

Curriculum Vitae

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PERSONAL

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

September 2006 - September 2008: Ministry of Finance (Lilongwe, Malawi)
Economist and Budget Officer (ODI Fellowship Scheme)

- Editor of chief budget document presented to parliament.
- Assisted in organizing and implementing reforms within department, including the synchronization of the budget with the Malawi Growth and Development Strategy (MGDS), the ongoing implementation of an Integrated Financial Management Information System for budget planning, and the adoption of GFS standards.
- Liaison for and Ministry of Economic Planning and Debt & Aid Division to ensure accurate coverage of priority and donor-funded projects.
- Production and upkeep of Budget Calendar, used for coordinating government's planning and monitoring of the budget.
- Designed and implemented a classification system for the MGDS for budget analysis of aid alignment to government priorities.

EDUCATION

Fall 2008 – Current Date: University of Oxford (Oxford, UK)
PRs/DPhil in Economics

Fall 2005 – Spring 2006: University of Oxford (Oxford, UK)
MSc in Economics for Development, with Distinction

- Extended essay: “*Lining up to eat: birth order and nutritional status in rural Ethiopia*”
- George Webb Medley Prize for Best Overall Performance, *Proxime accessit*

Fall 2001 – Spring 2005, Clemson University (Clemson, SC, USA)

BA in Mathematical Sciences and Economics (Double Major)

- Graduated *summa cum laude* with both general and departmental honours
- College of Business and Behavioural Sciences Wallace Dabney Trevillion Merit Award
- Harvey Wheeler Award for Outstanding Senior in Economics
- University Marshall Scholarship Nominee
- Undergraduate Honours Thesis: *The old-age security motive for childbearing: behaviour and expectations in the Malaysian Family Life Survey*

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Journal Referee:

- Journal of African Economies
- Journal of Economics and Human Biology

Research Work:

Fall, 2008: Young Lives Program

- Part-time research assistance work on risk attitudes questionnaire.

Volunteer Work:

Summer 2004, 2005: Millennium Volunteers, East Riding (Beverley, UK)

- MV is a government-run volunteer centre in East Yorkshire
- Provided technical support and designed/implemented new website

Summer 2002: SOS Shelter (Loris, SC, USA)

- Taught disadvantaged children basic computer skills
- Managed computer lab.

INTERESTS:

Academic and Research:

- Intrahousehold health investment, child nutrition and investment
- Aid effectiveness and alignment
- Political economy of aid, governance and accountability

General:

- Running, kayaking, hiking volleyball
- Film production and directing, writing
- Computer science

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