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EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) *Cambridge, MA* Aug. 2017 – Present
PhD Candidate in Political Science.

Specializations in Comparative Politics and Quantitative Research Methods.

Dissertation Committee: F. Daniel Hidalgo, Evan Lieberman (chair), Ben Ross Schneider, Lily Tsai.

Graduate Research Fellow, MIT Governance Lab (MIT GOV/LAB).

Swarthmore College *Swarthmore, PA* Aug. 2010 – June 2014

Bachelor of Arts with High Honors in Political Science and Economics.

Middlebury College in France program at the Institut d'études politiques de Bordeaux (Spring 2013).

ACADEMIC WORKING PAPERS

Who Gets Hired? Political Patronage and Bureaucratic Favoritism

with Mai Hassan (MIT) and Horacio Larreguy (ITAM)

Under Review

ACADEMIC RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

The Spoils of the State: Public Procurement and Political Finance in Burkina Faso

Money in the Bank: Horizontal Accountability and "Underspending" in Burkina Faso

Racial Quotas in the Brazilian Civil Service

with F. Daniel Hidalgo (MIT)

Public Finance and Local Government Budgets in Kenya

with Mai Hassan (MIT)

POLICY RESEARCH

Russell, Stuart. *Public Procurement and Favoritism Risks in Burkina Faso*. Open Contracting Partnership Report. Washington, DC. December 2021

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT EXPERIENCE

Professor F. Daniel Hidalgo (MIT Political Science) June 2020 – Present

Professor Pia Raffler (Harvard Government) Feb. 2020 – June 2020

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Political Science Laboratory Feb. 2021 – May 2021

Co-instructor of record with Blair Read

MIT Political Science Department. Undergraduate course on applied econometrics and statistics.

Teaching Practice Certificate June 2020 – July 2020

MIT Teaching and Learning Lab

Quantitative Methods II: Causal Inference Feb. 2020 – May 2020
Teaching assistant for Professor F. Daniel Hidalgo
 MIT Political Science Department. PhD-level graduate course on causal inference.

Democracy in Africa Feb. 2020 – May 2020
Teaching assistant for Professor Evan Lieberman
 MITx. Online course on African politics.

Political Economy and Economic Development Aug. 2019 – Dec. 2019
Teaching assistant for Professors Abhijit Banerjee and Ben Olken
 MITx MicroMasters Program in Data, Economics, and Development Policy. Online course on the political economy of international development.

Intermediate Microeconomics Aug. 2012 – Dec. 2012, Aug. 2013 – Dec. 2013
Teaching assistant for Professors Ellen Magenheim and Stephen Golub
 Swarthmore College Economics Department. Undergraduate course on microeconomic theory.

FIELD WORK EXPERIENCE

Morocco June 2022 – August 2022
Burkina Faso July 2021, April 2022
Kenya Jan. 2020
Senegal Aug. 2016 – July 2017, June – July 2018, June – July 2019
Mali Jan. 2018

Additional field work travel less than a month in length to Albania, Benin, Côte d'Ivoire, and Liberia.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

MIT Political Methodology Lab Grant (\$1,000 each)	2022, 2022
MIT Center for International Studies Summer Study Fellowship (\$3,500 each)	2021, 2022
West African Research Association Pre-Doctoral Fellowship (\$3,500)	2021
Open Contracting Partnership Action Research Grant (\$3,000)	2021
MIT Governance Lab Dissertation Grant (\$15,000)	2020
Busara Center and MIT GOV/LAB Behavioral Science in the Field Course (in kind)	2020
MIT Governance Lab Seed Grant (\$4,000 each)	2018, 2019
Honorable Mention, National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship	2019
Princeton in Africa Fellowship	2016
Phi Beta Kappa, Swarthmore College	2014

DEPARTMENT SERVICE

MIT Political Science Graduate Student Council

MIT Political Science Application Mentorship Program	Oct. 2020 – May 2021
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Working Group	July 2020 – May 2021
Graduate Student Orientation Committee Member	Aug. 2018 – May 2019

MIT Political Behavior of Development Conference

Organizing Committee Member	April 2019 – Nov. 2019
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MIT Reading Group in African Politics

Co-Organizer	Aug. 2018 – May 2019
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LANGUAGE AND SOFTWARE SKILLS

Languages	French (Fluent)
Computing and Analysis Software	R, Stata, Python
Data Collection Software	SurveyCTO, Qualtrics, DHIS2
Publishing Software	Git, L ^A T _E X, Microsoft Office Suite

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

IDinsight <i>Social Scientist Intern</i>	June 2022 – August 2022 <i>Rabat, Morocco</i>
Development Impact Evaluation (DIME), World Bank <i>Data and Evidence for Justice Reform (DE JURE) Consultant</i>	June 2021 – Sept 2021 <i>Somerville, MA (Remote)</i>
Population Services International (PSI) <i>Monitoring and Evaluation Fellow / Princeton in Africa Fellow</i>	Aug. 2016 – July 2017 <i>Dakar, Senegal</i>
Center for International Development at Harvard University <i>Growth Lab Research Assistant</i>	Aug. 2014 – July 2016 <i>Cambridge, MA</i>