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Curriculum Vitae

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Brief Biography

Dr. John-Patrick Ifedi earned his Ph.D. in Political Science with concentration in the areas of International Political Economy, International Relations and Methodology and Comparative Politics (Africa and the Caribbean) at Howard. Following his public service in the justice department he became fully engaged in academia. As a practitioner of public administration – as social scientist, Interstate Compact section manager, Cognitive Programs Manager - in the U.S. civil service, he served in managerial capacity in various areas of the U.S. federal civil service (U.S. Justice Department, D.C. court services agency, and the superior court of the District of Columbia) for over twenty-two years, between 1990 and 2015.

Dr. Ifedi is also making significant contributions to community service in various capacities. In 1992, he founded the Council on African World Affairs in the District of Columbia, a foreign affairs organization dedicated to educating the professional, policy, attentive and general public on policy, political and social developments and issues in the African world. He also founded, in 2014, and presides over the American Social Skills Education and Development group (ASSED), an organization that is focused on providing social and life skills education to the professional and general public. Dr. Ifedi is also the president of Machiavel Strategies, a political and economic consulting outfit in Washington, D.C.

His international role in democracy development and democratization is also notable. He has undertaken many political consulting election and democracy development assignments in Eastern Europe, especially Kosovo and Bosnia-i-Herzegovina; the most prominent is his participation as an election supervisor in Tuzla and Banovici, Bosnia, in 1996, under the auspices of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) and the U.S. State Department to supervise the municipal elections, part of the diplomatic protocols and agreements leading to the cessation of hostilities and end to the Bosnian civil war. Additionally, through the council on African world affairs, he has served as an election monitor and development agent in many presidential elections in Nigeria since the emergence of democracy in Nigeria's fourth republic.

Dr. Ifedi has published in various scholarly peer reviewed journals in Political Science and has co-edited two books on U.S. Foreign Policy in addition to having presented in many scholarly conferences in the US and abroad.

Dr. Ifedi earned a BA from the State University of Minnesota, Moorhead where he studied Biology, Chemistry, Political Science and Sociology; an M.A. in Political Science (Public Administration and U.S. Diplomatic History) from the University of North Dakota, Grand Fork, North Dakota; his Ph.D. in Political

Science with concentration in International Political Economy, International Relations, Comparative Politics and Methodology is from Howard. He also holds a Diploma in Human Services Management (2000) from the University of Maryland. ; and, he was selected for a post-doctoral fellowship in Political Economy as an Institute for British and Irish Studies scholar at St. Anthony's College, Oxford and Trinity College, Dublin in 1996. He is a recipient of many awards for his dedication to community leadership, service and public education.

Education

- 2006 Selected Post-Doctoral Summer Fellow of the Institute for British and Irish Studies in International Political Economy to St. Anthony's College, Oxford University, Oxford and Trinity College, Dublin.
- 2001 Diploma in Management (Human Services), the University of Maryland, Baltimore, Maryland.
- 1995 Ph.D in Political Science: International Relations (National Security, Geo-Politics and Strategic Studies), International Political Economy, Political Methodology, and Comparative Government and Politics (Africa, the Caribbean and Latin America).
Howard University, Washington, D.C.
- 1983 M.A. (Pi Sigma Alpha): International Relations/Public Administration;
Minor/ U.S. Diplomatic History – Russia, Latin America and Europe
Focus.

The University of North Dakota, Grand forks, ND.
- 1981 B.A. Major in Political Science; Minor in Sociology.

State University of Minnesota, Moorhead, Minnesota.

Research Interests

International relations, Gender studies, Politics of Development and Comparative Politics Africa and Caribbean area studies, Strategic and Geopolitical studies, Democratization, Global Issues and Globalization, Marginalization, Structures of Oppression and Global Inequality, Political Economic Basis of Conflict – global and Regional, Politics of dissent(race, gender, ethnicity, resource control and violence, agitation, restiveness, conflict associated with them).

Academic Appointment(s)/Professional Experience

2013 – Present Howard University Washington, D.C. Lecturer, Full Time : Department of Political Science.

