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Employment

Williams College Williamstown, MA
Visiting Assistant Professor, Political Science, 2020 –

University of the Witwatersrand Johannesburg, South Africa
Research Fellow, African Centre for Migration and Society, 2021 –

Princeton University Princeton, NJ
Postdoctoral Fellow, Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice, 2019 – 2020

Education

Yale University New Haven, CT
Ph.D., with Departmental and University Distinction, Political Science, 2019
Dissertation: “Citizenship Beyond Borders: The Politics of Emigrant Enfranchisement in Africa.”

James G. March Award for “outstanding dissertation in any field of Political Science,”
Yale University, 2019

Lynne Rienner Prize for Best Dissertation in African Politics, African Politics Conference
Group, African Studies Association and American Political Science Association, 2020

Certificate in College Teaching Preparation, 2017
Fields: Comparative Politics, International Relations, Quantitative Methods
M.Phil., M.A., Political Science

University of Chicago Chicago, IL
M.A., with Honors, Committee on International Relations, 2010

Duke University Durham, NC
A.B., Public Policy and Psychology, *cum laude*, 2002

Journal Publications

2021 Wellman, Elizabeth Iams. “Emigrant Inclusion in Home Country Elections: Theory and Evidence from sub-Saharan Africa.” *American Political Science Review*, 115(1), 82-96.

2021 Wellman, Elizabeth Iams and Beth Elise Whitaker. “Diaspora Voting in Kenya: A Promise Denied.” *African Affairs*, 120(479), 199-217.

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- 202X Herman, Biz D. (✉), Amma Panin, Elizabeth Iams Wellman, Graeme Blair, Lindsey D. Pruett, Ken O. Opalo, Hannah M. Alarian, Allison N. Grossman, Yvonne Tan, Alex P. Dyzenhaus, and Nicholas Owsley. "Field Experiments in the Global South: Assessing Risks, Localizing Benefits, and Addressing Positionality." *PS: Political Science and Politics*, Forthcoming.
- 2018 Wellman, Elizabeth Iams, Susan D. Hyde and Thad E. Hall. "Does Fraud Trump Partisanship? The Impact of Contentious Elections on Voter Confidence." *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties* 28(3), 330-348.
JEPOP Award for Best Article, Honorable Mention, 2018
- 2015 Wellman, Elizabeth Iams. "Diaspora Voting in South Africa: Perceptions, Partisanship, and Policy Reversal." *Afrique Contemporaine* 2015/4 (256), 35-50.

Papers Under Review

- 2021 Wellman, Elizabeth Iams, Nathan Allen and Benjamin Nyblade. "The Extraterritorial Rights and Restrictions Dataset (1950 – 2017)."
Comparative Political Studies, Revise and Resubmit
- 2021 Wellman, Elizabeth Iams. "Refugee Status as Patronage Good? The Interaction of Transnational Party Mobilization and Migration Policy in the Global South."
Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies (JEMS), Revise and Resubmit
- 2021 Allen, Nathan, Benjamin Nyblade and Elizabeth Iams Wellman. "Modes of Extraterritorial Enfranchisement." *Under Review*.
- 2021 Nyblade, Benjamin, Wellman, Elizabeth Iams and Nathan Allen. "Transnational Voting Rights in Violent Democracies: A Global Comparison." *Under Review*.

Working Papers

- 2022 Alarian, Hannah and Elizabeth Iams Wellman. "Ethical Demands of Quantitative Migration Research."
- 2021 Wellman, Elizabeth Iams and Michael Ahn Paarlberg. "Getting Out the Overseas Vote: A Transnational Field Experiment."
- 2019 Paarlberg, Michael Ahn and Elizabeth Iams Wellman. "Emigrant Engagement in Homeland Elections: A Survey of the Dominican Diaspora Electorate in New York."

Book-in-Progress

- 2022 *The Diaspora Vote Dilemma*. Book Workshop scheduled, postponed due to COVID-19.

