

Michael Wahman

Curriculum Vitae

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Personal

Dual Swedish and US citizen

Academic positions

2023- **Associate Professor**, Michigan State University, Department of Political Science
Affiliated Core Faculty, Michigan State University, African Studies Center.
2018-2023 **Assistant Professor**, Michigan State University, Department of Political Science
2015-2018 **Assistant Professor**, University of Missouri- Columbia, Department of Political Science
Affiliated Faculty, University of Missouri, Department of Black Studies.
2013-2015 **Postdoctoral Fellow**, Swedish Research Council Fellow, London School of Economics
and Political Science, Department of Government.
2012-2013 **Postdoctoral Fellow/Visiting Assistant Professor**, University of Texas at Austin,
Center for European Studies.
2012 **Research Fellow**, the German Institute for Global and Area Studies (GIGA), Institute of
African Affairs, Hamburg. Working in the project “Ineffective Sanctions? External
Sanctions and the Persistence of Autocratic Regimes” (May-August 2012).

Education

2012 **Ph.D.**, Lund University, Sweden.
Dissertation title: "Uniting Against Autocrats: Opposition Coordination, Turnovers and
Democratization by Elections." Advisors: Jan Teorell and Staffan I. Lindberg. External
examiner: Andreas Schedler. **Winner of the Oscar II Dissertation Award*
2011 **Pre-doctoral Fellow** (Sweden-America Fellow), University of Texas at Austin.
2008 **M.A.** Political Science, Lund University.
2007 **B.A.** Political Science, Lund University.

Visiting Fellowships and Affiliations

09/24-03/25 **Governance and Local Development Institute (GLD), University of Gothenburg**,
Residential Visiting Fellow
05-07/2023 **Aarhus University**, Department of Political Science, Residential Visiting Fellow
2023 **Governance and Local Development Institute (GLD), University of Gothenburg**,
Research Fellow (non-residential)
2022- **German Institute for Global and Area Studies**, Research Associate (non-residential)
2020-2023 **Folke Bernadotte Academy**, Invited Member, Research Working Group (non-
residential)
05-07/2022 **University College London**, Department of Political Science, Residential Visiting Fellow
07/2019 **London School of Economics and Political Science**, Department of Government,
Residential Visiting Fellow
04/2019 **University of Cape Town**, Institute for Democracy, Citizenship and Public Policy in
Africa, Residential Visiting Fellow

05/2018 **London School of Economics and Political Science**, Department of Government,
Residential Visiting Fellow

Editorial Boards

- Democratization 2021-

Academic training

- University of Missouri Scholars Program, University of Missouri, October 2016- April 2017
- Inter-University Consortium for Political Science Research (ICPSR), Certificate in Quantitative Methods, University of Michigan, June-August 2009.
- Centre for Educational Development (CED), Lund University, Teaching in Higher Education Certificate, March-April 2010.

Books

3. Wahman, Michael. 2023. *Controlling Territory, Controlling Voters: The Electoral Geography of African Campaign Violence*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

- Author Meets Critics Roundtable at the 2023 African Studies Association Annual Meeting and the APSA 2024 Annual Meeting
- Podcasts: *Governance Uncovered* with Ellen Lust, September 2023.
- Reviewed in: *African Studies Review* (*4), *Foreign Affairs*
- Book talks: Aarhus University, London School of Economics, Northern Illinois University, University of Amsterdam, University of Birmingham, Uppsala University, SAIS Johns Hopkins University, and SAIPAR Zambia

2. Bech Seeberg, Merete, Michael Wahman, and Svend-Erik Skaaning (Eds.). 2019. *Violence and Candidate Nomination in Africa*. London: Routledge.

1. Patel, Nandini and Michael Wahman (Eds.). 2015. *The 2014 Malawi Tripartite Elections. Is Democracy Maturing?*. Lilongwe: National Initiative for Civic Education.

Edited Special Issues

3. Kerr, Nicholas, Bridgett King, and Michael Wahman. "Public Trust in Elections." *Public Opinion Quarterly* 2024: 88(SI).

2. Bech Seeberg, Merete, Michael Wahman, and Svend-Erik Skaaning. "Candidate Nomination, Intra-party Democracy, and Election Violence in Africa" *Democratization* 2018: 25(6).

1. Wahman, Michael. "Auktoritär Motståndskraft (Authoritarian Resilience)" *Statsvetenskaplig Tidskrift* 2013: 115(4).

Journal Articles

* Graduate student co-author

** Undergraduate student co-author

33. Ofosu, George, Merete Bech Seeberg, and Michael Wahman. Forthcoming. "Messages Matter: How Voter Education Campaigns Affect Voters' Willingness to Vote for Women." *Journal of Politics*, Pages: TBA.

