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I have mentored over 300 graduate students throughout my career and have supervised about 70 dissertations and theses.

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- Paul Commons (2011) International Studies. *Tinkering Toward a New Model for Natural Language Acquisition: A Constructionist Approach on Learning to Learn Languages in the Digital Age*. IUB. (Co-Chair).
- Nixon Kwadwo Aniagyei (1992). Department of Linguistics. *Verbal Indirection in Akan Discourse: A Linguistic Study*. University of Ghana, Legon. (Chair).
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- George Akanlig-Pare (1988). Department of Linguistics. *Buli Phonology*. University of Ghana, Legon. (Chair).
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