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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Political Science, The George Washington University, expected 2017

Fields: International Relations and Comparative Politics (Distinction)

M.A., Political Science, The George Washington University (2014)

M.A., Forced Migration Studies, University of the Witwatersrand (2011)

Specialization in Urban Displacement and Peacebuilding (Distinction)

B.A., International Relations, Tufts University (2008)

Philosophy Certificate; African Studies Minor (High Honors)

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Publications

"Insights from Somaliland: the value of 'staying put' for the study of international peacebuilding"
The Political Anthropology of Internationalized Rule (eds) Schlichte, Klaus, Jude Kagaro and Sarah Biecker (Forthcoming 2018).

"Global Humanitarian Organizations and the African State: The Case of Medecins Sans Frontieres", *African Foreign Policies in International Institutions* (eds) Timothy Shaw and Jason Warner (Palgrave-Macmillan, Forthcoming 2017).

"The Accountable Humanitarian: practicing accountability, acting without responsibility"
(Spanish) *Puentes, fronteras y murallas disciplinarias en torno a las organizaciones internacionales* (eds) Laura Zamudio, David Arellano y Jorge Culebro (Mexico City: Centro Investigacion Donencia Economicas, 2015).

"Connecting the Dots: Memory, Multimedia, and Community Information Integration in Northern Uganda", *Partners in Conversation: Remembering Mass Violence through Oral History, New Media and Performance* (eds) Steven High, Edward Little, and Ry Duong (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2014).

Gender, Local Justice and Ownership: Confronting Masculinities and Femininities in post-War Northern Uganda, *Peace Research*, Vol. 41, No. 2 (2011).

Working Papers (under review)

"The Accountable Humanitarian: Practicing accountability, acting without responsibility"

"Threat and the Logic of Target Selection: Analyzing South Africa's Xenophobic Attacks"

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“A Typology of Aid Actors: Peacebuilding and Organizational Change in South Africa”
“What do donors demand?: International Aid and the Push for INGO Accountability”

Op-eds

States are ducking their responsibilities to refugees, Washington Post's *The Monkey Cage*, 23 September 2016.

Five things you should know about the World Humanitarian Summit, Washington Post's *The Monkey Cage*, 19 May 2016.

Reimagining the Refugee Camp, *Foreign Policy*, 11 January 2016.

The Danger of False Narratives: Al-Shabaab's Faux Ivory Trade, Council on Foreign Relations, *Africa in Transitions*, 6 June 2015.

Legitimacy and Coherence: A Recipe for Effective DDR in Uganda, Spotlight Article, Henry L. Stimson Center, 5 November 2009.

Policy Publications

Emerging Best Practices: Unpacking the Evolving Response to Migration in Musina 2007-2012 (Pretoria: International Organization of Migration, 2013).

Urban Displacement and Peacebuilding: An Analysis of South African Social Cohesion Interventions. Research Paper No. 243, UNHCR New Roles in Refugee Research Series, 31 August 2012.

Promoting Social Cohesion and Countering Violence against Foreigners and other 'Outsiders': A Study of Social Cohesion Interventions in Fourteen South African Townships (Johannesburg: Oxfam GB and the African Centre for Migration and Society, November 2012).

Social Conflict and Cohesion: A tool for assessing, planning, and monitoring the implementation of interventions in conflict situations in the South Africa context (Johannesburg: South African Human Rights Commission, November 2011).

Post-Conflict Borders And UN Peace Operations: Survey of International Border Assistance Initiatives and International Border Security and Customs Assistance Initiatives: A Guide to the Stimson Database, Washington D.C.: Henry L. Stimson Center, March 2010.

Community Perspectives on the Mato Oput Process (Gulu, Uganda: Collaborative Transitions Africa and the Institute for Peace and Strategic Studies, October 2009).

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS AND GRANTS (SELECTED)

Harold W. Rosenthal Fellowship, 2016

David L. Boren Fellowship, 2014-2015 (\$24,000)

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMMR) selected participant, 2014

Cosmos Scholars Award Recipient, 2014 (\$3,000)

Social Science Research Council Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship, 2013 (\$5,000)

Graduate Research Grant, GWU Department of Political Science, 2013, 2014

Summer Research Fellowship, George Washington University, 2012—2014 (\$2,500)

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Graduate Assistant Fellowship, George Washington University, 2011-present
Paul Harris Fellow, Rotary International Foundation District 5290
Herbert Scoville Jr. Peace Fellowship, Washington, DC, June 2009—March 2010
US State Dept. Young Leaders Conflict Resolution Fellowship, N. Ireland, September 2009
Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship, Rotary International Foundation, 2009-2010 (\$24,000)
Kathryn Davis Projects for Peace Award, February 2008 (\$10,000)

PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)

“Aid Expertise and Local Authority in Somaliland”

- International Studies Association Annual Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, 18 March 2016.
- International Studies Association NE Conference, Providence, RI, 6 November 2015.
- American Political Science Association Short Course, Washington, DC, 27 August 2014.

“Insights from Somaliland: The value of ‘staying put’ for the study of international peacebuilding”

- Ethnography and IR Book Workshop, Bremen International Graduate School of Social Sciences, Bremen, Germany, 15-16 September 2016.
- Ethnography of internationalized politics: methods, chances, limits. Bremen International Graduate School of Social Sciences, Bremen, Germany, 10-11 June 2015.

