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Education

University of California, Berkeley

Ph.D., Political Science, 2011 – present

M.A., Political Science, 2012

Fields: Comparative Politics, International Relations, and Methodology & Formal Theory

Dissertation Committee: Leonardo Arriola (chair), Aila Matanock, Robert Powell, Solomon Hsiang

University of New Mexico

B.A., Political Science & Economics, 2011

Magna Cum Laude

Affiliations

Research Fellow, Center for African Studies, University of California-Berkeley

Research

Dissertation

Post-Conflict Governance & Reconstruction: Public Goods, Policing, & Foreign Aid in Uganda

Working Papers

“The Political Logic of Electricity Provision in Post-Conflict Uganda”

“Policing in a Post-Conflict Society: Evidence from Uganda”

“Competitive Elections and Public Goods Distribution in Africa” (with Leonardo Arriola, Donghyun Choi, & Matthew Gichohi)

“The Political Economy of Localized Communal Conflicts in Ethiopia” (with Leonardo Arriola & Lahra Smith)

In Progress

“Candidates and Combatants: Why Do Simultaneous Electoral and Armed Campaigns Occur?”
(with Aila Matanock)

“Evaluating the Human Rights Record of African Regional Institutions” (with Leonardo Arriola and Fiona Shen-Bayh)

“Economic Austerity & Political Violence: The Effect of Structural Adjustment”

Other Writing

Dataset Review: ACLED, *African Politics Conference Group Newsletter*, September 2013

Fellowships & Awards

Bendix Fellowship, Institute of International Studies, UC-Berkeley, 2016-17

Dean’s Completion Fellowship, UC-Berkeley, 2015-16

Andrew & Mary Thompson Rocca Scholarship in Advanced African Studies, 2014-15

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (for Kiswahili), 2013-14, UC-Berkeley

Graduate Fellowship, UC-Berkeley, 2011-12, 2014-2015

Presidential Scholarship, 2007-2011, University of New Mexico

Research Experience

Amnesty International

Research consultant for project on human rights institutions and conflict in Africa.

International Rescue Committee

Research consultant during initial planning phases for evaluation of IRC’s community-driven reconstruction program, Tuungane II, in Democratic Republic of Congo.

- Consulting for design of quantitative portion of evaluation

University of California, Berkeley

- Research Assistant, Program on Security Institutions and Violent Instability, Professors Leonardo Arriola, Aila Matanock, and Michaela Mattes, 2016-17.
- Research Assistant, Professor Alison Post, 2015
- Research Assistant, Professor Aila Matanock, 2013-14
- Research Assistant, Professor Leonardo Arriola, 2012-13

Teaching Experience

Mills College (Assistant Adjunct Professor)

GOVT 16: Comparative Politics (Fall 2017)

University of California, Berkeley (Graduate Student Instructor)

PS 146A: African Politics (Fall 2012, Fall 2013)

PS 149B: Modernization in Turkey & Iran (Spring 2013)

PS 5: Introduction to International Relations (Fall 2016)

Conference Presentations

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, September 2017

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, September 2016

Professional Organizations & Service

American Political Science Association

African Politics Conference Group

Working Group in African Political Economy

Referee: Journal of Politics

Additional Training & Skills

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research - Syracuse, NY (June 2014)

Field Research

Uganda

Language & Software

Software: R, Stata, ArcGIS

Languages: Swahili (intermediate)