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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Media Studies, University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon   **July 2018**
    Major Emphases: Political Communication, Framing Theory and Media
    Representation, Communication Technology, Research Methods
    Dissertation Title: *Diaspora Media, Local Politics: Journalism and the Politics of Homeland among the Ethiopian Oppositions in the United States*

M.A. in Journalism, Addis Ababa University, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia   **Aug. 2008**
    Major Emphases: Globalization, Communication Technology and Video Games
    Thesis: *Digital Playing: A Study on the Popularity of PlayStation Games Amongst Ethiopian Children in Addis Ababa*

B.Ed. in English Language Teaching   **June 2005**
    Dilla University, Dilla, Ethiopia

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Researcher at large   **Oct. 2022-present**
    Remote, USA

Assistant Professor, Hamline University, Department of   **Sept. 2018-Oct. 2022**
    Communication Studies, Saint Paul, MN

Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Oregon, School of Journalism   **Aug. 2013-June 2018**
    & Communication, Eugene, OR

Assistant Lecturer, Arba Minch University, Department of English,   **Sept. 2005-July 2012**
    Arba Minch, Ethiopia

Assistant Lecturer, Addis Ababa University, Institute of Peace &   **Aug. 2012-May 2013**
    Security Studies, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

PUBLICATIONS
Peer-reviewed journal articles:
Chala, H. Endalkachew, & Workneh, Tewodros (in press). Multi-Dimensional Analysis of Ethiopia's Internet Shutdowns: Political Reform, Ethnic Conflict, and Digital Control. *New Media and Society.*

Chala, H. Endalkachew (in press). Mapping Journalist Safety in Ethiopia's Polarized Landscape: Threats, Risks, and the Four-Coordinate Assessment Framework. *Journalism Practice.*

Chala, H. Endalkachew, Ayalew Seife, & Lyons Terrence (Under Review) Cyber Strategies and Diaspora Dynamics: Exploring Digital Financing in Ethnic Insurgencies in Ethiopia. *Civil Wars.*

Chala, H. Endalkachew (in preparation) Immigrant Airwaves: A Critical History of Ethiopian Community Radios in American Media Evolution. *American Journalism: A Journal of Media History.*

Jeslyn Lemke, & Chala H. Endalkachew (2016). An Ethnographic Content Analysis of Social Media Use in the Differing Politics of Senegal and Ethiopia's Newspapers. *Journal of African Media Studies 8(2)*: 167-185

Book chapters and additional publications

Chala, H. Endalkachew & Workneh Tewodros (in press). Cross-border Narratives: How Overseas Online Discourse are Reshaping Domestic Practice. In Celeste Gonzalez de Bustamante, Jeannine E. Relly, Ammina Kothari & Jyotika Ramaprasad (Eds.), *Companion to Global Journalism and Media at the Borders:* Routledge.

Esenler, A., Chala, E., Masouras, A., Popplewell, G., Sigal., I & Workneh, T. (2021). A Clash of Narratives: National Identity and Violent Conflict in Ethiopia. Global Voices, (pp.1-52). Available online at https://globalvoices.org/special/ethiopia-media-ecosystem-observatory/

Workneh, W. Tewodros & Chala, H. Endalkachew (in press). Global vs. Local Narratives: Media Framing of the Ethiopian Civil War by BBC, CNN and The New York Times Compared to the Ethiopian State Media. In Ehab Galal & Mostafa Shehata (Eds.), *Digital Battlefields: Transforming Media Narratives in Contemporary War and Conflict:* Palgrave.

Chala, H. Endalkachew. (2025, March). Cyber Strategies and Diaspora Dynamics: Exploring Digital Financing in Ethnic Insurgencies in Ethiopia. Paper presented at the 66th Annual Conference of the International Studies Association (ISA), Chicago, IL.

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2020, May). *"Ethiopia (up)rising": The Politics of Sustainable Development and Civic Desiring in Ethiopia*. A Paper presented at the Annual Conference of International Communication (ICA), Gold Coast, Australia (converted to virtual due to COVID-19).

Chala, H. Endalkachew. (2018, May). *Journalistic Security & Networked Press Freedom: Historical, Regional & Organizational Perspectives.* Paper presented at the 68th Annual Conference of the International Communication Association (ICA), Prague, Czech Republic.

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2018, July). *Ferments in aid-based Communication Empowerment Campaigns: Reflection on Ethiopia's Girl Band, Yagna.* Paper presented at the Annual Conference of International Association for Media and Communication (IAMCR), Eugene, OR.

Panel Presentations

Chala, H. Endalkachew. (2024, April). Presented a preliminary result on research project: *The Cultural Turn in Content Moderation: Reimaging Platform Governance* at Yale Law School, Information Society Project's Propaganda and Emerging Technologies Conference, New Heaven, CT. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8SKyQoN-h9o

Chala, H. Endalkachew. (2023, June). Presenter on a panel, *Governance in an Online Speech Leadership Series* at Yale Law School Information Society Project, New Heaven, CT.