“The Accountable Humanitarian: practicing accountability, acting without responsibility”

- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, 31 August 2014.

“Threat and the Logic of Target Selection: Analyzing South Africa’s Xenophobic Attacks”

- International Association for the Study of Forced Migration 15th Annual Conference, Bogota, Colombia, 14-17 July 2014.
- GWU Comparative Politics Workshop, Washington, DC, 18 April 2014.
- African Studies Association 56th Annual Meeting, Baltimore, Maryland, 20 November 2013.

“A Typology of Peacebuilding Institutions in Urban South Africa”

- International Association for the Study of Forced Migration 14th Annual Conference, Kolkata, India, 6-9 January 2013.
- Urban Conflicts: Ethno-national Divisions, States, and Cities, Queen’s University, Belfast, Northern Ireland, 19-21 May 2011.
- University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa, 4 May 2011.
- International Association for the Study of Forced Migration 13th Annual Conference, Kampala, Uganda, 3-6 July 2011.

“Transitional Justice for Who?: An Integrated Approach to Stabilizing Post-Conflict Uganda”

- Women as Global Leaders Conference, Zayed University, Dubai, UAE, 13 March 2008.
- Coordinating Chaos Conference, University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada, 8 February 2008.

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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant Fellow, GWU, Department of Political Science, 2015-Present

- ♦ *International Affairs Cornerstone*, Elliott School of International Affairs, MA level (Fall 2015)
- ♦ *Introduction to International Politics*, George Washington University, Undergraduate level Political Science (Spring 2016)
- ♦ *International Affairs Cornerstone*, Elliott School of International Affairs, MA level (Fall 2016)

Writing in the Discipline Training Program, George Washington University, 2012-2013

- ♦ Participated in a year-long training on how to teach writing skills and incorporate these skills into political science coursework

Writing Fellow, Academic Resource Center, Tufts University, August 2005—May 2008

- ♦ Seconded to an International Relations course each semester to coach students in writing skills; participated in a semester-long seminar course on writing pedagogy

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (SELECTED)

Research Assistant Fellow, GWU, Department of Political Science, 2011-2014

- ♦ Provided research assistance to University Professor Michael Barnett
- ♦ Organized three international conferences on the future of humanitarian aid; coordinated the program on humanitarian governance; managed large grant funding

Consultant, International Organization for Migration, South Africa, July-December 2012

- ♦ Authored policy report; analyzed data on best practices for government response to cross-border migration in Musina, South Africa; conducted desk review; developed criteria for best practices; designed survey

Consultant, Oxfam GB/ACMS, South Africa, May –September 2011, June-August 2012

- ♦ Co-authored report; conducted interviews with practitioners from social cohesion interventions; analyzed data; researched South African policy on social cohesion

Co-Founder and Director, Collaborative Transitions Africa, Uganda, 2008—2012

- ♦ Founded an award-winning non-profit that provided research and multimedia training to 60 peace leaders and 5,000 survivors; developed peacebuilding programs, tools, and learning systems; developed local partnerships and managed local and international staff
- ♦ Designed and managed a population-based study on informal justice with Gulu University; trained and managed staff in field research and data analysis; authored policy report

Consultant, South African Human Rights Commission, South Africa March—July 2011

- ♦ Designed a programming tool to evaluate urban conflict in South Africa; authored report to help civil society assess conflict and monitor progress more effectively in urban areas

Researcher, Oxfam GB/ACMS, South Africa, May 2010—May 2011

- ♦ Co-authored study report; assessed the impact of Gauteng province peacebuilding

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interventions, co-designed research instruments, trained staff in research methods; developed fieldwork methodology; led institutional interviews and focus groups

Scoville Fellow, *Future of Peace Operations*, Stimson Center, June 2009-May 2010

- ◆ Authored report on measures of effectiveness in peace operations; redesigned database and authored publication on security sector reform (SSR) and border security management; organized and spoke at a Stimson Center workshop on SSR and borders; wrote op-eds

Research Intern, Justice and Reconciliation Project, Uganda, June—September 2008

- ◆ Conducted fieldwork on undocumented massacre sites; conducted first survivor interviews for the Mucwini massacre; piloted mapping methods for the *Massacre in Mucwini* report; edited studies and briefing reports on combatant reintegration and transitional justice

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Political Science Association (2011-present)

African Studies Association (2013-present)

International Association for the Study of Forced Migration (2010-present)

International Studies Association (2015-present)

REVIEWER

Refuge: Canada's Journal on Refugees

European Journal of International Relations

SKILLS

Language: Conversational French; Beginner Xhosa; Beginner Somali

Computer: Stata, R, Microsoft, MS Word, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint, Final Cut Pro, Mac OS X

FIELDWORK

Somalia (April-July 2015)

Ethiopia (October 2014-April 2015)

Kenya (June-August 2013)

Uganda (May-August 2007; Dec. 2007-Jan. 2008; June-Dec. 2008; June 2010; June-July 2011)

South Africa (August-Dec. 2006; Jan. 2010-May 2011; June-August 2012; September 2013)

Ghana (January 2006)