Teaching

Williams College, Department of Political Science

- PSCI 204: Introduction to Comparative Politics (Spring 2021, Fall 2021)
PSCI 281: Contemporary African Politics (Spring 2021, Spring 2022)
PSCI 288: Transnational Political Movements (Fall 2021)
PSCI 343: Democratic Erosion (Fall 2020)
PSCI 367: Decolonizing International Relations (Spring 2022)
PSCI 382: The Politics of Migration: Citizen, Immigrant, Alien, Refugee (Fall 2020)

Research Supervision

- 2021 MA Supervisor: Blessing Mukuruva, MA in Migration and Displacement, African Centre of Migration and Society, University of the Witwatersrand
2021 BA Honors Thesis Advisor: Alexandra Pear, Political Science, Williams College
2016 Senior Honors Thesis Advisor: Program in Ethics, Politics, and Economics, Yale University

Policy Analysis

- 2021 Zhou, Yang-Yang and Alan Jacobs. (Hosts). (2021, April 5). Voter Suppression Goes Global, with Elizabeth Iams Wellman (No. 12) [Audio Podcast Episode]. In *Scope Conditions*. University of British Columbia.
- 2021 Kulich, Christina and Elizabeth Iams Wellman. "The United States has a Democracy Problem: What Democratic Erosion Scholarship Tells Us about January 6." *Social Science Research Council* Items, January 26, 2021.
- 2018 Wellman, Elizabeth Iams. "Voice after Exit: Diaspora Voting in Africa." *African Politics Conference Group Newsletter Symposium*.
- 2015 Wellman, Elizabeth Iams and Loren B. Landau. "South Africa's Tough Lessons on Migrant Policy." *Foreign Policy* Democracy Lab, October 13, 2015.

Select Documentary Films

- 2008 "In the Family" (Kartemquin Films, 83 min). Broadcast on *P.O.V. (PBS)*. Co-Producer. **2009 Emmy Award Nomination** for Outstanding Informational Program, Long Form.
- 2007 "Confronting the Truth" (ICNC/USIP, 73 min). Senior Researcher and Associate Producer.
- 2006 "Orange Revolution" (ICNC, 106 min). Broadcast on *PBS*. Production Associate.

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2005 “Inside Hurricane Katrina” (Towers Productions, 94 min). Broadcast on *National Geographic Channel*. Associate Producer.

Awards and Fellowships

2021 Williams College Class of '57 Summer Research Fellowship
2020 Lynne Rienner Award for Best Dissertation, African Politics Conference Group
2020 Postdoctoral Research Fellowship, University of the Witwatersrand
2021 Insight Development Grant, Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) for “Restricting Non-resident Voting Rights: The Effect of British Institutional Legacy in India and Abroad”
2019 Postdoctoral Research Associate, Princeton University
2019 Ralph Bunche Best Graduate Student Paper 2018 (Honorable Mention), African Politics Conference Group
2019 Best Paper published in *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties* 2018 (Honorable Mention)
2019 James G. March Dissertation Award for “outstanding dissertation in any field of Political Science,” Yale University
2017 University Dissertation Fellowship, Yale University
2016 Field Experiments Initiative Grant, Institute for Social and Policy Studies, Yale University, for “Transnational Voter Mobilization: A Field Experiment”
2016 David A. Gimbel Fellowship Fund, Yale University
2015 University Dissertation Fellowship, Yale University
2015 Conference Travel Award, Yale University Graduate Student Assembly
2014 MacMillan Center Dissertation Research Grant for International Fieldwork, MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies, Yale University
2013 Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship, Social Science Research Council (SSRC)
2013 Lindsay Fellowship for Research in Africa, Yale Council on African Studies
2013 MacMillan Center Pre-Dissertation Research Grant, MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies, Yale University
2010 Oliver and Blanche Paul Scholarship, Yale University (annually through 2015)
2010 M.A. Thesis Honors, Committee on International Relations, University of Chicago 2010
2009 Rebecca A. Boylan and Thomas W. Sidlik Fund, University of Chicago
2009 Emmy Award Nomination for Outstanding Informational Program, Long Form for “In the Family”
2008 University of Chicago Academic Merit Scholarship
2008 Selected Grants for “In the Family”: The National Endowment for the Arts, The Independent Television Service, National Human Genome Research Institute, Illinois Humanities Council, Michael Reese Health Trust
2003 US-ASEAN Film Festival, Best Documentary Finalist for “Spinning Wheel”
2002 Benenson Award in the Arts, Duke University
2002 Lewis Hine Documentary Fellowship, Duke University
2001 NYC-UFO Film Festival, Best Documentary for “Eat My Grits”

