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Curriculum Vitae

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Senior Director, Global Innovation Fund (May 2019 – Present)

Assess the economic and social impacts of potential investments. Use knowledge of economic principles, theories, and econometrics to lead collaborative economic analyses. Serve as a member of deal teams to identify innovations with strong potential for social impact at a large scale.

Economist, Millennium Challenge Corporation (January 2017 – April 2019)

Assess cost effectiveness of MCC projects. Conducted data analysis for country growth diagnostics and cost-benefit analyses. Use knowledge of economic principles, theories, and econometrics to lead collaborative economic analyses. Work with the MCC Monitoring and Evaluation specialists on country teams to provide advice and guidance on M&E contracts and deliverables. Present main findings to MCC senior management, MCC Board of Directors, and country stakeholders, including the private sector, NGOs, and government representatives. Countries include Tunisia, The Gambia, Ethiopia, and Malawi. Topics of specific focus include human capital, water scarcity, power sector reform, and access to finance.

Research Agricultural Economist, USDA, Economic Research Service (October 2014-January 2017)

Markets and Trade Division, Food Security and Development Branch.

Conducted research and policy analysis on global food security and development. Use knowledge of economic principles, theories, and econometrics to lead individual and collaborative research projects. Research topics include food security measurement, gender differences in food security, and causes of food insecurity.

Research Associate, IMPAQ International, LLC. (September 2013-October 2014)

Labor and Human Services Division.

Conducted data analysis, impact evaluations, and policy analysis in the areas of labor, human services, health and international development. Provided technical assistance to government agencies. Managed and wrote proposals. Supervised the work of contractors and other team economists. Clients included Department of Labor, Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, and the Millennium Challenge Corporation.

Social and Behavioral Science Diversity Post-Doctoral Fellow, Ohio State University (Oct. 2011-Sept. 2013)

International Growth Centre Visiting Fellow, Ethiopia (Summer 2011)

Oversaw the research projects conducted by the Ethiopia office. Initiated and updated research on Ethiopia's agriculture sector. Conducted research on Ethiopia's youth labor market.

Assistant Professor of Economics, Claremont McKenna College (July 2008 – June 2011)

Courses: Principles of Economics, Intermediate Micro Economics, Development Economics, Research Methods

EDUCATION

University of Michigan, 2008, Ph.D. in Economics and Public Policy
University of Michigan, 2006, M.A. in Economics
Oberlin College, 2002, B.A. in Mathematics and Economics (Honors)

PUBLISHED/FORTHCOMING ARTICLES

- “What Explains Gender Differences in Food Insecurity?” *Food Policy*, February 2019, 83: 180-194
- “The Impact Of Safety Nets On Technology Adoption: A Difference-In- Difference Analysis.” (With Yonas Alem) *Agricultural Economics* (Forthcoming)
- “Immigration and the Labor Market Outcomes of Natives in Developing Countries: A Case Study of South Africa.” *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, April 2017, 65(3): 389-424
- “(Why) Do Self-Employed Parents Have More Children?” (with Gregory Hess and Ralph Chami), *Review of Economics of the Household*, June 2015, 13(2): 297-321
- “Aid and Agency in Africa: Explaining Food Disbursements Across Ethiopian Households, 1994-2004.” (with Rohini Somanathan and Stefan Dercon), *Journal of Development Economics*, May 2014, 108: 128-137
- “Ethiopia” in *Youth and Employment in Sub-Saharan Africa: Working but Poor* eds. Hiroyuki Hino and Gustav Ranis (with John Page, Tsegay Gebrekidan Tekleselassie, Tadele Ferede and Hansa Teklay Reda), Routledge, Taylor and Francis, pp. 163-231, 2014.
- “Ethiopia: Averting Violence through its Quest for Growth” in *Economic Roots of Conflict and Cooperation in Africa* eds. William Ascher and Natalia Mirovitskaya, Palgrave Macmillan pp. 85-106, 2013.
- “Food Aid and Adult Nutrition in Rural Ethiopia.” *Agricultural Economics*, January 2012, 43(1): 45-59.
- “New Wine in Old Wineskins? Growth, Terrorism and the Resource Curse in Africa.” (with S. Brock Blomberg and Gregory D. Hess) *European Journal of Political Economy*, December 2011, 27(1): S50-S63.

