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EDUCATION

University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, Canada.

- Ph.D., Political Science and International Development Studies (September 2011 - April 2017) (Dissertation Passed without Revisions).
- M. A., Political Science and International Development Studies (September 2010 - August 2011).

The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva, Switzerland.

- M. A., International Studies (Political Science) (September 2008 - July 2010).

Seoul National University, Seoul, South Korea.

- Graduate Exchange Student (September 2009 - December 2009).

University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria.

- B.Sc., Political Science (June 2003 - April 2007).

WORK EXPERIENCE

Teaching, Research, and Service Experience

- Assistant Professor of Political Science, Algoma University, Sault Sainte Marie, Ontario, Canada (August 2018 - date).
- Faculty Advisor, Model United Nations, Algoma University, Sault Sainte Marie, Ontario, Canada (September 2018 - date).
- Member, Internationalization Task Force Committee, Algoma University, Sault Sainte Marie, Ontario, Canada (February 2019 - date).
- External Fellow, Tchepo Institute for the Study of Contemporary Africa, Wilfrid Laurier University, Ontario, Canada (November 2018 - date).
- Member, Social Protection and Policy Studies Research Group, University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria (June 2018 - date).

- Learning Coordinator, Immigrant Services Guelph-Wellington, Guelph, Ontario, Canada (September 2017 - June 2018).
- Writing Advisor, Writing Services, McLaughlin Library, University of Guelph, Ontario, Canada (September 2016 - April 2017).
- Teaching and Research Assistant, Department of Political Science, University of Guelph, Ontario, Canada (September 2010 - December 2016).
- Visiting Fellow, Centre for Sustainable Development (CESDEV), University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Oyo State, Nigeria (May 2013 - October 2013).
- Teaching Assistant (Internship), Public Finance and Trade Program, United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), International Environmental House, Geneva, Switzerland (June - August 2009).
- Graduate Assistant Lecturer, Department of Political Science, School of Arts and Social Sciences, College of Education, Katsina-Ala, Benue State, Nigeria (October 2007 - September 2008).

Administrative and Volunteer Experience

- Member, Management Board, North End Harvest Market, Guelph, Ontario, Canada (April-May 2018).
- Member, Centre for Leadership and Community Development, Guelph, Ontario Canada (July 2018-date).
- External Consultant. Guelph Community Development Plan, Guelph, Ontario (July 2018).
- Database Assistant, Office of Research, University of Guelph and Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs collaborative initiative, Guelph, Ontario, Canada, January- April 2011.
- International Teaching Assistants Representative, Canadian Union of Public Employees, Unit 3913, University of Guelph. November 2010 - May 2014.
- CSPro Data Entry Operator, Small Arms Survey (SAS) Geneva, Switzerland. July-August 2010.
- International Recruitment Representative for the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies at the QS Education Fair, Coex International Continental, Seoul, South Korea, November 2, 2009.

- Hall Chairperson, Kuti Hall of Residence, University of Ibadan, 2005-2006.
- Hall Information Minister, Kuti Hall of Residence, University of Ibadan, 2004-2005.
- Political Correspondent, Editorial Board, Union of Campus Journalists, University of Ibadan 2004/2005 academic session.

TEACHING, RESEARCH, AND PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS

- International Relations, Comparative Politics, International Development: Global Politics, Governance, and Political Economy of Development; African Politics; Social Policy in Developing/Developed Countries; Human Rights; Governance (local and global); Immigration, Settlement, and Integration; Conflicts, Security, and Development; International Organizations (United Nations).

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- English (Fluent); Yoruba (Fluent); Pidgin English (Fluent); French (basic-intermediate); Tiv (basic); Korean (basic).

