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Curriculum Vitae

Department of Politics and International Studies
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APPOINTMENTS

University of Cambridge, United Kingdom, 2015-present

University Lecturer, African Politics, Department of Politics and International Studies
Director, Centre of African Studies, 2017-present
Philomathia Fellow, Trinity Hall

Makerere University, Uganda, 2011-2014

Senior Research Fellow, Makerere Institute of Social Research

San Diego State University, USA 2008-2015 (on leave 2011-2014)

Associate Professor, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

EDUCATION

Ph.D. (Political Science) Columbia University, 2007

B.A. (Social Studies) Harvard University, 1998

BOOKS

Africa Uprising: Popular Protest and Political Change (Zed Books, 2015). Co-authored with Zachariah Mampilly.
Displacing Human Rights: War and Intervention in Northern Uganda (Oxford University Press, 2011). Finalist, Bethwell Ogot Book Prize of the African Studies Association.

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- Charcoal Power: The Political Violence of Non-Fossil Fuel in Uganda. 2018. *Geoforum*.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.geoforum.2018.09.012>
- The African Criminal Court: Towards an Emancipatory Politics. 2019. In *The African Court of Justice and Human and People's Rights in Context*, edited by C. Jalloh, K. Clarke and V. Nmehielle (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press).
- Decolonizing the African Studies Centre. 2018. *Cambridge Journal of Anthropology*. 36:2.
- From Disaster to Devastation: Drought as War in Northern Uganda. 2018. *Disasters*. 42:S2, 306-327.
- Dominic Ongwen on Trial: The ICC's African Dilemmas. 2017. *International Journal of Transitional Justice* 11:1.
- Neoliberal discipline and violence in northern Uganda, co-authored with Adrian Yen. 2018. In *Uganda: The Dynamics of Neoliberal Transformation*, edited by Jörg Wiegratz, Giuliano Martiniello and Elisa Greco (London: Zed Books).
- The Violence of Peace: Ethnojustice in Northern Uganda. 2014. *Development and Change* 45:3. (Included in *Transitional Justice*, ed. Christine Bell, Ashgate, 2015)
- The Responsibility to Protect and Africa's International Relations. *Handbook of Africa's International Relations*, edited by Tim Murithi (Routledge, 2013).
- Gulu in War ... and Peace? The Town as Camp in Northern Uganda. 2013. *Urban Studies* 50:15.
- The Paradoxes of Protection: Aligning against the Lord's Resistance Army. 2012. *African Security* 5:3-4.
- The Role of the ICC in Northern Uganda. In *Peacemaking: From Practice to Theory*, edited by Andrea Bartoli, Zachariah Mampilly, and Susan Allen Nan (Praeger, 2011).

- Neither Liberal nor Peaceful? Practices of 'Global Justice' by the ICC. In *A Liberal Peace? The Problems and Practices of Peacebuilding*, edited by Susanna Campbell, David Chandler and Meera Sabaratnam (Zed Books, 2011).
- The Irresponsibility of the Responsibility to Protect in Africa. In *Critical Perspectives on the Responsibility to Protect: Interrogating Theory and Practice*, edited by Philip Cunliffe (Routledge, 2011).
- The Roots of LRA Violence: Political Crisis and Politicized Ethnicity in Acholiland. In *The Lord's Resistance Army: Myth and Reality*, edited by Tim Allen and Koen Vlassenroot (Zed Books, 2010).
- Humanitarianism, Violence, and the Camp in Northern Uganda. 2009. *Civil Wars* 11:4.
- Against Humanitarian Impunity: Rethinking Responsibility for Displacement and Disaster in Northern Uganda. 2008. *Journal of Intervention and Statebuilding* 2:2.
- Uganda's Civil War and the Politics of ICC Intervention. 2007. *Ethics and International Affairs* 21:2. (Excerpted in *International and Transnational Criminal Law Casebook* [Aspen Publishers, 2014]. Winner, Morton Deutsch Award for Social Justice, Columbia University.)
- American Morality over International Law: Origins in UN Military Interventions, 1991-1995. 2005. *Constellations* 12:1.
- Neither Peace nor Justice: Political Violence and the Peasantry in Northern Uganda, 1986-1998. 2005. *African Studies Quarterly* 8:2.
- Winning the War but Losing the Peace? The Dilemma of SPLM/A Civil Administration and the Tasks Ahead. 2005. *Journal of Modern African Studies* 43:1. Co-written with Zachariah Mampilly.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Director, Philomathia Africa Programme (2018-2022), Funding of £1,063,707 over five years from the Philomathia Foundation, Trinity Hall, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and Isaac Newton Trust.
- Primary Investigator (2018-2019), "Bringing Environmental Justice into the Public Sphere in Uganda," ESRC Impact Acceleration Account Award, £19,950.
- Co-Primary Investigator (2017-2019), School of Humanities and Social Sciences Research Award: Rethinking Transitional Justice from African Perspectives, £36,188.
- Primary Investigator (2016-2018): Narratives of Conflict, Climate, and Development: Re-envisioning Sustainability from Post-War Northern Uganda. £94,599. AHRC/ESRC PaCCS Conflict Theme Innovation Award, Reference AH/P008232/1. With additional £5000 for Indigenous Knowledge Project.
- Primary Investigator (2016-2018): The Political Ecology of Reconstruction in Northern Uganda. £9351. British Academy/Leverhulme Small Research Grant, Reference SG161173
- Senior Researcher and Project Coordinator (2013-2014): Beyond Criminal Justice: Towards a New Paradigm for the Political Settlement of Africa's Conflicts. \$378,000 (2 years). Funded by International Development Research Centre (IDRC).
- Project Coordinator (2014): Building and Reflecting on Interdisciplinary MPhil/PhD Studies for Higher Education Transformation. \$2,830,000 (5 years). Funded by Norwegian Development Agency (NORAD).