32. Siachiwena, Hangala, and Michael Wahman. Forthcoming. "The Political Economy of Urban Party Switching in African Elections: Evidence from Zambia." *Journal of Modern African Studies*, Pages: TBA.
 31. Kerr, Nicholas, Brigitte King, and Michael Wahman. 2024. "Introduction: The Global Crisis of Trust in Elections." *Public Opinion Quarterly*, 88(SI): 451-271.
 30. Kerr, Nicholas, Matthias Krönke*, and Michael Wahman. 2024. "Where are the Sore Losers? Competitive Authoritarianism, Incumbent Defeat, and Electoral Trust in Zambia's 2021 Election." *Public Opinion Quarterly*, 88(SI): 608-631.
 29. Michael Wahman. 2024. "How Strategic Violence Distorts African Elections." *Journal of Democracy*, 35(2): 108-121.
 28. Seeberg, Merete Bech and Michael Wahman. 2024. "How Does Primary Election Manipulation Affect Women's Representation? Evidence from Malawi." *Comparative Politics*, 56(3): 345-366
 27. Boone, Catherine, Michael Wahman, Stephan Kyburz, and Andrew Linke. 2022. "Regional Cleavages in African Politics: Persistent Electoral Blocs and Territorial Opposition." *Political Geography*, 99: 102741.
 26. Wahman, Michael and Merete Bech Seeberg. 2022. "Paying to Play: How Parliamentary Candidates Fund Ruling Party Campaigns in Malawi." *Comparative Politics*, 55(1): 95-140.
 25. Wahman, Michael, Nikolaos Frantzeskakis*, and Tefvik Murat Yildirim*. 2021. "From Thin to Thick Representation: How a Female President Shapes Female Parliamentary Behavior." *American Political Science Review*, 115(2): 360-378.
 24. von Borzyskowski, Inken and Michael Wahman. 2021. "Systematic Measurement Error in Election Violence Data: Causes and Consequences." *British Journal of Political Science*, 51(1): 230-252.
 23. Kerr, Nicholas and Michael Wahman. 2021. "Electoral Rulings and Public Trust in African Courts and Elections" *Comparative Politics*, 53(2): 257-290.
 22. Hinfelaar, Marja, O'Brien Kaaba, and Michael Wahman. 2021. "Electoral Turnovers and the Disappointment of Enduring Presidential Power: Constitution Making in Zambia." *Journal of Eastern African Studies*, 15(1): 63-84.
 21. Wahman, Michael and Edward Goldring*. 2020. "Pre-Electoral Violence and Territorial Control: Political Dominance and Subnational Election Violence in Africa." *Journal of Peace Research*, 57(1):93-110.
 20. Sato, Yuko* and Michael Wahman. 2019. "Elite Coordination and Popular Protest: The Joint Effect on Democratic Change." *Democratization*, 26(8): 1419-1438.
 19. Wahman, Michael and Catherine Boone. 2018. "Captured Countryside? Stability and Change in Sub-National Support for African Incumbent Parties." *Comparative Politics*, 50(2): 189-208.
- Nominated by *Comparative Politics* for the 2017-2019 Luebbert Article Award
18. Bech Seeberg, Merete, Michael Wahman and Svend-Erik Skaaning. 2018. "Candidate Nomination, Intra-party Democracy, and Election Violence in Africa." *Democratization*, 25(6): 959-977.
- Reprinted in Bech Seeberg, Merete, Michael Wahman, and Svend-Erik Skaaning (Eds.). 2019. *Violence and Candidate Nomination in Africa*. London: Routledge.
17. Goldring, Edward* and Michael Wahman. 2018. "Fighting for a Name on the Ballot: A Constituency-Level Analysis of Nomination Violence in Zambia." *Democratization*, 25(6): 996-1015.

