



2013 BHEARD Scholar
Edwin Korbla Akley

Profile

Position:	Farm Liaison Officer/Principal Technical Officer
Institution:	Savanna Agricultural Research Institute (SARI)
Country:	Ghana
BSc:	Agronomy, University for Developmental Studies
Mentored by:	US: Professor Charles W. Rice Department of Agronomy

Research Area: Agronomy (Soil Microbial Ecology)

BHEARD PROGRAM START DATE: August 2013

HOMETOWN: Tamale, Ghana

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION: Agricultural Technology (Agronomy), University for Developmental Studies

RESEARCH INTERESTS: Edwin loves the study of microorganisms and finds that it is fun learning about microorganism. His proposed research is "Assessing the Effect of Different Cropping Systems on Soil Health and Soil Microbial Ecology."

PERSONAL STATEMENT: Edwin feels that very few people get the opportunity to win a scholarship and study abroad and he thanks God that he is one of these lucky ones.

He will use the knowledge and skills acquired during his studies in the USA to help solve problems that are decreasing agriculture productivity among farmers in Northern Ghana.

His spare time is spent with family, on church activities and reading.