UNIVERSITY ROLES AND SERVICE

University of Cambridge:

- Chair, Consortium for the Global South (Consortium of African Studies, Development Studies, Latin American Studies, and South Asian Studies; 2018-present)
- Member, Cambridge University Africa Strategy Working Group (2017-present)
- Co-Organizer (2016-2017): Decolonizing the Curriculum in Theory and Practice Faculty Research Group, CRASSH, University of Cambridge.
- Advisory Group for the Global Challenges Research Fund (2016-)
- Undergraduate Studies Committee (2016-2017)
- Acting Director, Centre of African Studies (2016)
- Director of Studies, Human, Social and Political Sciences, Trinity Hall (2015-2017)
- Centre of African Studies Managers Committee and Graduate Education Committee (2015-)
- Gender Studies Graduate Education Committee (2015-)

- MPhil Supervisor in African Studies, Politics and International Studies, and Gender Studies.
- Gates Scholars Interview Committee (2016)
- CAPReX interview committee (2016-2017)
- Collaborator, CAPReX Fellowship, Eric Awich Ochen (2016-2017); Jennifer Coffie (2018-2019)
- Internal PhD Examiner: Andreas Hirblinger (POLIS, 2016); Stephanie Diepeveen (POLIS, 2016); Njoki Wamai (POLIS, 2016)

PhD Supervision:

Michael Eze, Politics and International Studies (2016 – present)
 Liana Minkova, Politics and International Studies (2017 – present)
 Surer Mohamed, Politics and International Studies (2017 – present)
 Mamasa Camara, Gender Studies (2018 – present)
 Anye Nyamnjoh, Politics and International Studies (2018 – present)
 Rachel Sittoni, Politics and International Studies (2018 – present)

Makerere Institute of Social Research:

- Acting Director (2012)
- Chair, Library Committee (2011-2014)
- Representative to Carnegie Corporation Grant Drafting Committee (2012)
- Representative to Directorate of Research and Graduate Training (2011-2014)
- Member MPhil Committees (2012-2014)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Series Editor, African Arguments, Zed Books
- Series Editor, Cambridge Centre of African Studies Books Series, Ohio University Press
- Conference Organizer: Environmental Politics – Environmental Justice in Northern Uganda and the East African Region, Gulu, Uganda, 16-17 July 2018.
- Adviser, Technical Working Committee on Charcoal Policy...
- SSRC Next Generation Fellowship Program, Workshop Facilitator/Mentor (2015-present)
- Journal and Book Refereeing: *Africa, African Affairs, African Security, Cultural Anthropology, Ethics and International Affairs, Ethnopolitics, European Journal of International Relations, Geoforum, Global Governance, Human Organization, International Journal of Politics, Culture and Society, International Journal of Transitional Justice, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Asian and African Studies, Journal of Eastern African Studies, Journal of Modern African Studies, Political Geography, Refuge, Resilience, Review of International Studies, Security Dialogue, Social Dynamics, Sociological Inquiry*; Oxford University Press, Routledge, University of California Press, Cambridge University Press, University of Indiana Press, University of Wisconsin Press, Zed Books.
- Grants Refereeing: Institute of Development Studies, Next Generation Fellowships, Social Science Research Council; Austrian Science Fund; Danida Fellowship Centre, Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- Conference Organizer. The Architecture of Post-Cold War Africa, MISR, January 2012.

