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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

2016– Ramalee E. Pearson Professor of Global Conflict Studies, The University of Chicago, The Pearson Institute & Harris Public Policy
2014–16 Associate Professor, Columbia University, SIPA & Political Science
2012–14 Assistant Professor, Columbia University, SIPA & Political Science
2008–12 Assistant Professor, Yale University, Departments of Political Science & Economics
2007–08 Post-doctoral Fellow, Center for Global Development

OTHER UCHICAGO POSITIONS

Co-Director Development Economics Initiative, Becker-Friedman Institute, 2017–present
Faculty Director International Policy & Development, Harris Public Policy, 2018–present
Faculty Director Obama Scholars Program & Masters in International Development Policy (MA-IDP), 2018–present
Faculty Associate Department of Political Science, University of Chicago, 2017–present

OUTSIDE AFFILIATIONS & LEADERSHIP ROLES

Research Associate National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER), Development, 2015–present
Executive Board Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL), 2015–present
Co-chair J-PAL Crime & Violence Sector, 2015–present
Lead Academic Peace & Recovery program, Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA), 2014–present (Affiliate 2008–present)
Research Fellow Center for Economic and Policy Research (CEPR), 2015–present
Research Fellow Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), 2016–present
Research Fellow Bureau for Research and Economic Analysis of Development (BREAD), 2016–present (Affiliate 2014–16)
Lead Academic Politics, Institutions and Conflict initiative, Center for Development Economics and Policy (CDEP) at Columbia University, 2014–present
Fellow Center for Global Development (CGD), 2008–present
Researcher International Growth Centre (IGC), 2010–present
Researcher Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP), 2011–present

EDUCATION

2002–07 PhD, University of California—Berkeley, Department of Economics
2000–02 Master of Public Administration in International Development, Harvard Kennedy School
1993–98 Honours Bachelor of Arts in Economics, University of Waterloo (Canada)

FIELDS OF STUDY

Political economy, Development economics, Comparative politics, Labor economics, Conflict, Crime

EDITORIAL POSITIONS

Board of Editors American Economic Journal—Applied, 2017–present
Associate Editor Journal of Development Economics, 2017–present

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Books

2019 “Why We Fight,” under contract with Viking Press (PenguinRandomHouse)

