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EDUCATION

- 2010** Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science
Comparative African Politics and International Relations.
Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA.
- 2004** M.A in International Development Studies (Magna cum Laude)
Ohio University, Athens OH.
- 2004** Certificate in Women's Studies
Ohio University, Athens OH.
- 2001** Barrister-at-Law (Juris Doctor equivalent)
Ghana School of Law, Accra, Ghana
- 1999** Bachelor of Laws (Magna cum Laude)
University of Ghana, Legon, Ghana
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OTHER POSITIONS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2023** **Fellow/Chair:** Institute for Advanced Studies, Aix-Marseille, France
- 2022** **Fellow:** University of Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Studies
- 2022-2025** **Board Member:** African Studies Association
- 2022** **Fulbright Specialist Scholar,** Center for Democratic Development,
Ghana
- 2020-present** **Founding Director:** Center for Women, Gender and Global Leadership.
Howard University.
- 2019-present** **Fellow:** Center for Democracy and Development, Ghana
- 2018** **Mentor:** Obama Foundation Scholars: University of Chicago
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- 2018** **Fulbright Specialist Scholar:** Faculty of Law, KNUST, Ghana
- 2017-2019** **Global Fellow:** Wilson Center Women in Public Leadership Program. Washington, DC.
- 2017** **Visiting Scholar:** Queens University. Faculty of Law, Kingston, ON, Canada.
- 2016** **Fellow:** Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship: Providing training for junior faculty and graduate student mentoring at the University of Ghana Faculty of Law.
- 2015** **Visiting Scholar:** University of Copenhagen. Faculty of Law iCourts The Danish National Research Foundation’s Center for Excellence in International Courts.
- 2015** **Founding Director:** The Institute for African Women in Law (non-profit organization).

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- 2022** WOZA Women in Law: Global Transformation Leadership Award
- 2022** WOZA Women in Law: Best in Thought Leadership, Innovation and Academia Award
- 2020** International Awardee for Outstanding Women in Law (Academia), Vienna, Austria
- 2020** 100 Women in Law, Courtroommail, (#29) Nigeria
- 2018** Outstanding Assistant Professor, Howard University
- 2016** The White House: President Obama’s Volunteer and Service Award
- 2015** Outstanding Teacher Award, Georgia Gwinnett College, (finalist)
- 2013** Outstanding Registered Student Organization Advisor. Georgia Gwinnett College
- 2013** APSA Minority Women of Color Mini-conference Awardee
- 2012** Outstanding Student Engagement Award. Georgia Gwinnett College
- 2008** Who is Who Among Students in American Universities. Georgia State University
- 2004** Magna Cum Laude: Masters in International Development, Ohio University
- 2001** Ghana School of Law, Vice President of Student Representative Council

- 1999** Magna Cum Laude, Bachelor of Laws: University of Ghana
- 1999** Faculty of Law, University of Ghana. Secretary of Student Representative Council
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MEDIA APPEARANCES

- Voice of America Our Voices: International Women’s Day, 2024. Available at <https://www.voaafrica.com/a/7519483.html>
- Newzroom Afrika Issues affecting women in South Africa - 66 years after 9 August 1956 March. Available at <https://youtu.be/IRMNVgl155s>
- WHUR. March 5, 2021. Women’s History Month, Empowering Black Women. Available at <https://whur.com/whur/womens-history-month-empowering-black-women/>
- WHUT: The Journey, a Conversation with Dr. Jarpa Dawuni. Available here: <https://youtu.be/tL3u9smK-OI>
- VOA: International Women’s Day- African Women Ascend to Leadership. Available here: <https://youtu.be/IXFupVj36pQ>
- KAYA FM South Africa: Women in Law. Available at <https://we.tl/t-VtQmMcuJee>
- Washington Post Nov 12, 2020. Howard University Received \$1million to open Women’s Center. Available here: https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/education/howard-university-womens-center/2020/11/12/d21dbba6-246a-11eb-a688-5298ad5d580a_story.html
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CERTIFICATIONS

Quality Matters Certification-online instruction
E-core Certification-online teaching
Master Teacher —Two-year informed pedagogy program at Georgia Gwinnett College
Informed Pedagogy—Emory University Institute for Pedagogy in the Liberal Arts Hybrid
Course Designer—Georgia Gwinnett College.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2019-present	Associate Professor of Political Science Howard University
2019-2020	Visiting Professor University of Jaume 1, Spain Courses Taught: Migration and Co-Development; Gender and Development
2018-2019	Associate Professor of Law (Adjunct) American University, Washington College of Law Course Taught Gender, Comparative and International Law
2015-2019	Assistant Professor of Political Science Howard University
2011-2015	Assistant Professor of Political Science Georgia Gwinnett College
2010-2011	Visiting Lecturer Georgia State University
2010	Adjunct Faculty Morehouse College

THESIS AND DISSERTATION ADVISING

2024	Advisor: BA Honors Thesis. Logan Ford
2024-	Dissertation Advisor: Doctor of Philosophy: Mouhamadou Hoyeck
2022	Committee Member: Doctor of Philosophy: Angela Pashayan
2022	Committee Member: Doctor of Philosophy: Constance Pruitt.
2021	Dissertation Advisor: Doctor of Philosophy: Oluwaseyi Ajayi
2021	Committee Member: Doctor of Philosophy: Jaimee Swift
2020	Committee Member: Doctor of Philosophy: Richmond Danso
2018	Committee Member: Doctor of Philosophy: Kpedetin Oke.
2018	Committee Member: MA Thesis. Mikayla Kinloch.

2018 **Committee Member:** MA Thesis Shajan Abusalih.

2017 **Advisor:** BA Honors Thesis. Ruby LeMorin.