TEACHING

- *International Relations: International Conflict, Order and Justice*, (Undergraduate Lecture Course, 150-200 students), Course Organizer and Primary Lecturer, 2016 - present.
- MPhil in African Studies, Director, 2017 - present
- African Studies MPhil Core Course, Convener, 2017 - present.
- *African Politics* (Undergraduate Lecture, 20 students), University of Cambridge, 2016, 2017.
- *African Politics* (Graduate Seminar), 3 Seminars, University of Cambridge, 2016.
- *Contemporary Social and Political Thought* (Graduate Seminar), Makerere Institute of Social Research, 2013, 2014.
- *Pre-Modern Political Thought* (Graduate Seminar), Makerere Institute of Social Research, 2013, 2014.
- *International Security and Conflict Resolution* (Lower Division, Undergraduate), SDSU, Fall 2013.
- *Western Political Thought* (Graduate Seminar), Makerere Institute of Social Research, 2012.

- *Human Rights in Global Perspective* (Upper Division, Undergraduate), SDSU, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013.
- *Conflict and Conflict Resolution* (Upper Division, Undergraduate), SDSU, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011.
- *Human Rights and International Relations* (Graduate Seminar), Makerere University, 2011.
- *The Politics of International Criminal Law* (Graduate Seminar), SDSU, 2010.
- *Refugee Participation* (Co-teacher), American University Cairo, Summer 2010.
- *Introduction to Political Thought*, Columbia University, 2002, 2003.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- Brenthurst Foundation and Konrad Adenauer Foundation, Making Democracy Work in Africa, Lake Como, Italy, July 2018.
- London School of Economics, Youth in Africa Conference, May 2017.
- London School of Economics, International Security Seminar Series, March 2017.
- Free University of Berlin, Political and Legal Anthropology Public Lecture, February 2017.
- Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, November 2016.
- University of Stellenbosch, Department of Anthropology, August 2016.
- University of Cape Town, Political Society Conference, August 2016
- African Court Research Initiative, International Symposium, Arusha, Tanzania, July 2016.
- Eritrean Studies Association, International Conference, Asmara, July 2016.
- University of Copenhagen Law School, iCourts, Doing Justice to Truth, June 2016.
- University of Oxford, Central Africa Forum, May 2016.
- University of Oxford, African Politics and History Seminar, March 2016.
- University of Kent Law School, Centre for Critical International Law, February 2016.
- University of Oxford, Oxford Transitional Justice Research, February 2016.
- UCLA Law School, The Aporia of Human Rights Conference, May 2015.
- Universidad EAFIT, Medellín, Colombia: Lecciones y desafío para el postconflicto Colombiano, April 2015 (Keynote presentation).
- University of California, Berkeley, Center for African Studies, February 2015.
- University of Toronto, Munk School of Global Affairs: Future of International Law Conference, Paris, January 2015.
- The Hague Institute for Global Justice and Grotius Centre for International Legal Studies: Impact and Effectiveness of the International Criminal Court, December 2014.
- College of Charleston: SERSAS Conference, October 2014 (Keynote presentation).
- University of Bergen: Summer Research School, June 2014 (Plenary speech).
- Institute for African Transitional Justice, Kampala, June 2014.
- University of Duisburg-Essen: Humanitarianism and Changing Cultures of Cooperation Conference, June 2014.
- Yale University, Council on African Studies: Protest in Africa Roundtable, December 2014.
- UCLA: International Human Rights Clinic, October 2013.
- University of Pennsylvania Law School: Future of International Law in Africa Workshop, September 2013.
- Global Resilience Innovation Platform Summit, World Bank/IDRC, Nairobi, May 2013.
- Makerere University: Policy Dimensions of Post Conflict Settings Lecture Series, November 2012.
- Expert Meeting on Peace and Security in the Horn, Friederich Ebert Stiftung, Istanbul, November 2012.
- African Union Commission: High Level Consultation on Governance Trends, Dakar, November 2012.
- Addis Ababa University: Junior Scholars' Society, October 2012.
- Regional Security Conference on Intervention Policies, Friederich Ebert Stiftung, Addis Ababa, October 2012.
- Conference on Border Management in the Horn of Africa, Friederich Ebert Stiftung, Djibouti, September 2012.
- Makerere University, Gender Studies: Northern Uganda Workshop, June 2012.
- Makerere Institute of Social Research: The Architecture of Post-Cold War Africa, January 2012.
- Northwestern University: Political Change in Africa Lecture Series, November 2011.