2014 (Fall) - Bowie State University, Bowie, Maryland. Adjunct Assistant Professor of Political Science

1995 – 2013. Howard University Washington, D.C. Adjunct Lecturer: Department of Political Science.

2011 – 2012. Lincoln University, Pennsylvania, Department of History and Political Science. Adjunct Lecturer of Political Science

1992–1995. Howard University Washington, D.C. Associate Instructor: Department of Political Science.

1984–1988. Howard University, Washington, D.C. Graduate Teaching and Research assistant. Assisted Professor Patricia Ruffin with teaching and research.

1981–1983. University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND. Graduate Teaching Assistant to Dr. Stephen Markovich.

Teaching Experience:

Graduate Courses:

World Imperialism/Globalization (Graduate) POLS. 226

Organizational Theory (Graduate), POLS. 209

Administrative Process (Graduate), POLS. 87508-216

Administration of the National Government (Graduate), POLS. 215

Africa in World Politics (Graduate),POLS 273

Undergraduate Courses:

National Government of the U.S (Undergraduate), POLS 010

International Relations (Undergraduate), POLS. 128

Introduction to Political Science (Undergraduate), POLS. 001

American Presidency (Undergraduate, upper class), POLS. 144

American Foreign Policy (Undergraduate), POLS. 178

Comparative Politics -Africa and the Caribbean (Undergraduate),

Introduction to Political Economy (Undergraduate), POLS. 008

Pan Africanism (Undergraduate), POLS. 006

Introduction to Research in Political Science, (Undergraduate), POLS.002

Internship I

Internship II

Internship IV

2011 – 2012 Lincoln University, Pennsylvania. Adjunct Assistant Professor of Political Science

American National Government

Introduction to Political Science

Introduction to Research in Political Science (undergraduate)

2014 (Spring Semester) Bowie State University, Bowie, MD. Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Science – International Law

Publications and Literary Works:

Co-Edited Books:

JP Afam Ifedi 2013. (eds.) , *Obama Administration's Africa Policy of Military Intervention: The War on Libya*, (eds), in *Assessing Obama Administration's Africa Intervention Policy*, New York, The University Press of America, 2014.

JP Afam. Ifedi 2009, (eds.) *Assessing Bush's Policy Toward Africa and Recommendations for the New American President*, New York: The Africa Institution, 2009.

JP Afam Ifedi 2007, (eds.) *Stakes in Africa-U.S. Relations and Challenges of Capitalism/Democracy to Third World Development: U.S. Energy Policy in Africa*, New York: The Africa Institution, 2007.

Article in Books:

JP Afam Ifedi 2018. *Conceptualization of Africa by Major Black Diaspora Thinkers (the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.)* Article in Book, *Contemporary Black Thinkers and their Conceptualiation of Africa*, NOVA Publishers, Hauppauge: New York.

JP Afam Ifedi 2017. *Oil and Environment in the Niger Delta: Nexus to the Conflict and Prospects of a Sustainable Solution*, University of Fort Hare, South Africa; article in book, collected papers from ISAPS 2016 international conference.

JP Afam Ifedi 2017. *Fidel Castro and Sub-Saharan Africa*, in Sabella Ogbobode Abidde, *Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean: The Case for Bilateral and Multilateral Cooperation*, New York: Rowman and Littlefield.

JP Afam Ifedi 2017. *Oil and Environment in the Niger Delta: Nexus to the Conflict and Prospects of a Sustainable Solution*, University of Fort Hare, South Africa; article in book, collected papers from ISAPS 2016 international conference.

JP Afam Ifedi 2012. *Rights-Based Approach as the Basis for Sustainable Peace and Development in the Niger Delta Region of Nigeria*, article in book, *21st Century African Problems*, by Mohammed El Khawas (ed.), Mellen Press.

Article in Refereed Journals:

JP Afam Ifedi 2014. "Environmental Justice and Rights-Based Approaches to Development in the Niger Delta Region of Nigeria," in the *Journal of International Studies and Development*, spring, 2013.

