Krista Johnson

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Political Science 2002
Northwestern University Evanston, IL

B.A. International Relations 1990

Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, MD

Diploma in African Studies

University of Cape Town

1989

Cape Town, South Africa

EMPLOYMENT

Director, Center for African Studies

August 2020 - present

Howard University, Washington DC

Serve as Director of the Department of Education funded Title VI National Resource Center for African Studies with nearly 100 faculty affiliates. Provides intellectual leadership and direction in sustaining, organizing, and further developing existing and new research, training, and outreach programs in African area studies.

Associate Professor, African Studies

July 2013 - present

Howard University, Washington, DC

Serve as Director of Graduate Studies in the department of African Studies. Oversee a graduate program with over 70 students. Design and teach undergraduate and graduate-level courses in the African Studies department. Advise African Studies Masters' and PhD students' theses and dissertations. Serve on the Department's curriculum committee and assessment committee. Chair of the College of Arts and Sciences' Readmission and Academic Status Committee; and serve on the College's Freshman Seminar Committee and Retention and Recruitment Committee. Serve on the Graduate School Executive Committee and Curriculum Committee.

Convenor/Consultant, Southern Africa Sub-Regional Course Foreign Service Institute, Arlington, VA August 2019 - present

Coordinate an intensive week-long course covering all of Southern Africa for Foreign Service Officers who will be stationed in Southern African countries.

Assistant Professor, African Studies Howard University, Washington, DC August 2008 – July 2013

Assistant Professor & Director, International Relations Program July 2005 – June 2008 *Agnes Scott College, Decatur, GA*

Assistant Professor, Department of International Studies

July 2002 – July 2005

DePaul University, Chicago, IL

Project Consultant/Researcher, Women Writing Africa

October – December 2001

Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana, Legon

Associate Editor, Encyclopedia of South Africa project May 2001 – February 2003 *Macmillan Publishers*

William Randolph Hearst Fellow

Rhodes College, Memphis, TN

July 2000 – August 2001

Consultant, South African Programs

August 1998 – February 2000

Institute of International Education, South Africa

Consultant, Population Program

MacArthur Foundation, Chicago, IL

January – May 1998

Senior Program Specialist
Institute of International Education, Washington, DC

Assistant Field Office Coordinator, Semester at Sea

Institute for Shipboard Education, Pittsburgh, PA

Spring 1994

PUBLICATIONS

Monographs

The End of Exceptionalism: African Americans Theorizing Race and Imperialism in South Africa – book manuscript in progress

Edited Books and Journals

Krista Johnson and Sean Jacobs (ed.), *Encyclopedia of South Africa*, Lynne Rienner Publishers, (September 2011)

Krista Johnson and Meredith Weiss (ed.), special issue on "Social Policymaking and Inequality in the Era of Globalization: Cross-regional Comparisons," *New Political Science* 27:3 (September 2005)

Returning to South Africa (A Career Guide for South African students returning from studying abroad), Institute of International Education, 1999

Journal Articles and Book Chapters

"The Howard School of International Relations", Roundtable: Race, Indigeneity, and the Global South in IHAP: Missed Opportunities and Possible Futures. *International History and Politics (IHAP) Newsletter* vol. 6, issue 2, Fall 2020. https://mk0apsaconnectbvy6p6.kinstacdn.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/19/2020/11/IHAP-Newsletter-6.2-Fall-2020.pdf

