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POSITIONS

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Boston College	2025 –
Kuznets Postdoctoral Associate, Economic Growth Center, Yale	2024 – 2025
Postdoctoral Fellow, King Center, Stanford	2023 – 2024

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, Department of Economics, University of Oxford	2023
Edgeworth Prize for outstanding thesis in Economics	
Master's in Research, Economics (PPD), Paris School of Economics	2014
Master 1 – Graduate – Applied Economics, University Paris X - Nanterre	2012
Licence – Undergraduate – Economics, University Paris X - Nanterre	2011

SELECTED WORK IN PROGRESS

Upgrade or Migrate: the Effects of Fertilizer Subsidies on Rural Productivity and Migration
Productivity and Allocation of Labor across Ghana's Health Facilities
with Koku Awoonor-Williams, Hamza Ismaila, Anthony Ofori, Martin J. Williams.

Eliciting Heterogeneous Preferences for Fairness
with Amma Panin, Moustapha Cissé, Emmanuel Kemel.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Seminars **: Scheduled; ×: did not attend, visa delays*

2024: U. Gaston Berger, Duke, U. of Southern California, Queen Mary UL, Berlin Applied
Micro Seminar (BAMS)×.

2023: UC San Diego, UC Berkeley ARE, UCLouvain, University of Pennsylvania, Boston
College, Notre-Dame, Cornell (Dyson), Sciences Po, CREST, University of Exeter,
World Bank DEC, Duke, IFS, LEAP (Bocconi).

2022: U of Johannesburg EDWG, IFS-UCL-LSE/STICERD development economics seminar.

2021: U of Johannesburg EDWG.

2020: W.H.O.'s COVID 19 Modelling Group, ODI's Public Finance Initiative Conference.

Conferences **: Scheduled; ×: did not attend, visa delays*

2024: Africa Meeting of the Econometric Society, PacDev, CEPR-STEG Annual Conference.

2023: NEUDC, NBER SI: Development, King Center Postdoc Conference.

2022: EEA congress, ICDE, RES Easter training school, NEUDC×, NOVA×.

2021: UEA PhD Workshop, ES Africa Meeting, UEA Europe Meeting, MWIEDC, AMIE.

2020: UEA's PhD Workshop (elevator pitch).

2019: Working Group in African Political Economy (WGAPE).

Press citations

CNN Business, The Independent, The Conversation, Quartz, Boston Globe, FastCompany, The American Bar Association Journal (ABA Journal), The Behavioral Scientist, NY Daily News, Metro, Courthouse News Service, CityLab, allAfrica, Le Point.

Research visits

Duke, Department of Economics	2024
UC Berkeley, Department of Agriculture and Resource Economics	2024

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Events organized

Oxford, Social Foundations for Stats and ML (with Prof. Kasy and C. Gonzalez Perez)	2023
Oxford, Research Jamboree, Machine Learning and Economics Day (with Prof. Kasy)	2022
Oxford, Founder/Convener, PhD Peer Presentation Seminar (with L. Milsom)	2020 – 2022
Oxford, Co-organizer of the Oxford African Public Policy Discussion Group	2020 – 2021
Oxford, Machine Learning & Economic Inequality Conference (with Prof. Kasy)	2020 – 2021

Other service

Selection committee, Econometric Society Africa Meeting, Abidjan	2024
Selection committee, PacDev, Stanford King Center, Stanford	2024
Paris School of Economics, Board member, Student association (SynaPSE)	2013 – 2014

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

Edgeworth Prize for outstanding DPhil thesis in Economics, Oxford	2023 – 2024
Stanford Global Development Research Funding	2024
Institute for Fiscal Studies (IFS) PhD Enrichment Scheme	2022 – 2023
Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, Studentship via Prof. Maximilian Kasy	2022 – 2023
University of Oxford, Department of Economics Final Year Bursary	2021 – 2022
African Economic Research Consortium (AERC) PhD Doctoral Award	2021 – 2023
Global Challenges Research Fund (GCRF) Studentship (full tuition)	2019 – 2021
Oxford's CSAE filled small funding gap	2018 – 2020
French National Research Agency's scholarship: "Investissement d'avenir" (PIA)	2013 – 2014
Senegal National Olympic Committee Fellowship	2008
French Ministry of Sports Fellowship / Pôle France Swimming (full ride+)	2006 – 2007

TEACHING

Course leader

Oxford: Statistical Coding, Graduate, Instructor	MT'20, HT'20, HT'22
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Teaching assistant

Oxford: Econometrics/QM, Graduate, TA (under Prof Woodruff)	MT'20, HT'21, MT'21
Oxford: Development Econ., Undergrad., Seminar Leader (under Dr. Harris)	Summer'19

Guest lectures

Atelier de la pensée: Les nouveaux chemins de l'éco: repenser et réinventer l'ordre éco 2024
 IEA Ndar: Apprivoiser les chiffres pour s'en emparer (Afrique francophone XVIII-XXI^es) 2024
 Stanford: MGTECON 526, Guest Lecturer (instructor: Profs. Shaw and Prennushi) Spring'24
 Stanford: Econ 215, Development Econ., Guest Lecturer (instructor: Prof. Morten) Fall'23

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Oxford – Graduate Research Assistant	2018 – 2020
University of Chicago – Senior Data Analyst	2014 – 2018
Georgetown University – Graduate Research Assistant	2013
Senegal's Strategy for Accelerated Growth (SCA), PM Office – Summer Intern	2011
Feed the Future Senegal (Projet de Croissance Economique/USAID) – Summer Intern	2010
Stade Francais O.C. (Ranked 2 nd in France in 2009) – Stipendiary Swimmer	2008 – 2010

PUBLICATION IN OTHER FIELDS AND OTHER WRITINGS

Publication

“The relatively young and rural population may limit the spread and severity of Covid-19 in Africa: a modelling study” (2020), Diop BZ, Ngom M, Pougé Biyong C, Pougé Biyong J N. BMJ Global Health 2020;5:e002699.

Other writings

“Using Administrative Data to Measure the Productivity and Allocation of Health Workers and Funds: Lessons from Ghana”, IGC (2019), Diop BZ, Awoonor-Williams K, Ofose A, Williams MJ

“Using Behavioral Science to Improve Criminal Justice Outcome” , UChicago Crime Lab & Ideas42 (2018), Cooke B, Diop BZ, Fishbane A, Hayes J, Ouss A, Shah AK

Coverage: Boston Globe, FastCompany, The American Bar Association Journal, CityLab
 The Behavioral Scientist, NY Daily News, Metro, Courthouse News Service,

MISCELLANEOUS

Languages

English, French, Wolof

Selected arts (photography)

UNESCO World Heritage Contest (Top10)	2018
Artwork for Jazz album <i>Wërsëg</i> by Jamm	2018
Sunu Nataal Black and White Photography (Winner)	2016

Selected sports (swimming)

Brevet National de Sauvetage et de Sécurité Aquatique (BNSSA)	2009
Swimming at the Beijing Olympic Games (for Senegal)	2008
2×Bronze at African Games (Algiers; Maputo)	2007, 2011
3×Bronze at African Championships (Johannesburg)	2008
Ranked 2 nd and 3 rd , Top Division French “Interclubs”, Stade Français-OC	2008 – 2010