JP Afam. Ifedi and J Ndumbe Anyu 2011. "*Blood Oil: Ethnic Conflict and Development, The Niger Delta Region of Nigeria in Political and Historical Perspective,*" in *Mediterranean Quarterly*, Spring 2011.

J. Anyu Ndumbe and JP Afam. Ifedi 2008. "*China's Ventures in Africa: Patterns, Prospects, and Implications for Africa's Development,*" *Mediterranean Quarterly*, Vol. 19, Number 4, Fall 2008.

J. Anyu Ndumbe and JP Afam. Ifedi 2007. "*West African Gas Pipeline Project and Economic Development in the West Africa Sub-Region,*" *Journal of Development Alternatives and Area Studies*, (June 2007).

Unpublished Dissertation:

JP Afam Ifedi 1995. Unpublished Ph.D Dissertation: U.S. Hegemony and Foreign Policy in the Third World: Continuity and Change in the Use of Force as a Strategy of Containment, 1980-1990.

Scholarly Presentations /Activities

Africa in the Global Economy: Imperative of Leveraging globalization for Development, being a paper presented at the 23 Annual Conferences of the African Studies and Research Forum (ASRF) -Repositioning Africa in the 21st Century and Beyond -, March 28-30, 2019, at North Carolina Central University, Durham, North Carolina.

Conflict in Africa: the pre-colonial Igboland in Perspective and Lessons for the Post-Colonial Conflict Resolution Institutions, being a paper presented at the 23 Annual Conferences of the African Studies and Research Forum (ASRF) -Repositioning Africa in the 21st Century and beyond -, March 28-30, 2019, at North Carolina Central University, Durham, North Carolina.

Traditional society and Conflict Resolution in Nigeria: An Appraisal of Pre-Colonial traditional Igbo Methods of Conflict Resolution, paper presented at the 5th Annual International Conference on Ethnic and Religious Conflict Resolution and peace-Building, City University of New York, Queens College, Queens, New York, October 30- November 1, 2018.

Conceptualization of Africa by Major Black Diaspora Thinkers (the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.): paper presented at the 22nd Annual Conference of the African Studies and Research Forum (ASRF) – Toward the Building of a New Africa: Weaving the Past, the Present , and the Future - at the University of West Georgia on March 29-30, 2018.

"*Oil, Ecology and Health in the Niger Delta Region of Nigeria: Implication for Agitation, Conflict, Development and Some solutions proffered,*" paper presented at the 21st Annual Conference of the International Society for African Philosophy and Studies, titled "an African Path to the Global Future: African Philosophy and Studies Solutions to Problems in the Area of Health, Education, Economy and Criminal Justice." November 13-14, 2015, Howard University, Washington, D.C.

“Comparative Critical Analysis of the 2015 Nigeria Presidential Election: PDP and APC: A Diaspora Insight, being a panel discussion at the Diaspora and Nigerian Change Agenda Conference, State House Conference Hall, Aso Rock, Abuja, August 24-25, 2015

“Contributions of Nigerians in the Diaspora to National Development: A Political and Economic Perspective,” being a panel discussion at the Diaspora and Nigerian Change Agenda Conference, State House Conference Hall, Aso Rock, Abuja, August 24-25, 2015

Obama Administration’s Africa Policy of Military Intervention: The War on Libya: Paper presented at the 30th Annual Conference of the Association of Third World Studies, October 11-13, 2012 at Berry College, Rome, Georgia.

Political Economy of Managing Sub-Sahara Africa’s Competitiveness in the Global Economy: Good-Governance and its Nexus to Institution and Infrastructure Development, Paper Presented at the Annual Conference of the Faculty of Management Sciences International Conference, Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka, Nigeria, December 12-14, 2012.

“Women in the Third World: Impediments to Participation in Politics (a Meta-analysis of selected research, writings, and comments),” being a paper presented at the Women for Democracy’s Annual Seminar/Conference, Beltsville, Maryland, November 12, 2011.

“Institutional Foundations of Nigeria’s Developmental Challenges: Problems Inhibiting Development and Approaches to overcoming them,” Research Paper Presented in the Conference on African/Caribbean Economic Development at the African Fellowship of the Riverside Church, New York, N.Y. October 15, 2011.