PUBLICATIONS (PEER REVIEWED)

Journal Articles and Book Chapters

- Akinola, Olabanji (2019). "Who is a Child? The Convention on the Right of the Child (CRC), Child Marriage, and the Politics of Human Rights in Nigeria," in Gabriel Blouin-Genest, Sylvie Paguerot, and Marie-Christine Doran (Eds.), *Human Rights as Battlefield: Emergence, Translation, and Contestation*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2019). "Old-Age Poverty, Human Rights, and Social Protection for the Elderly in Nigeria," in Raymond M. Izarali, Oliver Masakure, and Bonny Ibhawoh (Eds.), *Expanding Perspectives on Human Rights in Africa*. New York: Routledge.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2018). "Reinventing African Development Planning in the 21st Century," in Adebayo Olukoshi (Ed.), *Envisioning Development Prospects in Africa*. Dakar: Amalion Publishing.
- Oriola, Tope, and Olabanji Akinola (2018), "Ideational Dimensions of the Boko Haram Phenomenon." *Studies in Conflict and Terrorism*, 41:8, 595-618.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2017). "The Political Economy of Chinese and Indian Trade, Aid, and Investments in Nigeria: A Comparative Analysis." *Journal of Asian and African Studies*, 52(6): 824-837.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2017). "Combating Corruption for Development in Nigeria: A Securitization Approach," in Toyin Falola and Jamaine Abidogun (Eds.), *Issues in African Political Economies*. Durham, NC: Carolina Academic Press.

- Akinola, Olabanji (2017). “The Elusive Quest for Peace: Boko Haram and the Hollowness of Nigeria’s Counterinsurgency Strategy and Weak Security Architecture,” in James J. Hentz and Solomon Hussein (eds.), *Understanding Boko Haram: Terrorism and Insurgency in Africa*. New York: Routledge.
- Akinola, Olabanji and Mopelolade Ogunbowale (2017). “Re-Centering Culture in the Discourse on Development Administration in Africa: Remedies for Nigeria,” in Gbenga Afolayan and Akeem Ayofe Akinwale (Ed.), *Global Perspectives on Development Administration and Cultural Change*. Pennsylvania: IGI Global.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2017). “Between Progress, Stasis and Reversals: An Analysis of the Millennium Development Goals in Nigeria,” in Manmohan Agarwal, Hany Besada and Leah McMillan (Eds.), *Millennium Development Goals: Achievement, Economic Growth, and Social Activism*. Bristol: Policy Press.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2015), “Boko Haram Insurgency in Nigeria: Between Islamic Fundamentalism, Politics, and Poverty.” *African Security*, 8.1: 1-29.
- Efobi, Uchenna, Olabanji Akinola, and Motunrayo Oshikomaya (2015). “Worker’s Deviant Behaviour in the Business Outfit of a Nigerian University: Situating Policies with Empirics.” *Journal of African Business*, 16.3: 339-357.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2014). “Federalist Deliberative Democracy in Nigeria: Prospects and Challenges,” in Juan Esteban Ugarriza and Didier Caluwerts (Eds.), *Democratic Deliberation in Deeply Divided Societies: From Conflict to Common Ground*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2013). “Africa’s Third Independence: a sine qua non for Development,” in Nathan Andrews, N. Ernest Khalema, Temitope Oriola, and Isaac Odoo (Eds.), *Africa Yesterday, Today & Tomorrow: Exploring the Multi-dimensional Discourses on ‘Development.’* Newcastle upon Tyne: Cambridge Scholars Publishing Ltd.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2013). “The Rebirth of a Nation: Nollywood and the Remaking of Modern Nigeria.” *The Global South*, 7.1: 11-29.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2013). “Global Energy Governance: Making a Case for a World Energy Organization.” *Paterson Review of International Affairs*, 13: 69-83.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2012). “Social Protection of the Poor in Africa: Whither Conditional Cash Transfers?” *Potentia: Journal of International and Public Affairs*, 4: 89-93.

Book Reviews

- Akinola, Olabanji (2016). Review of Marito Garcia and Charity M.T. Moore's, *The Cash Dividend: The Rise of Cash Transfer Programs in Sub-Saharan Africa* (2012), in *Canadian Journal of Development Studies*, 37(1): 125-127.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2016). Review of Sakah Saidu Mahmud's, *Sharia or Shura: The Contending Approaches to Muslim Politics in Nigeria and Senegal*. The Social Science Research Council (SSRC) African Peacebuilding Network Project, Kujenga Amani. Published March 10, 2016. Available at <http://forums.ssrc.org/kujenga-amani/2016/03/10/sharia-or-shura-contending-approaches-to-muslim-politics-in-nigeria-and-senegal-by-sakah-saidu-mahmud/#.VwzIiI-cHIU>
- Akinola, Olabanji (2013). Review of Abou Jeng's (2012), *Peacebuilding in the African Union: Law, Philosophy, and Practice*. The Social Science Research Council (SSRC) African Peacebuilding Network Project, Kujenga Amani. Published January 16, 2013. Available at <http://forums.ssrc.org/kujenga-amani/2013/01/16/peacebuilding-in-the-african-union-law-philosophy-and-practice-by-abou-jeng/>
- Akinola, Olabanji (2013). Review of Jeffrey Herbst and Greg Mills's (2012), *Africa's Third Liberation: The New Search for Prosperity and Jobs*, in *International Journal*, 68 (2013): 411-413.

