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Career Summary

Applied economist with over 20 years experience working on African development issues. Excellent skills in microeconomics and empirical methods, including spatial analysis. Career mainly in academia with experience working on short-term consultancy assignments. Managerial experience includes coordinating international team of scholars on research project funded by multi-donor trust fund.

Fields of Competence

Development economics, industrial & urban development, applied microeconomics, and labor economics.

Education

1998	DPhil in Economics, University of Oxford, England.
1992	MSc in Development Economics, University of Oxford, England.
1987	MSc in Economic History, London School of Economics, England.
1986	BA in Economics & Political Science, Emory University, Atlanta, GA.

Current Appointment

University of Oxford, England. 2014-present
Project Manager/Senior Researcher, Department of Economics
Programme on Urbanization in Sub-Saharan Africa and Developing Economies

- Project Manager and Senior Researcher on urbanization project funded by the Multi-Donor Trust Fund on Sustainable Urbanization of the World Bank and the United Kingdom Department for International Development.
- Manage and analyze large datasets, including big data.
- Experience consulting with World Bank economists as well as national and local government agencies, think tanks, universities, and statistical offices in Africa.
- Outputs include academic papers, World Bank reports, working papers, book chapters, and blog posts.

Past Appointments:

Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY.

Department of Economics

Assistant Professor	2008-2014
Adjunct Professor	2006-2008
Assistant Professor (resigned)	1999-2002

University of Kent, Canterbury, England.

Department of Economics

Lecturer	2003-2004
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London School of Economics, England.

Centre for Economic Performance

Research Officer	1998-1999
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University of Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

Department of Economics

Visiting Lecturer	Spring 1996
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University of Bristol, England.

Department of Economics

Part-time Lecturer	Fall 1995 & Fall 1996
Temporary Lecturer	1994-1995
Teaching Assistant	1992-1993

The World Bank Group, Washington, DC.

Research Assistant.	1988-1991
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Publications:

“Transforming Dar es Salaam into a City that Works,” (with Paul Collier) in Adam, C., P. Collier and B. Ndulu (eds.), *Tanzania: the Path to Prosperity*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2017.

“The Urban Wage Premium in Africa,” (with Olivia D’Aoust and Louise Bernard) in S. Johnson-Lans (ed.), *Wage Inequality in Africa*. NY: Palgrave, 2017.

“Foreign Direct Investment and Racial Wage Inequality: Evidence from South Africa,” (with Shirley Johnson-Lans) in S. Johnson-Lans (ed.), *Wage Inequality in Africa*. NY: Palgrave, 2017.

“History Matters: New Evidence on the Long-run Impact of Colonial Rule on Institutions,”
Journal of Comparative Economics, 2013 41(1).

“Child Brides in Rural Rajasthan” (with Shirley Johnson-Lans), *Asian Women*, 2012
28(4):59-82.

“A Picture of Job Insecurity Facing British Men” (with Stephen Nickell and Glenda
Quintini), *Economic Journal*, 2002 112.

“Are Educated Workers Really More Productive?” *Journal of Development Economics*,
2001 64(1).

“Skill Formation and Inequality in Poor Countries: How much do Ethnic Neighborhoods
Matter?” *Journal of African Economies*, 1998 7(1).

“Learning By Doing in Sub-Saharan Africa: Evidence from Ghana,” (with Abigail Barr),
Journal of International Development, 1996 8(3).

“The Fruits of Learning: Does Education make Workers More Productive and Better
Paid?” *CentrePiece*, Summer 1999. 4(2).

World Bank Working Papers & Policy Reports:

“Selection, Firm Turnover, and Productivity Growth: Do Emerging Cities Speed up the
Process? (with Taye Mengistae & Albert Zeufack), WPS8291, Jan. 2, 2018.

Kampala: A Policy Narrative (with J. Bird, C. Beck, and A. Haas). 2016.

Dar es Salaam: A Policy Narrative (with J. Bird, A. Laski, and J.M. Kironde). 2016.

Addis Ababa: A Policy Narrative (with S. Franklin, M. Daredia. and S. Zenebe). 2016.

Lusaka: A Policy Narrative (with K. del Frari, L. Ferreira, and M. Sladoje). 2016.

Nairobi: A Policy Narrative (with L. Bernard, L. Ferreira, and T. Muhoro). 2016.

Kigali: A Policy Narrative (with L. Ferreira and S. Murray). 2016.

Research in Progress:

“Are Cities Sources of Productivity Growth? (with Paul Collier and Dewi Spijkerman)

“Selection, Firm Turnover, and Productivity Growth: Do Emerging Cities Speed up the Process?” (with Taye Mengistae & Albert Zeufack)

“Agglomeration Economies in Africa” (with Marco Sanfilippo & Nouhom Traore)

“Market Size, Sunk Costs, and Transport Costs: An Empirical Evaluation of the Impact of Demand Side Factors vs Supply Side Factors on Manufacturing Productivity” (with Emmanuel Larrey, Taye Mengistae, and Albert Zeufack)

“What Can the Human Genome Tell Us about the Economic Effects of Malaria?”

Blog Posts:

The Importance of Property Rights for Successful Urbanization in Developing Countries (with Astrid Haas). January 2017. International Growth Centre. Available to download at <https://www.theigc.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/property-rights-uganda.pdf>

Done Right: Urbanization can Boost Living Standards in Africa. The Conversation. May 15, 2015. Available to download at <http://theconversation.com/done-right-urbanisation-can-boost-living-standards-in-africa-41191>

Recent Presentations:

World Bank Annual Conference on Africa. June 14-15, Stanford, CA.

CSAE Conference: Economic Development in Africa. March 19-21, 2017. Oxford, England.

World Bank Annual Conference on Africa. June 13-14 2016. Oxford, England.

East and Central Africa Development Forum. May 24-26 2016. Kampala, Uganda.

World Bank Land & Poverty Conference. March 14-18 2016. Washington, DC.

IGC Ethiopia Growth Forum, 7-8 March 2016. Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

World Bank & Africa Centre for Economic Transformation (ACET) Conference on Urbanization in Africa: Trends, Promises, and Challenges. June 1-2, 2015, Accra, Ghana.

IGC Workshop: Population Growth, Internal Migration and Urbanization. February 25-26 2015, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

Courses Taught:

2006-2014	Microeconomics: 1 st year course Vassar College Taught 2-3 sections per year
2010-2012	Microeconomic Theory: 2 nd year course Vassar College Taught 2 sections per year
2006-2014	Development Economics: 2 nd year course Vassar College Taught 2-3 sections per year
2006-2012	Origins of Economic Growth: 3 rd year course Vassar College Taught 1-2 sections per year