“Structure of electoral systems and democratic transformation in Nigeria,” 5th National Diaspora Conference on Nigeria’s Transformational Agenda: The Diaspora Perspective.” July 25 to 27, 2011. Congress Hall, Transcorp Hilton Hotel, Abuja, Nigeria.

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“Public Administration and Organization Performance Improvement Study, Analysis and Recommendations: Development of Performance Measure, and Compliance Review of the Interstate Compact-Out supervision Program of the Court Services Agency for the District of Columbia,” September 10, 2010.

Economic Development and Democratization as Critical Strategies for National Security in Emerging States: Nigeria in Perspective. Guest Lecture at the National Institute for Policy and Strategic Studies, Kuru, Jos, Plateau State, Nigeria, May 2010

“Brain Drain, Brain Gain, or Brain Circulation: The Case of Africa Focus on Travails and Other Challenges,” Paper Presented to the 2006 African Studies Research Forum (ASRF) / Association of Third World Studies (ATWS) Conference, Winston Salem, North Carolina, November 2006

"Ralph Bunche's accomplishments in the United Nations," paper presented at the annual Ralph Bunche lectures on International Peace and Security at the City University of New York, NYC, 1986.

Non-Academic Experience, Position(s),Activities

1992 – Present: Executive Director, the Council on African World Affairs, A Foreign Affairs, Education and Development Non-Governmental Organization dedicated to educating members and the public about African affairs and promoting development in the African World.

2007 – 2015: Supervisory Manager, Interstate Compact Administration, the Court Services Agency for the District of Columbia – an independent federal executive branch agency under the U.S. Justice Department.

1999 - 2007: Program Manager, Cognitive Restructuring Programs (Domestic and Substance Abuse Intervention Treatment Program), the Court Services Agency for the District of Columbia, an independent United States federal government executive branch agency.

1990 – 2007: Assessment Coordinator/Program Analyst, High Intensity Treatment and Supervision Program, the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

2009 Adjunct Instructor (Trainer)in Interstate Compact Supervision, Community Supervision Officers Academy at the Court Services Agency for the District of Columbia (CSOSA) - an independent United States federal government executive branch agency under Justice Department.

1984. Graduate Assistant to Professor Richard Seltzer in the Prince Georges County Jury Selection Study, Upper Marlboro, Maryland.

Academic Advising and Dissertation/Thesis Directed

Ph.D Dissertation Committees:

Ph.D (2016)

Gerald Keith Foston: Peculiar Capitalism in Tennessee: Race, Mass Incarceration, Felony Disenfranchisement, and Lack of Political Will to Address Social Inequality, 1960-2014.

Ph.D (2016)

Stephen C.W. Graves: Political Theories of Development: A synchronic Analysis.

Ph.D (2017)

Janeen C. Guest: Chinese Infrastructure Development Aid and its Effect on Economic Growth and Productivity: The Nigerian Case, 2000-2015.

Ph.D (2017)

Geoffrey Stephen Bell, Jr.: The Impact of Digital Social Capital Activism Among Howard University Students: A Triangulative Analysis.

Ph.D (2017)

Zeyad Al-Shammari: Contemporary Middle-East Political Uprisings and the Survival of Arab Monarchies.

Ph.D (2017)

Abdul Razaq Iddris: A Comparative Analysis of George W. Bush's and Barack H. Obama's Foreign Policies towards Ghana

Ph.D (2017)

Rodney Terrence Campfield, A case Study of the Leadership Styles of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) African – American College Presidents.

Ph.D (2017)

Elan Mitchell-Gee: Cuba and Georgia: An Unlikely Pair

Ph.D (2017)

Lynwood McAllister: Factors that Will Influence Choice of Specialty: A Qualitative and Quantitative Analysis of the Perceptions of Howard University Medical Students.

Ph.D (Pending)

King LaToya: Nigeria and South Korea: An Examination of their Economic Policies, 1960 to 1990.