Papers

- 2020 “Engineering informal institutions: Long run impacts of alternative dispute resolution on violence and property rights in Liberia,” with Alexandra Hartman and Robert Blair, forthcoming in *Journal of Politics*.
“The long term impacts of grants on poverty: Uganda’s Youth Opportunities Program after 9 years,” with Nathan Fiala and Sebastian Martinez, forthcoming in *American Economic Review: Insights*.
- 2018 “The impacts of industrial and entrepreneurial work on income and health: Experimental evidence from Ethiopia,” with Stefan Dercon, *American Economic Journal—Applied* 10(3), 1-38.
“Do anti-poverty programs sway voters? Experimental Evidence from Uganda,” with Mathilde Emeriau and Nathan Fiala, *Review of Economics & Statistics* 100(5), 891-905.
- 2017 “Reducing crime and violence: Experimental evidence on cognitive behavioral therapy in Liberia,” with Julian Jamison and Margaret Sheridan. *American Economic Review* 107(4): 1165-1206.
“Predicting local violence: Evidence from a Panel Survey in Liberia,” with Robert Blair and Alexandra Hartman. *Journal of Peace Research* 54(2) 298–312.
- 2016 “Can war foster cooperation?” with Edward Miguel, Michael Bauer, Julie Chytilová, Joseph Henrich, and Tamar Mitts. *Journal of Economic Perspectives* 30(3): 249–74.
“Can employment reduce lawlessness and rebellion? A field experiment with high-risk men in a fragile state,” with Jeannie Annan. *American Political Science Review* 110(1): 1–17.
“The returns to microenterprise support among the ultra-poor: A field experiment in post-war Uganda,” with Eric Green, Julian Jamison, Christian Lehmann, and Jeannie Annan. *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* 8(2): 35–64.
“Measuring the measurement error: A method to qualitatively validate sensitive survey data,” with Tricia Gonwa, Julian Jamison, Katherine Rodrigues, and Margaret Sheridan. *Journal of Development Economics* 120(1): 99–112.
“Does poverty alleviation decrease depression symptoms in post-conflict settings? A cluster-randomized trial of microenterprise assistance in northern Uganda,” with Eric Green, Julian Jamison, and Jeannie Annan. *Global Mental Health* 3.
- 2015 “Women’s entrepreneurship and intimate partner violence: A cluster randomized trial of microenterprise assistance and partner participation in post-conflict Uganda,” with Eric Green, Julian Jamison, and Jeannie Annan. *Social Science & Medicine* 133: 177–188.
- 2014 “How to promote order and property rights under weak rule of law? An experiment in changing dispute resolution behavior through community education,” with Alexandra Hartman, and Robert Blair. *American Political Science Review* 108(1): 100–120.
“Generating skilled self-employment in developing countries: Experimental evidence from Uganda,” with Nathan Fiala and Sebastian Martinez. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 129(2), p. 697–752.
“Economic shocks and conflict: The evidence from commodity prices,” with Samuel Bazzi. *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics* 6(4): 1–38.
- 2013 “The logic of child soldiering and coercion,” with Bernd Beber. *International Organization* 67, p.65–104, 2013. Winner of the Keohane Award for best paper by an untenured scholar.
- 2011 “Civil War, Gender and Reintegration in Uganda,” with Jeannie Annan, Dyan Mazurana and Khristopher Carlson. *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 55(6): 877–908.

- 2010 “The Consequences of Child Soldiering,” with Jeannie Annan. *Review of Economics and Statistics* 42(4): 882–898.
- “Civil War,” with Edward Miguel. *Journal of Economic Literature* 48(1), p.3–57, 2010.
- 2009 “From Violence to Voting: War and Political Participation in Uganda.” *American Political Science Review* 103(2): 231–247.
- 2007 “Winners and Losers in the Commodity Lottery: The Impact of Terms of Trade Growth and Volatility in the Periphery 1870–1939,” with Jason Hwang and Jeffrey G. Williamson. *Journal of Development Economics*, 82(1): 156-179.

WORKING PAPERS & PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

- “The Limits of Conflict Prediction: Evidence from Colombia and Indonesia,” with Samuel Bazzi, Robert Blair, Oeindrila Dube, Matthew Gudgeon, and Richard Peck.
- “Place based interventions at scale: The direct and spillover effects of policing and city services on crime,” with Donald Green, Daniel Ortega, and Santiago Tobon.
- “A market equilibrium approach to reduce the incidence of vote-buying: Evidence from Uganda” with Horacio Larreguy, Benjamin Marx, and Otis Reid
- “The long run effects of industrial work: Experimental evidence from Ethiopia” with Stefan Dercon and Simon Franklin
- “Gang Rule: Understanding and Countering Criminal Governance,” with Gustavo Duncan, Benjamin Lessing, and Santiago Tobon
- “How Organized Crime is Organized: Gangs of Medellin” with Gustavo Duncan, Benjamin Lessing, and Santiago Tobon
- “Generating employment in poor and fragile states: Evidence from labor market and entrepreneurship programs,” with Laura Ralston.
- “The Causes of Violent Conflict,” commissioned by the *Journal of Economic Literature*

BOOK CHAPTERS & INVITED CONTRIBUTIONS

- “Post-conflict Economic Recovery in Africa: The Micro View.” In *Oxford Companion to the Economics of Africa*, ed. Ernest Aryeetey et al., 2011.
- “On the nature and causes of LRA abduction: What the abductees say,” with Jeannie Annan. In *The Lord's Resistance Army: Myth and Reality*, eds. T. Allen and K. Vlassenroot. London: Zed Books, 2010.
- “Child combatants in northern Uganda: Reintegration myths and realities,” with Jeannie Annan. In *Security and Post-Conflict Reconstruction: Dealing With Fighters in the Aftermath of War*, ed. R. Muggah, New York: Routledge Press, 2008.
- “Children and War: How ‘Soft’ Research Can Answer the Hard Questions in Political Science.” *Perspectives on Politics* 10(2), p. 403-413, 2012.