FOUNDER AND FACULTY ADVISOR

Founding Director	Center for Women, Gender and Global Leadership, Howard University
Founder	Minor in Women, Gender and Sexualities Studies, Howard University
Founding Faculty Advisor	African Students Association (African Voice)
Founding Faculty Advisor	Georgia Gwinnett College Globe (Student Newsletter), Georgia Gwinnett College
Founding Faculty Advisor	Model United Nations, Georgia Gwinnett College Model African Union

CONSULTANCY EXPERIENCE

UNDP Senior Consultant	Representation of Women in African Judiciaries
World Bank	Editor, Gender and Judging: Selected Cases Across Africa. Routledge, 2021.
Workshop Organizer	AAI-Alidou African Women in Leadership Mentoring Program. Nairobi, Kenya, October 23, 2019.
Workshop Organizer	Gender and Access to Justice in African Pluralistic Societies. Accra, Ghana, August 8-11, 2019.
Workshop Organizer	Gender and Judging in Africa and the Middle East. Oñati, Spain, July 11-13, 2018.
Founder	Institute for African Women in Law (IAWL).
Trainer	US Department of State, Foreign Service Institute.
Trainer of Judges	Nigerian High Court judges training on caseload management.
Program Designer	Center for African Union Law, KNUST, Kumasi, Ghana.

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2022-2025 National Science Foundation Grant. Comparative Study of Demographic Variation in Judiciaries (PI). **\$700,00**.
- 2022 Fulbright Specialist Fellow. Ghana Center for Democratic Development.
- 2021 Pivotal Ventures Grant: **\$1million** for organizational support of the Center for Women
- 2020 Founding Grant: **\$1million** to establish the Howard University Women’s Center
- 2019 Program Point Sud (German Development Program): Access to Justice Workshop (\$50,000)
- 2018 Fulbright Specialist Fellow: Faculty of Law, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology.
- 2017 Law and Society Association: Workshop Grant (with Ulrike Schultz and Monika Lindbekk).
- 2017 Faculty Grant: Howard University Center for African Studies Grant
- 2016 Faculty Grant: Howard University Center for African Studies Grant (with Krista Johnson).
- 2016 Howard University Faculty Startup Grant.
- 2016 Fellowship: Howard University Faculty Summer Research Fellowship.
- 2016 Fellow Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship: Providing training for junior faculty and graduate student mentoring at the University of Ghana Faculty of Law.
- 2015 Fellowship Law and Society Association: Early Career Workshop Participant. May, Seattle Washington.
- 2015 Faculty Research (SEED) Grant: “The Politics of Gender and the Law: A comparative study of Ghana, Nigeria, Sierra Leone and Ivory Coast.” Principal Investigator. Georgia Gwinnett College.
- 2015 Travel Grant: International Studies Association (ISA).

- 2014 Faculty Research (SEED) Grant, “Applying “the Answer” to RPG Concerns of Black GGC Students: A Pilot”. Principal Investigator (with C. Douglas Johnson and Joseph Ametepe), Georgia Gwinnett College.
- 2014 Faculty Research (SEED) Grant, “Teaching about Trauma and Memory in the College Classroom”. Co-Investigator (with Dovile Budryte), Georgia Gwinnett College.
- 2014 Fellowship. Council on Foreign Relations Educators Seminar. New York, April 10-12.
- 2013 Fellowship. American Political Science Association Minority Women of Color Mini- Conference. August 29-September 1. Chicago.
- 2010 Fellowship. American Political Science Association Africa Workshop. Arusha, Tanzania. (Accepted).
- 2004-10 Graduate Fellowship. Georgia State University.
- 2008 Conference Travel Grant, University of Witwatersrand, South Africa.
- 2008 Dissertation Travel Grant, West Africa Research Association.
- 2007 Travel Grant. National Women’s Studies Association.
- 2007 Travel Grant. Department of Political Science Conference.
- 2004 Internship Grant. Ohio University, International Studies Department.
- 2002-2004 Fellowship. Ohio University Office of Graduate Studies.

SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS

Research Interests

Judicial Politics and the rule of law in Africa; Women and the Legal Professions; Gender and Development; International Human Rights; African Politics

FORTHCOMING WORKS

Dawuni, J. African Women in Law. A Comparative Overview. Oxford University Press, (*forthcoming, March, 2025*).

Dawuni, J. (Ed.). *Women Judges: Storytelling as Judicial Freedom*. Palgrave Macmillan, (*forthcoming, December, 2024*).

Dawuni, J. Intersectionality, feminist judgments, and the International Criminal Court: Whose feminist is it anyway? McLoughlin, K., Grey, K., Chappell, L., Varrall, S (Eds.). *Feminist Judgments:*

Reimagining the International Criminal Court. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, (forthcoming, 2025).

Grossman, N., Ramji-Nogales, J., Ruiz, H., Dawuni, J., (Eds.). *The Oxford Research Handbook on Women in International Law*. Oxford: Oxford University Press, (forthcoming, 2025).

PUBLISHED BOOKS

Dawuni, J. (Ed.), (2022). *Intersectionality and Women's Access to Justice*. Lexington Publishers.

Dawuni, J. (Ed.). (2021). *Gender, Judging and the Courts in Africa: Selected Studies*. Routledge Publishers. A World Bank Project. New York: Routledge.

Dawuni, J & Kuenyehia, A, (Eds.) (2018). *International Courts and the African Woman Judge: Unveiled Narratives*. New York: Routledge.

Dawuni, J., and Bauer, G. (Eds.) (2016). *Gender and the Judiciary in Africa: From Obscurity to Parity?* New York: Routledge.

