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**Current Academic Appointments and Leadership**

<b>MIT Center for International Studies</b> Director	2023 - present
<b>Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Department of Political Science</b> Professor of Political Science Total Chair on Contemporary Africa	2014 - present
<b>Canadian Institute for Advanced Research (CIFAR)</b> Fellow, Boundaries, Mentorship, and Belonging Program	2019 - present
<b>MIT Science and Technology Initiative (MISTI)</b> Faculty Director	2021 - present
<b>MIT Global Diversity Lab</b> Founder and Director	2020 - present

**Prior Academic Appointments and Leadership**

<b>MIT Science and Technology Initiative (MISTI)</b> Faculty Director for MIT-Africa Program	June 2020 - 2023
<b>Princeton University, Department of Politics</b> Professor	2012 - 2014
Associate Chair, Department of Politics	2011 - 2014
Associate Professor (with tenure)	2008 - 2012
Assistant Professor	2002 - 2008
Richard Stockton Bicentennial Preceptor (honorific appointment)	2006 - 2009
<b>University of Cape Town, Africa Climate and Development Initiative</b> Visiting Academic	2024
<b>University of Cape Town, Institute on Democracy, Citizenship, and Public Policy in Africa</b> Honorary Research Associate	2016-2018
<b>Harvard Kennedy School, Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation</b> Democracy Fellow	2018-2020
<b>Harvard University, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs</b> Fellow, Cluster on Inequality and Inclusion	2020-2022

**Wagner School of Public Policy, New York University**  
Visiting Scholar

2006-2007; 2010-2011

**Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Yale University**  
Health Policy (Post-Doctoral) Scholar

2000-2002

## Education

### University of California, Berkeley

- M.A. Political Science, 1995.
- P.h.D. Political Science Comparative Politics and African Politics with Distinction, 2000.

### Princeton University

- B.A. Woodrow Wilson School of Undergraduate Program in International Affairs and Public Policy and Certificate in African Studies, *Cum laude*, 1992.

## Honors

- David Collier Mid-Career Achievement Award, from the Qualitative and Multi-Method Research Organized Section of the American Political Science Association, 2014.
- Giovanni Sartori Book Prize (*Boundaries of Contagion*) awarded by the American Political Science Association, Qualitative and Mixed Methods Section, 2010.
- CHOICE Outstanding Academic Title, 2010 (*Boundaries of Contagion*).
- Mattei Dogan Prize for the best book (*Race and Regionalism*) published in the field of comparative research, awarded by the Society for Comparative Research, 2004.
- Gabriel A. Almond Prize for the best dissertation in the field of Comparative Politics filed in 2000 or 2001, awarded by the American Political Science Association, 2002.
- Mary Parker Follett award for the best article or book chapter (“Causal Inference in Historical Institutional Analysis”) awarded by the American Political Science Association, Politics and History section, 2002.

## Publications

### Books

- *Until We Have Won Our Liberty: South Africa After Apartheid* (Princeton University Press, 2022).
- *Boundaries of Contagion: How Ethnic Politics Have Shaped Government Responses to AIDS* (Princeton University Press, 2009).
- *Race and Regionalism in the Politics of Taxation in Brazil and South Africa* (Cambridge University Press, Studies in Comparative Politics, 2003).

### Scholarly Articles and Book Chapters

- “The value of dignity appeals: evidence from a social media experiment,” (with Paige Bollen, Will Kymlicka, and Blair Read). *Cambridge University Press*, (June 2025).
- “Government Responses to Climate Change,” (with Michael Ross). *World Politics* (77, n1, Supplement 2025).
- “How information about carbon emissions affects support for climate aid: Evidence from a survey experiment,” (with Volha Charnysh, Jared Kalow, and Erin Walk). *Climatic Change* (v177 n174, December 2024).

