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Academic Positions

Assistant Professor of International Relations, School of International Relations
University of Southern California (starting Fall 2019).

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Perry World House
University of Pennsylvania, 2018-2019.

Education

Ph.D. Political Science, Columbia University, 2018.

Dissertation: "Homeward Bound: Return Migration and Local Conflict after Civil War"

M.Phil. & M.A. Political Science, Columbia University, 2014, 2013.

B.A. (High Honors) Wesleyan University, 2008.

Publications

"[Fleeing Again: Return Migration & Conflict Dynamics in Burundi.](#)"
(Forthcoming, *International Security*)
(ISA-WCIS Best Graduate Student Paper 2017)

Works in Progress

"Qualitative Field Research Ethics & Training." (co-authored)

"Migration & Citizenship Regimes in South Sudan."

Policy Publications

Books:

Youth in Post-Conflict Reconstruction: Agents of Change (Washington, DC: U.S. Institute of Peace Press, 2010). (peer reviewed)

Reports:

"Dowry and Division: Youth and State-Building in South Sudan," with Marc Sommers. U.S. Institute of Peace Special Report, 295: November 2011.

Grants & Fellowships

Fellowships

2017 Columbia University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Teaching Scholar Fellowship.

2015-2016 U.S. Institute of Peace, Jennings Randolph Peace Scholar Dissertation Fellowship. (\$20,000)

Grants

- 2017 Graduate Global Policy Award, Columbia Global Policy Initiative. (\$2,500)
- 2015-2016 National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant. (\$17,055)
- 2015 Morris Abrams Award in International Relations. (\$3,000)
- 2014 Christian Johnson Endeavor Foundation Grant at the Columbia Global Policy Initiative, Field Research Grant. (\$3,770)
- 2014 Association for the Study of the Middle East and Africa Research Grant. (\$1,000)
- 2014 Columbia University Political Science Dept. Dissertation Development Grant. (\$3,000)

Media & Commentary

- “Is this the end of the International Criminal Court?” with Kate Cronin-Furman. The Monkey Cage at *The Washington Post*. October 21, 2016.
- “South Sudan’s leaders just signed a peace deal. Will it work?” The Monkey Cage at *The Washington Post*. August 27, 2015.
- “Burundi Faso? Coups, revolutions and what’s next for Burundi” with Cara Jones and Alies Rijper. The Monkey Cage at *The Washington Post*. May 13, 2015.
- “What explains Burundi’s Protests?” with Cara Jones. The Monkey Cage at *The Washington Post*. April 28, 2015.
- “Will Sudan’s elections change anything?” The Monkey Cage at *The Washington Post*. April 15, 2015.
- “Are elections straining Burundi’s fragile peace?” The Monkey Cage at *The Washington Post*. March 27, 2015.

Professional Experience

- Consultant, DAI, Jan 2018-March 2018 (upcoming)
- Consultant, U.S. Institute of Peace, Sudan & South Sudan Programs, 2012 - 2015.
- Consultant, The World Bank, Youth and Peacebuilding Program Review, 2014.
- Consultant, Political Instability Task Force, Mass Atrocity Casebook, 2014.
- Senior Program Specialist, U.S. Institute of Peace 2008 - 2011

Teaching Experience

Columbia University

- Primary Instructor, Politics of Forced Migration, Spring 2018 (upcoming).
- Teaching Fellow, Nationalism in Contemporary World Politics, Prof. Jack Snyder, Fall 2017.
- Teaching Fellow, Introduction to Human Rights, Prof. Andrew Nathan, Fall 2016.
- Teaching Fellow, International Law, Prof. Tonya Putnam, Spring 2014.
- Teaching Fellow, Civil Wars & International Interventions in Africa, Prof. Severine Autesserre, Fall 2013.
- Teaching Fellow, Introduction to International Politics, Prof. Kimberly Marten, Fall 2014 & Fall 2012.

Teaching Fellow, Civilizations & Society in International Relations, Prof. Eric Blanchard, Spring 2013.

Teaching Fellow, Foreign Policy Decision-Making, Prof. Barbara Farnham, Spring 2012.

Guest Lectures

“Borders, What’s Up With That? Migration, Diaspora & Nationalism”, in Nationalism & Contemporary World Politics, Prof. Jack Snyder, Dec 4, 2017.

“Ethics & Interviewing”, in Methods of Inquiry & Research Design, Prof. V. Page Fortna, Columbia University, Oct 24, 2017.

“Refugee Rights”, in Introduction to Human Rights, Prof. Andrew Nathan, Dec 7, 2016.

“What’s Going on in Burundi? The Almost-Posterchild for Peacebuilding”, in Civil Wars and International Interventions in Africa, Prof. Severine Autesserre, Oct 6, 2015.

“Negotiations in Sudan”, in Civil Wars and International Interventions in Africa, Nov 12, 2013.

“Children & Youth Affected by Conflict”, in Order & Civilizations in International Relations, Prof. Eric Blanchard, April 13, 2013.

Presentations and Conferences

Academic Conferences

African Studies Association, Chicago, Nov 16-18 2017.

American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Convention, San Francisco. Sept 2, 2017.

International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention, Baltimore. Feb 23, 2017.

International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention, Atlanta. March 18, 2016.

Other Selected Presentations

Seminar, “Ethics & Interviewing”, Columbia Political Science Methods Workshop, Columbia University, April 7, 2017.

Invited Workshop Participant, US-Islamic World Forum, New York City, Sept 17-18, 2017.

Briefing, “Fleeing Again: Return Migration and the 2015 Third Mandate Crisis in Burundi”, Department for International Development (DfID) Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, July 4, 2017.

Briefing, Burundi Working Group, Washington DC, Sept 9, 2016.

Briefing, “Why Are Burundians Really Fleeing?”, UNHCR, Kasulu, Tanzania May 31, 2016.

Panelist, “Youth in Post-Conflict Reconstruction: Agents of Change”, World Bank Y2Y Global Youth Forum, Washington, DC, Nov 11, 2010.

Additional Training & Skills

Programming: NVivo, R, Stata, L^AT_EX

Additional Qualitative Methods Training: Institute for Qualitative and Mixed Methods Research, June 2013

Languages: English (native), French (limited professional proficiency), Swahili (Elementary Proficiency)

References

Available upon request.

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