach S.D. Kiapee
Professional Certificate
Disaster Risk Reduction & Climate

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FACILITATORS AND QUALIFICATIONS

The ICCHR has qualified and highly skilled FACILITATORS (All Master, Ph.D. or Ph.D. Stud/Cand.)

No	Name	Qualification	Gender
1.	Forkpah Pewee	Master; Ph.D. Stud.	Male
2	Forkpayea Mulbah	Master	Male
3	Dr. Kermue V. Jarnda	Ph.D.	Male
4	Julateh Mulbah	Master	Female
5	Rebecca B. Weah	Master	Female
6	Dr. Prince Bestman	Ph.D.	Male
7	Viola H. Cheeseman	Master; Ph.D. Stud.	Female
8	Allen S. Kpehe	Master	Male
9	Anthony Kanteh	Master	Male
10	Saah S. Chowoe	Master	Male
11	T. Emmanuel Glasco	Master	Male
12	James Douglas Sinnatwah, Jr.	Master	Male
13	Lloyd Chea	Master	Male
14	Abel Jornkatonor	Master	Male
15	Raymond Jallah	Master	Male
16	Yekeh Zaza	Master; Ph.D. Cand.	Male
17	Arthureen Nessian	Master	Female
18	Nanu B.C. Sayee	Master	Female
19	Daddy Massaquoi	Master	Female
20	Daniel Bolay	Master	Male
21	Duanah Sailay	Master	Male
22	Gwendolyn H. Dahne	Master	Female

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23	Edwin Hena Dawolo	Master; Ph.D. Cand.	Male
24	Yassah Lackay	Master	Female
25	Daniel D. Whabyely	Master	Male
26	Augustine Marwolo	Master	Male
27	Agnes Chie	Master	Female

Male = 18; Female = 9

FIELD SUPERVISORS

No.	Name	Qualification	Gender
1	Anthony Saah-Bonkie	Bachelor degree	Male
2	Mark S. Bonard	Bachelor degree	Male
3	Neufville Gbowee	Bachelor degree	Male
4	Willie Tokpah (Media Relation Director)	Bachelor degree	Male
5	Jude Summerville	Bachelor degree	Male
6	Mafred Frank (Registrar)	Bachelor degree	Female
7	Bolanie Adedeji (Asst. Registrar)	Bachelor degree	Female

Male = 5; Female = 2

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