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EDUCATION Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

2020-2026

Ph.D., Political Science, (expected 2026)

M.A., Political Science (2022, incidental degree)

Exam Fields: Comparative Politics, Formal Theory & Quantitative Methods

Other areas of focus: Political economy, Southeast Asia

Committee: Carles Boix, Leonard Wantchekon, Rory Truex, Germán Gieczewski

Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT

2011-2015

B.A. (with honors), Economics (2015) *Phi Beta Kappa* Honors Society (2015)

University of Oxford, Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford, UK

2013-2014

Visiting Student, Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (PPE)

ARTICLES Education for Control and Liberation in Africa and Among the Black Diaspora, with

Guilherme Lambais, Dozie Okoye, and Leonard Wantchekon. 2023. Comparative Ed-

ucation Review, 67 (4): 861-883.

 $Fishing\ Rights\ and\ Colonial\ Government:\ Institutional\ Development\ in\ the\ Bengal\ Pressure and\ Colonial\ Government and\ Colonial\ Govern$ 

idency, with Richard Adelstein. 2021. Cambridge Journal of Economics (45): 313-331.

BOOK CHAPTERS The Art of Conquering Without Being Right: Agency, Education, and Learning by Do-

ing in Cheikh Hamidou Kane's *Ambiguous Adventure*, with Paul-Aarons Ngomo and Leonard Wantchekon. 2025. Forthcoming in *Economics and Literature* eds. François Bourguignon, Avinash K. Dixit, Luc Leruth, and Jean-Philippe Platteau. London: Rout-

ledge.

Work in Progress

The Pull of the Center: Mobilization, States, and Rural Transformation in Communist

Revolution. 2025. Under review.

Economic Shocks, Sovereign Debt, and Authoritarian Institutions in the Third Wave.

2025.

Rural Modernization in the Shadow of Failed Revolution. 2025.

Three Networks in a Zomian Revolution. 2025.

Anti-colonial Conflict and National Identity Formation in Southeast Asia. 2025.

Colonial Military Recruitment and Nationalist Mobilization: Evidence from Algeria

and the Raj, with Hani Abdel-Warith. 2025.

Democratization and the Industrial Organization of Political Dynasties, with Napon Ja-

tusripitak. 2025.

A Spatial Model of Authoritarian Policy-Making. 2023.

Awards and Honors	Harold W. Dodds Honorific Fellowship, Princeton University  Southeast Asia Research Group (SEAREG), Fellow  Winter	-2026 2024
Research Grants	The Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice, Princeton University, for dissertation and dissertation fieldwork  Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, for pre-dissertation an sertation fieldwork  2022- Davenport Grant, Wesleyan University, for undergraduate thesis fieldwork	-2024 d dis-
Presentations	APSA 2024, 2025 (sched	2024
Teaching	Comparative Politics (undergraduate), Assistant Instructor Spring	2022 -2019
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Professional Experience	<ul> <li>Office of American Spaces, US Department of State, Hanoi, Vietnam 2019-Consultant, Impact Assessment and Monitoring and Evaluation (M&amp;E)</li> <li>Designed and implemented surveys, conducted 40+ interviews and multiple groups, created impact evaluation and M&amp;E framework for US embassy educate and civic programming in Laos and Vietnam. Conducted first ever impact and of American Spaces.</li> </ul>	focus tional
	<ul> <li>Fulbright Program, Vientiane, Laos</li> <li>Fulbright Fellow</li> <li>Developed syllabi for classes in English, social studies, and professional skills for versity students and young professionals and taught full time at the American Convientiane. Helped plan orientation and structure Fulbright program in Laos.</li> </ul>	r uni-
	<ul> <li>The Northstar Group, Inc., New York, NY         Investment Associate     </li> <li>Researched investments and helped make portfolio allocation decisions at group investment advisory. Developed and programmed Monte Carlo simulations to cast portfolio performance.</li> </ul>	owing
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R, Stata, Python, MatLab,  $\LaTeX$ 

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