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<b>Current Position</b>	Postdoctoral Research Fellow, International Centre for Tax and Development, 2024-	
<b>Education</b>	<i>PhD, Political Science, UCLA, 2024</i> Committee: Daniel Posner (co-chair), Darin Christensen (co-chair), Kate Baldwin, Cesi Cruz  <i>MS, International Development, Wageningen University, 2016</i> Specialization: Development Economics, <i>Cum Laude</i>  <i>BA, Economics &amp; Philosophy, University of New Hampshire, 2012</i>	
<b>Working Papers</b>	“Building Fiscal Capacity with Traditional Political Institutions: Experimental and Qualitative Evidence from Sierra Leone.” <i>Job Market Paper</i> .  “Participation, Legitimacy and Fiscal Capacity in Weak States: Evidence from Participatory Budgeting,” with Abou Bakarr Kamara, Niccolò Meriggi, Julian Michel, and Wilson Prichard.  “Increasing Local Disease Preparedness and Surveillance Capacity for Global Health Security: A Cluster-randomised Control Trial,” with Maarten Voors, Macartan Humphreys, Salif Jaiteh, Mohamed Alpha Jalloh, Sellu Kallon, Niccolò Meriggi, and Peter Van der Windt. <i>Under review</i> .	
<b>Select Ongoing Projects</b>	“Property Taxation and Political Accountability: Evidence from a Rule-based Expansion of Tax Demands in Sierra Leone,” with Niccolò Meriggi, Julian Michel, and Wilson Prichard.  “Weber’s Nudge: Does Signaling Procedural Fairness on Tax Bills Increase Compliance?” with Abou Bakarr Kamara, Niccolò Meriggi, Julian Michel, and Wilson Prichard.	
<b>External Grants / Fellowships</b>	2024. J-Pal (K-CAI), <b>\$57,860</b> . For Preserving Mangroves and Livelihoods in Benin, with Darin Christensen and Ambaliou Olounlade 2024. International Centre for Tax and Development, <b>\$194,000</b> . For Traditional Leaders and Formal and Informal Taxation in Sierra Leone, with Vanessa van den Boogaard 2022. Mercatus Center Frédéric Bastiat Fellowship (declined), <b>\$5,000</b> . For Can Traditional Political Institutions Help the State Raise Property Taxes? 2021. International Centre for Tax and Development, <b>\$22,917</b> . For Can Traditional Political Institutions Help the State Raise Property Taxes? 2021. International Centre for Tax and Development, <b>\$5,884</b> . For Can Rural Property Taxation Generate Revenue? 2021. C. Lowell Harriss Dissertation Fellowship, <b>\$10,000</b> . 2019. International Centre for Tax and Development, <b>\$257,802</b> . For Compliance, Accountability and the Social Contract, with Niccolò Meriggi, Julian Michel, Wilson Prichard 2019. International Growth Centre, <b>\$25,929</b> . For Taxation and Political Participation, with Darin Christensen 2019. International Growth Centre, <b>\$25,652</b> . For Improving Tax Compliance in Freetown: Scoping Research, with Derek Holliday and Julian Michel 2018. International Growth Centre, <b>\$110,523</b> . For Electrifying Growth, with Niccolò Meriggi, Mushfiq Mobarak, and Maarten Voors	

	<p>2018. UKaid/OPM Energy and Economic Growth, <b>\$489,688</b>. For Electrifying Growth, with Niccolò Meriggi, Mushfiq Mobarak, and Maarten Voors</p> <p>2018. International Growth Centre, <b>\$25,542</b>. For Improving Tax Systems in Sierra Leone</p> <p>2018. International Growth Centre, <b>\$10,994</b>. For Electoral Impacts of Development Aid, with Niccolò Meriggi and Maarten Voors</p> <p>2018. International Growth Centre, <b>\$28,165</b>. For Mobilizing Voters with SMS, with Niccolò Meriggi and Maarten Voors</p> <p>2018. International Growth Centre, <b>\$12,925</b>. For Brighter Communities Safer Cities, with Daniel N. Posner</p> <p>2018. Sustainable Energy Transitions, <b>\$4,975</b>. For Brighter Communities Safer Cities.</p>				
<b>Internal Grants / Fellowships</b>	<p>2024. UCLA Political Science Department's Swarr Prize (for best unpublished grad paper)</p> <p>2023. UCLA/Keck Humanistic Inquiry Graduate Research Award, <b>\$8,000</b>.</p> <p>2023. UCLA Fellowship in Political Psychology, <b>\$1,995</b>.</p> <p>2022. UCLA Dissertation Year Fellowship, <b>\$20,000</b>.</p> <p>2022. UCLA Fellowship in Political Psychology, <b>\$2,000</b>.</p> <p>2021. UCLA Summer Mentored Research Fellowship, <b>\$6,000</b>.</p> <p>2021. UCLA Fellowship in Political Psychology, <b>\$2,000</b>.</p> <p>2019. UCLA Graduate Summer Research Mentorship Award, <b>\$6,000</b>.</p> <p>2018. UCLA Graduate Summer Research Mentorship Award, <b>\$6,000</b>.</p>				
<b>Talks</b>	<p>2024: GLD Workshop (online); WGAPE (Accra); World Bank Land Conference; IIPF; APCG Online Colloquium; Public Finance in Developing Countries; CGU Talk Series; UN-Habitat</p> <p>2023: Governance and Local Development Institute Annual Conference</p> <p>2022: CaliWEPS V; APSA; Global Development Conference; Sierra Leone Tax Conference</p> <p>2019: Harvard Experimental Political Science Graduate Conference</p>				
<b>Consulting</b>	<p>World Bank, <i>Consultant</i>, May 2024–December 2024 Project: Qualitative Assessment for Institutionalizing the Wan Fambul Framework in Sierra Leone</p> <p>ICTD, <i>Consultant</i>, March 2021–November 2023 Project: <a href="#">Can Rural Property Taxation Generate Revenue?</a></p> <p>Oxford Policy Management, <i>Consultant</i>, June 2020–July 2020 Project: <a href="#">The Role of Traditional Leaders in COVID-19</a></p> <p>Oxford Policy Management, <i>Consultant</i>, March 2020–May 2020 Project: <a href="#">A Rapid Assessment of the Response to COVID-19 in Sierra Leone</a></p>				
<b>Skills/ Experience</b>	<p><i>Languages:</i> English (Native), Sierra Leone Krio (Intermediate), Spanish (Intermediate)</p> <p><i>Fieldwork:</i> Sierra Leone (4+ years)</p>				
<b>References</b>	<table> <tr> <td>Daniel N. Posner Professor of Political Science, UCLA</td> <td>dposner@polisci.ucla.edu +1 (310) 825-3626</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Darin Christensen Associate Professor of Public Policy &amp; Political Science, UCLA</td> <td>darinc@luskin.ucla.edu +1 (310) 825-7196</td> </tr> </table>	Daniel N. Posner Professor of Political Science, UCLA	dposner@polisci.ucla.edu +1 (310) 825-3626	Darin Christensen Associate Professor of Public Policy & Political Science, UCLA	darinc@luskin.ucla.edu +1 (310) 825-7196
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