- “Politician responses to material incentives for participation in surveys: Experimental evidence from South Africa,” (with Sarah Lockwood). *Research and Politics* (v11 n2, 2024).
- “South Africa’s Resilient Democracy,” (with Rorisang Lekalake). *Journal of Democracy* (v33 n2, April 2022), 103-117.
- “Risk for ‘Us’ or for ‘Them?’ The Comparative Politics of Diversity and Responses to AIDS and COVID-19,” in *The Long Year: A 2020 Reader*, edited by Thomas Sugrue and Caitlin Zaloom (New York: Columbia University Press, 2022), 265-74.
- “Self-efficacy and Citizen Engagement in Development: Experimental Evidence from Tanzania,” (with Yang-Yang Zhou). *Journal of Experimental Political Science* (v9 n1, 2022), 46-63.
- “When do Strong Parties ‘Throw the Bums Out’? Competition and Accountability in South African Candidate Nominations,” (with Philip Martin and Nina McMurry). *Studies in Comparative International Development* (v56 n3, September 2021), 316-342.
- “How Information About Race-based Health Disparities Affects Policy Preferences: Evidence from a Survey Experiment About the COVID-19 Pandemic in the United States,” (with Allison Harell), *Social Science and Medicine* (v277, May 2021).
- “Research Cycles,” pp. 42–70 in *The Production of Knowledge: Enhancing Progress in Social Science, Strategies for Social Inquiry*, edited by C. Elman, J. Mahoney, and J. Gerring (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2020).
- “Nuanced Accountability. Responses to Basic Service Provision in South Africa,” (with Daniel de Kadt). *British Journal of Political Science* (v50 n1, 2017), 185-215.
- “Census Enumeration and Group Conflict: A Global Analysis of the Consequences of Counting,” (with Prerna Singh). *World Politics* (January 2017), 1-53.
- “Can the Biomedical Research Cycle be a Model for Political Science?” *Perspectives on Politics* (v14 n4, December 2016), 1054-1066.
- “Does Stigmatized Social Risk Lead to Denialism? Results from a Survey Experiment on Race, Risk Perception, and Health Policy in the United States,” (with Yarrow Dunham and Steven Snell). *PloS One* (v11 n4, 2016).
- “The Comparative Politics of Service Delivery in the Developing Countries,” in the *Oxford Handbook of Politics of Development*, edited by Nicolas Van de Walle and Carol Lancaster (Oxford University Press, 2015).
- “Nested Analysis: Towards the Integration of Comparative Historical Analysis with other Social Science Methods,” in *Advances in Comparative-Historical Analysis*, edited by James Mahoney and Kathleen Thelen (Cambridge University Press, 2015), 240-263.
- “Does Information Lead to More Active Citizenship? Evidence from an Education Intervention in Rural Kenya,” (with Daniel Posner and Lily Tsai). *World Development* (v60, August 2014), 69-38.
- “The Ethnicity-Policy Preference Link in sub-Saharan Africa,” (with Gwyneth McClendon). *Comparative Political Studies* (v46, 2013), 574-602.
- “The Institutional Origins of Ethnic Violence,” (with Prerna Singh). *Comparative Politics* (v45 n1, 2012), 1-24.
- “Conceptualizing and Measuring Ethnic Politics: An Institutional Complement to Demographic, Behavioral, and Cognitive Approaches,” (with Prerna Singh). *Studies in Comparative International Development* (v47 n2, 2012), 255-86.
- “Descriptive Representation and AIDS Policy in South Africa.” *Contemporary Politics* Special issue on the politics of AIDS Policy-making (v18 n2, 2012), 156-73.
- “The Perils of Polycentric Governance of Infectious Disease in South Africa.” *Social Science and Medicine* (v73 n5, 2011), 676-684.
- “Bridging the Qualitative-Quantitative Divide: Best Practices in the Development of Historically-

- Oriented Replication Databases.” *Annual Review of Political Science* (v13, 2010), 37-59.
- “The Politics of Demanding Sacrifice: Applying Insights from Fiscal Sociology to the Study of AIDS Policy and State Capacity,” in *The New Fiscal Sociology: Taxation in Comparative Perspective*, edited by I. Martin, A. Mehrotra, and M. Prasad (Cambridge University Press, 2009), 105-19.
  - “Relative Response: ranking country responses to HIV and AIDS,” (with Chris Desmond – first author, Anita Alban, and Anna-Mia Ekström). *Journal of Health and Human Rights* (v10 n2, 2008-2009), 105-119.
  - “Ethnic Politics, Risk, and Policy-Making: A Cross-National Statistical Analysis of Government Responses to HIV/AIDS.” *Comparative Political Studies* (v40 n12, 2007), 1407-1432.
  - “Boundary Politics and HIV/AIDS Policy in Brazil and South Africa,” (with Varun Gauri). *Studies in Comparative International Development* (v41 n3, 2006), 47-73.
  - “Nested Analysis as a Mixed-Method Strategy for Comparative Research.” *American Political Science Review* (v99 n3, August 2005), 435-52.
  - “Tobacco Control in Comparative Perspective: Eight Nations in Search of an Explanation,” (with Theodore J. Marmor), in *Unfiltered: Tobacco Policy, Politics and Public Health in Eight Industrialized Nations*, edited by Eric Feldman and Ronald Bayer (Harvard University Press, 2004), 275-291.
  - “How South African Citizens Evaluate Their Economic Obligations to the State.” *Journal of Development Studies* (v38 n3, March 2002), 37-62.
  - “Taxation Data as Indicators of State-Society Relations: Possibilities and Pitfalls in Cross-National Research.” *Studies in Comparative International Development* (v36 n4, Winter 2001), 89-115.
  - “National Political Community and the Politics of Income Taxation in Brazil and South Africa in the 20th Century.” *Politics and Society* (v29 n4, December 2001), 515-555.
  - “Causal Inference in Historical Institutional Analysis: A Specification of Periodization Strategies.” *Comparative Political Studies* (v34 n9, November 2001), 1011-1035. Re-printed in: *Comparative Methods in the Social Sciences SAGE Benchmarks in Social Research Methods* series, edited by Alan Sica (New Delhi: Sage Publications, 2005).
  - “Organisational Cloaking in Post-Apartheid Southern Africa: The Southern African Development Community (SADC).” *Transformation: Critical Perspectives on Southern Africa* (v34, 1997), 86-107.

