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## Education

<b>Tulane University, New Orleans</b> Ph.D., Political Science Research Agenda: Corruption and Anti-corruption, Democracy, Public Policy	2022–2029
<b>Tulane University, New Orleans</b> M.A., Political Science, (Distinction)	2022–2024
<b>Sciences Po, Paris, France</b> M.Sc., Public Policy (Funded by the MasterCard Foundation Scholarship)	2020–2022
<b>University of Ibadan, Nigeria</b> B.S., Political Science, (First Class Honours)	2014–2018

## Peer-Reviewed Publications

- Makinde, E. (2024). Leveraging artificial intelligence for enhanced tax fraud detection in modern fiscal systems. *GSC Advanced Research and Reviews*, 21(2), 129–137. <https://doi.org/10.30574/gscarr.2024.21.2.0415>
- Makinde, E., & Alakitan, M. (2024). Where are the ethics? AI and the digital economy in Nigeria. *Policy and Internet*. <https://doi.org/10.1002/poi3.416>
- Makinde, E. (2024). Harnessing artificial intelligence to optimize financial technologies for achieving sustainable development goals. *World Journal of Advanced Research and Reviews*, 23(2), 616–625. <https://doi.org/10.30574/wjarr.2024.23.2.2385>
- Makinde, E. (2024). International political contexts, digital technologies, and political outcomes in Nigeria's #EndSARS movement. *Protest*, 4(1), 5–29. <https://doi.org/10.1163/2667372X-bja10059>
- Makinde, E., & Idachaba, E. (2024). The public opinions on the effectiveness of Nigerian anti-corruption war under President Muhammadu Buhari. *JOSTAR Journal*.
- Makinde, E. (2021). INEC and flawed intra-party democracy in the 2019 general elections in Nigeria. *International Journal of Scientific and Research Publications*, 11, 8–17. <https://doi.org/10.29322/ijrsp.11.02.2021.p11003>

## **Book Chapters**

- Makinde, E. “The EFCC and Anti-Corruption Under President Muhammadu Buhari’s Administration, 2015–2019,” in R. Olaniyi and I. Hassan (eds.), *Democracy in Two Decades, 1999–2019: Reflections on Nation-Building and Development in Nigeria*. CDD, 2022.

## **Other Publications**

- Makinde, E. (2021). *Open Parliament in Georgia*. Habemus Blog. link.
- Makinde, E. (2021). “What does COVID-19 do to society?” (with Natasha Schoepl, Sonia Yazidi). *Sciences Po Policy Seminar Review*.
- Makinde, E. (2021). “Environmental Protection or Economic Growth: What do Nigerians think?” *E-International Relations*.

## **Working Papers**

- A federal state and its third sector: Examining government and non-governmental organizations’ relationship in Nigeria (with Fayemiro Omowonuola).
- The Impact of Remittances on Education in Sub-Saharan Countries (with Gabriel Calza-Everett and Ana Carolina de Paula Silva).
- Who Gets Convicted? The Political Economy of Corruption Prosecution Outcomes in Nigeria.
- The Superpowers in Africa: African Public Opinion on US and China’s Engagements in Africa.
- Anti-corruption or Weaponization? The Politics of Anti-Corruption Prosecution in Nigeria.

## **Conference Presentations**

- Makinde, E. (April 2025). “Corruption and Voters’ Turnout: Analysis of Subnational Variations in Political Participation in Africa” Paper presentation at 82nd Midwest Political Science Conference (MPSA), Chicago, Illinois.
- Makinde, E. (April 2025). “Selective Justice: Politicized Anti-Corruption Enforcement in Nigeria” Paper presentation at 82nd Midwest Political Science Conference (MPSA), Chicago, Illinois.
- Makinde, E. (March 2025). “Assessing the Relationship Between Remittances and years of schooling in Sub-Saharan Africa”, The International Studies Association (ISA), Chicago, Illinois (with Gabriel Calza-Everett and Ana Carolina de Paula Silva).
- Makinde, E. (January 2024). “The impact of remittances on education in Sub-Saharan countries” Paper presentation at Southern Political Science Association (SPSA), (with Gabriel Calza-Everett and Ana Carolina de Paula Silva).
- Makinde, E. (October 2023). “The Superpowers in Africa: African Public Opinion on U.S. and China’s Engagements in Africa” Paper presentation at Western Conference of the Association for Asian Studies (WCAAS).

- Makinde, E. (November 2022). “A federal state and its third sector: Examining government and non-governmental organizations’ relationship in Nigeria.” Paper presentation at the Association for Research on Non-Profit Organization & Voluntary Action (ARNOVA).

## **Professional Certifications**

- Participation Certificate, Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research Summer Program in Quantitative Methods (ICPSR), University of Michigan, 2023.
- Sciences Po Mastercard Foundation Scholars Program Graduate Level 2020-2022. June 2022.
- CITI Training Certificate as Social and Behavioral Research Investigators and Key Personnel. March 2023.
- Google Data Analytics Professional Certificate, “Foundations: Data, Data, Everywhere”. January 2023.
- IBM Data Science Professional Certificate “Data Analysis with Python”. January 2023.