Policy briefs

- Akinleye, O., O. Akinola, A. Akinrimisi, S. Shadare, and G. Shadare (2019). "What Have We Learnt From Ten Years of Conditional Cash Transfer (CCT) Programmes in Nigeria? Evidence and Lessons from Two Independent Studies." CROP Poverty Brief Series 2019, No. 52.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2016). "Conditional Cash Transfers in Africa: Limitations and Potentials." Southern Africa Social Protection Experts Network (SASPEN) Policy Brief series 6/2016. Available at: <http://www.saspen.org/brief/SASPENbrief-2016-6-Akinola.pdf>
- Akinola, Olabanji (2016), "Rethinking the Design and Implementation of Nigeria's COPE CCT Programme." UNDP International Policy Centre for Inclusive Growth. One Pager policy brief series, No. 330. Available at: http://www.ipc-undp.org/pub/eng/OP330_Rethinking_the_design_and_implementation_of_Nigeria_s_COPE.pdf
- Popoola, Labode, Olabanji Akinola, and Olawale Olayide (2014). "Building Bridges: Towards Inclusive Intergenerational Leadership for Sustainable Development in Africa." Policy Brief, Issue 2, July 2014. Centre for Sustainable Development, University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Nigeria. Available at: <http://cesdev.ui.edu.ng/sites/default/files/cesdevpolicybrief2014.pdf>

Media Appearances and Interviews

- Interviewed on Canadian response to US-Mexico trade deal by Lincoln Louttit of CTV News. <https://northernontario.ctvnews.ca/northerners-watching-u-s-trade-talks-closely-1.4071613>
- Interviewed on the Rights of Women and Children in Nigeria by Nozhan Etezzad of *Jamie Pouya* (the Active Society) Magazine. Published in *Jamie Pouya* Number 1. Pages, 66-67, 2015.
- Interviewed on 2015 General Elections in Nigeria by Yasin Yaylar of Strategic Outlook. Available at <http://www.strategicoutlook.org/africa/news-interview-on-nigeria-election-with-olabanji-akinola-by-yasin-yaylar.html>

Reports, Working Papers, and Online Essays

- Akinola, Olabanji (2018). “Ease Into Canada: A Business Toolkit.” Toolkit for the Ease into Canada Toolkit project funded by the Ontario Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration (MCI) to support integration of immigrants into employment in Canada.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2018). “Ease Into Canada: A SWOT Analysis.” Report on Ease into Canada program at Danby Appliances as part of “Ease into Canada Toolkit project” funded by the Ontario Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration (MCI).
- Akinola, Olabanji (2017). “Beyond Maiduguri: Understanding Boko Haram’s Rule in Rural Communities of Northeastern Nigeria.” *POMEPS Studies* 27, pp. 70 – 73.
- Efobi, Uchenna, Olabanji Akinola, and Motunrayo Oshikomaya (2015). “Worker’s Deviant Behaviour in the Business Outfit of a Nigerian University: Situating Policies with Empirics.” The Association of African Young Economist (AAYE) Policy Research Working Paper Series. Vol. 3. No. 28.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2014). “Refilling the Vacuum: Responding to the Boko Haram Insurgency.” The Social Science Research Council (SSRC) African Peacebuilding Network Project, Kujenga Amani. Published February 25, 2014. Available at <http://forums.ssrc.org/kujenga-amani/2014/02/25/refilling-the-vacuum-responding-to-the-boko-haram-insurgency/>
- Akinola, Olabanji (2014). “Nigeria’s COPE CCT programme and its premature graduation strategy, any hope for participants’ human capital development?” Contribution to ‘*povertics*’ Institute of Development Studies, UK, Vulnerability and Poverty Reduction research team’s blog on Graduation and Social Protection, 8 May 2014. Available at <http://vulnerabilityandpoverty.blogspot.co.uk/2014/05/nigerias-cope-cct-programme-and-its.html>

- Stefan Kuuskne, Ingebord Aase Mork Knutsen, Amprofi Agyemang, Alexandra Lamb, Olabanji Akinola, *Sustainable Water Use and Management: Leadership for Positive Changed Management*, Official Report of the GIWEH/UNEP Symposium May 2009.