### Technical and Policy Reports

- “Collective Action in a Multipolar World.” *The Global Solidarity Report* (2024).
- “Solidarity and Sacrifice for Planetary Wellbeing.” *The Global Solidarity Report* (2023).
- “Risk for “Us,” or for “Them”? The Comparative Politics of Diversity and Responses to AIDS and Covid-19.” Social Science Research Council, *Items* (May 14, 2020).
- “Building Solidarity: Challenges, Options, and Implications for Covid-19 Responses,” (with Melani Cammett). COVID Rapid Response White Paper Series (Cambridge, MA, Harvard University, 2020).
- “Is MIT a Good Messenger for Climate Science? Analysis of a National Survey of American Citizens,” (with Adam Berinsky and Paige Bollen). Presented to the MIT Climate Action Advisory Committee (CAAC) (2018).
- “Politicians’ Perspectives on Voice and Accountability: Evidence from a Survey of South African Local Councillors,” (with Philip Martin and Nina McMurry). *Making All Voices Count Research Report* (Brighton: IDS, December 2017).
- “Measuring State Institutionalization of Ethnic Categories across Time and Space,” (with

Prerna Singh). *Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Newsletter of the American Political Science Association Organized Section for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research* (v7 n1, Spring 2009), 29-35.

- “Moving the Doormat to the Main Menu: Case Study Research Methods in the Social Science Toolkit.” Remarks from the APSA 2007 Roundtable on John Gerring’s, *Case Study Research: Principles and Practices, Qualitative Methods Newsletter of the American Political Science Association Organized Section on Qualitative Methods* (v5 n2, 2007), 3-6.
- “Strategies for Field Research.” *Qualitative Methods Newsletter of the American Political Science Association Organized Section on Qualitative Methods* (v2 n1, Spring 2004).
- “Spotlight on Research.” *American Political Science Association Graduate Student Newsletter* (v2 n1, Spring 2003).
- “Nested Analysis in Cross-National Research.” *APSA-Comparative Politics Newsletter* (v14 n1, Winter 2003), 17-20.
- “Paying for ‘Us’ or for ‘Them?’ Attitudes Towards Income Tax Compliance in the ‘New’ South Africa.” *IDASA Public Opinion Service Report* (n6, October 1998).
- “Beyond a Political Solution to Apartheid: Economic and Social Policy Proposals for a Post-apartheid South Africa,” (Princeton, N.J.: Center of International Studies of Princeton University, 1993). Sole editor and author of 2/6 chapters.

### Periodicals and Blog Posts

- “America Firsters Need to Take Tennis Lessons.” *The New York Times* (August 23, 2025).
- “Lessons from Donald Trump’s South African doppelgänger, Paul Kruger.” *Daily Maverick* (February 23, 2025).
- “The Promise of South Africa’s Democracy.” *Project Syndicate* (May 6, 2022).
- “Communicating Covid-19 Racial Disparities,” (with Allison Harell). *Public Health Post* (May 27, 2021).
- “South Africa’s apartheid regime ended 25 years ago.” *Washington Post Monkey Cage* (April 27, 2019).
- “South Africa’s Healthy Democracy: Why Zuma’s Resignation is a Good Sign,” (with Daniel de Kadt and Philip Martin). *Foreign Affairs* (February 20, 2018).
- “Politicians’ Perspectives on Voice and Accountability: Evidence from a Survey of South African Local Councillors,” (with Philip Martin and Nina McMurry). *Making All Voices Count Research Report* (December 2017).
- “Here are 4 reasons that South Africa’s ANC lost ground in this month’s elections,” (with Nina McMurry, Philip Martin, and Daniel de Kadt). *Washington Post Monkey Cage* (August 12, 2016).
- “Do voters reward the party that delivers basic services? Not in South Africa,” (with Daniel De Kadt). *Washington Post Monkey Cage* (November 10, 2015).
- “How Nelson Mandela Pulled His Punches and Helped Transform South Africa.” *Washington Post Monkey Cage* (December 7, 2013).
- “Raising Funds for Provincial Government: Can Taxes Breathe Life into the Provinces?” (with Albert Van Zyl). *Business Day* (September 23, 1998).
- “Should the Poor Sacrifice More to the Taxman?” *Reconstruct* in *The Sunday Independent* (May 24, 1998).