SELECTED POPULAR WRITINGS

- “Everything We Knew About Sweatshops Was Wrong.” *New York Times* Op-Ed, April 27, 2017.
- “Bill Gates wants to give the poor chickens. What they need is cash.” *Vox.com* Op-Ed, March 14, 2017.
- “Let them eat cash.” *New York Times* Op-Ed, June 29, 2014.

“Show Them the Money: Why Giving Cash Helps Alleviate Poverty,” with Paul Niehaus. *Foreign Affairs*, May 2014.

PAST PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

2019	Visiting Scholar, WZB Berlin, Institutions and Political Inequality group
2011	Visiting Scholar, Columbia University Department of Economics
2010–11	Visiting Scholar, NYU Wilf Family Department of Politics
2010–11	Visiting Scholar, NYU Wagner School of Public Service & Financial Access Initiative
2009–11	Statistical Consultant, International Journal of Transitional Justice (IJTJ)
2009–14	Editorial Board Member, Journal of Globalization and Development (JGD)
1998–00	Deloitte Consulting, Senior consultant
1996–98	Deloitte & Touche, Auditor

POLICY ADVISORY WORK

2018–20	Advisor, Alcaldia de Medellin
2017–19	Advisor, Secretary of Security, Bogota
2015	Member, High Level Panel on Humanitarian Cash Transfers, U.K. Department for International Development
2015–16	Lead, Employment generation working group, Center for Global Development
2014–16	Academic steering committee, Conflict initiative, World Bank DIME
2010–11	Governance Advisor, International Rescue Committee
2007–11	Government of Uganda, Office of the Prime Minister, Evaluation consultant
2008–09	U.N. Peacebuilding Fund in Liberia, Advisor to Joint Steering Committee
2007–09	World Bank, Human Development Group, Evaluation consultant
2007–09	World Bank, Children & Youth Group, Evaluation technical adviser
2006–07	World Bank, Europe & Central Asia Region, Evaluation consultant
2004	World Bank, Africa Private Sector Unit, Consultant

GRANTS

2019–21	<i>National Science Foundation</i> , SES 1851543: “Contesting Criminal Gang Governance in Medellin,” \$385,000
2019–21	<i>National Science Foundation</i> , SES 1919399: “The Long Run Impacts of Cognitive Behavioral Therapy on Crime & Violence,” \$557,040
2019–21	<i>Vanguard Charitable Trust</i> , “The Long Run Impacts of Cognitive Behavioral Therapy on Crime & Violence,” \$500,000.
2019–21	<i>J-PAL</i> , Crime & Violence Initiative, “Reducing criminal governance in Medellin,” \$150,000.
2018–20	<i>Economic Development Initiative (EDI)</i> , “Gangs of Medellin,” \$137,501.
2017–19	<i>Proantioquia</i> , “Gangs of Medellin,” \$200,000.
2016–18	<i>3ie</i> , “State-building on the intensive margin: Testing urban violence reduction through policing and public services in Bogota,” \$281,000.
2015–17	<i>J-PAL</i> , Governance Initiative, “State-building on the intensive margin: Testing urban violence reduction through policing and public services in Bogota,” \$375,000.
2016–17	<i>Private Enterprise Development in Low-Income Countries (PEDL)</i> , “Do industrial jobs reduce worker health? Long-run evidence from a randomized trial of industrial work in Ethiopia,” \$330,000
2015–17	<i>J-PAL</i> , Governance Initiative, “A Market Equilibrium Approach to Reduce the Incidence of Vote-Buying,” \$303,000.
2015–17	<i>Vanguard Charitable Trust</i> , “A Market Equilibrium Approach to Reduce the Incidence of Vote-Buying,” \$130,000.
2015–17	<i>Vanguard Charitable Trust</i> , “The effects of cash transfers on employment: Experimental evidence after 8 years of the Youth Opportunities Program in northern Uganda,” \$377,974.