Theses and Dissertation

- Akinola, Olabanji (2017). *Governing Social Protection in Developing Countries through Community-Based Targeting Mechanisms: A Case Study of Nigeria's "In Care of the People" Conditional Cash Transfer Programme*. Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Political Science and International Development Studies Dissertation. University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, Canada. Available at: <http://hdl.handle.net/10214/10424>
- Akinola, Olabanji (2011). *Securitizing Corruption for Development in Nigeria: An Agenda for Action*. Master of Arts (M.A.) Major Research Paper. University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, Canada.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2010). *The Patterns of Chinese and Western Trade, Aid, and Investments in Africa: A Comparison*. Master of Arts (M.A.) in International Studies (specialization: Political Science) Thesis. Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva, Switzerland.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2007). *Nigeria in a Globalized World*. Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) in Political Science Thesis. University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Oyo State, Nigeria.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Akinola, Olabanji (2019). "The Politics of Race and the Social Construction of Black Africans in Canada." Paper presentation at the Racialization and Publicness in Africa and African Diaspora Conference, African Studies Centre and St. Anthony's College, University of Oxford, Oxford, United Kingdom. June 26-27, 2019.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2019). "African Migrants and the Politics of Immigration, Settlement, and Integration in Canada." Paper presentation at the Canadian Association of African Studies (CAAS) Annual Conference. University of Québec at Montréal (UQAM), Quebec, Canada. May 16-19, 2019.
- Akinleye, Diran, Olabanji Akinola, Adebanke Akinrimisi, Seyi Shadare, and Gbenga Shadare (2019). "What Have We Learnt From Ten Years of Conditional Cash Transfer (CCT) Programmes in Nigeria? Evidence and Lessons from Two Independent Studies." Paper presentation at Social Protection Cross-Learning Summit Conference, Sheraton Hotel, Abuja, Nigeria. January 22-24, 2019.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2018). "(Re)Enacting Transnational Habitus? The 'Underground Railroad' and Twenty-First Century African Refugee Claimants in Canada." Paper presentation at the Canadian Ethnic Studies Association (CESA) Biennial Conference. Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel, Alberta, Canada. October 11-13th.

- Akinola, Olabanji (2018). “Boko Haram Terrorism in Nigeria: Causes, Courses, and Cures.” Paper presentation at the Canadian Association of African Studies (CAAS) Annual Conference. Queen’s University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada. May 4-6, 2018.
- Akinola, Olabanji and Gbenga Shadare (2017). “The Sustainable Development Goals and Social Protection in Africa: Towards Getting Target 1.3. Right in Nigeria.” Paper presentation at the University of Sheffield All African Postgraduate Research Group (AAPoRG) and Africa@Sheffield Conference on “Africa in an Era of the Sustainable Development Goals.” University of Sheffield, Sheffield, United Kingdom, June 22, 2017.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2017), “Between Epistemic Arbitrage and Social Protection Policy Merchandising: The World Bank and the International Diffusion of Conditional Cash Transfers from Latin America to Africa.” Paper presentation at the Canadian Association for the Study of International Development. Congress 2017, Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. May 31-June 2.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2016), “Human Rights in Africa in the Age of Terror: Addressing Nigeria’s Boko Haram Conundrum.” Paper presentation at the International Studies Association Human Rights in the Age of Ambiguity conference. Fordham University, New York City, New York, USA. June 13-15.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2015), “Terrorism in Africa: Boko Haram in Comparative Perspective.” Paper presentation at the 58th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association. Marriot Hotel, San Diego, CA, USA. November 19-22, 2015.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2015), “Africa’s Development in the 21st Century: The Imperative of Socially democratic and Developmental States.” Paper presented at a conference on African Nationalisms, History, and Development. York University, Ontario, Canada. November 5-6, 2015.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2015). “Rethinking the Conditions in Conditional Cash Transfers in Africa: Towards a Transformative Social Contract Approach.” Paper presentation at an international conference organized by the Southern African Social Protection Experts Network (SASPEN) and Fredrich Ebert Stiftung (FES). Protea Parktonian All Suite, Braamfontein, South Africa. October 20-21, 2015.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2015), “Understanding the Pains of a Sapped Generation: African Youth and the Enduring Legacies of the Structural Adjustment Programmes (SAPs).” Paper presentation at the International Multi-disciplinary Conference of the Geopolitical Economy Group (GERG). University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. September 25-27, 2015.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2015), “Governing Social Protection in Developing Countries: The Nigerian Experience.” Paper presented at the Canadian Association for the Study of