- International Association for the Study of Forced Migration, Annual Conference, Kampala, July 2011.
- University of Cambridge and Uganda Martyr's University: Armed Groups and Post-Conflict Peacebuilding in Africa Conference, Kampala, January 2011.
- International Criminal Court Review Conference, Politics of Peace and Justice Panel, Kampala, June 2010 (Keynote address).
- Rockefeller Foundation: Lives in Limbo – Re-Imagining Structures and Standards in Refugee Camps Conference, New York, April 2010.
- University of Westminster: The Future of Statebuilding Conference, October 2009.
- Yale University: Rebel Governance Conference, October 2009.
- Oxford University: Foundation for Law, Justice & Society Conference, January 2009.
- UN Economic Commission for Africa: Expert Roundtable on the Responsibility to Protect in Africa, Addis Ababa, October 2008.
- University of Western Ontario: Reconstructing Northern Uganda Conference, April 2008.
- Columbia University, SIPA: Politics of Humanitarianism Conference, November 2007.
- Makerere Institute of Social Research, October 2007.
- London School of Economics: Crisis States Research Programme Annual Meeting, Cape Town, August 2007.
- London School of Economics: Workshop on Peace, Justice & the Dilemmas of the ICC in Africa, March 2007.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- "The ICC Can't Live with Africa, but it can't live without it either," The Conversation online, March 15, 2017. Reprinted in The Mail & Guardian (South Africa); Daily Nation (Kenya).
- "Africa's Uprisings: No End in Sight," World Social Science Report on Inequality and Social Justice, International Social Science Council, 2016.
- "Rupturing Official Histories in the Trial of Dominic Ongwen," Justice in Conflict Website, April 13, 2016.
- "Citizen and Subject, 20 Years Later." *Africa is a Country* Website, December 1, 2015.
- "Beyond the TJ Industry." *Pambazuka News*, November 21, 2014.
- "How Civilians Became Targets." In *Beyond #Kony 2012: Atrocity, Awareness + Activism in the Internet Age*, edited by Amanda Taub (Leanpub e-book, 2012).
- "The Violence of Peace in Northern Uganda." 2012. MISR Working Paper 7, Kampala.
- "The Responsibility to Protect." *Think Africa Press*, November 6, 2012.
- "Kony Part II: Accountability, not Awareness." Opinion, *Al Jazeera English*, April 7, 2012.
- "Dangerous Ignorance: The Hysteria of Kony 2012." Opinion, *Al Jazeera English*, March 12, 2012.
- "AFRICOM and the ICC: Enforcing international justice in Africa?" *Pambazuka News*, May 27, 2010. Co-written with Samar Al-Bulushi.
- "The Politics of Urban Displacement in Gulu Town, Uganda." 2011. MISR Working Paper 2, Kampala.
- "Gulu Town in War...And Peace? Displacement, Humanitarianism, and Post-War Crisis." 2007. Working Paper 36, Cities and Fragile States, Crisis States Research Centre, London School of Economics.
- "Fostering the Transition in Northern Uganda: From War to Peace, Camps to Home." 2007. Report for the Ford Foundation for Eastern Africa, published by Human Rights Focus (Uganda).
- "International Justice, Local Injustice: The International Criminal Court in Northern Uganda." 2004. *Dissent Magazine* 51:3.

BOOK REVIEWS

- Review of *Law's Fragile State: Colonial, Authoritarian, and Humanitarian Legacies in Sudan*, by Mark Fathi Massoud, 2015. *Perspectives on Politics* 13:1.
- Review of *South Sudan: From Revolution to Independence*, by M. LeRiche and M. Arnold. 2013. *Journal of Modern African Studies* 51:3.
- Review of *Human Rights NGOs in East Africa: Political and Normative Tensions*, by Makau Mutua, ed. 2010. *Human Rights Quarterly* 32:1.

PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- ASA-UK, 2016, 2018

- American Political Science Association: 2008, 2011.
- African Studies Association: 2009, 2010, 2014, 2015.
- International Studies Association: 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2015.

RELATED EMPLOYMENT

- Ford Foundation for Eastern Africa, Gulu Town, Uganda, 2007. Lead Researcher. Project title: “Fostering the Transition in Northern Uganda.”
- Human Rights Focus, Gulu Town, Uganda, 2003, 2005, 2007. Managed and advise on international legal strategies and local human rights programs.
- Humanitarian Law Project/IED, Geneva, San Francisco, New York, 2000-2002. U.N. Delegate to Commission and Sub-Commission on Human Rights.
- Enlace Civil A.C., San Cristóbal de las Casas, Mexico, 1999. Human rights monitor.