

## *Curriculum Vitae*

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### **EDUCATION**

Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma	Ph.D.	1993	Agricultural Economics
African Institute of Development Economics & Planning, Dakar, Senegal	M.A.	1983	Development Economics and Planning
Addis Ababa University, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	B.A.	1978	Economics

### **POSITIONS / EMPLOYMENT**

**Coordinator of Agribusiness Program-** Department of Agriculture and Environment Sciences, 2012- present

**Research Professor,** G.W. Carver Agricultural Experiment Station and Department of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, 2011 – present

**Research Associate Professor,** G.W. Carver Agricultural Experiment Station and Department of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, 2001 – 2011

**Research Assistant Professor,** G.W. Carver Agricultural Experiment Station and Department of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, 1996 –2001

**Postdoctoral Research Associate,** G.W. Carver Agricultural Experiment Station and Department of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, 1994 -1996

**AREAS OF INTEREST:** Research on economic policy, economic impact analysis, and natural/environmental resources and economic development.

### **GRANTS CURRENT**

**Co-Principal Investigator** – “Assessing socioeconomic impacts of forest biomass based biofuel development on rural communities in the Southern United States”, Funding Agency- USDA/NIFA, \$64,755. (2013-2015)

### **GRANTS RECEIVED IN THE PAST**

**Principal Investigator** –“Interdisciplinary Experiential Natural Resource Learning Opportunities”, Funding Agency, USDA/CSREES, Capacity Building Program, \$200,000 (2008/09-2011/12)

**Principal Investigator** – “Sustainable Development for Alabama’s Black Belt: Linking Socio-economic, Institutional, and Environmental Factors” Funding Agency- USDA/NRI Bridge Grant, \$100,000 (2009-2011)

**Co-Principal Investigator** - “Development of Small Bioenergy Systems in Alabama”, Funding Agency, Alabama Agricultural Land Grant Alliance, \$25,000 (2007).

**Co-Principal Investigator** “The Status of Small to Medium Scale Private Sector Recreation Enterprises in Alabama with Special Focus on the Black Belt Region”, Funding Agency, Alabama Agricultural Land Grant Alliance, \$25,000 (2007)

**Co-Principal Investigator** “Alternative water source for non-consumptive domestic uses in rural Alabama”. Funding Agency, Alabama Agricultural Land Grant Alliance, \$25,000 (2006).

**Co-Principal Investigator** “Value Added and Alternative Farm Products from Farm Generated Biomass for the Small Scaled and Limited Resource Farmers”, Funding Agency, USDA Office of Energy Policy and New Uses (USDA-OCE), \$30,000 (2006-2008).

**Co-Principal Investigator** “Reshaping K-12 Pipeline and Sophomore Science Curricula through Genomic and Biotechnology Training” Funding Agency USDA/CSREES, Capacity Building Program, \$200,000 (2005-2008).

**Co-Principal Investigator** “Southern Agbiotechnology Consortium of Under-served Communities (SACUC)”, Funding Agency, USDA/CSREES- Initiative for Future Agriculture and Food Systems, \$377,957, (2001-2004).

**Principal Investigator** “Sustainable Economic Growth and Environmental Protection in Alabama With Focus on Black Belt Counties”, Funding agency, USDA/CSREES, Capacity Building Grant Program \$194,000, (1998-2001).

#### **BOOK CHAPTER**

Solaiman, Sandra, **Ellene Kebede**, and Emeline Aviki. 2010.” Business Plan, Production Enterprise, and Marketing Strategies” in Goat Science and Production, ed. Sandra G. Solaiman, Wiley-Blackwell, Chapter 18.

#### **SELECTED PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS**

**Kebede, Ellene**, Gbenga Ojumu and Edinam Adozssi. (In Press) Economic impact of wood pellet co-firing in South and West Alabama, *Energy for Sustainable Development*.

Kagochi, John M., Omar M. Al Nasser, and **Ellene Kebede**. (Forth Coming) Does Financial Development Hold the Key to Economic Growth? The Case of Sub-Saharan Africa, *The Journal of Developing Areas*, Volume 47, No2 Fall 2013.

**Kebede, Ellene**, John Kagochi and Curtis Jolly. 2010. Energy Consumption and Economic Development in Sub-Sahara Africa, *Energy Economics* 32 (2010) 532–537.

Kagochi, John, **Ellene Kebede**, and David Summers .2010 Are Remittances a Source of Development Capital? The Case of Sub Sahara Africa, *International Journal of Finance and Economics*, Issue 47 (2010):117-126.

Muhammad, Andrew and **Ellene Kebede**. 2009. The Emergence of an Agro-Energy Sector: Is Agriculture Importing Instability from the Oil Sector? *Choices*, 24(1): 12-5.

**Kebede, Ellene**, Curtis Jolly, and Giap V. Nguyen.2009. Ethanol Growth and related Impact on Corn and Poultry Markets, *The Journal of American Academy of Business, Cambridge*, 15(1):1-8.

Jolly, Curtis M., **Ellene Kebede**, and Alison Keefe. 2008. Income Determinants of Low Income Credit Unions, *The Empirical Economics Letters*, 7(9): 869-876.