- Reprinted in Bech Seeberg, Merete, Michael Wahman, and Svend-Erik Skaaning (Eds.). 2019. *Violence and Candidate Nomination in Africa*. London: Routledge.
16. Wahman, Michael and Cooper Drury. 2018. "Leverage, Diplomacy, and African Lesbian, Bisexual, Gay, Transgendered and, Intersex Rights: Malawi and Zambia Compared." *Journal of Human Rights*, 17(5): 622-641.
 15. Teorell, Jan and Michael Wahman. 2018. "Institutional Stepping Stones for Democracy: How and Why Multipartyism Enhances Democratic Change." *Democratization*, 25(1): 78-97.
 14. Wahman, Michael. 2017. "Nationalized Incumbents and Regional Challengers – Opposition and Incumbent Party Nationalization in Africa." *Party Politics*, 23(3): 309-322.
 13. Goldring, Edward* and Michael Wahman. 2016. "Democracy in Reverse: The 2016 General Election in Zambia." *Africa Spectrum*, 51(3): 107-121.
 12. Wahman, Michael. 2016. "Opposition Coordination in Africa." *APSA Comparative Democratization Newsletter*, 14(1): 1-7.
 11. Boone, Catherine and Michael Wahman. 2015. "Rural Bias in African Electoral Systems- Legacies of Unequal Representation in African Democracies." *Electoral Studies*, 40: 335-346.
 10. von Soest, Christian and Michael Wahman. 2015. "Are Democratic Sanctions Really Counterproductive?" *Democratization*, 22(6): 957-980.
 9. von Soest, Christian and Michael Wahman. 2015. "Not all Dictators are Equal: Coups, Fraudulent Elections and the Selective Targeting of Democratic Sanctions." *Journal of Peace Research*, 52(1): 17-31.
 8. Patel, Nandini and Michael Wahman. 2015. "The Presidential, Parliamentary and Local Elections in Malawi, May 2014." *Africa Spectrum*, 50(1): 79-92.
 7. Wahman, Michael. 2014. "Electoral Coordination in Anglophone Africa." *Commonwealth and Comparative Politics*, 52(2): 187-211.
 6. Wahman, Michael. 2014. "Democratization and Electoral Turnovers in Sub-Saharan Africa and Beyond." *Democratization*, 21(2): 220-243.
 5. Wahman, Michael. 2013. "Motståndskraft i Konkurrensutsatta Autokratier- Maktskiften, Partiinstitutionalisering och Demokratisering" (The Resilience of Competitive Authoritarian Regimes- Turnovers, Party Institutionalization and Democratization), *Statsvetenskaplig Tidskrift*, 114 (4), 427-449.
 4. Wahman, Michael. 2013. "Introduktion: Att Studera, Mäta och Förklara Auktoritär Motståndskraft" (Introduction: How to Study, Measure and Explain Autocratic Resilience). *Statsvetenskaplig Tidskrift*, 114(4): 261-73.
 3. Wahman, Michael, Jan Teorell and Axel Hadenius. 2013. "Authoritarian Regime Types Revisited: Updated Data in Comparative Perspective." *Contemporary Politics*, 19(1): 19-34.
- *Most cited article published in Contemporary Politics*
- Reprinted in Croissant, Aurel, Steffen Kalitz, Patrick Koelner, and Stefan Wurster (Eds.). 2014. *Comparing Autocracies in the Early Twenty-first Century (Volume 1)*. London: Routledge.
2. Wahman, Michael. 2013. "Opposition Coalitions and Democratization by Elections." *Government and Opposition*, 48(1): 3-32.

1. Wahman, Michael. 2011. "Offices and Policies: Why do Oppositional Parties Form Pre-electoral Coalitions in Competitive Authoritarian Regimes?" *Electoral Studies*, 30(4): 642-657.

Book Chapters and Reviews

* Graduate student co-author

9. Wahman, Michael. Forthcoming. "Response to Reviews: Controlling Territory, Controlling Voters." *African Studies Review*. Pages: TBA.
8. Tabassum, Fariha* and Michael Wahman. Forthcoming "Election Violence." In Khisa, Moses, Anne Mette Kjær, and Alecia Ndlvu (Eds.) *Encyclopedia of African Politics*. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar Publishing.
7. Wahman, Michael and Layla Brooks**. 2022. "A Statistical Analysis of the 2019 Malawi Presidential and Parliamentary Vote: Persistence, Change, and Electoral Geography." in Patel, Nandini and Fidelis Edge Kanyongolo (Eds.) *Democracy Tested: Malawi's 2019 Tripartite Elections*. Pretoria: Pretoria University Law Press.
6. Wahman, Michael. 2022. "Book Review: Shock to the System: Coups Elections and War on the Road to Democratization by Michael K. Miller." *Governance*, 35(3): 951-953.
5. Frantzeskakis, Nikolaos*, Michael Wahman, and Tevfik Murat Yildirim*. 2022. "Malawi: Legislative Debate Under Executive Dominance." in Bäck, Hanna, Marc Debus, and Jorge M. Fernandes (Eds.) *The Politics of Legislative Debates Around the World*. Oxford: Oxford University Press., pp. 553-572.
4. Wahman, Michael. 2020. "Violence and Money: A Constituency-level Survey of Election Manipulation." in Banda, Tinenenji, O'Brien Kaaba, Marja Hinfelaar, and Muna Ndulo. (Eds.) *Democracy and Electoral Politics in Zambia*. Leiden: Brill, pp. 283-310
3. Bryant, Kenneth Jr.* and Michael Wahman. 2017. "Rural Voters." in Moghaddam, Fathali M. (Ed.). *The SAGE Encyclopedia of Political Behavior*. Thousand Oaks: SAGE
1. Wahman, Michael and Daniel Chapman**. 2015. "The Persistent and Increasing Problem of Malapportionment in Malawi- A Statistical Argument for Redistricting." in Patel, Nandini and Michael Wahman (Eds.) *The 2014 Malawi Tripartite Elections. Is Democracy Maturing?*. Lilongwe: National Initiative for Civic Education, pp. 52-69.
1. Patel, Nandini and Michael Wahman. 2015. "Introduction" in Patel, Nandini and Michael Wahman, (Eds.) *The 2014 Malawi Tripartite Elections. Is Democracy Maturing?*. Lilongwe: National Initiative for Civic Education., pp. 2-13.