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

Dawuni, J. (2021): The legal profession in Ghana: from indigenization to globalization, *International Journal of the Legal Profession*, 29:1, 75-101, DOI: 10.1080/09695958.2021.1992283

Dawuni, J., & Trower, C. (2021). "Representation and Inclusion in Diplomacy- A Closer Look at Black Women US Ambassadors. *SAIS Review of International Affairs*, Vol. 41 Iss. 1, p. 73 – 84. Available at: <http://works.bepress.com/josephine-dawuni/24/>

Dawuni, J. (2019). Vive la Diversité or Aluta Continua? Achieving Gender Equity on the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights. *Connecticut Journal of International Law*, 34 (3), 380-402.

Dawuni, J. (2018). African Women Judges on International Courts: Symbolic or Substantive Gains? *University of Baltimore Law Review* Vol. 47, 2 (3). Available at <https://scholarworks.law.ubalt.edu/ubl/vol47/iss2/3/>

Dawuni, J. (2016). 'To "Mother" or not to "Mother": The Representative Roles of Women Judges in Ghana. *Journal of African Law*, 60 (3) 419–440. doi: 10.1017/S0021855316000115.

Dawuni, J., and Kang, A. (2015). Her Ladyship Chief Justice: The rise of female leaders in the judiciary in Africa. *Africa Today*, 62 (2), pp 45-69. Available:<http://digitalcommons.unl.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1072&context=poliscifacp> ub

Dawuni, Josephine. (2008). "The Gendered Face of HIV/AIDS: The Move Towards Policy Implementation in Ghana". *Studies in Gender and Development in Africa (SIGADA)*. Vol. 2, September. Pp.78-94

PEER-REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

Dawuni, J. Jarpa. (2021). Gender and judging across Africa: A case of old wine in new skins or new wine in old skins? In, Dawuni, J. (ed.). (2021). *Gender, Judging and the Courts in Africa: Selected Studies*. A World Bank Project. New York: Routledge. 1-22.

Dawuni, J and Badejogbin, R. (2021). Transplantation and Domestication of American Models of Legal Education in Nigeria. In, Bartie, S and Sandomierski, D (eds.), *American Legal Education Abroad: Critical Histories*. New York, New York University Press. 139-161.

Dawuni J. Jarpa (2021). Breaking the veil of masculinity? Women in the legal academy in Ghana. In Schultz, U., Shaw, G., Thornton, M., Auchmuty, R., (eds.). *Gender and Careers in the Legal Academy*. Hart Publishers. 151-172.

Dawuni J. Jarpa. (2020). Keeping Gender on the Agenda for International Benches: A case study of the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights. Freya Baetens (ed.), *Identity and Diversity on the International Bench: Who is the Judge?* London: Oxford University Press. 516-537.

Dawuni J. Jarpa. (2020). Women in Judiciaries Across Africa. In: Yacob-Haliso O., Falola T. (eds) *The Palgrave Handbook of African Women's Studies*. Palgrave Macmillan, 353-373. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-77030-7_75-1.

Dawuni, Josephine and Masengu, Tabeth. (2019). Judicial service commissions and the appointment of women to higher courts in Nigeria and Zambia. In, Sterret, Susan and Lee, Walker (eds.), *Law and Courts*. Edward Elgar Research Handbook, 213-230.

Dawuni, Josephine. (2019). Teaching Through the Lens of a Mother. In, Harushimana, Immaculee, Davies, Deborah and Alfred Mary (eds.), *Paradise to Regain: Post-Obama Insights from Women Educators of the Black Diaspora*. Myers Education Press.

Dawuni, Josephine. (2019). Matri-legal Feminism: An African Feminist Response to International Law. In Ogg, Kate and Rimmer, Sue Harris (eds.). *Feminist Approaches to International Law*. Edward Elgar Publishing, pp 445-462.

Dawuni, Josephine. (2018). Judge Akua Kuenyehia: Journey of a Women's Rights Activist. In Dawuni, J., Kuenyehia, A, (eds.). *International Courts and the African Woman Judge: Unveiled Narratives*. New York: Routledge.

Dawuni, Josephine. (2018). Challenging Gender Universalism and Unveiling the Silenced Narrative of the African Woman Judge. In Dawuni, J., Kuenyehia, A, (eds.). *International Courts and the African Woman Judge: Unveiled Narratives*. New York: Routledge.

Dawuni, Josephine and Kuenyehia, Akua. (2018). International Courts and the African Woman Judge: Unlocking Doors, Leaving a Legacy. In Dawuni, J., Kuenyehia, A, (eds.). *International Courts and the African Woman Judge: Unveiled Narratives*. New York: Routledge.

Dawuni, Josephine. (2018). The Socio-Economic Implications of Violence Against Women in the Democratic Republic of Congo. In Dibie, Robert (ed.). *Women Empowerment for Sustainability in Africa*. Cambridge Press Publishers.

Dawuni, Josephine. (2017). Beyond the accent: navigating the multiple intersections in a foreign trained instructor classroom. In Budryte, Dovile and Boykin, Scott, (eds.) *Toward a Transformative Classroom: Creating Reflective Identities in Multicultural Settings*. Rowman and Littlefield.

Dawuni, Josephine. (2016). Gender and the Judiciary: An Introduction. In Bauer, Gretchen and Dawuni, Josephine (eds.). In *Gender and the Judiciary in Africa: From Obscurity to Parity?* New York: Routledge.

Dawuni, Josephine. (2016). Ghana: The Paradox of Judicial Stagnation. In Bauer, Gretchen and Dawuni, Josephine (eds.) In *Gender and the Judiciary in Africa: From Obscurity to Parity?* New York: Routledge.

Dawuni, Josephine. (2007). “Globalizing Voices: Ghanaian Women Respond to Globalization”, in Ayandiji D. Aina (ed), *Corruption and the Challenge of Human Development*, Ilishan-Remo: Babcock University Press pp.475-489.

