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Current Position: Visiting Scholar, Council on African Studies, Yale University, USA

Professional Summary

Anthropologist with a Ph.D. in Social Anthropology and extensive university teaching experience in Ethiopia and the U.S. Current visiting scholar at Yale University. Research expertise in identity, gender, conflict resolution, and education. Seeking a teaching and research position in a dynamic academic institution.

Education

Ph.D., Social Anthropology, Addis Ababa University, 2017

M.A., Multilingual & Multicultural Education, Addis Ababa University, 2007

B.A., Ethiopian Languages & Literature (Amharic), Addis Ababa University, 2003

Academic Appointments

2024–Present Visiting Scholar, Council on African Studies, Yale University, USA

2010–2024 Assistant Professor, Department of Social Anthropology, Wollo University, Ethiopia

Teaching Experience

▪ Courses Taught at Wollo University:

- Anthropology of Gender, Migration and Globalization, Social Anthropology, Development Anthropology, Ethnography of Africa, Religious Anthropology and Anthropology of Pastoral Societies
- Qualitative Research Methodology, Applied Anthropology, Ecological Anthropology, Linguistic Anthropology, Urban Anthropology
- Introduction to Amharic Folklore, Amharic Grammar, Ethnomusicology, Teaching in Multicultural Settings

- Course Taught at Yale University
 - Anthropology of Education

Research Interests

- Historical ethnography and identity
- Indigenous conflict resolution and customary practices
- Gender, education, and multicultural education
- Political economy and youth studies in Africa
- Social cohesion and post-conflict community development

Selected Publications

Wolde, M. & Teferi, Y. (2023). The role of landscape management practices to address natural resource degradation and human vulnerability in Awash River basin, Ethiopia.

Current Research in Environmental Sustainability, Elsevier.

Tewodros Kassie & Teferi, Y. (2020). The Challenges of Globalization to Africa: Theoretical Reflections and Practical Assessments. *World Journal of Research and Review, 11(3).*

University Service and Leadership Roles

- Head, School of Social Sciences, Wollo University (2018–2024)
- Chair and member of multiple curriculum development and review committees (2018–2024)
- Organizer of national and regional academic conferences and training programs
- Member, Research and Editorial Committees at Wollo University
- Founder, Wollo Ethnographic Records Center (2023)

Grants and Research Projects

- Won an international competition on a project entitled “NORPART-2018/10149-MA program in Social Anthropology-NTNU-Wollo University collaborative project”
- Principal Investigator or Co-Investigator on many applied research projects funded by international donors (USAID, IWMI, etc.)

- Studies include: political culture of youth, post-conflict reconstruction, identity and peace, traditional music, WASH services, and food security
- Conducted national-level assessments on education, gender inclusion, and indigenous practices in Ethiopia
- Co-founder of consultancy firm for environmental and social impact assessments in Wollo, Ethiopia

Conference Presentations and Public Lectures

- Delivered lecture: 'Identity from Below: An Ethnographic Account of Wollo-Borena in Ethiopia', Yale University, 2024
- Presenter at national workshops and academic conferences on identity, education, globalization, and interethnic harmony, at different places in Ethiopia
- 2024 Participant, Annual Conference of the American Anthropological Association in Tampa, Florida

Professional Memberships

- American Anthropological Association (AAA), Member since 2024
- The Ethiopian Society of Sociologists, Social Workers, and Anthropologists (ESSSWA), Member since 2015

Languages

Amharic – Native

English – Fluent

References

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