### Reviews

- Review of *Overcoming the Oppressors: White and Black in Southern Africa* (by Robert I. Rotberg). *Perspectives on Politics* (v22 n3, 2024), 860–62.

- Response to Review of *Until We Have Won Our Liberty* (by Robert I. Rotberg). *Perspectives on Politics* (v22 n3, 2024), 864–65.
- Review of *Successful Societies* (by Peter Hall, Michele Lamont, eds.). *Perspectives on Politics* (v8 n3, August 2010), 971-72.
- Review of *African Politics in Comparative Perspective* (by Goran Hyden). *Journal of Politics* (February 2007), 259-60.

## Fellowships and Sponsored Research

### External

- Canadian Institute For Advanced Research, Catalyst Grant for Research on the politics of dignity in 5 countries (2022).
- Canadian Institute For Advanced Research, Catalyst Grant for Research on race and COVID-19 (2021).
- Canadian Institute For Advanced Research, Fellow of Boundaries, Membership and Belonging Working Group (2019-present).
- Making All Voices Count. Study of South African Local Councillors (2016).
- Twaweza Study of Validated Participation Intervention (with Yang-Yang Zhou) (2015-present).
- Evaluation of Twaweza/Uwezo Interventions in East Africa (with Daniel Posner and Lily Tsai) (2011-2014).
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Scholars in Health Policy Program Postdoctoral Fellowship, Yale University (2000-2002).
- MacArthur Foundation. Politics of Cultural Identity Fellowship, administered by UC Berkeley (1998-1999).
- Social Science Research Council. International Dissertation Research (alternate) Fellowship (1998-1999).
- Fulbright Fellowship, South Africa (1997-1998).
- National Science Foundation. Dissertation Enhancement Grant (1997-1998).
- US Dept of Education. Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) yearlong and summer fellowships to study Xhosa (1995-1996).

### MIT

- SHASS Dean’s Discretionary Fund, Support for the Global Diversity Lab (2021-2022).
- Climate Grand Challenge, support for invited White Paper submission, (March-September 2021).
- Center for International Studies - MIT, Support for Global Diversity Lab Research Assistant Training Program (2020-2021).
- Digital Humanities / Mellon Foundation Faculty Fellowship - MIT, to develop digital game simulations for online course, “Democratic Development in Contemporary Africa” (Spring 2020).
- Center for International Studies - MIT, Towards a better understanding of democratic governance in Africa (2016-2018).
- MITx/ODL, Grant to develop online course/digital resources on Contemporary African Democracy (2016-2017).

### Princeton

- Grand Challenges/Infectious Disease grant for teaching/research in South Africa, Princeton University (2008-2011).
- Richard Stockton Bicentennial Preceptorship, Princeton University (2006-2009).

- Bobst Center collaborative grant for identity politics working group, Princeton University (2008-2009).
- Bobst Center research grant, Princeton University (2005-2006).
- Center for Health and Well-Being research grant, Princeton University (2005).
- Committee on Research in the Humanities and Social Science research grant, Princeton University (2002-2003; 2005-2006; 2007-2008).
- 250th Anniversary Fund for Innovation in Undergraduate Education grant, Princeton University (2003-2004).
- Center for International Studies research grant, Princeton University (Summer 2003).
- Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS, Pilot Project Development Grant Award, Yale University (2001-2002).

### Consulting

- Scientific Advisor for *AIDS Accountability International* (Stockholm, Sweden), an NGO that aims to advocate for greater policy responsiveness on HIV/AIDS based on a cross-country rating mechanism (2006-2010).
- Research Associate at the Institute for Democracy in South Africa – Idasa (Capetown, South Africa), a research and advocacy NGO. Provided training and analysis for Parliamentarians and Civil Society organizations on budgetary issues. Findings from my research were presented at the National Assembly (1997-1998).
- Management Consultant, *William Kent International* (Arlington, VA). Developed “globalization strategies” for Fortune 500 companies, including in the Aerospace, Industrial Abrasives, Electronics and Consumer Product Industries. Included travel to over 20 countries (1992-1994).

### Board Memberships and Advisory Roles

- Member, Advisory Board, *Global Nation* (2024-present).
- Member, Alumni Advisory Council, *School of Public and International Affairs*, Princeton University. 2022-present.
- Member, Advisory Board (2021-present); Previously, Director, board of the *Friend of the Legal Resources Centre*, which supports the Legal Resources Centre, South Africa (2008-2021). Chair, Zimbabwe/LRF Committee (2010-2011); Board Treasurer (2012-2016); Vice President (2016-present); President (2021).
- Director, board of Princeton in Africa (2009-2014). Chair, Measurement Committee (2011-2014).
- Member, International Advisory Committee, *African School of Economics* (2012-2017).

