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Interests

Education Inequalities, Labour Market Inequalities, Constraints to Small firms, Data Science, International Migration, International Development.

Education

2019 – Present	**Humboldt University** – Berlin, Germany PhD in Sociology Advisors: Prof. Anette Fasang, Prof. Macartan Humphreys *Expected end date: April 2023.*
2022 – Present	**UC Berkeley** – California , USA Visiting Fellow Mentor: Prof. Marcel Fafchamps. *End date: Dec 2022.*
2010 – 2012	**University of Ibadan** – Ibadan, Nigeria MSc in Sociology Advisor: Prof. Muyiwa Omobowale. *Grade: Top 10 percent.*
2004 – 2008	**Obafemi Awolowo University** – Ile-Ife, Nigeria BSc in Sociology and Anthropology. *Grade: Top 10 percent.*

Grants, Honors and Scholarships

2022	International Growth Center (IGC) PhD Grant, £20,000 *E-Bookkeeping: Measuring Small Firm Behaviour*
2022	Pilot Grant, Private Enterprise Development in Low-Income Countries (PEDL) £6,500 *Accounting for Accounting: Book-keeping Lessons from Nigeria with Muhammad Zia Mehmood (UC Berkeley) and Anne Schick (Tufts University)*
2021	Winner, Peter Drucker Essay Challenge, Vienna

2021	Exploratory Grant, PEDL £10,681
	E-Bookkeeping: Measuring Small Firm Behaviour
2020	G-20 Young Global Changers, Global Solutions Initiative
2019	Capacity Building Grant, PEDL £5,000
	E-Bookkeeping: Measuring Small Firm Behaviour
2012	Finalist, Essay on "WOMEN AND CLIMATE CHANGE" organized by the Greens of The European Parliament, European Union.
2012	Fellow, Dell Social Innovation Laboratory, University of Texas, USA
2010	Certificate of Recommendation, National Youth Service Corps, Borno
2011	Certificate of Participation, International Essay Contest for Young People by GOI Peace Foundation and UNESCO
2012	Taskforce Member, UNESCO EFA Youth Report 2012
2007	Certificate of Commendation, Faculty of Social Sciences, Obafemi Awolowo University, Nigeria

Publications

2022	**Old But Not Late: The Age-of-Arrival Effect on Wage gap of African Immigrants in the US.**
	Abiola Oyebanjo
	under review.
2022	**Americah: Does signalling "foreignness" reduce the benefit of transnational education of returnees? Evidence from Nigeria**
	Abiola Oyebanjo
	under review.
2022	**What is the role of Pentecostalism on College-bound Anglophone Africans in OECD countries?**
	Abiola Oyebanjo
	under review.

Other Writings

2021	Vaccine Nationalism: Focus on Africa
	Abiola Oyebanjo
2014	This is Not the Time to Save Mafa
	Abiola Oyebanjo

| 2013 | 2013, Ode to the Late Freedom Fighter Madiba |
| | Abiola Oyebanjo |

Professional work experience

Dec 2019 – Date	**Research Associate, Freie University, Berlin**
May 2022 – June 2022	**Project Manager, Data Science for Social Good, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh** Worked with fellows and partners on data science projects. Partners include Allegheny Country, Vibrant Emotional Health and the Baltimore Department of Housing and Community Development.
October 2017 – Nov 2018	**Research Project Manager, American University DC, Project Location: Lagos** The research includes geocoding almost 700 marketplaces in Lagos; interviews with officials of 40 mini tax stations; led baseline and end-line researchers to covering 4,000 vendors and two separate interventions including a carrot and stick/informational experiment
Jan 2017 – June 2017	**Research Consultant, DFID-PERL, Abuja** Provided strategic insights into how citizens, constituencies, constituency representatives, and government officials use ICT and social media in the Southwest region using design research
June 2017 – September 2017	**Research Consultant, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Abuja** Lead scheduling and field research on key radio houses, political decision-makers and key constituents using radio to influence public policy in Lagos with methods in design research and ethnography.
Dec 2015 – May 2016	**Program Associate, Bridge International Academies, Lagos** Provided project management support to the Development/Construction Team by ensuring that all project elements are aligned and tracked against required timelines and costs. The team built about 10 schools in a record time of less than a year.

July 2015 – Nov 2015	**Research Associate, Bridge International Academies, Lagos**
	Conducted field research and scoping studies that provided critical insights into the establishment of about 10 schools in a year. I analyzed data from the rest of the company on the socioeconomic conditions and the competitive landscapes of private pre-primary and primary education in Lagos. This aided the provision of quality education to low-income earners in Nigeria.
Jan 2014 – June 2015	**Research Associate, International Institute for Local Development, Abuja**
	In collaboration with the project team, I coordinated, designed and analyzed baseline and impact evaluation surveys in 4 states for result-based monitoring and evaluation of 72million World Bank Project on Rural Access and Mobility Project (RAMP) in Nigeria rehabilitating 470km road. The aim was to increase road access to 600,000 rural indigenes in 5 years.
	Coordinated the Warajiji Microcredit scheme of the IILD which provides interest-free loans to 155 disadvantaged rural women in Waru and Karamajiji communities in Abuja, Nigeria. (featured in the Editorial of Guardian Newspaper as a successful model that the Federal Government can adopt

Presentations/Conferences/Workshops

August 2022	Presented, American Sociological Association
	Los Angeles, California, USA
April 2022	Presented, Working Group in African Political Economy (WGAPE) Annual Meeting
	Cornell University, New York, USA
March 2022	PEDL/CEPR The Frontiers of Research in Private Enterprise Development in Low-Income Countries
	New York University (NYUAD), Abu Dhabi, UAE
July 2019	PEDL/CEPR The Frontiers of Research in Private Enterprise Development in Low-Income Countries
	New York University (NYUAD), Abu Dhabi, UAE
March 2019	CEGA Summit, East Africa Social Science Translation Collaborative
	Nairobi, Kenya
July 2019	Presented, , Working Group in African Political Economy (WGAPE) Annual Meeting
	University of Cape Town, South Africa
June 2019	Evidence in Governance and Accountability Project – EGAP 26 Meeting
	African School of Economics, Benin Republic

June 2019	Presented, ,The Lagos Studies Association (LSA) Conference
	University of Lagos, Nigeria

Nov 2018	PEDL/CEPR The Frontiers of Research in Private Enterprise Development in Low-Income Countries
	New York University (NYUAD), Abu Dhabi, UAE

May 2018	Working Group in African Political Economy (WGAPE) Annual Meeting
	University of California, Los Angeles, USA.

January 2018	Working Group in African Political Economy (WGAPE) Meeting
	New York University (NYUAD), Abu Dhabi, UAE

Community Service

Aug 2018 – Date	**Empowerment for Local People Foundation (Executive Director)**
	Support disadvantaged persons starting or scaling petite businesses in local communities with requisite business training, technical support and interest-free loans pooled from the public in small units through simple-framed platforms so as to improve their economic and social freedom.

Professional memberships

2022 – Present	American Sociological Association

2019 – Present	American Political Science Association

Technical skills

Programming languages
Proficient in: R
Familiar with: Python, Stata, SQL

Software
LaTeX, Git, Tableau

Languages
English (fluent), Yoruba (Native)

Other interests

Travelling and Soccer