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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

Watson Institute for International Studies/Population Studies, Brown University US

July 2014 –present **Postdoctoral Fellowship**

2013 –present *Co-chair Africa Initiative Watson Institute*

2014 –present *Deputy Convener Brown International Advanced Research Institutes (BIARI) Ethnicity, Conflict and Inequality in Global Perspective Institute*

Feb. 2012 –June 2014 **Research and Teaching Fellow**

Oct. 2011 – Dec. **Visiting Scholar**

School of International Development, University of East Anglia UK

2008, 2011 – present **Research Fellow and Instructor**

University of the Witwatersrand Johannesburg South Africa

Feb. -2007 –Aug. 2007 **Visiting Fellow**

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Brown University

2013 – present

**International Relations and Development Studies
(undergraduates/graduates)**

- Political economy of Development in Africa (DS 1550)
- Ethnicity and Inequality in Global Perspectives (INTL 1440)
- Participatory Development (DS 1801)
- Development Skills

University of East Anglia UK

2010 -2011

International Development Studies (graduate workshops)

- Research Method
 - Introduction to Development Perspective
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EDUCATION

2010

PhD International Development (with distinction)

University of East Anglia, Norwich, UK

2004

MA International Economics and Trade

London Metropolitan University, UK

2002

MA International Law and Diplomacy

Faculty of Law, University of Lagos, Nigeria

1994

BA (Hons) Philosophy

Ondo State University, Nigeria

RESEARCH INTEREST

Field :- political economy.

Research interest: - policy process, comparative politics, inequality and ethno-religious conflict, institutional arrangement democracy and theories of power.

Primary regional interest is Africa and I have done work on Nigeria, South Africa, Ghana, Kenya and Zimbabwe.

CURRENT RESEARCH

- *The Boko Haram Insurgency in Nigeria*

Currently conducting a field research in Nigeria investigating the rise of Boko Haram. The field work including key informants interviews, archival and media catalogues.

- *Natural Resource Policy and the Performance of Natural Resources Fund (NRF)* With Glenn Loury and Eytan Sheshinski and supported by Watson Collaboration Grant
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SELECTED ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Book

Homegrown Development in Africa: Illusion or Reality (Principal author) With Okereke C. Routledge Publisher

Journal articles

“Business strategy and corporate responsibility: perception and practice in the oil industry and the role of non-governmental organizations”. (With Ghalib Asad) *Journal of Business Economics and Management*, 15(5), 951-963.

“Trajectories of Power Relations in Post-Apartheid South Africa” *Open Area Studies Journal*, 2011 Vol. 4pp 32-40

Book chapters and reviews

Ultimate Poverty in The SAGE Encyclopedia of World Poverty edited by Mehmet Odekon (2015) Sage Publication

“Ghana” in The SAGE Encyclopedia of World Poverty edited by Mehmet Odekon (2015) Sage Publication

“Caliban Reason and African Traditional Reasoning” (book review) *The Antigua and Barbuda Review of Books 2013* Vol. 6 No. 1 pp. 193-201

Selected Working papers and other publications

“How socially responsible are multinational corporations? Perspectives from the developing world” With Ghalib A. *UEA DEV Working Paper 32*

“Small business development and poverty alleviation in Alexandra, South Africa”. *Society for the Study of Economic Inequality (ECINEQ Society, Berlin)*.

Media Publication

Postponing Nigeria's elections may help the cause of democracy – Global Post.

<http://www.globalpost.com/dispatches/globalpost-blogs/commentary/postponing-nigerias-elections-may-help-the-cause-democracy>

No Simple Choices as Nigeria Votes – Global Observatory

<http://theglobalobservatory.org/2015/03/nigeria-goodluck-jonathan-election-boko-haram/>

WORKS UNDER REVIEW

Development perspectives on the relationship between demography, democracy and development in Africa Demography, Development and Democracy in Africa (forthcoming Routledge Publishing)

Equipping the Poor: The Role of Small Business in Alexandra, South Africa in *Managing Development in Developing and Transitional Countries: Theory and Practice*, Justice Nyigmah Bawole, J. N.; Hossain, F.; Ghalib, A.K.; Rees, C. J.; Mamman, A. (Eds). Edward Elgar Publishing Limited. (forthcoming)

The African Union and development in Africa (under review)