International Development Annual conference. University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada June 3-6, 2015.

- Akinola, Olabanji (2015), “The Internationalization of a Domestic conflict: Explaining the global response(s) to the Boko Haram Insurgency in Nigeria.” Paper presentation at the 56th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association. New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, February 18 – 21, 2015.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2014), “Refilling the Vacuum: Responding to the Boko Haram Insurgency in Nigeria.” Paper presentation at 57th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association. Indianapolis, Indiana, USA, November 20 – 23, 2014.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2014), “Deliberative Democracy in an Unequal State: Reflections on Nigeria’s Democratic Experience.” Paper presentation at the 23rd International Political Science Association World Congress. Montreal, Canada, July 19 – 24, 2014.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2014) “Graduation and Social Protection in Nigeria: A Critical Analysis of the COPE CCT Programme.” Paper presented at the ‘Graduation and Social Protection Conference’ jointly organized by the Centre for Social protection, International Development Studies, Sussex, UK, and the Government of Rwanda, and sponsored by UNICEF, DFID, and Irish Aid. Kigali, Rwanda, May 6-8, 2014. <http://www.ids.ac.uk/files/dmfile/Graduationconferencepaper-Akinola.pdf>
- Akinola, Olabanji (2014), “Embedded Corruption and the Antinomies of Development in Nigeria: A Critical Analysis.” Paper presentation at the Comparative Politics Student Group Academic Exchange Seminar Series. University of Toronto, Toronto, Canada, March 13, 2014.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2013), “Governing Nigeria 100 years after Amalgamation: From Mistake to Miracle?” Paper presentation at 56th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association. Marriott Hotel, Maryland, November 21 – 23, 2013.
- Akinola, Olabanji, Nicholas I. Erameh, Tosin Orimolade and Kunle Adewusi (2013), “Reforming the Electoral Process and Nigeria’s Search for Accountable and Effective Leadership.” Paper presentation at 4th Annual Ibadan Sustainable Development Summit, CESDEV Suite, Bodija, Ibadan, August 13 – 15, 2013.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2012), “Democracy, Development and Africa’s Third Independence: Exploring a New Research Agenda.” Paper presentation at 55th Annual African Studies Association. Philadelphia Marriot Downtown, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA, November 29-December 2, 2012.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2012), “Against Poverty, Ignorance and Diseases: Reinventing African Development Planning in the 21st Century.” Paper presentation at 50th Anniversary Conference of the United Nations African Institute for Economic Development and Planning (UNIDEP). Dakar, Senegal, November 5 – 7, 2012.

