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### Education

Ph.D. Political Science, *Harvard University*, November 2012.

A.M. Political Science, *Harvard University*, March 2007.

B.A. Anthropology & Economics, *Summa Cum Laude*, *WUSTL*, 2003.

### Positions

Associate Professor, New York University Abu Dhabi, from Sept. 2023.

Assistant Professor, New York University Abu Dhabi, Aug. 2014 - 2023.

Fellow (Non-Res.), Governance & Local Development Program, Univ. of Gothenburg, 2022.

Postdoctoral Prize Research Fellow, Nuffield College, Oxford Univ., Sept. 2012 - Jul. 2014.

### Publications

Hazem Ibrahim, Fengyuan Liu, Rohail Asim, and 38 co-authors. “Perception, Performance, and Detectability of Conversational Artificial Intelligence Across 32 University Courses.” **Scientific Reports** (Forthcoming).

Harris, J. Andrew and Peter van der Windt. “Empowering Women or Increasing Response Bias? Experimental Evidence from Congo.” **Journal of Development Economics** (2023):103097.

Choi, Donghyun Danny, J. Andrew Harris, and Fiona Shen-Bayh. “Ethnic Bias in Judicial Decision Making: Evidence from Criminal Appeals in Kenya.” **American Political Science Review** (2022) 116:3, 1067-1080.

- Awarded the 2020 Fiona McGillivray Award for the Best Political Economy Paper presented at APSA 2019.
- Featured in [Democracy in Africa](#) blog and [Africa at LSE](#) blog.

Harris, J. Andrew, and Daniel N. Posner. “Does Decentralization Encourage Pro-Poor Targeting? Evidence from Kenya’s Constituencies Development Fund.” **World Development** (2022) 155:105845.

Simson, Rebecca, and J. Andrew Harris. “Diversity and Liberalisation Reforms: Evidence from the University of Nairobi.” **International Journal of Educational Development** (2022) 89:102535.

Harris, J. Andrew. “Election Administration, Resource Allocation, and Turnout: Evidence from Kenya.” **Comparative Political Studies** (2021) 54:3-4, 623-651.

- Featured in [Democracy in Africa](#) blog.

Harris, J. Andrew, Catherine Kamindo, and Peter Van der Windt. “Electoral Administration in Fledgling Democracies: Experimental Evidence from Kenya.” **The Journal of Politics** (2021) 83:3, 947-960.

– Featured in **Evidence in Governance and Politics** Policy Brief # 67.

Warner, Zach, J. Andrew Harris, Michelle Brown, and Christian Arnold. “Hidden in Plain Sight? Irregularities on Statutory Forms and Electoral Fraud.” **Electoral Studies** (2021) 74:102411.

Acharya, Avidit, Robin Harding, and J. Andrew Harris. “Security in the Absence of a State: Traditional Authority, Livestock Trading, and Maritime Piracy in Northern Somalia.” **Journal of Theoretical Politics** (2020) 32:4, 497-537.

– Awarded the 2022 Elinor Ostrom Award for the Best Article published in the *Journal of Theoretical Politics* awarded by the Formal Theory Section of APSA.

Harris, J. Andrew, and Daniel N. Posner. “(Under What Conditions) Do Politicians Reward Their Supporters? Evidence from Kenya’s Constituencies Development Fund.” **American Political Science Review** (2019) 113:1, 123-139.

Harris, J. Andrew. “What’s in a Name? A Method for Extracting Information about Ethnicity from Names.” **Political Analysis** (2015) 23:2, 212-224.

– This article was also featured in a *Political Analysis* Virtual Issue entitled “**Recent Innovations in Text Analysis for Social Science**” in April 2016, featuring recent publications that “broadened the scope of text methods in political science and expanded their accessibility across subfields of political science.”

## **Working Papers & Work Under Review**

“Do Voters’ Election Day Experiences Matter for Electoral Integrity? Evidence from Kenya, Malawi, Nigeria, and the United States.” *Revise & Resubmit*. With Fanisi Mbozi (NYUAD).