LITERARY AND CREATIVE WORKS

Dawuni, J.J (2024). Is the law society of Kenya ready for a woman president? Available at <https://www.africanwomeninlaw.com/post/is-the-law-society-of-kenya-ready-for-a-woman-president>

Dawuni, J.J. (2023). Women in law and leadership: How Kenya (almost) got it right. Available at <https://www.africanwomeninlaw.com/post/women-in-law-and-leadership-how-kenya-almost-got-it-right>

Dawuni, J.J. (2023). Women and access to justice in Africa. Women cannot wait another 100 years. Brookings Institute: *Foresight Africa*. Available at <https://www.brookings.edu/articles/women-and-access-to-justice-in-africa-women-cannot-wait-another-100-years/>

Dawuni J. Jarpa. (2022). Transformation of Ghana’s legal profession. A return to Kwame Nkrumah’s vision? The Conversation. Available at <https://theconversation.com/transformation-of-ghanas-legal-profession-a-return-to-kwame-nkrumahs-vision-174921>

Dawuni J. Jarpa. (2021). The African Court: From the Gender of Politics to the Politics of Gender? Why Women’s Representation on the Bench is not Enough. Available at

<https://www.africanwomeninlaw.com/post/the-african-court-from-the-politics-of-gender-to-the-gender-of-politics>

Dawuni J. Jarpa. (2020). Open Letter to the African Union: Africa's Opportunity to Address Gender Diversity at the International Court of Justice. Available <https://www.africanwomeninlaw.com/post/open-letter-to-the-african-union-africa-s-opportunity-to-address-gender-diversity-at-the-cj>

Dawuni J. Jarpa. (2020). Disrupting Global Patriarchy: Why Gender Diversity at the International Court of Justice Matters for Africa and the World. Available, [here](#).

Dawuni J. Jarpa. (2020). Gendered Face of COVID-19: Women and Access to Justice. UNODC Judicial Integrity Network. Available at : <https://www.unodc.org/dohadecclaration/en/news/2020/04/gendered-face-of-covid19-women-and-access-to-justice.html>

Dawuni J. Jarpa. (2018). Why More Women on the Supreme Court of Ghana Matters: Open Letter to President Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo. Available at: <https://www.africanwomeninlaw.com/post/why-more-women-on-the-supreme-court-of-ghana-matters-open-letter-to-president-nana-addo-dankwa-akuf>

Beyond the Numbers: Gender Parity on the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights – A Lesson for African Regional Courts? (2018). Available at: <https://ilg2.org/2018/08/28/beyond-the-numbers-gender-parity-on-the-african-court-on-human-and-peoples-rights-a-lesson-for-african-regional-courts/>

Justice Hub-The Hague. (2018). African women judges serve on international courts due to their personal agency and not tokenism.

Dawuni, Josephine. (2016). African Women Judges on International Courts: Symbolic or Substantive Gains? iCourts Working Paper Series, No. 60. Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=2777972>

GQUAL Campaign Interview. (2018). Available at http://www.gqualcampaign.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/GQUAL-Campaign-Interview_JJD.pdf

Wilson Center Women in Public Service Project. (2018). Global Voices in International Law: International Courts and Women Judges. Video Available at <https://www.wilsoncenter.org/event/global-voices-international-law-international-courts-and-women-judges>

Dawuni, J (2017). African Women Judges and Gender Parity on the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights. London School of Economics Blog

Valuing Diversity in All Forms in International Courts. Proceedings of the ASIL Annual Meeting, 111, 296-299. doi:10.1017/amp.2017.84

GQUAL Campaign Interview. (2018). Available at http://www.gqualcampaign.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/GQUAL-Campaign-Interview_JJD.pdf

Achieving Gender Parity in International Courts and Bodies: Does Diversity Matter? Available: Institute for African Women in Law Blog.

African Women Judges and Gender Parity on the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights. Available at; <https://ilg2.org/>

Vive la Diversité! Roadmap to Gender Parity on African Regional Courts? Feminist Critiques of International Law Symposium Available at: <http://voelkerrechtsblog.org/vive-la-diversite/>

"As straight as an arrow!" Justice Amina Augie's Journey to the Supreme Court of Nigeria. Available at: <https://www.africanwomeninlaw.com>

Race to the top? African women judges and international courts. International Law Girls Blog.

The Reality of Women Judges in International Courts. 2016. Available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-99F7JmlcIk>

Dawuni, Josephine. (2011). Justice Annie Jiagge. In Dictionary of African Biography. Acheampong, E and Gates, Henry L Jr. (eds.). London: Oxford University Press.

Dawuni, Josephine. (2009.) "The Ghana Women's Movement and Democratic Changes: Open or Closed Spaces?" Association for Women's Rights in Development (AWID). February 24, 2009.

Dawuni, Josephine. (2004). TransAfrica Forum: The Globalization Monitor (editor) "Privatization of Water in Africa, Caribbean and Latin America. 2004.Vol 11 Issue 1.

BOOK REVIEWS

Dawuni, Josephine. (2018). Women's Activism in Africa. Balghis, Badri and Aili Mari Tripp. *Journal of Women, Politics and Policy*, 39(4).