M.A. Thesis Committees:

Michael Anderson, The Voting Rights Act of 1964: 2013 U.S. Supreme Court's Ruling against Vital Sections of the Law.

Toni Reynolds-Criner, China's One Child Policy and its Nexus to Human Trafficking.

Cognate Academic Activities

2018. Peer Reviewer for Arcadia, a joint journal of Environmental History and the Rachel Carson center for Environment and Society at the LMU in Munich, Germany. Article reviewed - Landscape of Insecurity: The intricacies of environmental change in the oil rich Nigeria's Niger Delta Region by Abosede Omowunmi BABATUNDE.

2017. Textbook Review Faculty for W.W. Norton Publishers on "Civil Rights," in American National Government Text, We The People (11th Ed.) By Benjamin Ginsberg, Theodore Lowi, Margaret Weir, and Caroline J. Tolbert .

2014 – Present: Member of the Editorial Board of the Trent (On-Line) Newspaper, Nigeria.

2014 – Present: Columnist and Political/Social Commentator for the Trent (On-Line) Newspaper, Nigeria.

2010 – Present: member of the editorial board of the 21st Century Afro American Journal:, A Forum of Issues and Opinions, Howard University, Washington, D.C.

2009 – Textbook reviewer, American Government Textbook by Raphael Sonenstein, Bedford/St. Martin's Press, Boston, Massachusetts (Adrienne Hiltz, Editorial Assistant).

Professional Development

College Board Advance Placement Program, Reader-Scorer, Advanced Placement (AP) U.S. Government and Politics, 2019.

Chair and Moderator, Session on Politics and Justice, African Studies and Research Program (ASRF), the 22nd Annual Conference, the University of West Georgia, Carrollton, Georgia, Toward Building a New Africa: Weaving the Past, the Present, and the Future, March 29-31, 2018.

College Board Advance Placement Program, Reader-Scorer, Advanced Placement (AP) U.S. Government and Politics, 2018.

College Board Advance Placement Program, Reader-Scorer, Advanced Placement (AP) U.S. Government and Politics, 2017.

Participant, Annual Conference on New Frontiers in Poverty Research, Columbia Population Research Center, Center on Poverty and Social Research Policy at Columbia University, New York City, May 18, 2017.

Public Activities/Community Service

2015 – Panelist on Afrobeat Radio, New York City, on Democracy, Development and Implications for Nigeria's Future Post 2015 Presidential Elections *or at* (<http://www.afrobeatradio.com/social-political/2015/4/8/democracy-and-social-in-2015-implications-for-nigerias-future-post-2015-presidential-elections>)

International Activities

2015. Nigeria Presidential Election Observer under the auspices of the Council on African World Affairs, USA.

2011. Nigeria Presidential Election Observer under the auspices of the Council on African World Affairs, USA.

1997. U.S. member of the Dayton Accord mandated Municipal election mission to Bosnia-Herzegovina, as an election supervisor, under the auspices of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) and the U.S. Department of State

Grants, Fellowship, Recognition, Awards, Honors

2014. Distinguished Community Service Award, the Council on African World Affairs.

2008. Selected Post-Doctoral Summer Fellow of the Institute for British and Irish Studies (IBIS) in International Political Economy to St. Anthony's College, Oxford University, Oxford and Trinity College, Dublin.

2005. Outstanding Service, Leadership and Administrator Award, the Council on African World Affairs.

1981. The National Political Science Honor Society (Pi Sigma Alpha). Vice President: Nu Xi Chapter, the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks.

1985. The National Political Science Honor Society (Pi Sigma Alpha). Member: Howard University Chapter, Washington, DC.

1980. Dean's list at the State University of Minnesota, Moorhead

Membership of Professional and Scholarly Bodies

Member: American Political Science Association

Member: African Studies Research Forum (ASRF)

Member: Association of Third World Studies (ATWS)

Member: The Academy of Political Science (USA)

Member: American Political Science Society (APSS).

Member: American Political Science Association (APSA).

Member: Baltimore, Maryland's Council on Foreign Affairs.

Executive Director: The Council on African World Affairs

References

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