### Courses Taught

- State-Building (Ph.D. Seminar, MIT-Harvard co-taught with Daniel Ziblatt, Fall 2016, 2018, 2022, 2025).
- Ethnic Politics (MIT graduate seminar, Fall 2019; Fall 2021 and Fall 2024 co-taught with Volha Charnysh).
- Engineering Democratic Development in Africa (MIT undergraduate seminar, Spring 2017, Spring 2021, Fall 2022).

- Qualitative Methods and Fieldwork (MIT graduate seminar, Fall 2022).
- Critical Perspectives on Data and Identity (MIT undergraduate seminar, Spring 2021 co-taught with Fotini Christia).
- Engineering Democratic Development in Africa (MIT undergraduate seminar, Spring 2017, Spring 2021).
- Democracy, Dignity, and Development (MIT graduate seminar, Fall 2020).
- State-Building (Ph.D. Seminar, MIT-Harvard co-taught with Daniel Ziblatt, Fall 2016).
- African Politics: Democratic Governance (Ph.D. Seminar and Undergraduate MIT seminars, Spring 2015, Spring 2018, Spring 2019).
- Critical Perspectives on Global Health Policy (Princeton university undergraduate lecture course, Spring 2009 – co-taught with Christina Paxson and Burt Singer).
- Comparative Politics Research Workshop (Princeton University graduate workshop, 2006-2007).
- The Politics of Race in Comparative Perspective (Princeton University undergraduate seminar, Spring 2004, Spring 2012).
- Qualitative Methods (Princeton University graduate seminar, Fall 2002, Fall 2003, Spring 2005, Fall 2008, Spring 2012).
- Introduction to Research Methods (Princeton University undergraduate lecture, Fall 2007).
- Ethnic Politics (Princeton University graduate seminar, Spring 2007 co-taught with Mark Beissinger; Fall 2009).
- The Politics of AIDS around the World (Princeton University junior research workshop, Fall 2002, Fall 2007).
- The Politics of Responding to Epidemics in Sub-Saharan Africa (Princeton University junior research workshop, Fall 2009, Fall 2012).
- Politics in the Developing Countries (Princeton University undergraduate lecture, Spring 2003, Fall 2003, Spring 2005, Spring 2008, Fall 2009).
- Strategies for Field Research in Comparative and International Politics. (Short course delivered at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA on August 29, 2001, Philadelphia in August 2003, and the Institute for Qualitative Research Methods in Phoenix, Arizona in January 2004).

## Doctoral Students

*\* indicates chair of dissertation committee*

### Current (ABD)

- Carla Garcia (MIT)
- Preston Johnston (MIT)
- Jared Kalow (MIT)\*

### Previous (PhD Received)

- Lamis Abdelaaty (Princeton)
- William Barndt (Princeton)
- Graeme Blair\* (Princeton)
- Paige Bollen\* (MIT)
- Jeremy Bowles (Harvard)
- Jaquilyn Waddell Boie\* (Princeton)
- Shelby Carvalho (Harvard)

- Sarah Chartock (Princeton)
- Eun Kyong Choi (Princeton)
- Chris Darnton (Princeton)
- J. Tyler Dickovick (Princeton)
- Kim Dionne (UCLA)
- Daniel de Kadt (MIT)
- Jonathan Garcia (Mailman School of Public Health)
- Yanilda Gonzales (Princeton)
- Ehrhardt Graeff (MIT Media Lab)
- Kristen Harkness (Princeton)
- Aram Hur (Princeton)
- Rorisang Lekalake\* (MIT)
- Philip Martin (MIT)
- Gwyneth McClendon\* (Princeton)
- Nina McMurry (MIT)
- Andrew Miller (MIT)
- Benjamin Morse (MIT)
- Kanta Murali (Princeton)
- Gabriel Nahmias\* (MIT)
- Blair Read\* (MIT)
- Rachel Riedl\* (Princeton)
- Leah Rosenzweig (MIT)
- Stuart Russell\* (MIT)
- Sukrit Puri (MIT)\*
- Anna Schrimpf (Princeton)
- Prerna Singh (Princeton)
- Nicole Wilson (MIT)
- Yang-Yang Zhou (Princeton)

### **Conference and Workshop Planning (2009-present)**

- Co-Hosted, “Global Climate Adaptation: Overcoming Political and Policy Challenges,” MIT (April 11, 2025).
- Hosted, “Best Practices in Teaching Entrepreneurship in Africa,” MIT-Africa Event (May 19, 2021).
- Co-Organizer, Boston Area Working Group on African Political Economy (December 2014-present).
- “New Methodologies and Applications in Comparative Politics and International Relations,” (with Kosuke Imai, Helen Milner and Mike Tomz). Princeton University (February 4-5, 2011).
- “The Distal Determinants of Public Health,” (with John Gerring). Boston University (April 29-30, 2010).
- “The Judiciary and the Right to Health: An International Conference,” (with João Biehl). Princeton University (March 25-26, 2010).

