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PROFILE

Daniel Yaw Fiaveh is a Ghanaian sociologist-turned-anthropologist and an associate professor in studies of men, gender, and sexuality at the University of Cape Coast, where I was also the coordinator for research at the Centre for Gender, Research, Advocacy, and Documentation (CEGRAD) from August 2022 to July 2024. My research examines masculinities, sexual cultures and intimate relationships and families, sociocultural sexual health, and gender debates in African societies, with particular attention to queer lives and LGBTQ+ rights. I see strong intersections of gender, sex, sexual cultures, and issues related to health and violence. I agree with views that suggest that power is not a given but a "thing" out there to find. In that regard, my research and writings provide both empirically and conceptually and methodologically specific narratives to push for additional views from the fringes beyond what we know about globality. I am a past academic editor at PLOS ONE and the editor of the Ghana Journal of Sociology and Anthropology (GJSA), the flagship journal of the Ghana Sociological and Anthropological Association (GSAA). I review for leading journals, including The Lancet Global Health. Fiaveh examines and supervises graduate students at highly ranked institutions in Ghana and abroad. I founded the Centre for Men's Health and Sex Studies. My research has been supported by several prestigious fellowships from the Carnegie Corporation, the American Council of Learned Societies, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, and the World Social Science Forum (HSRC). I am currently a member of the Gender Equality Thematic Panel of the Union for African Population Studies (UAPS) and the founder of the Centre for Men's Health and Sex Studies in Ghana.

RESEARCH

Interests men and masculinities · sex and sexuality · gender
Areas Sociology and Political Science · General Health Professions · Gender Studies · Clinical Psychology · Infectious Diseases · Safety Research

RESEARCH SUMMARY

33	461	12	16	2.33	44%
Publications	Citations	h-index	i10-index	Field-weighted impact	World top 10%

Counted from the 33 publications listed below, 2011–2026. Field-weighted impact is the mean over the 16 works scored for it; 1.00 is the world average for works of the same field, type and year. 7 of the 16 papers scored for it are among the world's most cited tenth for their field, type and year.

POSITIONS

Associate Professor 2016–present
Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Cape Coast, Cape Coast, Ghana

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

PhD in Sociology 2011–2013
Sociology, University of Ghana, Legon, Ghana

DISTINCTIONS, MEMBERSHIPS AND SERVICE

Editor

Ghana Journal of Sociology and Anthropology

2020–present

Member

Gender Equality Panel, The Union for African Population Studies (UAPS), Legon, Accra, Ghana

2025–2027

PUBLICATIONS

Journal articles 23

1. Daniel Yaw Fiaveh (2026). LGBTQI+ Regulation and Implications for Transgender Rights in Africa: A Feminist Queer Inquiry. *Journal of African Population Studies*. <https://doi.org/10.59147/sgkd0a14>
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3. Daniel Yaw Fiaveh (2025). Sexuality, Gender, and Spiritual Interventions: Reflections on Sexual World-Making in Ghana. *Journal of Africana Religions*. <https://doi.org/10.5325/jafireli.13.1.0134>
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5. A Agbeve, D Fiaveh, M Anto-Ocrah (2023). (027) Socio-Cultural Practices and Sexuality Education among Families in Rural Ghana. *The Journal of Sexual Medicine*. <https://doi.org/10.1093/jsxmed/qdad068.026>
6. Daniel Yaw Fiaveh, Eyo Mensah (2023). Gender and sexuality in African discourses. *Sociolinguistic Studies*. <https://doi.org/10.1558/sols.24323>
7. Daniel Yaw Fiaveh (2023). LGBTQ+ in Ghana. *Sociolinguistic Studies*. <https://doi.org/10.1558/sols.24050>
8. Anthony S Agbeve, Daniel Y Fiaveh, Martina Anto-Ocrah (2022). A Qualitative assessment of adolescent-parent sex talk in Ghana. *PubMed*. <https://doi.org/10.29063/ajrh2022/v26i12s.16>
9. Anthony Senanu Agbeve, Daniel Yaw Fiaveh, Martina Anto-Ocrah (2022). Parent-Adolescent Sexuality Communication in the African Context: A Scoping Review of the Literature. *Sexual Medicine Reviews*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.sxmr.2022.04.001>
10. Daniel Yaw Fiaveh (2019). Activist anthropologist sentenced to 18 months in prison. *Anthropology News*. <https://doi.org/10.1111/an.1237>
11. DY Fiaveh (2019). Femininity, sexual positions and choice. *Sexualities*.
12. Daniel Yaw Fiaveh (2019). Masculinity, Male Sexual Virility, and Use of Aphrodisiacs in Ghana. *The Journal of Men s Studies*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1060826519887510>
13. Daniel Yaw Fiaveh (2018). Phallocentricism, female penile choices, and the use of sex toys in Ghana. *Sexualities*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1363460718781975>
14. Daniel Y Fiaveh, Michael PK Okyerefo (2017). Femininity, Sexual Positions and Choice. *Sexualities*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1363460716677281>
15. Daniel Y. Fiaveh, Michael P. K. Okyerefo, Clara K. Fayorsey (2015). Women's Experiences of Sexual Pleasure in Ghana. *Sexuality & Culture*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12119-015-9290-5>
16. Daniel Y. Fiaveh, Chimaraoke O. Izugbara, Michael P.K. Okyerefo, Fenneke Reysoo, Clara K. Fayorsey (2014). Constructions of masculinity and femininity and sexual risk negotiation practices among women in urban Ghana. *Culture Health & Sexuality*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13691058.2014.989264>
17. Amos Laar, Daniel Fiaveh, Matilda Laar, Sandra Boatemaa, James Abugri, Angela El-Adas, Richard Amenyah, Kyeremeh Atuahene, Andrew Anthony Adjei, Isabella Quakyi (2014). Profiles of HIV-Affected Households in Ghana. *Health*. <https://doi.org/10.4236/health.2014.615235>

