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EDUCATION

- 2010 - 2011 **Johns Hopkins University - School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS), Washington, DC**
MA in International Relations
- Concentrations in International Development & International Economics
 - MA thesis on "Consociationalism & Ethnic Detente in Burundi"
 - Courses included Microeconomics of Development; Econometrics; Democracy & Development in Africa; African Militaries; Comparative National Systems
 - GPA of 3.85 on a 4.00 scale
- 2004 - 2008 **Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH**
BA in Geography & French
- Courses included Geopolitics & Third World Development; Political Economy of Development; Qualitative Research Methods; French (nine courses)
 - Foreign study at Université de Toulouse II - Le Mirail (2006) & Charles University - Prague (2007)
 - GPA of 3.81 on a 4.00 scale

HONORS, AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2011 Elenor & C.P. Matthieson Fellowship, Johns Hopkins - SAIS
2011 Second-Year Fellowship, Johns Hopkins - SAIS
2011 Summer Fellowship, Johns Hopkins - SAIS
2010 - 2011 First-Year Fellowship, Johns Hopkins - SAIS
2010 - 2011 International Development Department Fellowship, Johns Hopkins - SAIS
2008 *Magna cum laude* honors, Dartmouth College
2008 Phi Beta Kappa, Dartmouth College
2008 Guido Rahr '51 Award for Excellence in Geography, Dartmouth College
2004 - 2008 Honor List, Dartmouth College

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2012 - present **Innovations for Poverty Action, New Haven, CT**
Research Manager
- Managed 25 research projects in development economics for principle investigator Dean Karlan (Yale University economics department)
- 2010 - 2011 **The World Bank, Washington, DC**
Evaluation Consultant
- Evaluation design for a behavioral change program aimed at reducing violence in schools in Guatemala City
 - Selected evaluation indicators and created survey instruments for baseline survey

- 2010 - 2011 **Economics Department, Johns Hopkins - SAIS, Washington, DC**
Research Assistant
- Supported Professor Guru Sethupathy's research on the effects of trade liberalization on skilled and unskilled German workers from 1975 - 1990
 - Cleaned three decades of German employment records in Stata
- 2010 **Innovations for Poverty Action, Tamale, Ghana**
Intern
- Co-managed an impact assessment of a novel index rainfall insurance product marketed to subsistence farmers in northern Ghana, working with principle investigators Dean Karlan & Chris Udry (Yale University economics department)
 - Oversaw a team of 40 surveyors conducting fieldwork with 1100 farmers
 - Cleaned and analyzed midline survey data in Stata
 - Financial management for monthly expenditures of US\$15,000
- 2009 **FINCA International, Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo**
Client Assessment Fellow
- Co-directed a social impact evaluation of FINCA's Village Banking system with a sample of 800 microfinance clients
 - Translated survey into French and conducted pilot interviews
 - Hired and trained six surveyors in Kinshasa and Matadi
 - Managed collection of baseline data using Pendragon Forms for the Palm Pilot
- 2008 - 2009 **Rwanda Works, Kigali, Rwanda**
Analyst
- Project management for a social enterprise start-up founded by the Rwanda country director of the Millennium Village Project
 - Developed a tourism promotion plan for one of Rwanda's poorest districts in collaboration with national government officials and local community groups
- 2007 - 2008 **Women's Trust Microfinance, Pokuase, Ghana**
Intern
- Organized a two-week service trip for five Dartmouth students
 - Taught computer literacy classes for twenty schoolchildren receiving scholarships from Women's Trust

RESEARCH

Working Papers

- 2011 "Consociationalism and Ethnic Detente in Burundi"
2011 "The Political Economy of Rwanda's Anti-Corruption Campaign"

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Professional Organizations

- 2011 - present Member, African Studies Association
2011 - present Member, American Political Science Association

Academic Activities

- 2011 President, Africa Association, Johns Hopkins - SAIS
2006 - 2008 President, Students for Africa, Dartmouth College
2005 - 2008 Moderator, World Affairs Council, Dartmouth College

SKILLS & SERVICE

Languages

French (advanced)
Latin (intermediate)
Swahili (basic)

Technology

Apple iWork
Microsoft Office
Pendragon Forms
Stata

Community Service

2007 - 2008 Discussion leader, Edgerton Episcopal Student Center, Dartmouth College
2006 - 2008 Secretary, Sustainable Dartmouth, Dartmouth College
2006 Volunteer, Jewish Child & Family Services, Chicago, IL
2005 Volunteer, DC Central Kitchen, Washington, DC
2005 Intern, Haymarket Center (drug & alcohol treatment), Chicago, IL