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EDUCATION	University of Houston	Ph.D. in Economics	2020-2025
	African Institute for Mathematical Sciences	MS in Mathematical Sciences	2018-2019
	Ecole Nationale d'Economie Appliquée et de Management	BA in Applied Statistics	2010-2013
FIELD OF SPECIALIZATION	Primary: Development Economics		
	Secondary: Economics of Education, Environmental Economics, Trade		
POSITION	Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Population Studies Center (PSC), University of Pennsylvania		2025-Present
WORKING PAPERS	<a href="#">Exposure to Heat and Student Cognitive Functioning in Ghana</a> , with Sharon Wolf		
	<a href="#">Temperature and Learning in West and Central Africa (R&amp;R)</a> , with Risto Conte Keivabu, Julia Behrman, and Liliana Andriano		
	<a href="#">Structural Change in Africa: An Open Economy Perspective (Accepted at JIE)</a> , with Gaaitzen de Vries, Hagen Kruse, Emmanuel Mensah, and Kei-Mu Yi		
WORK IN PROGRESS	<a href="#">Secondary School Subsidy for Girls and Educational Attainment: Evidence from Benin</a>		
RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	University of Houston: Doctoral Researcher		2023-2025
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>NSF-funded project # 2230615</li></ul>		
	Institute for Empirical Research in Political Economy (Ab-Calavi, Benin): Research Assistant		2018-2020
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>IDRC-funded project "Youth Employment and Violence"</li></ul>		
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	University of Pennsylvania	Econometric Methods and Models	2025-2026
	University of Houston	Principles of Macroeconomics	Spring 2024
	<a href="#">CERAP-Evidence in Governance and Politics</a>	Causal Inference & Hypothesis Testing	June 2024
	<a href="#">CERAP-Evidence in Governance and Politics</a>	Randomization	June 2023
FELLOWSHIP & AWARDS	Presidential Graduate Fellowship, University of Houston, 2020-2022		
	CLASS Dean's Scholarship, University of Houston, 2020-2021		
	Pre-Doctoral Scholarship, African School of Economics, 2018-2019		
	Mastercard Foundation Scholarship, African Institute for Mathematical Sciences, 2017-2018		
	Centre d'Excellence Africain Scholarship, African School of Economics, 2015-2017		
	Benin's Government Scholarship, Ecole d'Economie Appliquée et de Management, 2010--2013		
CONFERENCE PRESENTATION	Population Association of America 2025 Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, US, April 2025		
	CSAE Conference 2025: Economic Development in Africa, Oxford, UK, March 2025		
	Texas Camp Econometrics 2025, Burnet, TX, US, Feb 2025		
	Stata Texas Empirical Microeconomics Conference, Dallas, TX, Nov 2024		
	Kiel-CEPR African Economic Development Conference, Berlin, Sept 2024		
	2nd Texas Applied Microeconomics Students Workshop, Houston, Apr 2024		

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Discussant at CSAE Conference 2025, April 2025  
“From Subsidies to Nutrition: Investigating Effects among Cohort Children from the Subsidy Reinvestment and Empowerment Programme in Nigeria” by Uchenna Efobi et al.  
Discussant at [Citizen-State Interactions in Comparative Perspective](#), November 2023  
“The impact of Biometric Voter Registration on African Elections” by Paul Friesen & Nicolas van de Walle

**OTHER SKILLS**

Programming Languages: LaTeX, MATLAB, Python, Stata  
Languages: Fon, French, English, Spanish (beginner)

**REFERENCES**

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