2015–16	<i>Columbia University</i> , President’s Global Innovation Fund, “This is your brain on fear: The impact of violence on decision-making,” \$50,000.
2014–15	<i>Private donation</i> to Columbia University’s Center for Development Economics and Policy (CDEP), “Politics, Institutions & Conflict initiative start-up grant,” \$50,000
2013–14	<i>National Science Foundation</i> , Political Science division, “Reducing Violence and Poverty among High-Risk Men in Liberia,” \$106,709
2013	<i>Columbia University</i> , SIPA Faculty Grant, “Reducing Violence and Poverty among High-Risk Men in Liberia,” \$10,000
2012–15	<i>DFID and IZA</i> , Growth and Labour Markets in Low Income Countries Programme, “Reducing Violence and Poverty among High-Risk Men in Liberia,” \$527,000
2012–14	<i>USAID</i> , DHCA/CMM Program, “Reducing Violence and Poverty among High-Risk Men in Liberia,” \$189,135
2012–14	<i>The World Bank</i> , LOGICA Trust Fund, “Reducing Violence and Poverty among High-Risk Men in Liberia,” \$235,255
2012–14	<i>Aspen Institute</i> , ANDE Initiative, “More Sweatshops for Africa? An Experimental Study of Industrial Labor in Ethiopia,” \$120,000
2012–13	<i>Vanguard Charitable Trust</i> , “Reducing Violence and Poverty among High-Risk Men in Liberia,” \$100,000
2013–14	<i>Humanity United</i> , “Predicting Local-Level Violence: A Pilot Test in Liberia,” \$107,000
2011–12	<i>Templeton Foundation</i> , “More Sweatshops for Africa? An Experimental Study of Industrial Labor in Ethiopia,” \$250,000
2011	<i>Yale University</i> , ISPS Field Experiments Initiative, “The Spillover Effects of Humanitarian Aid in Uganda,” \$75,000
2011–12	<i>The World Bank</i> , LOGICA Trust Fund, “Reducing Violence and Poverty among High-Risk Men in Liberia,” \$399,755
2011–12	<i>The World Bank</i> , LOGICA Trust Fund, “Employing and empowering marginalized women in Uganda,” \$250,000
2011–12	<i>Vanguard Charitable Trust</i> , “More Sweatshops for Africa? An Experimental Study of Industrial Labor in Ethiopia,” \$700,000
2011–12	<i>Vanguard Charitable Trust</i> , Reducing Violence and Poverty among High-Risk Men in Liberia,” \$250,000
2011–12	<i>Vanguard Charitable Trust</i> , “Generating Skilled Self-Employment in Developing Countries: Experimental evidence from Uganda,” \$266,000
2010–12	<i>Humanity United</i> , “ ‘Predicting Local-Level Violence’ and ‘How to promote order and property rights under weak rule of law?’ Evidence from Liberia,” \$128,000
2010–11	<i>Yale University</i> , Macmillan Center Faculty Research Award, \$7,500
2010	<i>Yale University</i> , ISPS Field Experiments Initiative, “More Sweatshops for Africa? An Experimental Study of Industrial Labor in Ethiopia,” \$75,000
2010	<i>The World Bank</i> , Spanish Impact Evaluation Fund, “Can employment reduce lawlessness and rebellion? Experimental evidence from Liberia” \$76,000
2009–10	<i>Yale University</i> , Macmillan Center Faculty Research Award, \$7,500
2009–11	<i>Vanguard Charitable Trust</i> , with AVSI USA, “Employing and empowering marginalized women in Uganda,” \$1,300,000
2009–11	<i>The World Bank</i> , CHYAO Trust Fund, “Can employment reduce lawlessness and rebellion? Experimental evidence from Liberia,” \$380,000
2009–11	<i>The World Bank</i> , CHYAO Trust Fund, “How to promote order and property rights under weak rule of law?’ Evidence from Liberia,” \$380,000
2009	<i>Yale University</i> , Macmillan Center Faculty Research Award, \$7,500
2009	<i>UNHCR</i> , evaluation funding, “How to promote order and property rights under weak rule of law?’ Evidence from Liberia,” \$50,000