### **Selected Conference and Invited Presentations**

**2017-present**

- “Boundaries of Contagion: How Ideas About Us and Them Shape the Politics of Global Health.” MIT, Towards a Better world: Enhancing Global Health colloquium series (September 17, 2025).
- “Social Identities and Political Boundaries in the Anthropocene.” Harvard University, New Territorialities of Governance in the Anthropocene conference (September 13, 2025).
- “Experimental Research, Qualitative Data, and Learning.” American Political Science Association’s Annual Meeting and Exhibition (September 11, 2025).
- “Ethnicity and Climate Dissensus in Africa.” University of Southern California, Comparative Politics Workshop (April 23, 2025).
- “Ethnicity and Climate Dissensus in Africa.” Boston University, Research in Comparative Politics (RCP) workshop (April 9, 2025).
- “Race and Democracy in South Africa.” District of Columbia Central Detention Center (April 8, 2025).
- “Politics in South Africa.” Young Presidents’ Organization (March 27, 2025).
- “What is the Future of Solidarity?” Boston University, Keynote speaker, Global Health Politics Workshop (October 11, 2024).
- “Until We Have Won Our Liberty: Jusqu’à ce que nous ayons conquis notre liberté: la démocratie sud-africaine après l’apartheid.” South Africa in Bordeaux Conference (April 10, 2024).
- “The Socio-Political Mediators of Climate Risk: Evidence from Africa and United States.” Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST) (March 26, 2024).
- “Ethnicity and Attitudes about Climate Change in Africa.” University of Ghana, Working Group in African Political Economy (WGAPE) (March 22, 2024).
- “Can African Elections Affect Climate Governance?” Arua Nisansa Research Forum (March 14, 2024).
- “American Attitudes towards Climate Finance for the Global South: Survey and Experimental Evidence.” University of Cape Town, African Climate and Development Initiative (ACDI) (March 6, 2024).
- “Citizenship and Attitudes Towards Climate Change in the U.S. and Africa.” Mohammed VI Polytechnic University (November 6, 2023).
- “Identity and Climate Governance.” Canadian Institute for Advanced Research (CIFAR) (November 3, 2023).
- “In-Group Bias and Attitudes Towards Climate Policy in the United States.” Global Diversity Lab at MIT (October 31, 2023).
- Panel on Truth and Reconciliation, Commission of South Africa (May 30, 2023).
- “Appeals to human dignity: do they make a difference?” Canadian Institute for Advanced Research (CIFAR) Virtual Talks (May 11, 2023).
- “Until We Have Won Our Liberty.” Temple University, Comparative Politics Seminar (April 10, 2023).
- “Democracy and Dignified Development in Post-Apartheid South Africa.” University of Michigan (March 7, 2023).
- “Challenges of Measuring Climate Governance.” EGAP Conference on Climate Governance (February 4, 2023).
- “Until We Have Won Our Liberty.” Mogale City Local Government (January 27, 2023).
- “Until We Have Won Our Liberty.” University of Johannesburg (January 26, 2023).
- “Until We Have Won Our Liberty.” Umnotho for Empowerment (January 25, 2023).
- “Until We Have Won Our Liberty.” Cape Town Library, American Corner/Consulate of the United States (January 23, 2023).
- “Until We Have Won Our Liberty.” University of Cape Town (January 18, 2023).

- “Until We Have Won Our Liberty.” Council on Foreign Relations (October 20, 2022).
- “Africa At A Glance: South Africa After Apartheid.” The Aubrey Masango Show, South African Radio 702 (September 22, 2022).
- “Did the Freedom Struggle Pan Out? Reflections on Democracy and Dignified Development in Post-Apartheid South Africa.” New York University Wagner School of Public Policy (September 20, 2022).
- “Speaking Truth to a New Power: Perspectives on Free Press and Democracy in South Africa.” MIT Center for International Studies (September 14, 2022).
- “Has South African Democracy Failed?” Institute of Current World Affairs (July 28, 2022).
- “The Promise of Democracy: South Africa After Apartheid.” San Francisco World Affairs Council (July 21, 2022).
- “Vermont Conversation: What the world can learn from South Africa.” VTDigger, NPR (July 10, 2022).
- “Until We Have Won Our Liberty (Book talk)/ Democracy in South Africa.” Council on Foreign Relations (October 20, 2022).
- Discussant on Chris Carter Book Project. Harvard Weatherhead Center for International Affairs (December 16, 2022).
- “African Perspectives on Climate Change.” Total Seminar, MIT (November 17, 2022).
- “Roundtable on the Politics of Climate Governance.” American Political Science Association Meetings (September 2022).
- “Climate-related public opinion in Africa.” Comparative Inequality and Inclusion Seminar, Harvard University (April 13, 2022).
- Remarks on Environmental Democracy and Governance, Westminster Foundation for Democracy (March 29, 2022).
- “Local government elections in South Africa.” Presented and moderated EGAP Panel (October 21, 2021).
- Discussant, Christiana Parreira (post-doc) book workshop. POMEPS online (November 12, 2021).
- ““Diversity and Climate Adaptation.” EGAP and National Democratic Institute (NDI) (August 19, 2021).
- “A Pre-Analysis Plan for the Study of Dignity.” WZB Institute Berlin (June 22, 2021).
- “Nested Analysis and Mixed Methods Research.” Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLASCO) Sede México (June 3, 2021).
- “Race and Health: A Review and Implications for Computational Research.” MIT Institute for Data, Systems, and Society (IDSS) (May 19, 2021).
- “Until We Have Won Our Liberty: South Africa After Apartheid.” Oxford University Comparative Politics Series (May 14, 2021).
- “Africa’s Future Government.” True Africa University in collaboration with the MIT Center for International Studies (May 13, 2021).
- Research on Race and COVID-19 (with Allison Harell). Presented to CIFAR BMB Working Group (June 2020), Intergroup Relations Working Group (August 2020), and Harvard Weatherhead Center (December 2020).
- “Policy Implementation: Adaptation, Equity, and Inclusion.” MIT Climate Grand Challenges Workshop (November 9, 2020).
- “The Politics of Dignity in Post-Apartheid South Africa.” CIFAR BMB Workshop (October 2020).
- “Explaining Quotidian Ethnic Hostility in a Divided Society: Categorization and Online Expressions of Animus in Nigeria.” Media in Transition Conference, MIT (May 17, 2019).