Dawuni, Josephine. (2010). Gender Politics and Democracy in Post-Socialist Europe (review). by Yvonne Galligan, Sara Clavero and Marina Calloni: *VOLUNTAS: International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations*: Volume 21, Issue 4: 633.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2022: PANELIST: World Justice Project: The role of lawyers and law societies in promoting gender justice. June 2. The Hague.
- 2021: PANELIST: Law Society of England and Wales: UN Day on the elimination of violence against women. November, 22.
- 2021: MODERATOR: WomenLift Health Conference. Shifting the Power: Reimagining Philanthropy in Pursuit of Global Health Equity. November, 15.
- 2021: PANELIST: Organization of American States. Social Protections for Violence Against Women During the Pandemic. May 26.
- 2021: PANELIST: American University. Washington, College of Law. International Suite Talks. March 10.
- 2021: PANELIST: International Development Law Organization. Convention on the Status of Women- Women Delivering Justice: Achieving Gender Parity in the Justice Sector (March 18).
- 2021: PANELIST: Diversity on International Bench-Graduate Institute. Intersectionality, Transnationalism and Marginality. Nov 18-20. Geneva.
- 2021: PANELIST: Women in Law-Vienna. Annual Justitia Conference and Awards.
- 2021: PANELIST: National Bar Association-International Summit. Pandemic Effects on Women in the Diaspora. Connecting Women Through the Pandemic and Beyond. May 14.
- 2021: PANELIST: Developing a Repository and Reader on African Law and Society. Roundtable discussion. Law and Society Association. May 27.
- 2021: PRESENTER: Africa, the US and the Evolving International Legal Order. American Society of International Law Annual Conference. March 9.
- 2020: University of Georgia conference on Sport, Development and Community in the Context of Worldwide Societies. "Wait, What? Women Judges in Africa? October 8.
- 2020: Institute for African Women in Law-German Development Cooperation Conference. Panelist/Moderator. Women in Law and Leadership in Africa. July 29-31.
- 2020: PRESENTER: American Association of Law Schools. Women on Domestic, Regional and International Courts. January 2.

- 2019 PRESENTER: University of Nairobi. Status of Women in Africa Conference. Women in African Judiciaries. October 24.
- 2019 CHAIR/DISCUSSANT: African Studies Association of Africa Conference. Gender and Decoloniality. Nairobi, Kenya. October 26
- 2019 PRESENTER: University of Maryland School of Law. Populism and Gender Diversity on International Courts. October 18.
- 2019 PRESENTER: American University College of Law Africa Conference. Women and Representation in African Courts. April 19.
- 2019 PRESENTER: American Association of Law Schools Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA. Vive la Diversité or Aluta Continua? Achieving Gender Parity on the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights. January 3-5.
- 2018 PRESENTER: African Studies Association Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA. Black Women Ambassadors: Negotiating Gender Hierarchies. November 29-December 1.
- 2018 PRESENTER: Global Transformations towards Gender Equality and Agenda 2030. Mexico City, Mexico. Paper: The Judiciary and the use of Alternative Dispute Resolution Mechanisms in Addressing Domestic Violence in Ghana September 16-18.
- 2018 PRESENTER: World Bank Conference on Gender and the Judiciary in Africa. Arusha, Tanzania. The Role of the Judiciary in Promoting Women's Constitutional Rights. June 11-13.
- 2018 PRESENTER: Law and Society Association Annual Conference, Toronto, Canada. Vive la Diversité or A luta Continua? Achieving Gender parity on the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights. June 7-9.
- 2018 ROUNDTABLE CHAIR: Law and Society Association Annual Conference, Toronto, Canada. Teaching to Transgress: Teaching Law and Society in Africa. June 7-9.
- 2018 PRESENTER: Ghent University, Faculty of Law and Criminology. Expert Seminar on Gender and Judging. Paper: Minding The Gap: Methodological Issues and Personal Quandaries in Researching Women Judges Across Africa. April 27
- 2018 PRESENTER: African Studies Research Forum. Carrollton, GA. Women on the Bench in Ghana and Nigeria: Lessons for Great Britain. March 29-April.
- 2017 CARNEGIE AFRICAN DIASPORA ROUNDTABLE: African Studies Association Annual Conference. Chicago, IL. My Topic: "Mind the Gap or Mining the Gap? Addressing Post-Visit Dilemmas." November 16-19.

- 2017 PRESENTER: African Studies Association Annual Conference. Chicago, IL. Paper: African Women Judges on International Courts. November 16-19.
- 2017 PANEL CHAIR: African Studies Association Annual Conference. Chicago, IL. Paper: African Women Judges on International Courts. November 16-19.
- 2017 PRESENTER: Gender and Political Psychology Network Annual Conference. New Orleans, Louisiana. Paper: Intersectionality on Trial: Gender, Race, Class and Citizenship on International Courts. October 22-24.
- 2017 PRESENTER: Center for Justice and International Law (CEJIL). GQUAL Conference- Changing the Picture of International Justice. The Hague, Netherlands. Paper: International Courts and the African Woman Judge. October 3-5.
- 2017 PRESENTER: Law and Society Association Annual Conference. Mexico City, Mexico. Paper: Women and the Legal Academy in Ghana. June 20-23.
- 2017 PANEL CHAIR: Law and Society Association Annual Conference. Mexico City, Mexico. Panel: Gendered Views of Judges, Courts and Lawyers. June 20-23.
- 2017 ROUNDTABLE CHAIR: Law and Society Association Annual Conference. Mexico City, Mexico. June 20-23.
- 2017 PRESENTER: Center for Justice and International Law (CEJIL). GQUAL Conference- Changing the Picture of International Justice. The Hague, Netherlands. Paper: International Courts and the African Woman Judge. October 3-5.
- 2017 PANEL CHAIR. George Washington University Institute for African Studies, Remembering Biafra Conference. Washington, DC. Women and Gender in the Biafra War. April 20-21.
- 2017 PRESENTER: American Society of International Law Conference. Washington, DC. Roundtable: Valuing Women in International Adjudication. April 12-15.
- 2017 PANEL CHAIR: Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies. Gender and Women's Empowerment Conference. April 14.
- 2017 PRESENTER: American University Africa Legal Conference. Washington, DC. April 7. Roundtable: Gender Law and the Spirit of Feminism on the Continent.
- 2017 PRESENTER: University of Baltimore Applied Feminism Conference. Baltimore, MD. March 30-31, 2017. Paper: Intersectionality on Trial: Gender, Race, Citizenship and Class on International Courts.