Chala, H. Endalkachew. (2020, December). Presenter on a panel, *combating misinformation in under-resourced languages: Lessons from around the world*. (presented virtually due to COVID-19). https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M-g2nreGu-Y

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2020, January). Presenter on research workshop on *Disinformation, Democratic Processes, and Conflict Prevention* at Academic Network on Peace, Security, and the United Nations in New York, New York City, NY.

Invited Talks

Chala, H. Endalkachew. (2024, May). Participated on *Local News Impact Consortium at* University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN.

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2017, December). Presenter on a panel Threatened *Voices: A Database for Documenting Threats to Online Speech* Global Voices Summit, Colombo, Sri Lanka.

Chala, H. Endalkachew. (2016, March). Presenter on a panel *Cryptography and the fight for free speech*, SXSW, Austin TX.

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2015, April). Presenter on a panel *Journalism and foreign aid* at Columbia Journalism School, Columbia University, New York City, NY.

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2015, February). Presenter on a symposium *Media, democracy and technology: Possibilities and challenges* at University of Oregon, Eugene, OR.

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2015, January). Presenter on a penal *Charlie Hebdo: Between free speech, bigotry and blasphemy* at University of Oregon, Eugene, OR.

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2015, June). Presenter on a penal *Securing the newsroom at* Committee to Protect Journalists (CPJ) Tech Summit, San Fransisco, CA.

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2013, January). Presenter on a panel *coercive internet regulation* at Stockholm Internet Forum, Stockholm, Sweden.

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2012, October). Participated in Stanford's Program on Liberation Technology John S. Knight Journalism Fellowships, Sandford University, CA.

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Sample Journalistic Publications

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2024, September). *How social media is fueling geopolitical tension in the Horn of Africa*: Global Voices. Available online at https://globalvoices.org/2024/09/28/how-social-media-is-fueling-geopolitical-tensions-in-the-horn-of-africa/

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2024, September). *The murder of a young girl in Ethiopia reveals TikTok's content moderation failures*: Global Voices. Available online at https://globalvoices.org/2024/09/06/the-murder-of-a-young-girl-in-ethiopia-reveals-tiktoks-content-moderation-failures/

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2024, June). *Empathy*: The Key to a More Humane Online World. The Analysis and Response Toolkit for Trust (ARTT)Available online at https://www.artt.cs.washington.edu/post/empathy-the-key-to-a-more-humane-online-world/

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2023, June). *How TikTok influencers exploit ethnic divisions in Ethiopia*: Coda Story. Available online at https://www.codastory.com/authoritarian-tech/tktok-ethiopia-ethnic-conflict/

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2020, July). *How the murder of musician Hachalu Hundesa incited violence in Ethiopia*. Available online at https://globalvoices.org/2020/08/07/how-the-

murder-of-musician-hachalu-hundessa-incited-violence-in-ethiopia-part-i/

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2020, July). *How the murder of musician Hachalu Hundesa incited violence in Ethiopia*. Available online at https://globalvoices.org/2020/08/07/how-the-murder-of-musician-hachalu-hundessa-incited-violence-in-ethiopia-part-ii/

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2020, May). *How identity driven conflict fuel Ethiopia's incendiary social media rhetoric*. Available online at https://globalvoices.org/2020/05/25/conflict-of-identities-a-driving-force-behind-ethiopias-incendiary-social-media-rhetoric/

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2018, January). *Leaked Documents Show that Ethiopia's Ruling Elites Are Hiring social media Trolls (And Watching Porn).* Available online at https://globalvoices.org/2018/01/20/leaked-documents-show-that-ethiopias-ruling-elites-are-hiring-social-media-trolls-and-watching-porn/

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2019, November). *In Ethiopia's disinformation epidemic, the crumbling ruling coalition is the elephant in the room*. Available online at https://globalvoices.org/2019/11/22/in-ethiopias-disinformation-epidemic-the-crumbling-ruling-coalition-is-the-elephant-in-the-room/

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2019, January). *How Ethiopia's Ruling Coalition Created a Playbook for Disinformation.* Available online at https://globalvoices.org/2019/10/18/how-ethiopias-ruling-coalition-created-a-playbook-for-disinformation/

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2018, January). *Months after pledge to open internet, Ethiopia disrupts connectivity amidst communal violence, tension.* Available online at https://globalvoices.org/2019/08/29/months-after-pledge-to-open-internet-ethiopia-disrupts-connectivity-amidst-communal-violence-tension/

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2019, August). In Ethiopia, disinformation spreads through Facebook live as political tensions rise. Available online at https://globalvoices.org/2019/08/07/in-ethiopia-disinformation-spreads-through-facebook-live-as-political-tensions-rise/

Other Publications

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2018). Freedom on the Net 2018 – Ethiopia. Available online at https://freedomhouse.org/country/ethiopia/freedom-net/2018

Chala, H. Endalkachew (2014). Defending against overarching surveillance in Ethiopia: Surveillance self- defense. Available online at https://www.eff.org/deeplinks/2015/09/defending-against-overreaching-surveillance-ethiopia-surveillance-self-defense-n-0

Fellowships

Google Policy Fellowship at Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF), $7,500   **Summer 2014**
      Used to produce the Amharic Version of Surveillance Self
      Defense Guidelines
      San Fransisco CA, June-July 2014.
      Role: Recipient