2009	UNDP, via Landmine Action, “Can employment reduce lawlessness and rebellion? Experimental evidence from Liberia” \$50,000
2008–10	<i>The World Bank</i> , Spanish Impact Evaluation Fund, “Can employment reduce lawlessness and rebellion? Experimental evidence from Liberia” \$300,000
2007	<i>The World Bank</i> , Spanish Impact Evaluation Fund, “Generating Skilled Self-Employment in Developing Countries: Experimental evidence from Uganda,” \$400,000
2006–07	UNICEF Uganda, “Survey of War Affected Youth II: Women,” \$160,000
2005–06	UNICEF Uganda, “Survey of War Affected Youth I: Men,” \$60,000
2005	Macarthur Foundation, Human Rights Research Grant, \$25,000

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Invited seminars

2020	<i>SciencesPo</i> , Department of Economics, Departmental Seminar <i>Paris School of Economics</i> , Departmental Seminar <i>Toulouse School of Economics</i> , Departmental Seminar <i>London School of Economics</i> , Applied Economics Seminar <i>London School of Economics</i> , Crime Seminar <i>Oxford University</i> , Center for the Study of African Economies, Seminar
2019	<i>Brown University</i> , <i>Applied Economics Seminar</i> <i>NYU</i> , Development Economics Seminar <i>University of Minnesota</i> , Development Economics Seminar <i>UCSD</i> , Development Economics Seminar <i>UCSB</i> , Department of Economics, Departmental Seminar <i>Universidad EAFIT Medellin</i> , Department of Economics, Departmental Seminar <i>WZB Berlin</i> , Political Economy Seminar <i>University of Illinois—Chicago</i> , Departmental seminar <i>Northwestern University</i> , Political economy seminar <i>University of Pennsylvania</i> , Criminology, Departmental Seminar
2018	<i>Yale University</i> , Political economy seminar <i>Oxford University</i> , Economics seminar <i>Trinity College Dublin</i> , TIME lecture <i>University of Pennsylvania</i> , Criminology seminar <i>Northwestern University</i> , Comparative politics seminar <i>USC</i> , Economics seminar <i>University of Notre Dame</i> , Economics seminar <i>University of Notre Dame</i> , Comparative politics seminar <i>University of Connecticut</i> , Economics seminar
2017	<i>University of California, Berkeley</i> , Haas School of Business Political economy seminar <i>Stanford University</i> , Latin American Studies workshop <i>UChicago Booth</i> , Behavioral seminar <i>UChicago Harris</i> , Public policy & Economics seminar <i>Northwestern University</i> , Development economics seminar <i>University of Wisconsin, Madison</i> , Development economics and comparative politics seminars <i>UIUC</i> , Economics seminar <i>Inter-American Development Bank</i> , Seminar <i>Center for Global Development</i> , Seminar
2016	<i>University of Michigan, Ann Arbor</i> , Development economics seminar <i>University of Michigan, Ann Arbor</i> , Political Economy seminar

