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Education

Georgetown University, *Master of Public Policy*

Organizations: *Georgetown Public Policy Review senior online editor*

Washington, DC

May 2018

University of Chicago, *BA in Political Science*

Distinctions: *Dean's List (2013, 2014, 2015)*

Organizations: *Chicago Journal of Foreign Policy editor, UChicago Philosophy Review editor*

Chicago, IL

June 2015

Professional Experience

Busara Center for Behavioral Economics, Labs Division

Research Specialist

Lagos, Nigeria/Remote

March 2020-Present

- Design experiments for lab and field studies, including survey design, sampling strategy, pre-analysis plan, laboratory protocol, and data collection procedure
- Develop and manage internal research projects, including experiment testing fake news susceptibility and assessment of sampling bias in remote data collection
- Redesigned analysis plan and data collection protocols for anti-piracy evaluation in Somalia to accommodate last minute COVID-19 restrictions
- Led four-day bootcamp on power analysis and quasi-experimental methods for junior staff

Social Impact, Impact Evaluation Division

Independent Consultant (Part-Time)

Program Associate

Arlington, VA

February-August 2020

October 2017-January 2020

- Conducted advanced econometric analyses, such as difference-in-differences, panel regressions, and matching algorithms, for field experiments in infrastructure, health, governance, and education
- Co-authored quasi-experimental impact evaluation of USAID's Early Grade Reading Assessment in Ghana, including analysis plan, data visualization, report writing, and statistical analysis of data from over 20,000 pupils and 470 schools
- Managed complex data collection efforts, including coordination of 200 in-country enumerators and high frequency checks of incoming data from over 30 simultaneously administered tools in 10 languages
- Experienced with collection and management of personally and politically sensitive data in accordance with IRB, MCC, and USAID privacy protocols

US Securities and Exchange Commission, Division of Economic and Risk Analysis

Honors Business Intern

Washington, DC

January-May 2017

- Analyzed, cleaned, and visualized large financial datasets of over 100GB for SEC Tick Size Pilot
- Managed and queried internal datasets within Unix and Redhat server environments

Fellowships

Deloitte Foundation Data Analytics Fellowship

Fellowship Recipient

Arlington, VA

May 2017-April 2018

- Awarded grant to analyze relationship between university education and civic engagement to assist Georgetown University in administrative programming
- Analyzed student-level longitudinal data using regression and machine learning models
- Winner of Core Consulting Series competition

Causal Design

Graduate Fellow

Washington, DC

June-August 2017

- Conducted quantitative impact evaluations for Mercy Corps projects on poverty backsliding in Syria and Nigeria, including drafting analysis plans and analyzing data with statistical packages
- Performed cost-benefit analysis and literature review for World Bank Mozambique project on farming firm aid

Additional Skills

Technical Skills: R, Stata, Git, Bash, LaTeX, SurveyCTO, Qualtrics, Tangerine (RTI), MS Office, Sharepoint

Extended International Experience: Philippines (15 years), Paris (study abroad)

Personal Projects: Established Debian-based three-node 15TB remote server and cloud network

Conferences

- 2019 American Evaluation Association: *Advancements in Early Grade Reading Evaluation in Ghana*