- “State-Society Relations.” State Capacity and Public Goods Conference, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ (April 5-6, 2019).
- “Gold Dust Politics: How Democracy Saved South Africa.” Ash Center Democracy Workshop, Cambridge, MA (March 7, 2019).
- “South Africa’s Fragile Democracy.” Great Decisions series, Boston Public Library, Boston, MA (December 12, 2018).
- “Challenges to Democracy in Big Middle Income Countries: Brazil, India, South Africa.” Invited panelist at Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA (October 4, 2018).
- “Voice and Accountability, What Councillors Say.” Presentation to the Dullah Omar Institute and the South African Local Government Association, Cape Town, South Africa (July 31, 2018).
- “Boundaries, Solidarities and Collective Action.” Presentation of Lieberman research for invited workshop at the Canadian Institute for Advanced Research, Toronto, Canada (July 12-13, 2018).
- “Explaining Quotidian Ethnic Hostility in a Divided Society: Categorization and Online Expressions of Animus in Nigeria,” (joint work with Andrew Miller). University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana (April 27, 2018).
- “Do Party Elites Impede Accountability? Evidence from South African Local Government Elections,” (joint work with Phil Martin and Nina McMurry). University of Michigan, Center for Political Studies (April 25, 2018).
- “Do Party Elites Impede Accountability? Evidence from South African Local Government Elections,” (joint work with Phil Martin and Nina McMurry). NYU-Abu Dhabi (March 28, 2018).
- “Can Validated Participation Boost Efficacy and Active Citizenship? Evidence from a Pilot Field Experiment in Rural Tanzania.” MIT Poverty, Violence and Development Workshop (November 14, 2017).
- “What has Political Science Contributed to the Study of Global Health?” Boston University/Pardee Center Symposium on Global Health and the Social Sciences (November 9, 2017).
- “Can Validated Participation Boost Efficacy and Active Citizenship? Evidence from a Pilot Field Experiment in Rural Tanzania.” University of California, Berkeley, Comparative Politics Workshop (November 2, 2017).
- “Are Tyrants Good for Global Health?” Council on Foreign Relations, Roundtable Series on Global Health, Economics, and Development, New York (October 25, 2017).
- “Do Parties Hold Politicians Accountable (and for what?) Evidence from South African Local Government Elections,” (with Phil Martin, presenter; and Nina McMurry). Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA (September 1, 2017).
- “Can Validated Participation Boost Efficacy and Active Citizenship? Evidence from a Pilot Field Experiment in Rural Tanzania.” Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA (August 31, 2017).
- “Preliminary Findings from the South African Councillor Project Baseline Survey.” SACOPS workshop, MIT (August 8, 2017). (Hosted MISTI-sponsored collaborators workshop at MIT, which brought 7 South African researchers to campus for a 3-day workshop.)

### **Previous and Ongoing**

- African Studies Association Meetings.
- American Political Science Association Meetings.
- Boston University, Pardee Center (Cambridge, MA).

