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Positions

Fall 2021 - Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science.

Present Brigham Young University, Provo, UT

Education

June 2021 Ph.D. in Political Science.

Yale University, New Haven, CT

Subfields: Comparative Politics, Political Economy, International Relations

2018 Master of Arts in Political Science.

Yale University, New Haven, CT

2018 Master of Philosophy in Political Science.

Yale University, New Haven, CT

2013 Bachelor of Arts in International Relations.

Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah

Research Interests

Experimental design and RCTS to understand development politics, gender politics and changes in gender norms, with a current focus in East Africa and the rest of the African Continent

More broadly interested in International Development and comparative gender norms.

Publications

Published

"Political Economy of Gender," with Frances Rosenbluth, Annabelle Hutchinson, Hikaru Yamag-ishi, Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics, July 2018.

"Women's Empowerment: Gender, Governance, and Land in Afar, Ethiopia." with Adi Greif et al., Report for USAID, 2018.

Papers in Progress

"Norms as a Bridge between Attitudes and Behavior: Evidence from a Field Experiment in Tanzania on Gender Norms." A largest of it's kind focus group experiment in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania to understand if primary social groups effect attitudes and behavior surrounding women's participation in politics..

"Dynamics for Norm Change: Evidence from a focus group experiment in Tanzania Using data from a focus group experiment in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, I explore the dynamics of primary social groups and their effect on women's political participation.

"Do Western Researchers Affect How We Observe Gender Dynamics in the Field? An Experimental Study." Understanding the gendered effects of the presence of researchers on data collected during field work. Based on an experiment in rural Tanzania in 2018.

"The Effect of Foreign Researcher Presence on Elite Survey Responses: Evidence from an Experiment in Tanzania." with Prof. Katharine Baldwin and Constantine Manda, Exploring how the prescience of a foreign researcher effects the type and quality of information given by local elites during field research in rural Tanzania.

Teaching Experience

- Fall 2021 International Political Economy of Women, Brigham Young University.
 - Effects upon national, international, and developmental policies when women are rendered visible and valued. Includes topics of development, security, and women in politics.
- Fall 2021 African Politics, Brigham Young University.

Undergraduate introduction to African politics, covering pre-colonial and colonial legacies, through modern systems and themes. Includes studies of specific cases, challenges to democracy, and post-conflict politics.

- Spring 2021 The Logic of Experiments *Prof. Alex Coppock*, Yale University.
 - Teaching fellow of undergraduate class aimed at teaching the basics of experimental design and analysis. Lead sections focused on teaching R in the tidyverse, with particular emphasis on replicability and research design.
- Winter 2018 Sex, Markets, and Power Prof. Frances Rosenbluth, Yale University.
- & Fall 2019 Teaching Fellow for two semesters, including head-teaching fellow for a large class with several TFs. Course including topics of biological, economic, and politics differences between the genders and how those distinctions translate into gender norms. Both semesters were for writing-intensive sections, which combined the usual discussion section with guidance on a long-paper writing requirement. Head-TF responsibilities including organizing sections, co-writing the exam, and assisting other TFs.
 - Fall 2018 **Development Under Fire,** *Prof. Jason Lyle*, Yale University.

Teaching fellow in a course on conducting development research in conflict and post-conflict areas. Taught two sections, and co-writing the exams.

Guest lecture on ethics and safety while conducting field work.

Fall 2017 Intro to African Politics, Prof. Katharine Baldwin, Yale University.

Introductory course on the political landscape and colonial history of the African Continent. Guest lecture on international aid in Africa

Winter 2013 **Political Inquiry,** *Prof. Daniel Nielson*, Brigham Young University.

Teaching assistant for course aimed at introducing students to research in political science. The course was writing intensive, emphasizing style and syntax, and also introduced research methods and standards. Taught weekly section.

Research Experience

2019 **Dissertation Field Research** *Principle Investigator*, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

Completed data collection on dissertation research. This involved designing the experiment, creating the survey instrument securing government permits, recruiting and training local field managers and enumerators, and monitoring the results while in Tanzania.

- 2018 **Co-PI and Project Manager in the field** with Prof. Katharine Baldwin, Tanzania.
 - Worked as a co-author to plan, research, and carry out the project. Worked in the field to train and supervise field managers and enumerators throughout Tanzania. Also acted as the treatment in the experiment.
- 2015-2016 **Graduate Research Assistant** *Prof. Susan Hyde*, New Haven.

General research assistance, including reviewing survey instruments, cleaning data, literature review, IRB applications, and submitting pre-analysis plans for several projects, focusing on elections on the African Continent.

2014-2015 **Project Manager** *Political and Economic Development Lab, Prof. Daniel Nielson*, Provo, UT; Uganda; Tanzania.

Managed a team of undergraduate research assistants, including travelling with some students to Uganda and Tanzania for field research; Managed and prioritized a large research portfolio, including all aspects of project development, design, and analysis; prepared submissions for grant proposals, IRB approval and pre-registration.

- 2014 **Field Manager** Oxford University, Center for the Study of African Economies, Dr. Justin Sandefur and Dr. Matthew Collins, (Center for Global Development), in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

 Managed the implementation of a large survey-based research project in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, including programming the survey, training and managing the enumerator team of 40, securing research permits, and insuring data quality.
- 2013 **Undergraduate Research Assistant** *BYU Department or Economics, Prof. Olga B. Stoddard,* Provo, UT.
 - Executed experimental research with computer-based subject participation; preliminary analysis of results.
- 2013 **Undergraduate Research Assistant** *BYU Political Science Department, Prof. Daniel Nielson,* Provo, UT.
 - Assisted in data collection for large-scale international research projects, including coding and maintaining email correspondence with research subjects, according to protocol.
- 2012 Co-Principle Investigator Summer Research Abroad, Kampala, Uganda.

Designed and implemented an RCT on ethnic identity salience, including training enumerators in two field sites in Uganda (Kampala and Gulu), collecting and analyzing the data and presenting the results. The project was pre-registered with EGAP.

Grants

- 2019 MacMillan International Dissertation Fellowship \$18,000.
- 2017 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship \$8.500.
- 2013 Office of Research and Creative Activities Grant \$1,500.

Skills

Experimental Methodology:

Extensive experience in design and implementation of randomized control trials in social science, particularly in the context of international locations and developing economies.

R:

Training and proficiency in data management, data analysis, and data visualization; Understanding of research organization and probability by simulation, as well as replicability.

Stata:

General understanding of data management, multivariable regression analysis, and other data analytical tools..

Research in Conflict Areas:

Completed training in summer of 2018 through International Location Services on risk-reduction, first aid, and situational awareness.

Coursework

Quantitative Methods Sequence

Sub-Field Sequences Research Area-Specific Advanced Quantitative Methods; Probability and Statistics (in Statistics Department); Research Design and Data Analysis.

Comparative Politics, International Relations, Political Economy

Conflicts in the [African] Great Lakes Region; Political Economy of Gender and Sex

Languages

English Native

Spanish Fluent

Swahili Proficient

French Basic