- "What black scholars can teach the post-Covid world", *Africa in Fact*, Good Governance Africa, November 2020. https://gga.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/NEW-DIASPORA-EDITION-PDF 101120.pdf
- "Wilson's Imperial Internationalism", *Georgetown Journal of International Affairs*, August 19, 2020. https://gjia.georgetown.edu/2020/08/19/wilsons-imperial-internationalism/
- "Pioneering the Social Sciences at Howard University in the 1930s and 1940s", Special edition of *Quarderni I'd Sociologia*, Paolo Parra Saiani (ed.) 2020
- "HIV/AIDS in Africa", Oxford Research Encyclopedia of African History, Oxford University Press 2020
- "African Women and HIV", *The Palgrave Handbook of African Women's Studies*, Olajumoke Yacob-Haliso and Toyin Falola (eds.) Palgrave Macmillan 2019
- "The Howard School: Lessons for Curricular Transformation", in *Transforming Ivory Towers to Ebony Towers*, Shireen Motala (ed.) University of Johannesburg, Institute for Pan-African Thought and Conversation, Jacana Books 2019.
- "Cutting to the Chase: Donor Expediency Drives the Campaign for Safe Male Circumcision in Botswana", *Journal of Southern African Studies*, 43:2, March 2017
- "To Cut and Run: Donor Approaches to Male Circumcision in Southern Africa", *African Studies Quarterly*, vol. 15, issue 4, (September) 2015
- "Medicines, Morality and the Pendulum of Power", (review of *The Power of Pills: Ethical and Legal Issues in Drug Development, Marketing and Pricing.* Jillian Clare Cohen, Patrician Illingworth, Udo Schuklenk (eds.), Pluto Press, 2006) *Review of Policy Research*, vol 26, issue 1&2 (January/March 2009)
- "Between self-help and dependence: Donor funding and the Fight Against HIV/AIDS in South Africa", *Africa: Journal of the International African Institute*, 78:4, Fall 2008
- "Drugs into Bodies: AIDS and the Political Economy of 'Access", published in a research volume on AIDS in Africa by the Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA), Senegal (2008)
- "Media, Social Movements and the State: Competing Images of HIV/AIDS in South Africa" (co-authored with Sean Jacobs), *African Studies Quarterly*, vol. 9, issue 4, Fall 2007
- "Framing AIDS Mobilization and Human Rights in Post-apartheid South Africa", *Perspectives on Politics*, vol. 4, no. 4, December 2006
- "AIDS and the Politics of Rights in South Africa: A Contested Terrain", *Human Rights Review*, vol. 7, number 2, January-March 2006
- "Globalization, Social Policy and the State: An Analysis of HIV/AIDS in South Africa", *New Political Science*, vol. 27, no. 3, September 2005

"AIDS, Morality and the Human Condition: An Unequal Calculus of Life and Death", (extended review of *The Moral Economy of AIDS in South Africa* by Nicoli Nattrass, Cambridge University Press, 2004), *African Identities*, vol. 3, no. 1 2005

"Wither Nationalism? Are We Entering an Era of Post-nationalist Politics in Southern Africa?", *Transformation: Critical Perspectives on Southern Africa*, vol. 58, 2005

"The Politics of AIDS Policy Development and Implementation in Post-apartheid South Africa", *Africa Today*, vol. 51, no. 2, Winter 2004

"Democratization and the Rhetoric of Rights: Contradictions and Debate in Post-Apartheid South Africa", (co-authored with Sean Jacobs), in *Rights and Politics of Recognition in Africa*, F. Nyamjoh and H. Englund (eds.) Zed Books (August 2004)

"Liberal or Liberation Framework: The Contradictions of ANC-rule in South Africa", *Journal of Contemporary African Studies*, vol. 21, no. 2, May 2003 (This article also appears in *Limits to Liberation in Southern Africa, the Unfinished Business of Democratic Consolidation*, H. Melber (ed.), HSRC Publishers (South Africa), October 2003)

"Redefining the Rules of the Game: State/society Relations in Contemporary South Africa", in *Thabo Mbeki's World: Myth, Ideology and Politics in the Mbeki Presidency*, R. Calland and S. Jacobs (eds.), University of Natal Press, August 2002 (An edited version of this article appears in *Indicator South Africa*, vol. 19, no. 1, March 2002)

"The Trade-off Between Distributive Equity and Democratic Process: The Case of Child Welfare Reform in South Africa", *African Studies Review*, 43 (3) December 2000

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"Pioneering the Social Sciences at Howard University in the 1930s and 1940s", Plenary Session at the American Sociological Association Meeting, New York, August 2019

"The Howard School: Lessons for Curricular Transformation", Symposium on Curricular Transformation, University of Johannesburg, Institute of Pan-African Thought and Conversation, July 2018

"The Howard School and Postcolonial IR Theory", International Studies Association, Global South Caucus Meeting, Havana, Cuba, July 6-10, 2017

"Merze Tate, Imperialism and the White Man's Blunders", National Conference of Black Political Scientists (NCOBPS) Meeting, Atanta, GA, March 2015

"Recovering the Howard School of International Affairs", Panel at the American Political Science Association Meeting, Washington, DC. August, 2014