SUBMITTED PAPERS

- “Income and Experiential Food Security” [With John Hoddinott]
- “The Impact of Emergency Food Aid on Children's Schooling and Work Decisions” [With Tsegay G. Tekleselassie and Robert Poppe]

Other Publications

- “Progress and Challenges in Global Food Security.” (With Sharad Tandon, Maurice Landes, Cheryl Christensen, Steven LeGrand, Katie Farrin, and Karen Thome) EIB-175, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service
- “Food Insecurity Measures: Experience-Based versus Nutrition-Based Evidence from India, Bangladesh, and Ethiopia.” (With Sharad Tandon) ERR-220, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service
- Book Review: *Famine and Foreigners: Ethiopia Since Live Aid* by Peter Gill, *Journal of Economic Literature*, 2010, 49(2): 460-62

Working Papers

- The Effect of the Ebola Crisis on Food Security and Subjective Wellbeing

ACADEMIC GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Economic Research Service, *Innovation Research Grant*, 2015
- University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research, Regional Small Grants Program, June 2007-July 2008
- University of Michigan, *Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant*, January 2007
- University of Michigan, *Rackham One Term Dissertation Fellowship*, April 2006

University of Michigan, *Rackham Merit Fellowship*, 2002-2006
Claremont McKenna College, *Reed Fellowship*, May 2003
Oberlin College, *Comfort Starr Prize in Economics*, 2002
Oberlin College, *Hanson Prize in Economics*, 2001

PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

2018: Pathways to Gender Equality Conference
2018: University of Memphis, Economic Department Seminar Series
2018: Randolph College, Development Economics Course
2018: The National Treasury of South Africa
2018: African Centre for Migration & Society, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg
2018: Howard University, Economics Seminar
2016: Delhi School of Economics, 11th Annual Winter School
2016: Agricultural and Applied Economics Association Annual Meeting
2016: Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management International Conference
2016: Legatum Institute
2015: Illinois State University, Economic Seminar
2014: American Economic Association Annual Meeting
2014: The College of the Holy Cross, Economic Seminar
2014: Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 12th International Conference on the Ethiopian Economy
2013: Oberlin College, Learning and Labor Economics
2013: Population Association of America Annual Meeting
2013: Oberlin College, Danforth-Lewis Speaker Series
2012: Cape Town, South Africa, 6th Conference on Micro Evidence on Innovation in Developing Economies
2012: Ohio State University, IPR Speaker Series Seminar
2012: Ohio State University, AEDE Seminar Series
2012: Ohio State University, Applied Micro Seminar
2012: Oxford University, Centre For the Studies of African Economies Conference
2011: University of Cape Town, Saldru Seminar
2011: University of Southern California, Development Seminar
2011: University of California, Berkeley, Pacifica Conference for Development Economics
2010: Loyola Marymount University, Economic Seminar
2010: University of Buenos Aires, International Association for Feminist Economics
2009: Tufts University, Northeast Universities Development Consortium
2009: San Francisco State University, Pacific Conference for Development Economics
2009: University of Santa Barbara, American Economic Association Pipeline Conference
2009: University of California, Riverside, Applied Economic Seminar
2008: University of Santa Barbara, American Economic Association Pipeline Conference
2007: Oberlin College, Danforth-Lewis Speaker Series
2007: Oxford University, Centre for the Study of African Economies
2006: Delhi School of Economics
2006: University of Michigan, Students of Color of Rackham Conference
2005: University of Michigan, Economic Development and Transition Seminar

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member, Board of Directors, National Economic Association, 2015-Present
Member, Agricultural and Applied Economics Association, 2015-Present
Member, Association for the Advancement of African Women's Economists, 2014-Present
Member, American Economic Association, 2008-Present

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Agricultural Economics
Economic Development and Cultural Change
European Journal of Political Economy
Journal of Contemporary African Studies
Journal of Development Economics
Journal of Development Studies
Journal of Immigrant & Refugee Studies
Journal of Modern African Studies
Review of Black Political Economy
Review of Development Economics
South African Journal of Economics
World Development