- Kebede, Ellene**, J. Schelhas, and J. Haslerig. 2008. Alternative forest resource use – outdoor recreation and rural economies, *Journal of Environmental Monitoring and Restoration*, 5:20-29.
- Chembezi, D. M., E’licia L. Chaverest, Gerald Wheelock, Govind C. Sharma, **Ellene Kebede**, and Fisseha Tegegne. 2008. An Econometric Evaluation of Producers’ Preferences for Mandatory Labeling of Genetically Modified Food Products, *Journal of Food Distribution Research* 39(1):36-44
- Kebede**, Ellene, Patricia Duffy, and Robert Zabawa. 2007. Impact of Ethanol Production and Rural Economies: The Case of Alabama, *The Southern Business and Economic Journal*, Volume 30, # 1&2: 87-100.
- Yeboah, Osei-Agyeman, **Ellene Kebede**, Victor Ofori-Boadu, and Albert Allen. 2007. BSE and the US Economy: Input-Output Model Perspective, *Research in Agricultural and Applied Economics*, AgEcon Search, <http://purl.umn.edu/34877>.
- Kebede, Ellene**, Mudiayi Ngandu, John Schelhas, and Doris Batalia. 2006. Recreational Demand for Tuskegee National Forest: A Non-market Valuation, *The Business Review Cambridge*, Vol. 6 Num.1: 232-237.
- Gan, Jianbang and **Ellene Kebede**. 2005. “Multivariate probit modeling of decision on timber harvesting and request for assistance by African-American forestland owners” *Southern Journal of Applied Forestry*, Vol. 29, No 3: 135-142.
- Chaverest, Elicia L. Gerald Wheelock, Duncan M. Chembezi, and **Ellene Kebede**. 2004. An Analysis of Producers' Opinions on Mandatory Labeling of GM Products, *Research in Agricultural and Applied Economics*, AgEcon Search, <http://purl.umn.edu/34624>
- Kebede, Ellene**, Jianbang Gan, and Zewdu Gebyehu. 2003. “Non-point Source Pollution and Land Use Pattern Linkage: A Watershed Approach” *The Journal of the Alabama Academy of Sciences* Vol. 74 No 3-4:197-209.
- Kebede, Ellene**, Dean F. Schreiner, and Gobena Huluka. 2002. “Economic-Environmental Modeling of Point Source Pollution in Jefferson County, Alabama,” *Journal of Environmental Management*, 65/1 pp.85-94
- Kebede, Ellene** and Curtis M. Jolly. 2001. “Effects of Financial Structure and Instruments on Income of Low Income Credit Unions“, *Journal of Applied Financial Economics*, 11: 231-236.
- Kebede, Ellene** and Curtis M. Jolly. 1999. “Structure of Financial Instruments on Low Income Credit Union in the South” Selected Paper abstract Proceedings, *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, Vol. 81, Number 5, p.1300.
- Kebede, Ellene** and Mudiayi Ngandu. 1999. “The Economic Impact of the Mercedes Benz Investment on the State of Alabama,” *Journal of Agricultural & Applied Economics*, 31, pp. 371-382.
- Kebede, Ellene** and Jinbang Gan. 1999. “The Economic Potential of Vegetable Production for Limited Resource Farmers in South Central Alabama,” *Journal of Agribusiness*, Vol. 17, No 1, pp. 63-75.
- Kebede, Ellene**. 1997. “The Potential of Credit Unions to Mitigate the Financial Constraint of Low Income Farmers,” *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, Vol. 79, No.5: 1693.
- Kebede, Ellene** and Dean F. Schreiner. 1996. "Economies of Scale in Dairy Marketing Cooperatives in Kenya," *Agribusiness: An International Journal*, Vol. 12, Number 4, July/August, pp. 395-402.

**COURSES TAUGHT:**

ECON 201 Principles of Macroeconomics  
AGEC 501 Economic Planning  
AGEC 502 Resource Economics  
AGEC 513 Agricultural Prices  
AGEC 553 Macroeconomics  
AGEC 604 Microeconomics Theory and Application

**SCHOLARLY CONTRIBUTION AT TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY****Graduate Faculty-**

- a) **Undergraduate** - 5 students from the Department of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences.
- b) **Graduate Students** - served as major advisor for 10 students, currently major advisor for three students. Served as committee member for 15 graduate students in Agricultural and Resource Economics.

**Chair Person-** Curriculum Committee of the Department of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Advisory Board.

**Committee Chair-** Students data base to and exit survey for the Department of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences.

**Committee Co-chair** – the committee to develop partnerships and increase internships, research and teaching in the College of Agriculture, Environmental, and Natural Sciences.

**Committee Member-** Research and Graduate Studies Committee

**Council Member** - Tuskegee University Forestry and Natural Resource Advisor  
Council – involved in the capacity building effort.

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

**President** - 2000. Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society, Tuskegee University Chapter.

**Socio-economic Chair** - 2001-2004. Southern Agbiotechnology Consortium of Under-served Communities project

**Secretary** - 2006- 2008. Gamma Sigma Delta Honor Society, Tuskegee University Chapter.

**Monthly Seminar Coordinator-** Since 2010- Gamma Sigma Delta Honor Society, Tuskegee University Chapter.

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

American Agricultural Economics Association  
International Association of Agricultural Economists  
Southern Agricultural Economics Association  
Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society  
Gamma Sigma Delta Agriculture Honor Society

**CURRENT COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Volunteer- American Red Cross Society Lee County Chapter, Alabama,  
Volunteer -East Alabama Food Bank Community Market- Lee County, Alabama

**AWARD**

African Dissertation Internship Award, Rockefeller Foundation, 1991.  
Fulbright Scholar 2012-2013.