## **Honors and Awards**

1. Tulane University Tuition and Research Scholarship Award (\$93,054) – 2025.
2. Tulane University Graduate Studies Student Association – January 2025. Conference Travel Award (\$400).
3. Tulane University School of Liberal Arts Graduate Student – November 2024. Conference Travel Award (\$500).
4. Tulane University Tuition and Research Scholarship Award (\$93,054) – 2024.
5. Tulane University School of Liberal Arts Graduate Student – August 2023. Conference Travel Award (\$500).
6. Tulane University Tuition and Research Scholarship Award (\$88,814) – 2023.
7. Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research – April 2023. Summer Programme Scholarship Grant at the University of Michigan (\$10,000).
8. Tulane University Tuition and Research Scholarship Award (\$86,065) – 2022.
9. ARNOVA Conference Scholarships & Travel Grants (\$250) – November 2022.
10. Mastercard Foundation Scholarship Award, Sciences Po, France (€56,200) – 2020–2022.
11. Commonwealth Shared Scholarship Awards, United Kingdom (£30,000, declined) – 2020.
12. Certificate of National Service, National Youth Service Corps (NYSC), Nigeria – 2019.
13. Best Graduating Student, Faculty of the Social Sciences, University of Ibadan – 2018.
14. Best Graduating Student, Department of Political Science, University of Ibadan – 2018.

15. Professor Oyediran Prize for the Best Student in the Theory & Practice of Local Government, University of Ibadan – 2018.
16. The Isaac Dina Memorial Prizes in Economics and Political Science, University of Ibadan – 2018.
17. Professor Eno Inanga Prize for the Best Graduating Student in the Faculty of the Social Sciences, University of Ibadan – 2018.
18. The Nupemeco Prize for the Social Sciences, University of Ibadan – 2018.
19. The Opulabo Tiriah & Princess Pbialiaba Sai Prize in Political Science, University of Ibadan – 2018.
20. De-United Indomie Scholarship Award – 2018.
21. Dr. Liman Ciroma Prize as Best Student in Political Science, University of Ibadan – 2018.
22. Annual Scholarship Awards, University of Ibadan Alumni Association (UIAA) – 2015.
23. Dean's Honours List for Academic Excellence, University of Ibadan, Nigeria – 2014–2018.

## Professional Services

1. Discussant, *Department of Political Science, Fall 2025 Seminar Series*, September 2025
2. Peer Reviewer, *Journal of Political Science and International Relations*, June 2025.
3. Peer Reviewer, *Journal of Political Science and International Relations*, May 2025.
4. Panel Discussant, 82nd Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA). “The Influence of Literature and Pop Culture on Policy,” April 2025.
5. Peer Reviewer, *Journal of Political Science and International Relations*, March 2025.
6. Peer Reviewer, *Journal of Political Science and International Relations*, March 2025.
7. Peer Reviewer, *Asian Journal of Economics, Business and Accounting*, February 2025.
8. Peer Reviewer, *Journal of Economics, Management, and Trade*, July 2024.
9. Peer Reviewer, *Protest Journal*, June 2023.
10. Discussant and Reviewer for “What does COVID-19 do to society?” *Sciences Po Policy Seminar Series*, November 2021.
11. Lead Volunteer, Content & Publication Management Team, Fashioned and Made for Excellence Organization, Ibadan, Nigeria, 2019–2023.
12. President, Legal Aid Community Development Service Group, National Youth Service Corps (NYSC), Osogbo, Nigeria, 2018–2019.
13. Electoral Chairman, Political Science Students' Association Electoral Commission, University of Ibadan, 2017–2018.
14. President, National Association of Political Science Students (NAPSS), University of Ibadan, 2016–2017.

## Policy and Data Analytics Experiences

1. **Data Analyst**, “CAREER: Mortgage and Healthcare Discrimination During Covid-19 Pandemic and Use of Text Data in Economics,” funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF), 2024–2025.
  - Designed and implemented statistical models analyzing healthcare access inequities and discrimination in access to mortgages in the United States.
2. **Policy Analyst**, SCOR Reinsurance, Paris, France, 2022.
  - Developed and reviewed SCOR’s corporate social responsibility (CSR) strategy.
  - Developed and designed SCOR’s United Nations Principles of Sustainable Insurance policies.
3. **Research & Communication Associate**, African Leadership Academy (ALA), South Africa, 2021.
  - Developed and managed the content of ACN’s 2021 Annual Career Brochure.
  - Proofread brochure drafts thoroughly at each iteration before and during production.
4. **Policy Research Analyst**, Livingstone Insurance Brokers LTD, Lagos, Nigeria, 2019.
  - Analyzed insurance claims data and transaction patterns to detect fraud and irregularities across multiple insurance product lines.
  - Developed and implemented risk assessment frameworks to evaluate suspicious claims, resulting in a 15% increase in fraud detection.

## Teaching and Research Assistant Experiences

1. **Research Assistant** to Professor Allison Grossman, Tulane University, Fall 2025.
2. **Lecture Instructor**, “Political Institutions, Ethnic Conflict, and Fiscal Policy,” in *Introduction to Comparative Politics*, Spring 2024.
3. **Instructor**, Workshop Series: “R Programming Language for Data Analytics and Statistical Modelling,” Fall 2024.
4. **Guest Lecturer**, “Ethics in Political Science Research,” in *Scope and Methods*, Fall 2023.
5. **Teaching Assistant**, *Scope and Methods*, Spring 2025 (with Prof. Virginia Oliveros).
6. **Teaching Assistant**, *Graduate Quantitative Methods*, Fall 2024 (with Prof. Stan Oklobdzija).
7. **Teaching Assistant**, *Introduction to Comparative Politics*, Spring 2024 (with Prof. Moises Arce).
8. **Teaching Assistant**, *Scope and Methods*, Fall 2023 (with Prof. Stan Oklobdzija).
9. **Research Assistant** to Professor Joshua Basseches, Tulane University, 2022–2023 Academic Session.

## Professional Affiliations

- American Political Science Association (APSA)
- Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)
- Southern Political Science Association (SPSA)

## Skills and Languages

**Technical Skills:** R Programming (Advanced); Stata (Advanced); Python (Intermediate); Microsoft Power Query (Intermediate), LaTeX (Overleaf).

**Language Skills:** English (Fluent); French (Intermediate); Yoruba (Native).

**References available upon request.**