- Brown University (Providence, RI).
- Center for Strategic and International Studies/Woodrow Wilson School (Washington, DC).
- Columbia University, Comparative Politics Seminar (New York, NY).
- Columbia University, Mailman School Workshop on ARV Scale-Up (New York, NY).
- George Washington University (Washington, DC).
- Georgetown University (Washington, DC).
- Harvard University (Cambridge, MA).
- Institute for Development Studies, University of Sussex (Brighton, England).
- International Political Science Association Meetings (Durban, South Africa).
- Laboratory in Comparative Ethnic Processes/Columbia University (New York, NY).
- Laboratory in Comparative Ethnic Processes/Makerere University (Kampala, Uganda).
- London School of Economics (London, England).
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology, African Politics Seminar (Cambridge, MA).
- New York University, Wagner School of Public Policy (New York, NY).
- Northwestern University, Thunder of History/Fiscal Sociology Conference (Evanston, IL).
- Oxford University Center for the Study of Inequality and Democracy (Oxford, England).
- Penn State, Comparative Politics (College Park, PA).
- Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Scholars Annual Meeting (Aspen, CO).
- School for Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University (Washington, DC).
- Social Science Research Council workshop on the study of HIV/AIDS (New York, NY).
- Stanford University, Comparative Politics Seminar (Stanford, CA).
- University of California, Berkeley (Berkeley, CA).
- University of California, Los Angeles (Los Angeles, CA).
- University of Cape Town (Cape Town, South Africa).
- University of Pennsylvania, Comparative Politics Seminar (Philadelphia, PA).
- University of Toronto, Comparative Politics Seminar (Toronto, ON).
- World Bank, Social Science and Policy Seminar Series (Washington, DC).
- Yale University, Comparative Politics Seminar (New Haven, CT).

### **University / Department Service**

#### **MIT**

- MIT Climate Policy Working Group, Member (2024-present).
- MIT Science and Technology Initiative, Faculty Director (2021-present).
- Global Diversity Lab, Founding Director (2019-present).
- MIT Africa, Faculty Director (2020-2023).
- Digital Humanities Lab, Advisory Board Member (2020-2024).
- Committee on Student Life (2021-2023).
- Comparative politics speaker series, Co-convener (2019-2020).
- Poverty, Violence and Development Workshop, Convener (2017-2018).
- Comparative politics subfield coordinator (2016-2017).
- Graduate Admissions Committee, Member (2016-2017), Chair (2017-2018, 2019-2020, 2020-2021).
- Climate Action Advisory Committee, Member (2016-2018).
- Faculty Committee on Campus Planning, Member (2016-2018).
- Comparative Politics Junior Search, Chair (2015-2016, 2016-2017, 2021-2022).

#### **Princeton**

- Faculty Director, Founder, Princeton AIDS Initiative (2003-2010).

- Executive committee, Global Health Policy Program (2008-2014).
- Faculty Associate, Princeton University Center for Health and Wellbeing (2003-2014).
- Faculty Associate, Princeton University Center for International Studies/Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies (2002-2014).
- Member, Princeton University Interdepartmental Committee for the Program in African Studies (2003-2014).
- Executive Committee, Bobst Center for Peace and Justice (2011-2014).
- Associate Chair, Department of Politics (2011-2014).
- Chair, omnibus speaker series committee (2011-2012), comparative politics search (2012-2013), and priorities committee (2012-2013).

### **Editorial Boards**

- *Africa Spectrum* Editorial Advisory Board (2020-present).
- *World Politics* (2016-present).
- *American Political Science Review* (2016-2020).

## Professional Activities and Service

- Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP) Advisory Board on Climate Research, Co-Chair (2022-24).
- Best Article award committee chair, Experimental research section of the *American Political Science Association* (2021).
- Scotia Group (International Climate Advisory), Member (2021-present).
- London School of Economics Department of Government, External Expert (2020-present).
- Experiments in Governance and Politics Network, Member and Volunteer Mentor (2020-present).
- Best Article award committee, African Politics Conference Group, Chair (2018).
- Qualitative and Mixed Methods section of the *American Political Science Association*: Vice President (2014-2016).
- Comparative Politics section of the *American Political Science Association*: Executive Council Member (2013-2015).
- Politics and History Section of the *American Political Science Association*, Member, Mary Parker Follett, Best Article Prize Committee (2015).
- Qualitative and Mixed Methods section of the *American Political Science Association*: Giovanni Sartori Book Prize Committee (2012).
- Comparative Democratization Section of the American Political Science Association, Chair, Best Article Prize Committee (2010).
- Politics and History Section of the American Political Science Association: David J. Greenstone Award Committee (2008); Executive Committee (2008-2009); Co-chair, Program for the meetings (2004).
- Qualitative and Mixed Methods section of the American Political Science Association: Nominating Committee (2008).
- Laboratory in Comparative Ethnic Processes (LiCEP) Working Group: Member and organizer of Spring meetings (2006).
- *World Politics*. Editorial Committee (2008-2012); Associate Editor (2003-2008).
- Reviewer, *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *Cambridge University Press*, *Comparative Politics*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *Lynne Rienner*, National Science Foundation, *Political Analysis*, *Sage Press*, *Studies in Comparative International Development*, *3ie*, *World Development*, *World Politics*.