- Ohio State University*, Development economics seminar
Ohio State University, Comparative politics seminar
Harvard University, Comparative politics seminar
Harvard Business School, Entrepreneurship seminar
UCSD, Economics seminar
Johns Hopkins SAIS, International seminar
Ohio State University, Development economics and comparative politics seminars
- 2015 *Stanford University*, Development economics seminar
UC Berkeley, Comparative politics seminar
UCSD, GPS seminar
University of Chicago, Comparative politics seminar
University of Chicago—Harris School, Political economy seminar
Oxford University, Development economics seminar
MIT, Comparative politics seminar
Georgetown University, Joint SFS/Economics seminar
Duke University, Political economy seminar
Johns Hopkins SAIS, International economics and international development seminar
University of Colorado Denver, Economics departmental seminar
University of Denver, International Studies seminar
London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, Social and Mathematical Epidemiology
Center for Global Development—Europe, seminar.
- 2014 *Stanford University GSB*, Political economy seminar
Harvard University & MIT, Development economics seminar
Harvard University, Labor economics seminar
Yale University, Political Science, Methods seminar
Yale University, Department of Psychology, Social psychology seminar
London School of Economics, Department of Economics, Development seminar
University of British Columbia, Department of Economics, Development seminar
Universidad de los Andes, Department of Economics, Departmental seminar
Georgetown University, Department of economics, Development seminar
George Washington University, Department of Economics, seminar
International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), Applied microeconomics seminar
University of Washington, Department of Political Science, comparative politics seminar
The World Bank, Africa group seminar
The World Bank, Jobs and conflict strategic planning presentation
- 2013 *UCLA*, Comparative politics seminar
UCSD, Comparative politics seminar
Council on Foreign Relations, seminar
New York University, Urbanization Project seminar
Cornell University, Department of Government department seminar
Cornell University, Institute for African Studies seminar
Columbia University, Comparative politics seminar
Columbia University, Development economics seminar
Columbia University SIPA, Faculty seminar
- 2012 *Princeton University*, Experiments seminar
Princeton University, African politics seminar
Yale University, Order, Conflict and Violence seminar
Tufts University, Development seminar

- World Bank*, DECRG Applied Micro Seminar
University of Minnesota, Applied Economics Seminar
University of Liberia, Public Lecture
American University, Economics Department Seminar
Johns Hopkins SAIS & Center for Global Development, Development Seminar
World Bank, Human Development Group seminar
World Bank, Social Protection Cluster seminar
Aspen Institute, ANDE Research Initiative meeting
- 2011 *New York University*, Department of Politics: Departmental seminar
University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy Studies: Political economy workshop
John Hopkins SAIS & Center for Global Development: Development seminar
World Bank Research Group: Financial Economics seminar
Georgetown University, Government Department: Comparative Government Seminar
University of Liberia, Kofi Annan Institute for Peacebuilding Studies: Lecture
George Mason University, Department of Economics: Departmental seminar
George Mason University, Department of Economics: Political economy seminar
Toulouse School of Economics: Development economics seminar
New York University, Department of Economics: Development economics seminar
Yale University, Department of Political Science: Comparative politics seminar
Rutgers University Newark, Department of Economics: Development economics seminar
Yale University, Department of Political Science: Order, conflict and violence seminar
- 2010 *Princeton University*, Departments of Politics and Public Affairs: International Security seminar
Columbia University, Department of Political Science: International politics seminar
New York University, Wagner School of Public Service: Conflict, security and development seminar
World Bank, Africa Group: Management Retreat, Keynote lecture
Paris School of Economics: Development economics seminar
Toulouse School of Economics: Development economics seminar
GWU, Elliott School of International Affairs: Institute for Global and International Studies seminar
Johns Hopkins University, SAIS: Development Seminar
- 2009 *Columbia University*, Department of Political Science: Comparative politics seminar
MIT, Department of Political Science: Departmental panel on African politics
Cornell University, Institute for the Social Sciences: Persistent Poverty and Upward Mobility seminar
NYU, Department of Economics: Development seminar
University of British Columbia, Liu Center for International Affairs: Research seminar
Simon Fraser University, School for International Studies: International studies seminar
Yale University, Department of Political Science, Order Conflict & Violence Seminar
- 2008 *Stockholm University*, IIES: Departmental seminar
Bocconi University, IGIER: Departmental seminar
European Centre for Advanced Research in Economics and Statistics: Departmental seminar
London School of Economics, Development Studies Institute: DESTIN Seminar
University of Sussex, Institute for Development Studies: Departmental seminar
Yale University, Department of Economics: Development economics seminar
- 2007 *World Bank*, Development Economics Research Group: Applied microeconomics seminar
The Brookings Institution: Colloquium on armed conflict panelist
Center for Global Development: Research seminar