- 2017 PRESENTER: University of Oslo, PluriCourts. Gender on the Bench Conference. Oslo, Norway. March 22-25, 2017. Paper: Engendering the International Bench: The Case for a Rights-Based Approach to International Judicial Appointments.
- 2016 PRESENTER: Law and Society Association Africa. 1st Annual Conference. December 9-11, University of Cape Town, South Africa. Paper: The Reality of African Women as Judges in International Courts.
- 2016 PRESENTER: African Studies Association 59th Annual Conference. December 1-3, Washington, D.C. Paper: Gender Access in African Regional Courts: The Case for a Rights- Based Approach to Judicial Appointments.
- 2016 PANEL CHAIR: African Studies Association 59th Annual Conference. December 1- 3, Washington, D.C. Globalization and Access to Justice in Africa: Exploring Legal Actors and Institutional Access.
- 2016 ROUNDTABLE MODERATOR: African Studies Association 59th Annual Conference. December 1-3, Washington, D.C. Roundtable Chair: Bridging the Boundaries of Scholarship, Policy and Practice in African Studies.
- 2016 PRESENTER: African Heritage Studies Association 47th Annual Conference. November 3-5. Washington, DC. Paper: Gender and Judging: Perspectives from Ghana and Nigeria.
- 2016 PRESENTER: Queens University Africa Day Conference. October 21-23, Kingston, Canada. En(gendering) LGBTI rights in African courts: Perspectives, possibilities and challenges.
- 2016 PRESENTER: American Political Science Association Annual Conference. September 1-4. Philadelphia, PA. Paper: Internationalizing the domestic: African women judges on international courts.
- 2016 PRESENTER: Law and Society Association. International Research Collaborative Working Group. July 9-11. Andorra La Vella. The legal profession in Ghana: 1986- 2016.
- 2016 PRESENTER: Law and Society Association. International Research Collaborative Working Group. May 8-11. Schönburg, Germany. Paper: Women Law Professors in Ghana—missed opportunities for gendering the law?
- 2016 PRESENTER: Point SUD/LADSEL Workshop on African Courts. February 19-24.Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso.
- 2015 PRESENTER: University of Copenhagen iCourts. December 7. Gender and the judiciary in Africa.

- 2016 PRESENTER: Howard University Research Week. April 14. "African women judges on international courts: Internationalizing the domestic?"
- 2016 PRESENTER: GIMPA Law Conferences. Accra, Ghana. March 16-18. Paper: Interrogating Citizen Perceptions of the ICC-Africa Relationship.
- 2015 PRESENTER: African Studies Association Annual Conference. San Diego; CA. November 18-22. Paper Presenter: Sleeping with the enemy: Customary law as a tool for domestic violence cases.
- 2015 PANEL CHAIR: African Studies Association Annual Conference. San Diego; CA. November 18-22. Discussant: Gender and the judiciary in Africa. Panel Chair.
- 2015 PRESENTER: University System of Georgia Teaching and Learning Conference. Athens, GA. April 8-9. Digital Poster: Teaching and Inspiring Without the Burn.
- 2015 PRESENTER: Annual Falola Africa Conference. Austin, TX. April 3-5. Paper Topic: Assessing the Developmental Implications of Ghana's Judicial Independence.
- 2015 PRESENTER: International Studies Association Annual Convention. New Orleans, LA. February 18-21. Paper Topic: Teaching About Trauma in the College Classroom (co-authored).
- 2014 PRESENTER: African Studies Association Annual Conference. Indianapolis; IN. November 20-23. Paper Topic: An Exploratory Study in the Rise of Female Chief Justices in Africa(co-authored).
- 2014 PRESENTER: African Studies Association Annual Conference. Indianapolis; IN. November 20-23. Paper Topic: Assessing the Effectiveness of Domestic Violence Legislation in Ghana.
- 2013 PRESENTER: African Studies Association Annual Conference. Baltimore, MD. November 21-24. Paper Topic: Judicial Appointments without Representation? Female Judges and women's rights in Ghana.
- 2013 PRESENTER: American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference, August 29-September 1. Chicago. Paper Title: Engendering Justice? Judicial Reform and Women's Rights in Ghana.
- 2012 PRESENTER: African Studies Association Annual Conference. Philadelphia, PA. November 20. Paper Topic: Women on the Bench: The case of Ghana.
- 2012 PRESENTER: Paper Presentation at Kennesaw State University--- Conference on College and University Teaching: February 3-4. Paper Title: Intersectionality in the Classroom: "I think I understand you", Getting Students to Engage with Foreign Instructors.

- 2011 PRESENTER: American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference, September 1-4. Seattle, Washington. Paper Title: Gendered Justice and Post-Conflict Reconciliation in African Societies: Myth or Reality?
- 2011 PRESENTER: National Women's Studies Association. Atlanta, GA. November 10-13. Teaching Gender when there is no Gender to Teach: Exploring the Opportunities and Challenges for Teaching Gender at Liberal Arts Colleges.
- 2010 PRESENTER: Georgia Political Science Association. Savannah, GA. November 11-13. Paper Topic: Beyond Transition: Democracy and the Development of Civil Society in Ghana.
- 2009 PRESENTER: National Women's Studies Association. Atlanta, GA. November 14-16. Paper Topic: Engaging the State: Democratic Institutions and The Gendered Dimensions of State Policies in Ghana.
- 2009 DISCUSSANT: African Trade and Development Conference. Kansas University, KS. October 2-3. Panel Moderator: Gender and Development.
- 2008 PRESENTER: African Studies Association Annual Conference. Evanston, IL. November 13-16. Paper Topic: Where have the Women Gone? Examining Gender and Civil Society Development in Ghana's Democracy
- 2008 PRESENTER: American Political Science Association Annual Conference. Boston. August 28-31. Paper Topic: Engendering Civil Society? The Impact of Democracy on Women's Organizations in Ghana.
- 2008 PRESENTER: Southeast Africanist Network (SEAN): Annual Conference. Kennesaw State University. January 24-26. Paper Topic: Gendered Migration: Examining the role of international law and human rights from an African perspective.
- 2008 PRESENTER: Forced Migration Studies Program. University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa. July 1-4. Paper Topic: Gendered Migration: The Ethical, Empirical, and Methodological Quandaries of Conducting Research from an African Perspective.
- 2007 PRESENTER: National Women's Studies Association: 28th Annual Conference. St. Charles, IL. June 28-July 1. Paper Topic: Who will sing our songs for us? Examining the gendered impact of international migration and the redefined roles of African women.
- 2007 PROPOSAL REVIEWER. National Women's Studies Association: 28 Annual Conference. St. Charles, IL. June 28-July 1. Reviewed conference proposals and made recommendations on acceptance or otherwise.