18. Daniel Yaw Fiaveh (2012). Condom myths and misconceptions: the male perspective. *Global Journal of Medical Research*. <https://www.academia.edu/download/84917747/7-Condom-Myths-and-Misconceptions.pdf>
19. D Fiaveh (2012). Vulnerability to Food Insecurity and Negative Coping Strategies of HIV-Affected Households in Ghana. *The 24th congress of the Nutrition Society of South Africa and the 5th African Nutrition Epidemiology Conference University of Free State*.
20. Daniel Yaw Fiaveh (2011). Factors prompting pupils academic performance in privately owned Junior High Schools in Accra, Ghana. *International journal of sociology and anthropology*. https://www.academia.edu/download/92017208/article1379512112_Okyerefo_20et_20al.pdf
21. Daniel Yaw Fiaveh (2011). HIV counseling and testing among men in the University of Ghana: Implications for gender-based HIV and AIDS prevention interventions. *J AIDS HIV Res*. https://www.academia.edu/download/63864404/article1379509766_Fiaveh_et_al.pdf
22. Daniel Yaw Fiaveh (2011). Male perspective (s) on condom use: Context of STI/HIV prevention in the University of Ghana community. *Journal of Public Health and Epidemiology*. <https://academicjournals.org/journal/JPHE/article-full-text-pdf/77DFAC01037/1000>
23. Daniel Yaw Fiaveh (2011). Religion as a tool in strengthening the democratic process in Ghana. *Journal of African Studies and Development*. https://academicjournals.org/article/article1380019351_Okyerefo%20et%20al.pdf/1000

Book chapters 4

1. Daniel Yaw Fiaveh (2021). Gendered scripts and young adult' sexual practices on a first date in urban Ghana. *Gender and sexuality in Ghanaian societies*. <https://books.google.com/books?hl=en&lr=&id=omV2EQAAQBAJ&oi=fnd&pg=PA75&dq=info:99o1tZgc2alJ:scholar.google.com&ots=NtL9cC0rHO&sig=b4cWp6UQ54ztZJajFNw8QkFabeK>
2. Daniel Yaw Fiaveh (2019). Understanding sexuality in Sub-Saharan Africa: A manual approach to thematic analysis of in-depth interviews. *SAGE Research Methods Datasets*. <https://scholar.google.com/scholar?cluster=14228243755920486941&hl=en&oi=scholar>
3. Daniel Yaw Fiaveh (2018). Cultural Sensitivities: A Case Study of Sexual Pleasure in Ghana. *SAGE Research Methods Cases*. <https://methods.sagepub.com/case/cultural-sensitivities-a-case-study-of-sexual-pleasure-in-ghana>
4. Daniel Yaw Fiaveh (2017). Daddy, Today We Have a Match!'Women's Agentic Strategies in Initiating Sexual Intercourse in an Urban Ghanaian Community. *Research on Gender and Sexualities in Africa*; Benneth, J., Tamale, S., Eds. <https://books.google.com/books?hl=en&lr=&id=9egvDwAAQBAJ&oi=fnd&pg=PA89&dq=info:6iW56r-wGkkJ:scholar.google.com&ots=si0EDCxAWA&sig=6WyFTYaa09frEEtP4t6MBIZg9UU>

Conference papers 1

1. Daniel Fiaveh (2016). Hegemonic Penile Discourses and Continuities in Penile Conceptualizations. *Proceedings of the African Futures Conference*. <https://doi.org/10.1002/j.2573-508x.2016.tb00053.x>

Reports 4

1. DY Fiaveh (2015). Aphrodisiacs and phallic competence: Implications for dominant masculinity. *University of Ghana*. <https://scholar.google.com/scholar?cluster=13771102828133536260&hl=en&oi=scholar>
2. DY Fiaveh (2015). Aphrodisiacs, Phallic Competence, and Dominant Masculinity. CODESRIA.
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Theses 1

1. **DY Fiaveh** (2013). Sexual pleasure and the construction of masculinities: Understanding sexuality in Ghana. *PhD Dissertation. Department of Sociology, University of Ghana, Legon*. <https://scholar.google.com/scholar?cluster=11914982107323072840&hl=en&oi=scholar>