United States Institute for Peace: Colloquium on Child Soldiering panelist

- 2006 *Stanford University*, Center for International Security and Cooperation: Seminar
Yale University, Department of Political Science: Order, Conflict and Violence seminar
Columbia University, Mailman School of Public Health: Forced migration seminar

Conference Presentations

- 2020 London School of Economics, Behavioral Political Economy Conference
Stanford University, King Center, Conflict and Polarization Conference
- 2019 Conference on the Economics of Crime and Justice, UChicago & LSE
Pearson Global Forum, Berlin
Göttingen University, Behavioral Political Economy Conference, Keynote Address
Illinois Economics Association, Keynote Address, Annual Meetings
- 2018 IPA Financial Access Initiative Seminar, Northwestern
London Business School, Wheeler Institute for Business and Development Conference
Economics of Social Sector Organizations, UChicago Booth
Pearson Global Forum, UChicago
- 2017 NBER Summer Institute, Development session
- 2016 LACEA, Medellin, Invited speaker
- 2015 NBER Summer Institute, Development session
NBER Summer Institute, National Security session
NBER Summer Institute, Innovation & Productivity session
BREAD conference, Columbia University
Keynote panel, World Bank ABCA meeting, UC Berkeley
Keynote, World Bank Fragility Forum, Washington DC
Political Economy of Conflict and Development, Universities of Lausanne & Geneva
Contemporary African Political Economy Research Seminar, New York University
American Economic Association, Annual Meeting
- 2014 American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting
International Growth Center (IGC), Growth Week conference
Experiments in Governance and Politics, 12th meeting
USAID, Poverty and conflict strategic planning conference
- 2013 NBER/BREAD Development conference, NBER
International Growth Center (IGC), Growth Week conference
Northeastern Universities Development Conference (NEUDC), Harvard Kennedy School
Conflict and Cooperation Conference, Kellogg School, Northwestern University
Working Group on African Political Economy (WGAPE), MIT
Experiments in Governance and Politics, 9th conference, UCL
- 2012 Contemporary African Political Economy Research Seminar, Columbia University
Annual Meeting of the Northeast Political Methodology (NEMP), New York University
- 2011 New York University, Development Research Institute, 2011 Annual DRI conference
Columbia University, Workshop on Field Experimentation in Political Economy
- 2010 American Economic Association, 2010 Annual Meeting, Atlanta GA
Experiments in Governance and Politics (EGAP) conference, Columbia University

- 2009 Conference on Institutions and Economic Development, Yale University and Fudan University, Shanghai, China
Experiments in Governance and Politics (EGAP) conference, Yale University
NBER Economics of National Security Conference (NBER), Cambridge MA
- 2008 Households in Conflict Network, Annual Workshop, Yale University
American Political Science Association, 2008 Annual Meeting, Chicago IL
Conference on Development Effectiveness, Australia National University
- 2007 African Studies Association, 2007 Annual Meeting, New York NY
War, Population and Health conference, UC Berkeley
International Studies Association, 2007 Annual Meeting, Chicago IL
- 2006 American Political Science Association, 2006 Annual Meeting, Philadelphia PA
Working Group in African Political Economy, UCLA
Pacific Development Conference, University of Santa Clara
Conference on Northern Uganda, Columbia University
North-Eastern Universities Development Conference (NEUDC), Cornell University