Policy Reports

3. Wahman, Michael. 2023. "The Cost of Politics in Zambia: Implications for Political Participation and Development." London: *Westminster Foundation for Democracy*
2. Sichone, Owen and Michael Wahman. 2021. "Election Violence in Zambia." *Zambia Election Analysis Project (ZEAP) Briefing Paper Series*, Lusaka: Westminster Foundation for Democracy and Southern African Institute for Policy and Research.
1. Wahman, Michael. 2019. "The Cost of Politics in Malawi." London: *Westminster Foundation for Democracy*

Work Under review

* Graduate student co-author

** Undergraduate student co-author

- Frantzeskakis, Nikolaos,* Alejandra López Villegas,* and Michael Wahman. "Cheerleaders for Autocracy: Parliamentary Speech Making During Democratic Backsliding in Malawi and Zambia."
- Von Borzyskowski, Inken and Michael Wahman. "Political Participation and Urban Election Violence: Evidence from a Survey Experiment in Zambia"

Work in Preparation

- Von Borzyskowski, Inken and Michael Wahman. "Citizen Acceptance of Political Violence in a New Democracy: Evidence from a Zambian Panel Survey."
- Von Borzyskowski, Inken and Michael Wahman. "Area Wealth and Fear of Electoral Participation: A Survey Experiment in Lusaka, Zambia, and Nairobi, Kenya."
- Nicholas Kerr and Michael Wahman. "Can't Afford to Lose: Parliamentary Election Spending and Acceptance of Election Defeat."
- George Ofosu, Merete Bech Seeberg, and Michael Wahman. "Enhancing the Supply of Women Local Candidates: A Field Experiment in Zambia."
- Nicholas Kerr, Brigitte King, and Michael Wahman. "Assessing the Sources and Consequences of Public Perceptions of Electoral Integrity." (Invited Book Chapter for Oxford Handbook of Electoral Integrity).
- George Ofosu, Merete Bech Seeberg, and Michael Wahman. "The Impact of Gender Campaigns on Female Political Participation."

Op-eds and blogs (in selection)

- *Democracy in Africa*. "Interview: Joyce Banda and the Inspirational Effect of a Female President." 04/20/2021
- *The Conversation*. "Will Bold Landmark Election Ruling Improve Malawian Democracy?" 02/10/2020
- *Monkey Cage/Washington Post*. "Why Does Malawi have 1,331 Candidates Running for 193 Seats in Parliament?" 03/11/2019.
- *Monkey Cage/Washington Post*. "A Zambian Opposition Leader was Arrested, but there are Deeper Cracks in the Country's Democracy." 05/18/2017.
- *Africa at LSE*. "Zambia Decides 2016" 08/10/2016 (with Hangala Siachiwena)
- *Democracy in Africa*. "Democracy in Africa: Lessons from Malawi" 12/21/2015. (with Nandini Patel)
- *Democracy in Africa*. "New Year, New Questions: Michael Wahman." 01/21/2015.
- *Africa at LSE*. "Zambia Presidential Elections: Why is it so Hard to Predict a Potential Winner?" (with Catherine Boone). 01/19/2015.
- *Monkey Cage/Washington Post*. "How the West Selectively Promotes Democracy Through Sanctions." (with Christian von Soest). 01/10/2015.
- *Democracy in Africa*. "Disappointing Democrats: Exploring the Link Between Democratization and Electoral Turnovers." 08/26/2014.

