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Academic Positions

University of Oxford, Associate Professor of Government (Quantitative Methods), 2015-present.

University of Rochester, Assistant Professor of Political Science, 2013-2015.

University of Oxford, Prize Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Nuffield College, 2012-13.

Education

New York University, Ph.D. in Politics, 2012.

University of Oxford, M.Phil. in Politics: Comparative Government, 2005.

University of Sheffield, B.A. (Hons) in Politics, 2002.

Research

Publications

Harding, Robin. 2015. "Attribution and Accountability: Voting for Roads in Ghana" (formerly titled "One for the Road: Voting for Public Goods in Ghana"), *World Politics*, 67 (4): 656-689.

Harding, Robin and David Stasavage. 2014. "What Democracy Does (and Doesn't) do for Basic Services: School Fees, School Quality, and African Elections," *Journal of Politics*, 76 (1): 229-245.

Blimpo, Moussa, Robin Harding and Leonard Wantchekon. 2013. "Public Investment in Rural Infrastructure: Some Political Economy Considerations," *Journal of African Economies*, 22: ii57-ii83.

Harding, Robin. 2011. "Freedom to Choose and Democracy: The Empirical Question", *Economics and Philosophy*, 27 (3): 221-245.

Working Papers

"Food Security and Public Investment in Rural Infrastructure: Some Political Economy Considerations" (with Leonard Wantchekon), UNDP Research Paper, January 2012.

"The Political Economy of Human Development." (with Leonard Wantchekon), UNDP Research Paper, October 2010.

"Urban-Rural Differences in Incumbent Support Across Africa." *Afrobarometer Working Paper Series*, June 2010.

Work in Progress

Democracy and Rural Bias in Africa, *Book Manuscript*.

"Security in the Absence of a State: Traditional Authority, Livestock Trading, and Maritime Piracy in Somalia" (with Avi Acharya and Andy Harris)

"Who is Democracy Good For? African Elections and Rural Bias in the Provision of Basic Services"

“Explaining Party Attachments Across African Democracies” (with Kristin Michelitch)

“Elections and Local Public Goods in Rural Democracies: Evidence from Botswana”

Invited Presentations

Economics and Politics Symposium, Department of Political Science, University at Buffalo SUNY, May 2015.

Comparative Politics Workshop, Department of Political Science, Stanford University, April 2015.

Department of International Development, The London School of Economics and Political Science, February 2015.

Issues in African Development Seminar Series, Institute for African Development, Cornell University, November 2013.

Nuffield Political Science Seminar, Nuffield College, University of Oxford, March 2013.

PSPE Doctoral Workshop/Work in Progress Seminar, The London School of Economics and Political Science, February 2013.

Conferences and Workshops

“Attribution and Accountability: Voting for Roads in Ghana”

American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Washington, D.C., September 2014.

“Security in the Absence of a State: Traditional Authority, Livestock Trading, and Maritime Piracy in Somalia” (with Avi Acharya and Andy Harris)

American Political Science Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, September 2015.

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, April 2014.

“What Democracy Does (and Doesn’t) do for Basic Services: School Fees, School Quality, and African Elections” (with David Stasavage)

American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Seattle, September 2011.

Comparative African Political Economy Research Seminar (CAPERS), New York, April 2011.

“One for the Road: Voting for Public Goods in Ghana”

American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Seattle, September 2011.

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, April 2012.

“Elections, Urbanization, and Education in sub-Saharan Africa”

American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Washington, D.C., September 2010.

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, April 2013.

“Town Called Malice: Explaining Urban-Rural Differences in Support for Incumbent Governments Across Africa”

Comparative African Political Economy Research Seminar (CAPERS), New York, May, 2009.

American Political Science Association’s Africa Workshop, Dakar, Senegal, July 2008.

“Explaining Party Attachments Across African Democracies”

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, April 2009.

Grants, Awards, & Fellowships

African Politics Conference Group, Best Graduate Student Paper Award for “One for the Road: Voting for Public Goods in Ghana”, 2012.

Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant, National Science Foundation, 2010.

Robert Holmes Travel/Research Award for African Scholarship, Africa House, New York University, 2010.

Global Fellowship Award, New York University, 2007.

Henry M. McCracken Fellowship, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, New York University, 2006-2011.

Reviewer Service

American Political Science Review

American Journal of Political Science

British Journal of Political Science

Comparative Political Studies

Economics and Politics

Electoral Studies

International Studies Quarterly

Journal of Conflict Resolution

Journal of Politics

Teaching

Contemporary African Politics, University of Rochester, 2014.

Elections in Developing Countries, University of Rochester, 2014.

Political Economy of Development, University of Rochester, 2014.

Professional Associations

Member, American Political Science Association, 2010–Present.

Member, Midwest Political Science Association, 2010–Present.

Member, African Politics Conference Group, 2012–Present.