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EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) *Cambridge, MA* Aug. 2017 – Aug. 2023
PhD in Political Science.
Specializations in Comparative Politics and Econometrics.
Graduate Research Fellow, MIT Governance Lab (MIT GOV/LAB).

Swarthmore College *Swarthmore, PA* Aug. 2010 – June 2014
Bachelor of Arts with High Honors in Economics and Political Science.
Middlebury College in France program at the Institut d'études politiques de Bordeaux (Spring 2013).

EMPLOYMENT

World Bank Sept. 11, 2023 – Present
Young Professional, Governance Global Practice *Washington, DC*

Massachusetts Institute of Technology Aug. 1, 2017 – Aug. 15, 2023
PhD Candidate and Graduate Research Fellow *Cambridge, MA*

IDinsight June 13, 2022 – Aug. 12, 2022
Social Scientist Intern *Rabat, Morocco*

World Bank June 1, 2021 – Sept. 30, 2021
Development Impact Evaluation (DIME) Consultant *Remote*

Population Services International (PSI) Aug. 21, 2016 – Aug. 4, 2017
Monitoring and Evaluation Fellow / Princeton in Africa Fellow *Dakar, Senegal*

Center for International Development at Harvard University Aug. 1, 2014 – July 22, 2016
Growth Lab Research Assistant *Cambridge, MA*

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Who Gets Hired? Political Patronage and Bureaucratic Favoritism
with Mai Hassan (MIT) and Horacio Larreguy (ITAM)
American Political Science Review (2024): 1-18

ACADEMIC RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

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

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

Public Finance and Local Government Budgets in Kenya
with Mai Hassan (MIT) and Horacio Larreguy (ITAM)

POLICY RESEARCH

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

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Political Science Laboratory** Feb. 17, 2021 – May 20, 2021
Co-instructor of record with Blair Read
MIT Political Science Department. Undergraduate course on applied econometrics and statistics.
- Teaching Practice Certificate** June 22, 2020 – July 17, 2020
MIT Teaching and Learning Lab
- Quantitative Methods II: Causal Inference** Feb. 3, 2020 – May 20, 2020
Teaching assistant for Professor F. Daniel Hidalgo
MIT Political Science Department. PhD-level graduate course on causal inference.
- Democracy in Africa** Feb. 18, 2020 – April 21, 2020
Teaching assistant for Professor Evan Lieberman
MITx. Online course on African politics.
- Political Economy and Economic Development** Sept 3, 2019 – Nov. 19, 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** Sept. 3, 2012 – Dec. 11, 2012, Sept. 2, 2013 – Dec. 10, 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

- Governance and Local Development Institute Short-Term Grant (35,000 SEK) 2022
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

LANGUAGE AND SOFTWARE SKILLS

- Languages** French (Fluent)
Computing and Analysis Software R, Stata, Python
Data Collection Software SurveyCTO, Qualtrics, DHIS2
Publishing Software Git, L^AT_EX, Microsoft Office Suite