- *E-International Relations*. “The Underestimated Effect of Democratic Sanctions.” (with Christian von Soest). 04/26/2014.
- *Svensk Tidskrift*. “Kenyansk Presidentdebatt utan Sakfrågor” (Kenyan Presidential Debate without Policy Issues.) 02/15/2013.
- *Göteborgs Posten*. “SD som Vågmästare: En Framgångsrik Myt.” (The Sweden Democrats as a Pivotal Party: A Successful Myth.) 08/10/2010.

Awards

- Oscar II award for best PhD dissertation at Lund University’s College of Social Science (2011 and 2012)

Grants and fellowships (above \$3,000)

Note: Some amounts converted and approximated from Swedish Crowns (SEK) or British Pounds (GBP)

- **Aarhus University Research Foundation**, 2023 (one-year grant)
Project title: Trust in Elections
PI: Michael Wahman
Purpose: 2-month research stay at Aarhus University
Amount: \$6,000
- **Folke Bernadotte Academy**, 2022 (one-year grant)
Project Title: Urban Election Violence and Political Exclusion in Kenya.
PI: Inken von Borzyskowski (University College London)
Co-Investigator: Michael Wahman
Amount: \$39,000
- **Folke Bernadotte Academy**, 2021 (one-year grant)
Project Title: Urban Election Violence and Political Exclusion in Africa.
PI: Michael Wahman
Co-Investigators: Inken von Borzyskowski (University College London)
Amount: \$47,000
- **Westminster Foundation for Democracy**, 2020 (one-year grant)
Project Title: The Zambia Candidate Survey
PI: Michael Wahman
Amount: \$13,000
- **Westminster Foundation for Democracy**, 2020 (one-year grant)
Project Title: The Effectiveness of Gender Campaigns on Female Political Representation.
PI: Michael Wahman
Co-Investigators: George Ofosu (LSE) Merete Bech Seeberg (Aarhus University)
Amount: \$15,000
- **Aarhus University**, 2020 (one-year grant)
Project title: The Effectiveness of Gender Campaigns on Female Political Representation.
PI: Merete Bech Seeberg (Aarhus University)
Co-Investigators: George Ofosu (LSE) Michael Wahman
Amount: \$22,000
- **Westminster Foundation for Democracy**, 2019 (one-year grant)
Project title: Malawi Candidate Survey
PI: Michael Wahman
Co-Investigator: Merete Bech Seeberg (Aarhus University)
Amount: \$13,000
- **Economic and Social Research Council**, 2018 (three-year grant)
Project title: Spatial Inequality in African Political Economy
PI: Catherine Boone (LSE)
Co-Investigators: Michael Wahman, Andrew Linke (University of Utah), Leigh Gardner (London School of Economics and Political Science)

Amount: \$1.4 million

- **Aarhus University**, 2018 (one-year grant)
Project title: The Malawi Observation of Party Primaries (MOPP)
PI: Merete Bech Seeberg (Aarhus University) and Michael Wahman
Amount: \$30,000
- **Magnus Bergvall's Foundation**, 2016 (two-year grant)
Project title: African Election Manipulation from the Bottom Up
PI: Michael Wahman
Purpose: Fieldwork and surveys in Zambia
Amount: \$18,000
- **Research Council, University of Missouri**, 2015 (one-year grant)
Project title: African Election Manipulation from the Bottom Up
PI: Michael Wahman
Purpose: Fieldwork and surveys in Zambia
Amount: \$10,000
- **The Royal Research Society**, 2013
Purpose: Support for conference organization
PI: Michael Wahman
Amount: \$3,500
- **Swedish Research Council**, 2012 (two-year grant)
Project title: Elections and Electoral Corruption in New Democracies
PI: Michael Wahman
Purpose: Two-year postdoctoral visit at the London School of Economics and Political Science
Amount: \$250,000
- **Wenner-Gren Foundation**, 2012 (one-year grant- declined)
Project title: Elections and Electoral Corruption in New Democracies
PI: Michael Wahman
Purpose: One-year postdoctoral visit at the London School of Economics and Political Science
Amount: \$40,000
- **Sven and Dagmar Sahlen's Foundation**, 2012 (one-year grant)
Purpose: Support for Postdoctoral Research at University of Texas at Austin
PI: Michael Wahman
Amount: \$4,000
- **Sweden-America Foundation**, 2010 (six-month grant)
Purpose: Support for Pre-doctoral Research at University of Texas at Austin
Amount: \$7,000
- **The Foundation to the Memory of Lars Hierta**, 2010
PI: Michael Wahman
Purpose: Fieldwork in Kenya
Amount: \$3,000
- **Swedish Research Council**, 2009
Purpose: Support for two months at the ICPSR Summer School in Quantitative Methods,
University of Michigan
Amount: \$3,000+Tuition fees