Annenberg-Oxford Media Policy Summer Institute   **Summer 2012**

Funding

Research & Professional Development Fund, Hamline University, $1,500.   **Fall 2021-Spr. 2021**
      For project "Ethiopian Print Media Battle for Survival (1991-
      2024).: A longitudinal study of Ethiopian print media"
      Role: Recipient

PhD Dissertation Grant, University of Oregon, $1,500.   **Summer 2018**
      Used for travel to Washington DC to collect data on Ethiopian
      diaspora media, ESAT & OMN, June 2017.
      Role: Recipient

Colombia Scholarship, University of Oregon, $1,000.   **Summer 2016**
      Used to support my graduate study in Eugene, Oregon
      Role: Recipient

Colombia Scholarship, University of Oregon, $1,000.   **Summer 2015**
      Used to support my graduate study in Eugene, Oregon
      Role: Recipient

Colombia Scholarship, University of Oregon, $3,000.   **Fall 2013**
      Used to support my graduate study in Eugene, Oregon
      Role: Recipient

Assistant Professor, Hamline University   **Aug. 2018-Sept.2022**

    Courses Taught:

        COMM 1100: Introduction to Communication

        COMM 1110: Public Speaking

        COMM 1750: Small Group Communication

        COMM1320: Introduction to Critical Media Studies

        COMM 3320: Media in Digital Age

        COMM 3460: Intercultural Communication

        COMM 3300: Communication Research Methods

        COMM3420: Media in Global Perspective

Graduate Teaching Fellow, Oregon University   **Sept. 2013-May 2018**

    Courses Taught:

        J100: Media Professions

        J201: Media and Society

        J207: Gateway to Media

        J340: Principles of Advertising

        J396: International Communication

        J385: Communications Law

        J320: Gender, Media & Diversity

        J408: Advertising and Culture

Lecturer, Arba Minch University   **Aug. 2005-May 2012**

    Courses Taught:

        FLEn 201: Sophomore English

        FLEn 221: Introduction to Linguistics

        FLEn 211: Composition & Grammer

        FLEn 220: Research Methods

        FLEn 205: Argumentation and Debate

        FLEn 301: Principles of Journalism

        FLEn 311: Media Law& Ethics

        FLEn 305: Technical Report Writing

        FLEn 401: Business Writing

        FLEn 404: Public Speaking

        FLEn 405: Senior Capstone Project

        FLEn 421: Sociolinguistics

        FLEn 435: Survey of Ethiopian Literature

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY

Hamline University

Chair of IRB Committee	**Fall 2021-Spr. 2022**
Member of IRB Committee	**Fall 2019-Fall 2021**
Member of University Sustainability Committee	**Spr. 2019-Spr. 2022**

University of Oregon

Graduate Students Representative (Strategic Planning Work Group)	**Spring 2015**
Member of Faculty Position Search Committee	**Fall 2016**

SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT

Hamline University

Member of ad hoc committee (Work group that sought to launch a certificate program)	**Spr. 2019-Spr. 2020**
Judge, Student Research presentation	**April 2021**
First-Year Student Mentor and Major Exploration Advisor	**Spr. 2019-Spr. 2022**

Arba Minch University

Chair of the Department of English Language & Literature	**Fall 2005-Fall 2006**
Faculty Position Search Committee Member	**Fall 2008**
Coordinator of E-Learning Service	**Fall 2011**
Advisor for English major students in English club	**Fall 2008-Fall 2012**

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
Current or former member

International Communication Association (ICA)   **Since 2018**

Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication (AEJMC)   **Since 2020**

International Association for Media and Communication Research (IAMCR)   **Since 2016**

ATTENTION IN POPULAR PRESS
Selected Coverage

Adler, Simon. (2021, February 12). Facebook's Supreme Court. *Radiolab*
        https://radiolab.org/podcast/facebooks-supreme-court

Mersie, Ayenat. (2020, September 20). The Ethiopian-Egyptian Water War Has Begun.
        Foreign Policy. https://foreignpolicy.com/2020/09/22/the-ethiopian-egyptian-
        water-war-has-begun/

Abdurahman, Khadijah. (2020, November 12) Mis/Disinformation in the Context of the
        Oromo Protests *Castbox* Mis/Disinformation in the Context of the Oromo Protests
        (feat. Endalkachew Chala)

Gardener, Tom. (2019, March 26). Press freedom in Ethiopia has blossomed. Will it last? *The
        Economist* https://www.economist.com/middle-east-and-africa/2019/03/16/press-
        freedom-in-ethiopia-has-blossomed-will-it-last

Mumo Muthoki (2019, April 19) Under Abiy, Ethiopia's media have more freedom, but
        challenges remain *CPJ* https://cpj.org/2019/04/ethiopia-abiy-ahmed-press-freedom-
        reform/

Freethink Media. (2017 March 20) Journalists from surveillance in Ethiopia. *Freethink Media*
        https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NjZQZlXzYl4

BBC (2014, October 21) Digital Planet: Zone 9 Bloggers *BBC* Digital Planet - Zone 9 Bloggers -
        BBC Sounds