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## EDUCATION

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### University of Toronto

2020-

*Ph.D.*, Political Science (*in-progress*).

*Dissertation*: Empty words or concrete demands? Allocating attention in low-income legislatures

*Committee*: Mark Manger (Chair), Antoinette Handley, Ato K. Onoma

### University of Toronto

2019

*M.A.* Political Economy of International Development

### University of Waterloo

2016

*B.E.S.* International Development

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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*Political Economy of Development; Quantitative Methods; Computational Text Analysis; Sub-Saharan Africa.*

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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[Reassessing World Bank Conditionality: Beyond Count Measures](#). *Political Science Research & Methods*, 2025, p. 1-21. (With Ben Cormier, Teresa Kramarz, and Mark Manger)

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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Paving the Road to Power: Global Financial Constraints and Fiscal Policy in Developing Democracies. (With Ben Cormier and Mark Manger) *Under Review*

[Mass Reproducibility and Replicability: A New Hope](#), IZA Discussion Paper No. 16912, 2024. (Brodeur, Abel, Derek Mikola, Nikolai Cook...Jacob Winter and 296 more) *Under Review*

Loaded Questions: Global Liquidity and the Legislative Agenda in Zambia.

Superior location? Reliable power? Happy people? Drivers of Success in Cambodia's Special Economic Zones. With I Younan An

## FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

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- **Morimitsu Inaba Doctoral Fellowship in the Political Economy of Development** 2024  
Department of Political Science, University of Toronto \$9,000
- **Canada Graduate Scholarship, Doctoral** 2022-2025  
Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) \$113,000
- **Ontario Graduate Scholarship** 2018, 2020  
Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges, and Universities \$15,000 (x2)
- **Research Fellowship** 2021, 2022  
Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy \$4,000 (x2)

- **Graduate Recruitment Award** 2020  
Department of Political Science, University of Toronto \$8,000
- **Academic Achievement Award** (Highest GPA in cohort) 2016  
University of Waterloo

## SEMINARS, WORKSHOPS, AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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**2025:** APSA (Panel Organizer); Graduate Students in International Political Economy (GSIPE)  
**2023:** Association for Asian Studies (AAS)  
**2022:** COMPTXT; APSA  
**2021:** ISA (*declined*)  
**2020:** MPSA (*declined*); PEIO

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Instructor:

IDVP1013: Introduction to International Development, *Tyndale University* 2019, 2020, 2021  
 IDVP4423: The Politics of Foreign Aid, *Tyndale University* 2020  
 IDVP3323: Livelihoods and Food Security, *Tyndale University* 2019

### Teaching Assistant:

POL222: Introduction to Quantitative Reasoning I, *University of Toronto* 2020, 2021, 2024  
 POL232: Introduction to Quantitative Reasoning II, *University of Toronto* 2022, 2023, 2025  
 POL106: Democracy in the Social Media Age, *University of Toronto* 2021  
 INDEV300: Culture and Ethics in International Development, *University of Waterloo* 2020

## RESEARCH IMPACT

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### International Centre for Tax and Development 2022-2023

- [Potential Models for Linking Revenues with Public Services in Lilongwe, Mzuzu, Zomba and Blantyre City Councils](#). Policy design and primary research. Funded by the Millennium Challenge Corporation.

### City of Toronto: Social Development, Finance, and Administration 2023

- Drafted a policy framework for community development planning based on primary research and 40 key stakeholder interviews.

## SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

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### Methods Training

- Empirical Modelling of Social-Science Theory (Robert Franzese, ICPSR). 2022
- Causal Inference (Jacob Bowers and Thomas Leavitt, ICPSR). 2022
- Computer Assisted Textual Analysis (Ludovic Rheault, University of Toronto) 2018

**Languages:** English (Native), Japanese (Conversational), Nyanja/Chewa (Beginner)

**Programming:** R, Python, Git

**Field Experience:** Malawi (2015-2016), Zambia (2025)

## SERVICE

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- APSA Panel Organizer: *Politicians and Public Provision in Africa: Elites, Elections, and External Finance* 2025
- Co-convenor: Quantitative Methods Research Cluster, University of Toronto 2025
- Graduate Representative: Development Studies Area Group, University of Toronto 2020-2022

## REFERENCES

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