Smaller grants and fellowships (below \$3.000)

Michigan State University African Studies Center Course Development Grant 2019 and 2021; Michigan State University Provost Undergraduate Research Initiative Grant 2020; University of Missouri International Travel Grant 2017, Kinder Foundation 2015; Karl Staaf Foundation, 2012 and 2013; Siamon Foundation, 2011; Sven and Dagmar Salén's Foundation, 2010 and 2012; American Political Science Association, travel grant, 2010; Birgit and Sven Håkan Ohlsson's Foundation, 2011; International Studies Association, travel grant, 2010; The Foundation to the Memory of Lars Hierta, 2008 and 2009; The Crafoord Foundation, 2009; Letterstedt's Foundation, 2009; The Academic Society in Lund, 2008.

Conference Organization

- *Overcoming Challenges to Women's Political Representation in Malawi and Zambia*, Lusaka Zambia, August 10, 2023 (With National Democratic Institute).
- *Mid-Midwest African Politics Conference*, East Lansing, Michigan, November 11, 2021.
- *Cost of Politics in Malawi*, Lilongwe, Malawi, November 27, 2019 (With Westminster Foundation for Democracy and Institute for Policy Interaction).
- *Scandinavian Democratization Research*, Lund, Sweden, December 12, 2013.

Conference and workshop participation (in selection)

- American Political Science Association (APSA) 2024, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2010
- African Studies Association (ASA) 2023, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2013
- Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) 2017, 2016, 2013
- Peace Science Society 2020
- Southern Political Science Association (SPSA) 2019
- Political Parties in Africa Conference, University of Cape Town 2021
- Southern African Institute for Policy and Research (SAIPAR) Fieldwork Workshop, Lusaka, 2016
- European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) 2014, 2013, 2009
- Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference 2015
- National Initiative for Civic Education (NICE) Post-election Conference, Lilongwe, 2014
- ECPR Research Sessions, Florence, 2012.
- GIGA workshop on Autocratic Regimes and the Effects of International Sanctions, Hamburg, 2012
- Institute for African Development, Spring Symposium, Cornell University, 2012.
- European Conference on African Studies (ECAS), 2011.
- Swedish Political Science Association (SWEPSA) Annual Meeting, 2010, 2008
- International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Convention, 2010.

Invited talks

2024: Northern Illinois University (United States), University of Witwatersrand (South Africa), Southern African Institute for Policy and Research (SAIPAR, Zambia), University of Michigan (United States), Johns Hopkins University- SAIS (United States), University of Amsterdam (Netherlands), University of Birmingham (United Kingdom), Uppsala University (Sweden)

2023: National Democratic Institute, conference keynote (Zambia), Aarhus University (Denmark)

2022: London School of Economics (United Kingdom), University College London (United Kingdom)

2021: London School of Economics (United Kingdom)

2020: University of California San Diego (United States), University of Mannheim (Germany), Folke Bernadotte Academy (Sweden), Aarhus University (Denmark)

2019: Westminster Foundation for Democracy, conference keynote (Malawi), University of Cape Town (South Africa), University of Ghana (Ghana)

2018: University of Cape Town (South Africa), Aarhus University (Denmark), Folke Bernadotte Academy (Sweden), Cornell University (United States)

2017: Aarhus University (Denmark), Uppsala University (Sweden)

2016: University of Bergen (Norway), National Initiative for Civic Education (NICE, Malawi)

2015: Chr Michelsen's Institute (Norway), London School of Economics (United Kingdom)

2014: King's College London (United Kingdom), German Institute for Global and Area Studies (Germany)

2013: Lund University (Sweden), Rice University (United States)

2012: German Institute for Global and Area Studies (Germany)

2011: Gothenburg University (Sweden), University of Wisconsin (United States), University of Texas-Austin (United States)

2010: Masinde Murlino University (Kenya)

Courses taught (Michigan State University)

Graduate courses:

- Mixed Method (FS 2018)
- Parties and Elections (FS 2019, FS 2021, FS 2023)

Undergraduate courses:

- Study Abroad in London, British Politics and Society (Summer 2023, Summer 2024)
- Introduction to Comparative Politics (SS2022, SS2023, FS2023, SS2024)
- Politics of Europe and the European Union (SS 2018)
- Integrated Social Studies: African Social Science Perspectives (SS 2020, FS 2020)
- African Politics (SS2020, FS2020, FS2021, SS2023, SS2024)
- Free and Fair? Election Rigging in Comparative Perspective (FS2022)

Courses taught (University of Missouri)

Graduate courses:

