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Current Position:

Assistant Professor of Agricultural and Resource Economics, 2003-present

Assistant Professor of Economics, Columbia University, 1997-2003

Assistant Professor, Program in Economic Policy Management, School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University, 1997-2003

Education:

Ph.D., Agricultural and Resource Economics, 1997. University of California at Berkeley.
B.A. with High Honors, Economics and Political Science, 1989. Swarthmore College.

Publications:

Chapters in books:

“Incentives and Rural Health Care Delivery,” in *Africa's Changing Markets for Health and Veterinary Services*. Macmillan Publishers (2000), London.

“Bypassing Health Centers in Tanzania: Revealed Preferences for Quality,” in *Le Financement de la sante dans les pays d’Afrique et d’Asie a fiable revenue*, M. Audibert, J. Mathonnat and Eric de Roodenbeke (eds). Editions Karthala (2003): Paris

“Collaborations of Mutual Benefit to Academics and Practitioners” in Dean, Judith M., Julie Schaffner and Stephen L.S. Smith (eds.), *Attacking Poverty in the Developing World: Christian Practitioners and Academics in Collaboration*, World Vision and Authentic Media, (2005)

Articles:

“African Traditional Healers: The Economics of Healing,” *IK Notes* (The World Bank), No. 32, May 2001. Also available in French: “Les guérisseurs traditionnels africains: L'economie de la santé.” *Notes CA* (Banque Mondiale), NO. 32, Mai 2001.

“When Both States and Markets Fail: Asymmetric Information and the Role of NGOs in African Health Care,” *International Review of Law and Economics*, 22, 1 (July) 2002.

“Bypassing Health Centers in Tanzania: Revealed Preferences for Observable and Unobservable Quality,” with Dr. Gilbert Mliga and Dr. Damen Haile Mariam, *Journal of African Economies*, 11, 4 (December) 2002.

“African Traditional Healers and Outcome-Contingent Contracts in Health Care,” *Journal of Development Economics*, 71, no. 1 (June) 2003.

“The Political Economy of Improving Health Care for the Poor in Rural Africa: Institutional Solutions to the Principal-Agent Problem,” with David, K. Leonard, *Journal of Development Studies*, 40, no. 4 (April) 2004.

“Outcome versus service based payments in health care: lessons from African Traditional Healers,” with Joshua Graff Zivin, *Health Economics*, 14 (6), pp. 575-593 (December) 2005

“Comparing vignettes and direct clinician observations in outpatient services: Tanzania” with Dr. M.C. Masatu, *Social Science and Medicine* 61 (9) pp. 1944-1951 (November) 2005

“Outpatient process quality evaluation and the Hawthorne Effect”, with Melkiory C. Masatu, *Social Science and Medicine*, 63 (9) pp. 2330-2340 (November) 2006

“Learning in Health Care: Evidence of Learning about Clinician Quality in Tanzania”, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, forthcoming.

Grants and Fellowships:

NSF Grant #94-22768: “Institutional Responses to Market Imperfections in the Supply of Credible Medical Effort and Health Insurance in Africa,” CO-PI (1994-1997)

NSF Grant #00-95235: “Learning and Reputation with Asymmetric Information as seen in Rural African Health Care,” PI (2001-2002).

NSF: SES0617793: “Doctoral Dissertation Research: Do Social Networks Influence Households' Human Capital Investments?” PI (supervising doctoral student) (2006-2007)

Presentations:

American Agricultural Economics Association Meetings (1994)

African Studies Association Annual Meetings (1996, 1999)

African Studies Center at the University of California at Berkeley (1996)

Columbia University Applied Microeconomics Seminar Series (1998)

North East Universities Development Conference (1998, 1999, 2004)

Africana Social Science Seminar Series at NYU (1999, 2001, 2003)

African Studies Center at Columbia University (1999)

Annual Bank Conference on Development Economics (ABCDE), World Bank (1999, 2001)

World Bank, Development Research Group (1999, 2003)

Institute for Economic Development Seminar Series, Boston University (1999)

Princeton University, Development Seminar (2000)

Opportunities in Africa Conference, Centre for the Study of African Economies, Oxford (2000, 2004).

New Institutional Theory, Institutional Reform and Poverty Reduction, DESTIN, LSE (2000)

Yale University, Development and Trade Seminar (2000)

Innovations in Health Care Research, Columbia University (2000, 2001)

Health Systems Financing in Low-Income African and Asian Countries, CERDI, Université D'Auvergne, (2000)

World Bank, Health, Nutrition and Population Group (2001)

Columbia University, International and Development Seminar Series (2001)

University of Maryland, Economics Department Development Seminar (2005)

Maryland Population Research Council (2004)

CIRPEE development mini-conference (2004)

Center for Global Development (2005)
International Food Policy Research Institute (2005)

Referee and External Committee Experience:

Journal of Applied Economics, Journal of African Economies, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Development Studies, Agricultural and Resource Economics Review, Health Policy and Planning, World Bank Economic Review, Social Science and Medicine, American Journal of Agricultural Economics, CESifo Economic Studies, NSF (grant applications)

SSRC, Admissions committee, workshop in applied economics (2000, 2001)

Member of the editorial board of *Agricultural and Resource Economics Review* (2005-present)

Served as Friend of the WDR, consulting group advising the authors of the “World Development Report 2004: Making Services Work for Poor People”

Book Reviews:

Review of “Market Institutions in Sub-Saharan Africa: Theory and Evidence.” *Economica*, 73(291) pp. 547 (August), 2006

Teaching Experience:

Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of Maryland:

- World Hunger, Population and Food Supplies
- Graduate Development Economics

Program in Economic Policy Management, Columbia University:

- Management Skills for Policy Makers I (Introductory Econometrics)
- Management Skills for Policy Makers II (Game Theory)
- Micro-Economics I (Public Economics)
- Micro-Economics II (Trade)

Graduate School, Columbia University:

- Development Economics (Phd)

Columbia College, Columbia University:

- Development Economics
- Introductory Econometrics

Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of California at Berkeley

- The Political Economy of Growth and Institutions, 1997

Student Advising:

Graduate Students at Columbia University

Margaret Macmillan (awarded distinction, 1998), Maria Claudia Ribeiro Castro (1999), Won Chang (1999), Abebe Adugna (1999), Keiichi Ogawa (external examiner, 1999), Rodney Ramcharan (2000), Robert Graboyes (2000), Ana Corbacho (awarded distinction, 2001),

Adriana Lleras-Muney (awarded distinction, 2001), Manuel Lobato Osario (sponsor, 2001), Seth A. Seabury (2002), Roselyn Coleman-Engel (sponsor, 2003).

Graduate Students at the University of Maryland

Valerie Mueller (2005), Alex Vialou (current), Sarah Adelman (current)