- 2007 PANEL MODERATOR: National Women’s Studies Association: 28th Annual Conference. St. Charles, IL. June 28-July 1. Panel--Nature, Knitting and Kitchens.
- 2007 PRESENTER: Midwest Political Science Association: 65th Annual National Conference: April 12-15. Palmer House Hilton Hotel, Chicago, Illinois. Paper Topic: International Human Rights and the Feminization of International Migration.
- 2006 PRESENTER: National Conference of Black Political Scientists: The African Diaspora and The Dynamics of Global Change, March 22-25. Double Tree Hotel, Atlanta, GA. Paper Topic: Gender and Post-Conflict Reconstruction in Rwanda.
- 2006 PRESENTER: World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action: Gender, Child Survival and HIV/AIDS: From Evidence to Policy, May 7-9, York University, Toronto, Canada. Paper Topic: Gender and HIV/AIDS: The Case of Ghana.
- 2004 FACILITATOR: Amnesty International, Student Forum on “Human Rights and African Women” March 10. Ohio University, Athens, OH.

INVITED SPEAKER

- 2022 University of Georgia, Center for African Studies. Spring Lecture Series- Can the subaltern theorize? Matrilegal feminism and the study of African women in law. April 7.
- 2021 Organization of American States. Social Protections for Violence Against Women During the Pandemic. May 26.
- 2021 Leuven Centre for Global Governance Studies. Women in International Law Series - The Hidden Figures in International Courts and Tribunals, April 21.
- 2021 American University. Washington, College of Law. International Suite Talks. March 10.
- 2021 International Development Law Organization. Convention on the Status of Women- Women Delivering Justice: Achieving Gender Parity in the Justice Sector (March 18).
- 2021 University of Georgia. Dean Rusk School of Law: Navigating the Post-Graduation Landscape: A Discussion with Dr. Jarpa Dawuni. Oct 14.
- 2020 University of Kentucky. Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce. Implications of Covid-19 on Development in Africa. October 28.

- 2020 Ralph Bunche Center for International Affairs. Howard University. UN SDGs: Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions. October 30.
- 2020 University of Kentucky. Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce the Impact of COVID-19 in the Developing World. October 28.
- 2020 University of Georgia. Leadership and Women Judges in Africa. Conference on Sports and Leadership. October 7.
- 2020 Intersecting Women in Law and Media: COVID 19 and Gender Based Violence. Law and Society Research Collaborative Network and International Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA), Nigeria. May 7.
- 2020 University of Illorin, Nigeria: Africa in an Emerging Era—African Union Agenda 2063 and Post-COVID-19 Threats. May 12.
- 2019 Yale University Council for African Studies. Wait! The Judge is a Woman? Women in African Judiciaries. October 2.
- 2019 Rutgers University School of Law. Wait! What? Women Judges in Africa? September 24.
- 2019 Université Gaston Berger, St. Louis, Senegal, Faculty of Law and Social Sciences. Women in African Judiciaries: A Search for Methodology. June 26.
- 2019 University of Florida, Center for African Studies. Why African Women Don't Need Saving. February 22.
- 2018 Cornell University. Institute for African Development Seminar. Women's Rights in Africa and the African Union Agenda 2063. November 1.
- 2018 University of Richmond School of Law. Lecture: Beyond the Numbers: Gender and African Regional Courts. October 25.
- 2018 Foreign Service Institute. Lecture: Women's Rights in Africa. October 24.
- 2018 Queen Mary University of London. Book Launch and Discussion on International Courts and the African Woman Judge. September 8.
- 2018 Keynote Speaker: Young African Women Congress. University of Ghana, Legon. Presentation: Economic Empowerment of Women: A Prerequisite for Continental Development. July 23.
- 2018 Panelist: Young African Women Congress. University of Ghana, Legon. Presentation: The role of governance and politics in economic development. July 24.
- 2018 United States International University, Nairobi, Kenya. Presentation: Women in African Judiciaries: Setting the Pace for Equality? June 18.