- Comparative Democratization (SS 2018)
- Introduction to Comparative Politics (FS 2016, FS 2017)
- Elections in new democracies (SS 2016)

Undergraduate courses:

- African politics (SS 2018)
- Comparative Political Systems (FS 2015, SS 2016, FS 2016, FS 2017)
- Politics of Modern Europe (FS 2015, SS 2017)
- The Age of Democratization? (SS 2017)

Courses taught (London School of Economics)

MA courses:

- Comparative Democratization in a Global Age (FS 2014)

Courses taught (University of Texas at Austin)

Undergraduate courses:

- Swedish Politics after the EU Membership (FS 2012)
- Sweden in the European Union (SS 2013)

Courses taught (Lund University)

MA courses:

- Political and Social Change in Developing Countries

Undergraduate courses:

- Methods in Peace and Conflict Studies
- Development Studies: Development Theories
- Methods in Political Science
- Theory of Science and Research Methods

Advising

- Graduate Student advising (Michigan State University)

Chair and Co-chair

- Nikolaos Frantzeskakis, PhD Student, Co-Chair (together with Jeffrey Conroy-Krutz), 2018-2023, dissertation defended 2023
 - Assistant Professor, University of Birmingham (United Kingdom)
- Fariha Tabassum, PhD Student, Chair, 2021-

Committee member

- Stephen Anderson, PhD Student, Committee member, 2018-
 - Christina Scheller, PhD Student, Committee member, 2019-2024, dissertation defended 2021
 - Elisabeth Brannon, PhD Student, Committee member, 2020-2021, dissertation defended 2021
 - Postdoctoral Fellow University of Denver; Assistant Professor, Texas-Tech University; Assistant Professor Indiana University
 - Alejandra López Villegas, PhD Student, Committee member, 2021-
 - Kelechi Amakoh, PhD Student, Committee member, 2021-
 - Benjamin Yoel, PhD Student, Committee member, 2021-
 - Li-Hong Weng, PhD Student, Committee member, 2023-
 - Tosin Salau, PhD Student, Committee member, 2023-
 - Jeremy Price, PhD Student, Committee member, 2024-
 - Sophie Sunderland, PhD Student, Committee member, 2024-
- Graduate Student advising (University of Missouri)

Chair and co-chair

- Laila Farooq, PhD. Student, Co-Chair (together with Amanda Murdie), 2016-2018, dissertation defended in 2018
 - Assistant Professor, Institute of Business Administration (Pakistan)
- Nikolaos Frantzeskakis, M.A. Student, Chair, thesis defended in 2018
 - PhD Student, Michigan State University

Committee member

- Edward Goldring, PhD Student, (External) Committee member, 2017-2020, dissertation defended in 2020
 - Post-doctoral Fellow The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology; Assistant Professor University of York (United Kingdom); Assistant Professor University of Melbourne (Australia)

- Yuko Sato, PhD Student, (External) Committee member, 2017-2021, dissertation defended in 2021
 - Post-doctoral Fellow, Varieties of Democracy Institute Gothenburg University (Sweden); Assistant Professor Waseda University (Japan)
- Elijah Agyapong, PhD Student, Committee member, 2015-2016, dissertation defended in 2016
 - Assistant Professor, Regent University
- Travis Ernst, PhD Student, Committee member, 2015-2016, dissertation defended in 2016
 - Social Science Research Analyst, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
- External PhD Evaluator
 - Batlang S. Seabo, Stellenbosh University, South Africa, 2022

Undergraduate advising and mentorship

- Undergraduate academic advisor (LSE)
- Undergraduate Mentor (Michigan State University)
- Bachelor thesis advisor (Lund University).

Fieldwork

- Kenya: 2010, 2023
- Malawi: 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2022
- Zambia: 2013, 2016, 2017, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024

Service to the Discipline, University, College and Department

Service to the Discipline

- Committee Chair for the Politics Conference Group (APCG) Best Graduate Student Paper Award, 2024
- Committee Chair for *African Studies Review* (ASR) Best Dissertation Award, 2023
- Committee Member for GLD Institute Small Grant, 2023
- Committee Chair for best paper published in *Democratization*, 2022
- Member of Elections Committee, African Politics Conference Group (APCG), 2021
- Convener African Legislators Working Group (ALWG) Online Colloquium 2018-2020
- Application reader, Mandela Washington Fellowship, Young African Leaders Initiative (YALI), 2021
- Co-Chair African Politics Conference Group (APCG) Program Committee for the African Studies Association Annual Meeting, 2018