- Akinola, Olabanji (2012), “Constructing National Identity in Modern Nigeria: A Deliberative Democracy Approach.” Paper presentation at the 22nd International Political Science Association World Congress. Madrid, Spain, July 8 – 12, 2012.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2012) “Energy Poverty as Capability Deprivation in Nigeria: A Theoretical Enquiry.” Paper presentation at the Canadian Association for the Study of International Development Annual conference. University of Waterloo and Wilfrid Laurier University. Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, May 29 – 31, 2012.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2012) “Conditional Cash Transfers as Poverty Reduction Strategies in Africa: Problems and Prospects.” Paper presentation at the Political Science Department's Graduate Students' Conference. Brock University, St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada, May 25, 2012.
- Situma, Ruth, and Olabanji Akinola (2012), “Democracy and Development in Africa: The Imperative of Citizen Involvement.” Paper presentation at the British Columbia Political Science Association Annual Conference. Okanagan College, Kelowna campus, British Columbia, Canada, May 3 – 4, 2012.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2012), “Securitizing Corruption for Development in Nigeria: An Agenda for Action”. Paper presentation at 12th Annual Africa Conference. University of Texas, Austin, Texas, United States of America, March 30 – April 1, 2012.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2012), “Africa’s Third Independence: A Sine Qua Non for Development”. Paper presentation at African Students’ Association Conference, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, February 10 – 11, 2012.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2012), “Tackling Energy Poverty and Underdevelopment in Nigeria: The Role(s) of International Development Policies and Institutions”. Paper presentation at 1st Graduate Conference on the Internationalization of Public Policy. McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. January 26 – 27, 2012.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2011), “Modernity and Development: The Quest for Social Equality and Political Freedom/Inclusion in African Societies (Countries) in the 21st Century”. Paper Presentation at the 2011 Annual Atlantic Provinces Political Science Association (APPSA) Conference. Mount Allison University, Sackville, New Brunswick, Canada. September 30 – October 1, 2011.
- Akinola, Olabanji and Ogunbowale, Mopelolade (2011), “The Role of Musical Improvisation in Social Advocacy: Whither Nigeria?” Paper presentation at the 2011 Guelph Jazz Festival and Colloquium. McDonald Stewart Art Centre, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, Canada. September 7 – 11, 2011.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2011), “Comparative Review of Research in Development Administration in Anglophone West Africa: An Examination of the Ghanaian and Nigerian Experiences”. Paper Presentation at the 2011 Annual Canadian Political Science

Association (CPSA) Conference. Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada. May 16 - 18, 2011.

- Akinola, Olabanji (2011), "Towards a World Energy Organization: The Way Forward". Paper presentation at the Balsillie School of International Affairs (BSIA) first Multidisciplinary Graduate Student Conference on Global Governance. Centre for International Governance and Innovation, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada. October 20 - 22, 2011.
- Akinola, Olabanji (2011), "Reinventing Black Power: The Nigerian Movie Industry Revolution and 21st Century African Renaissance". Paper presentation at sixth Biennial Conference of the Association for the Study of the Worldwide African Diaspora (ASWAD). University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, United States of America. November 3 - 6, 2011.
- Akinola, Olabanji, and Aganyi, Eunice A. (2008), "Achieving the Millennium Development Goals in Nigeria: The Roles of the Mass Media". Paper presentation at 9th National Conference of the School of Arts and Social Sciences, Katsina-Ala, Benue State, Nigeria. June 26, 2008.

INVITED TALKS

- Guest Speaker: Political Science 2100 (Comparative Politics) Undergraduate class. University of Guelph, Winter 2018. Topic: "The Military and Politics in Nigeria."
- Guest Speaker: Political Science 3000 (Politics in Africa) Undergraduate class. University of Guelph, Fall 2017. Topic: "Terrorism in Africa: Global Threats or Local Grievances?"
- Guest Speaker: Political Science 3000 (Politics in Africa) Undergraduate class. University of Guelph, Fall 2016. Topic: "Nigeria: The Crippled Giant."
- Guest Speaker: Political Science 3410 (US Politics and Government) Undergraduate class. University of Guelph, Fall 2016. Topic: "The Military in American Life."
- Guest Speaker: Department of Political Science Speaker Series, University of Guelph. January 29, 2015. Topic: "Social Protection in Developing Countries: The Nigerian Experience."
- Guest Speaker: Political Science 3000 (Politics in Africa) Undergraduate class. University of Guelph, Fall 2014. Topic: "Democratic Rule in Africa: Problems and Prospects."
- Guest Speaker: Political Science 6730 (Politics of Development and Underdevelopment) Graduate Seminar, Fall 2013.