"South Africa: 20 years of Democracy", African Studies Association Meeting, Indianapolis, IN, November 2014

"The Evidence Agenda and Global AIDS Policymaking: The Case of Botswana", African Studies Association Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, November 2012

"Biopolitics and AIDS Governance in Southern Africa", African Studies Association Meeting, San Francisco, CA, November 2010

"Power and Politics: AIDS, the South African State and International Governance", International Studies Association Meeting, San Diego, CA, April 2006

"Covering the Pandemic: AIDS in the South African Media", Gwendolyn Carter Conference, University of Florida, March 2006

"Framing AIDS Mobilization and Human Rights in Post-apartheid South Africa" American Political Science Association Meeting, Washington, DC. September, 2005

"AIDS Activism and the Language of Rights in South Africa" African Studies Association Meeting, New Orleans, LA, Nov. 12-15, 2004

"The International Political Economy of Generic Drug Production and Marketing", CODESRIA Research Initiative on the Social Sciences and HIV/AIDS: A Political Economy of Patient Welfare and Rights, Dakar, Senegal, Sept. 30 - Oct. 3, 2004

"Globalization, Social Policy and the State: HIV/AIDS in South Africa" American Political Science Association Meeting, September 1-4, 2004 (Also convenor of the panel – "Social policy making and inequality in the era of globalization: Comparing state and societal responses cross regionally")

"Implementing AIDS Policy in Post-apartheid South Africa; Implications for West Africa" Presentation given at the "Governance and Insecurity in West Africa" conference, Northwestern University, November 13-15, 2003

"Roundtable on the AIDS Pandemic: Political Activism and the Policy Process in the US and Globally in the 21st Century"

American Political Science Association Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, August 28-31, 2003

INVITED TALKS

"Ebola 2014: Pandemic Preparedness and the Failure of Global Health Infrastructure in the Kailahun District of Sierra Leone", United States Agency for International Development, July 26, 2016

"Responding to Ebola in Sierra Leone: Global Health Security Infrastructure in the Eastern Region of Sierra Leone", Program on African Studies, Northwestern University, May 15, 2016

"To Snip or not to Snip: The Campaign for Safe Male Circumcision in Botswana", African Studies Center, Georgetown University, April 2013

"When Evidence-based Policymaking meets Deliberative Decision-making: The Case of the Safe Male Circumcision Campaign in Botswana", University of Botswana, May 1, 2012

"The Political Pitfalls of Rolling Out a Donor-driven Safe Male Circumcision Campaign", Centre for the Study of AIDS, University of Pretoria, April 18, 2012

"Off-loading the Treatment Mortgage: Evaluating the Declining Donor Commitment for HIV and AIDS", University of Botswana, April 12, 2012

"Social Services and HIV Stigma in the Community", International Conference on Stigma, Howard University, Washington, DC, November 2010

"North-South Relations and the Fight Against HIV and AIDS", presented at the Centre for African Studies, University of Cape Town, May 2009

"The State of Health in the Pan-African Community", The Inaugural Pan-African Youth Summit, Howard University, Washington, DC, February 2009

"A Tragedy of the Commons? The Role of the Global Pharmaceutical Industry in Global Health Governance", "Drugs into Bodies: HIV/AIDS and the Political Economy of Access", Three lectures presented as a Resource Person for the 2008 CODESRIA Health Institute, October 5-31, 2008 in Dakar, Senegal.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Howard University
Introduction to Contemporary Africa
AIDS in Africa and the African Diaspora
Southern Africa
Seminar in Regional Studies
Freshman Seminar
Senior Colloquium
Issues in Public Health and Development in Africa (graduate seminar)
Scope and Methods (graduate research methods course)
Gender Theory in African Societies (graduate seminar)

AWARDS

- Carnegie African Diaspora Fellow 2021
- UMBC Drescher Center for the Humanities, Inclusion Imperative Fellowship 2020
- National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), Faculty Fellowship 2019
- Fulbright Teaching/Research Grant 2011/2012
- Howard University New Faculty Start-up Grant 2009/2010
- Ford Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship 2003/2004
- URC Competitive Research Grant, DePaul University 2003/2004
- William Randolph Hearst Teaching Fellowship, Rhodes College 2000/2001
- National Science Foundation Pre-dissertation Fellowship Recipient, 1996-1999