Journal Peer-reviews

African Affairs (3), *Africa Spectrum*, *African Studies*, *American Journal of Political Science* (7), *American Political Science Review* (5), *British Journal of Political Science* (9), *Canadian Journal of African Studies*, *Comparative Politics* (5), *Comparative Political Studies* (9), *Conflict Management and Peace Science*, *Contemporary Politics*, *Cooperation & Conflict*, *Democratization* (16), *Electoral Studies* (5), *European Journal of International Relations*, *European Political Science Review*, *Government and Opposition* (3), *International Studies Quarterly* (3), *International Studies Review*, *Journal of African Elections* (3), *Journal of Contemporary African Studies* (2), *Journal of Eastern African Studies* (9), *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion, and Parties*, *The Journal of International Development*, *Journal of Modern African Studies* (3), *Journal of Peace Research* (9), *Journal of Politics* (5), *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *Malawi Journal of Social Science*, *Political Geography* (2), *Political Research Quarterly* (2), *Party Politics* (3), *Political Research Exchange*, *Political Science Quarterly*,

Political Science Research & Methods (2), Policy Studies, Political Studies (2), Political Studies Review, Politics & Policy, Problems of Post-Communism, Social Movement Studies, Stability: International Journal of Security & Development, Studies in Comparative International Development, Public Administration and Development, Publius: Journal of Federalism, Statsvetenskaplig Tidskrift, Third World Quarterly, Zeitschrift für Vergleichende Politikwissenschaft (3), World Development, World Politics (4)

Book Manuscript Peer-reviews

Cambridge University Press, Johns Hopkins University Press, Oxford University Press (2), Palgrave Macmillan, University of Michigan Press, Princeton University Press

Grant Proposal Peer-reviews

University of Missouri Research Board

Service to the University

Michigan State University

- Member of the University Committee for Faculty Affairs, 2021/2022
- Committee Member Rhodes/Marshall/Mitchell Awards Selection, 2023

Service to the College

- Member of the Faculty Advisory Committee, 2023/2024

Service to the Department

Michigan State University

- Chair: Comparative Politics Committee, 2023/2024
- Member: Faculty Advisory Committee, 2021/2022
- Member: Chair Search Committee, 2021
- Member: Bratton Fellowship Award Committee 2018-
- Member: Undergraduate Committee 2018/2019, 2022/2023
- Member: Diversity Committee, 2019/2020, 2023/2024
- Member: Comparative Politics Committee, 2022/2023
- Member: Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship Committee (African Studies Center) 2021
- Convener Comparative Politics Workshop, 2022/2023

University of Missouri

- Convener: Department brown bag seminar, 2017/2018
- Chair: Lectures Committee, 2017/2018
- Organizer: Graduate Student Writers' Group, 2016-2018
- Member: undergraduate committee, 2015/2016

Consultancy and assignments

2023-2024 **National Democratic Institute (NDI)**, Washington D.C.

- Consultant, PI for Enhancing Women's Participation in Zambian Local Government Elections, Organized Malawi-Zambia Knowledge Exchange and designed and implemented evaluation of policy program
- 2022 **Westminster Foundation for Democracy (WFD)**, London, United Kingdom
- Consultant, PI for Cost of Politics Zambia
- 2019 **Westminster Foundation for Democracy (WFD)**, London, United Kingdom
- Consultant, Research for baseline study of candidate selection processes within the African Liberal Network
- 2019 **Westminster Foundation for Democracy (WFD)**, London, United Kingdom
- Consultant, PI for Cost of Politics Malawi
- 2019 **Westminster Foundation for Democracy (WFD)**, London, United Kingdom
- Consultant, Methodology expert for Cost of Politics Surveys, Mali and Benin
- 2019 **Folke Bernadotte Academy (FBA)**, Stockholm, Sweden
- Training of long-time and short-time observers in the Swedish EU electoral monitoring mission to the 2019 Malawi election
- 2016 **German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)**
- Writing Political economy report on Malawi
- 2016 **Foundation for Democratic Process (FODEP)**, Lusaka, Zambia
- Chief Election Analyst for 2016 Zambian election
- 2016 **Danish Institute for Parties and Democracy (DIPD)**, Copenhagen, Denmark
- Expert evaluator, "Youth in Politics."
- 2015- **German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)**
- Crisis Early Warning Survey, Country Expert (Malawi).
- 2014- **Institute for Policy Interaction (IPI)**, Blantyre, Malawi
- Member of international reference group
- 2013-2019 **Varieties of Democracy (V-Dem)**, University of Gothenburg and University of Notre Dame, Country Manager (Sweden).

Other work experience (in selection)

- 2007-2008 Researcher, Oxford Research, Copenhagen. Reporting about Danish and Swedish labor market development to the European Commission.