- 2018 International Institute of Social Sciences: Erasmus University, The Hague. Book launch and discussion of International Courts and the African Woman Judge. May 7.
- 2018 Brooklyn College, NY. Women and Gender Studies Program. Presentation: Women Judges in Africa: Domestic and Transnational Perspectives. March 14.
2018. Woodrow Wilson Women in Public Service Project. Presentation: Book Launch of International Courts and the African Woman Judge: Unveiled Narratives. March 12.
- 2018 Georgia State University. Department of Political Science. Presentation: Gender and the Judiciary in Africa. March 2.
- 2018 Kennesaw State University. Global Affairs Program. Presentation: Women Judges in Africa: Domestic and International Perspectives. March 1.
- 2017 Woodrow Wilson Center. Global Voices: Women in International Law. December 5.
- 2017 George Washington University. Women in African Leadership. Presentation: Women and Judicial Leadership in Africa. September 18.
- 2017 Kansas University. Gender and African Politics Class. Presentation: Women Judges in Africa: Q & A with the Author. April 24.
- 2017 George Washington University Elliott School of International Affairs. Washington, DC. "Untold Stories: African Women Judges on International Courts". April 5.
- 2017 Howard University Annual Women Ambassadors Conference. Washington, DC. "Women and Judicial Leadership in Africa". March 30.
- 2016 American University, Washington, DC. Discussant: Book launch- "Security in Africa: A Critical Approach to Western Indicators of Threat" by Claire Metelits (Professorial Lecturer, American University).
- 2016 Queens University. Kingston, ON, Canada. "African Women Judges on International Courts." October 21.
- 2016 James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA. "African Women Judges on International Courts." April 6.
- 2015 Georgia Gwinnett College Pre-Nobel Prize summit. "Transformational power of African Women". March 6.
- 2014 James Madison University, Harrisburg, VA. "The Judiciary and Women's Rights in Ghana" April 11.

- 2013 Georgia Gwinnett College, Academic Enhancement Center. “How to balance work, school and life.” November 7.
- 2013 Georgia Gwinnett College. “Education Around the World”. International Education Week. November 5.
- 2011 International Faculty Network (IFN). “International Faculty at GGC: Enriching lives, Building Bridges and Overcoming Challenges” March 23.
- 2011 International Faculty Network (IFN). International Education Week. “GGC’s International Faculty-Their Lives and Careers in the Global Community”, November 16.

SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP

- 2022-present Member -Board of Directors: African Studies Association
- 2022-present Board Member: Nine Dots Prize- Kabas Foundation
- 2021-present Member: Advisory Board, Pi Sigma Alpha Undergraduate Journal of Politics
- 2020-present Founding Director: Center for Women, Gender and Global Leadership
- 2020-present Member: Howard University Journal of African Studies
- 2020 Chair: Law and Society International Awards Committee
- 2020 Member: Political Science Department Hiring Committee
- 2020 Member: Graduate Student Admissions Committee
- 2019 Howard University: School of Engineering and Architecture Dean Search Committee
- 2019-present Member: Articles Editor: International Law Materials- American Society of International Law
- 2018-present Graduate Student Paper Award Committee: African Studies and Research Forum
- 2018-2021 Executive Board Member: Law and Courts Section: American Political Science Association

2017-2020	Board Member: Peter Lange Book Series on Studies in Law and Politics.
2017-2020	Board Member: West Africa Research Association (WARA).
2017-2019	Member: Howard University Community Relations, Student and Alumni Affairs Committee
2017	Member: Ralph Bunche Center for International Affairs Director Search Committee
2017-2019	Co-Convenor: African Studies Association Women's Caucus
2017-2019	Member: Howard University Assessment Committee (College of Arts and Sciences).
2017	Chair: International Women's Day Planning Committee
2017	Member: Research Week Planning Committee
2017	Member: Political Science Hiring Committee
2016-present	Co-Convenor: Law and Society Association: Gender and Judging Research Collaborative
2016-present	Board Member: Africa Research Academies for Women (A-RAW)
2016-present	Department of Political Science (Research Committee, Assessment Committee, Wellbeing Committee)
2016-present	Editorial Board: Journal of International Politics and Development (JIPAD)
2014-2015	Vice Chair: University System of Georgia Africa Council
2013-2015	Member: Internationalization Committee, Political Science Representative
2013-2015	Member: University System of Georgia Africa Council
2013-2015	Member: University System of Georgia Study Abroad Task Force
2011-2015	Member: Intellectual Property Committee, Georgia Gwinnett College
2013-2014	Executive Board: Georgia Political Science Association
2012-2015	Faculty Advisor: African Voice (African Students Association) Georgia Gwinnett College

2014-2015 Faculty Advisor: Model United Nations. Georgia Gwinnett College
2014-2015 Faculty Advisor: The Newspaper. Georgia Gwinnett College
2013-2015 Member: Political Science Hiring Committee, Georgia Gwinnett College
2014-2014 Member: Political Science Curriculum Revision Taskforce, Georgia Gwinnett College
2011-2015 Member: American Council on Educational Internationalization Laboratory, Georgia Gwinnett College.
2002-2003 Member: Graduate Student Senate, Ohio University
2002-2003 Board Member: Center for Student Advocacy, Ohio University
2000-2001 Vice President: Student Representative Council, Ghana School of Law
1998-1999 Secretary: Law Student's Union, University of Ghana

EXTERNAL REVIEWER

University of Ghana, Department of Political Science, Tenure and Promotion Committee

James Madison University, Department of Political Science Evaluation, USA,

National Research Foundation, South Africa

Canadian Journal of African Studies

New York University in Abu Dhabi Faculty Enrichment Grants

Carnegie Africa Diaspora Fellowship Grants

West African Research Association Grants

Journal of African Studies Review

Sage Online Publications

JENDA: A Journal of Culture and African Women.

African Journal of Political Science and International Relations.

FIELDWORK EXPERIENCE

- 2023 Brazil, women judges
- 2019 Kenya, women judges
- 2019 Senegal, women in the legal professions
- 2019 Côte d'Ivoire, women in the legal professions
- 2019 Cape Verde, women in the legal professions
- 2017 Gambia, on women judges, lawyers and academics
- 2017 Senegal, on women judges, lawyers and academics
- 2016 Nigeria, on women judges, lawyers and academics
- 2016 Ghana, on women judges in international courts
- 2015 The Hague, on African judges
- 2013 Ghana, on women and the judiciary
- 2008 Ghana, Dissertation Fieldwork

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Law and Society Association
American Political Science Association
African Studies Association
National Women's Studies Association
International Studies Association
Ohio University Alumni Association