WORKSHOPS AND TRAINING PROGRAMMES

- The Program on Governance and Local Development, University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden, and the Project on Middle East Political Science, Elliot School of International Affairs, George Washington University. Workshop on “Local Islamist Politics.” University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden. June 13-15, 2017.
- Canadian Association for the Study of International Development (CASID) Doctoral School in International Development. Ottawa, Canada, December 10-12, 2014.
- Balsillie School of International Affairs (BSIA) Global Political Economy Workshop. Waterloo, Canada, May 29-31, 2014.
- European Association of Development Research and Training Institute’s workshop on “The Rush of China and India to Africa: State Versus Market-Driven Development Cooperation Strategies.” Institute for Social Studies, The Hague, Netherlands, May 17 - 18, 2013.
- Saemaul Training for Foreign Students in Korea, Saemaulundong Central Training Institute, Seoul, South Korea, November 27-28, 2009.

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

- Panel Chair and Discussant: “State Formation and the Construction of State Authority in Africa II” panel. Canadian Association of African Studies (CAAS) Annual Conference. Queen’s University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada. May 4-6, 2018.
- Member Organizing/Advisory Committee. Equity Conference, Guelph, Ontario Canada, January 27, 2018.
- Panel Chair: “Inclusive Healthcare” panel. Equity Conference, Guelph, Ontario Canada, January 27, 2018.
- Panel Chair: “Money, Management and Public Policy.” 2015 Annual Conference of the Canadian Association for the Study of International Development (CASID). Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, June 3-5, 2015.
- Panel Chair: “Politics of Religion in Africa.” 56th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association (ISA). New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, February 18-21, 2015.
- Panel Chair: “Land Grabs, Insurgency, and the Crisis of Reproduction.” 57th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association (ASA). Indianapolis, Indiana, USA, November 20 - 23, 2014.
- Discussant: Canadian Association for the Study of International Development (CASID) Doctoral School in International Development. Ottawa, Canada, December 10-12, 2014.

- Discussant: Balsillie School of International Affairs (BSIA) Global Political Economy Workshop. Waterloo, Canada, May 29-31, 2014.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- Stephanie Daymond Award 2017. Writing Services, McLaughlin Library, University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, Canada.
- International Development Research Centre Doctoral Research Award 2012. Ottawa, Canada.
- University International Graduate Student Scholarship, 2011, 2012, and 2013. University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, Canada.
- Board of Graduate Studies Research Scholarship, 2012. University of Guelph, Guelph, Ontario, Canada.
- Conference travel grant, November 2012, to attend and present at 50th Anniversary conference of the United Nations Institute for Economic Development and Planning (UNIDEP), Dakar, Senegal.
- Conference travel grant, May 2014, to attend and present a paper at the ‘Graduation and Social Protection Conference’ jointly organized by the Centre for Social protection, International Development Studies, Sussex, UK, and the Government of Rwanda, with sponsorship from UNICEF, DFID, and Irish Aid. Kigali, Rwanda.

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Canadian Political Science Association (CPSA)
- International Political Science Association (IPSA)
- African Studies Association (ASA)
- Canadian Association for the Study of International Development (CASID)
- West African Research Association (WARA)
- International Studies Association (ISA)

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LIST OF COURSES

Course Instructor - Algoma University

- Introduction to Politics II: World Politics (POLI 1007)
- Introduction to International Relations (POLI 2396)
- Issues in International Politics (POLI 2397)
- Comparative Politics - An Introduction (POLI 2206)
- Globalization and Development (POLI 2306)
- Global Governance: The United Nations System (POLI 3317/4317)
- The Politics of Human Rights (POLI 3956/4956)
- Special Topic: Politics of Immigration, Settlement, and Integration (POLI 3906/4906)

LIST OF COURSES

Teaching Assistant - University of Guelph

2016 Fall

- POLS*3410 US Politics and Government

2015 Fall

- POLS*2100 W15 (01) Comparative Politics

2015 Summer

- POLS*3250 S15 (DE) Public Policy: Challenges and Prospects
- POLS*3440 (DE) Corruption, Scandal and Political Ethics

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- POLS*3440 (DE) S14 - Corruption, Scandal and Political Ethics (ended Aug 22, 2014 11:59 PM)

2014 Fall

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2013 Winter

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- POLS*3790 W13 (01) Political Economy of International Relations (ended Apr 26, 2013 11:59 PM)

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2013 Fall

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- POLS*1500 (DE) S11 - World Politics (ended Aug 26, 2011 12:00 AM)

2011 Fall

- POLS*2200 F11 (01) International Relations (ended Dec 23, 2011 11:59 PM)

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