Academic Work Experience

- 2016 Research Assistant to Margaret Peters, Yale University
- 2016 Coordinator, Program on Ethics, Politics, and Economics, Yale University
- 2011 Research Assistant to Susan Hyde, Yale University
- 2010 Editorial Consultant, Economic Growth Center, Yale University
- 2009 Event Coordinator, Center for International Studies, University of Chicago
- 2009 Editorial Consultant, The University of Chicago Press
- 2009 Research Assistant to Alberto Simpser, University of Chicago
- 2007 Educational Outreach Coordinator, Making the Road Southern Africa Tours
- 2000 Lead Student Coordinator, Learning through Experience, Action, Partnership and Service (LEAPS), Duke University

Media and Consulting Experience

African Democratic Institute Johannesburg, South Africa
Consultant, 2015

Kartemquin Educational Films Chicago, IL
Board of Directors, 2021 –
Director of Research, 2007 – 2008
Co-Producer, “In the Family,” 2005 – 2008
Director of Outreach, “In the Family” Strategic Outreach Campaign, 2005 – 2008

York Zimmerman Inc Washington, DC
Senior Researcher, 2004 – 2005
Production Coordinator, 2003 – 2004

Presentations

- 2021 Diaspora Voting in Kenya Webinar (Invited Presentation), virtual
- 2021 American Political Science Association, Annual meeting, virtual
- 2021 APSA Migration and Citizenship pre-conference, (Invited Panelist), virtual
- 2021 Politics of the Migrant/Refugee Binary (Invited Conference), virtual
- 2020 American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, virtual
- 2020 Southern Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Puerto Rico
- 2019 African Studies Association, Annual Meeting, Boston
- 2019 American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Washington DC
- 2019 Midwest Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Chicago
- 2018 Yale MacMillan Comparative Politics Workshop, New Haven
- 2018 APSA Dissertation Workshop on Migration and Citizenship, Boston
- 2018 American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Boston
- 2018 International Studies Association, Annual Meeting, San Francisco
- 2017 The Contemporary African Political Economy Research Seminar (CAPERS) Fall Workshop, Columbia University, New York

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- 2017 American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, San Francisco
- 2017 Penn Program on Democracy, Citizenship and Constitutionalism (DCCC), Graduate Student Workshop, Philadelphia
- 2017 Midwest Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Chicago
- 2016 African Studies Association, Annual Meeting, Washington DC
- 2016 Electoral Integrity Project/International IDEA workshop, Poznan, Poland
- 2016 Midwest Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Chicago
- 2015 Association Française de Science Politique, Annual Meeting, Aix-En-Provence
- 2015 African Centre for Migration and Society, Research Seminar, Johannesburg
- 2013 Midwest Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Chicago
- 2011 Midwest Political Science Association, Annual Meeting, Chicago

Professional Service

Reviewer: *Journal of Politics, World Politics, Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, Governance, Journal of Immigrant and Refugee Studies, Party Politics, Review of International Organizations, Oxford Bibliographies in Political Science, Peace and Conflict Studies, Journal of Asian and African Studies*

Member: African Studies Association, American Political Science Association, International Studies Association, Kartemquin Educational Films Board of Directors, Midwest Political Science Association, Southern Political Science Association, African Politics Conference Group, Migration and Citizenship section (APSA) and ENMISA (ISA), SAG-AFTRA (fully vested)

Skills and Training

Technology: Stata, LaTeX
Fieldwork: South Africa: July 2004, June-July 2013, September 2013, December 2014, January-July 2015; Ukraine: January-February 2005; Peru: March 2004, May 2004, Barbados: October 2002-January 2003, Thailand June-August 2002
Languages: Spanish (Elementary Proficiency)

References

Mark Reinhardt
Professor of American Civilization
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The University of Oxford
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