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She holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree with (Honours) in Library, Archive and Information Studies in 2010, obtained from the Institute of Library, Information and Communication Studies (INSLICS), Fourah Bay College (FBC), University of Sierra Leone and was awarded as 'Best All-Rounder' (INSLICS) by the University of Sierra Leone in collaboration with the African Minerals Limited, Sierra Leone. In 2013, she obtained a Master in Public Administration from the Institute of Public Administration and Management (IPAM), University of Sierra Leone. She also holds several certificates including: Diploma in Library Studies, International Diploma in Modern Management and Administration, Diploma in Computer Operations etc. She has attended capacity building programmes such as Managing Human Resources for Organisational Effectiveness, Strategic Human Resource Policies and Talent Management Skills to Transform Organisations, Designing and Implementing Policy, Project and Programme Evaluation Systems, Effective Communication & Report Writing as well as Staff Training organised by the West African Institute for Financial and Economic Management (WAIFEM), African Regional Technical Assistance Centre in West Africa (AFRITAC West 2) and the African Institute of Management Science (AIMS).

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