SELECTED INVITED TALK AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- July 2015 **The Transition Problem: Comparative analysis of racial inequality South Africa and the USA**
The society for the advancement of socio-economics LSE
- May 2014 **The new African Renaissance and African Union**
4th African Unity for Renaissance Conference; Pretoria South Africa
- June 2013 **A "Great Decisions" Seminar China in Africa: Savior or Self-interest?**
Newport Council for International Visitors
- April 2013 **Homegrown Solution to African Presidential Monarchism**
African Studies Colloquium, Brown University
- Mach 2013 **Democracy, Development and Institution in Post-conflict States in Africa**
Guess Speaker at the National Geo-spatial Intelligent Agency
- Nov 2012 **Homegrown Development Initiatives in Africa: A Critical View**
African Studies Association 55 Annual Meeting
China in Africa (Discussant)
- Nov 2012 **The Effect of Conflicts on Population and Development: Why is Democracy not Working?**
International Methodological Seminar on Demography, Development and Democracy in Africa;
University of Wits South Africa
- June 2012 **New African Renaissance; Illusion or Realities**
Society for the Advancement of Social Economics Conference MIT USA
- March 2012 **Homegrown Development Initiatives: Reality or Illusion?**
The Watson Institute for International Studies
- Nov 2011 **The Superficial morality of Color-blindness: a comparison of the USA and SA**
The Watson Institute for International Studies (with Glenn Loury)
- June 2011 **'The Plight of African Migrants in South Africa: A critical View'**
Society for Advancement of Socio-Economics SASE Conference Madrid 2011
- Feb 2011 **'Religious Crisis in Nigeria: What is sustaining it?'**
International Conference on Making Development Inclusive: MDGs and Beyond
University of Bradford, United Kingdom
- Feb 2010 **'An Inter-generational Study on the impact of Educational Inequality in Human Development'**
EPFL/UNESCO Chair International Scientific Conference on Technology for Development
Lausanne, Switzerland
- Jun 2009 **'Community Development and Natural Resources: the Case of Royal Bafokeng, South Africa'**
Brown International Advanced Research Institute (BIARI)
Brown University, USA
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- Jun 2008 **'Trajectories of Power Relations in Post-Apartheid South Africa'**
Development Dialogue, Institute of Social Studies / The Hague, Netherlands
- Jul 2007 **'Small Business Development as a Strategy for Poverty Reduction in Alexandra, South Africa'**
The Society for the Study of Economic Inequality (ECINEQ) / Berlin, German
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PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

African Studies Association (ASA)
American Political Science Association (APSA)
International Studies Association (ISA)
Human Development & Capability Association (HDCA)
Development Studies Association (DSA)
Studies of Advancement of Social Economics (SASE)
ENMISA Distinguished Book Award committee

Referee

African Studies Review, Development Policy Review, Journal of Legislative Studies, International Security, Journal of International Development, Routledge Publishing,

OTHER RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

- 2012/2014 -2015 **Identity and ethnic/religious conflicts**
Brown University
Carried out a field research on ethno-religious conflict in Northern Nigeria
- 2010 **Political economy of Transformation in South Africa**
University of East Anglia
PhD thesis examines the political economy of Black Economic Empowerment: A key transformation program in post-apartheid South Africa. This involved a three years rolling-on fieldwork in the Provinces of Cape Town, Gauteng and Limpopo in South Africa.
- 2007 **Public Policy on Poverty Reduction in South Africa**
University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa – Visiting Researcher
A study of the poverty reduction program in Alexandra, South Africa using semi-structured interviews and focus group discussions.
- 2006 **Inequality**
University of East Anglia
Carried out an extensive literature review of political economy of inequality with special focus on its implication in post-apartheid South Africa. The study examines the link between inequalities and social maladies.
- 2004 **Foreign Direct Investment**
London Met University
The research analyzed the impact of joint-ventures in the Nigeria Oil and Gas Industry on downstream firms using questionnaires and semi-structured interviews and SPSS.

- 2002 **Colonialism and African Development**
University of Lagos Nigeria
Study based on research of the under-development of the agricultural sector in Africa using the cases of Zimbabwe and Nigeria.
- 2003 **Social Exclusion and Protection**
Examined the support provision through development project in Nigeria by mapping and evaluating socially excluded individuals and communities.
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OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

- 2008 **University of East Anglia, Norwich, United Kingdom**
 - Consultant on food politics in Zimbabwe
- 2001 – 2003 **Freedom Foundation, Lagos, Nigeria**
 - Researcher

REFERENCES

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