“Top Down, Bottom Up, or Both? Community and Government Participation in Public Services.” Working paper with Ann Laudati, Eric Mvukiyehe (Duke), and Peter van der Windt (NYUAD).

“Does Election Quality Matter? A Quasi-Experiment from Kenya’s 2022 General Election.” Working Paper with Abel Oyuke (Afrobarometer) and Winnie Mitullah (U. Nairobi).

“A Booth of One’s Own: Pakistani Elections and the Effectiveness of Female-Only Polling Stations.” Working paper with Rabia Malik (Essex).

“Does Improving Electoral Access Facilitate Clientelism? A Reassessment of Theory and Evidence.” Draft with Daniel De Kadt (LSE).

“Can Fiction Make the Climate Crisis Real? Survey Evidence from Five Countries.” Draft with Melina Platas (NYUAD).

## Work in Progress

*Electoral Access as Distributive Politics*. Book project with Daniel de Kadt (LSE). Proposal available.

“Timing is Everything: Measuring the Quality of Election Day Processes with Time Stamp Data.” Data collected. With Michelle Brown (NDI).

“Displacement and Disenfranchisement: Conjoint Evidence from the DRC.” Data collected. With Peter van der Windt (NYUAD) and Nik Stoop (U. Antwerp).

## Funding

2023. NYUAD Office of Inclusion and Diversity, Fund for Inclusion and Innovation. “Viewing and Valuing Diversity: Experimental Evidence on How Individual Background Shapes Views on Diversity.” With Khoi Ngo. \$2,500.

2022. NYU Office of Global Programs, Global Opportunity Grant. “Conference: Climate Change Governance in Africa.” \$25,000.

2022. US Department of State Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor (DRL) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) DRL FY2021 Research and Evaluation Innovation Fund: Global Trends in Democratic Erosion and Autocracy. Application submitted.

2020. Cardiff GCRF Impact Accelerator Award. “Detecting Election Regularities with Machine Learning for Visual Data.” With Christian Arnold (Cardiff), Michelle Brown (NDI), and Zach Warner (Purdue). £4,985.

2018. ESRC IAA International NGO Data Call. “Detecting Election Irregularities with Machine Learning for Visual Data.” With Christian Arnold (Cardiff), Michelle Brown (NDI), and Zach Warner (Purdue). £17,388.

2018. New York University Abu Dhabi Institute Research Enhancement Fund, “How Electoral Administration Shapes The Electorate in Kenya.” \$138,000.

2018. Economic Development and Institutions Initiative, UKAID, “Judicial Decisions as Public Goods.” £204,343. *Project ended prematurely due to COVID-19*.

2015. New York University – Abu Dhabi Institute, “Electoral Registration and Turnout for Women: Experimental Evidence from Kenya,” \$40,000.

2008. National Science Foundation, Dissertation Improvement Grant. \$15,000.

## Honors and Awards

Recipient with co-authors, 2020 Fiona McGillivray Award for the Best Political Economy Paper presented at APSA 2019.

Recipient with co-authors, 2022 Elinor Ostrom Award for the Best Article published in the *Journal of Theoretical Politics* awarded by the Formal Theory Section of APSA.

## Conferences, Presentations, and Talks

**2023:** University of Florida (Center of African Studies, January); 2023 Election Science Conference-within-a-Conference (SPSA, St. Petersburg, Florida, January); Midwest Political Science Association Conference (Chicago, April); Indiana University Ostrum Workshop (invited, Bloomington, April); Yonsei/NYUAD Joint Conference “Intersection between Domestic Politics and International Relations” (Seoul, May, co-organizer); Humboldt University (invited, Berlin, June); EPSA conference (Glasgow, June); NYU-AD/Accra/NY Conference “Climate Change Governance” (Accra, June, co-organizer); Pre-APSA Conference “Political Economy of Climate and Environment” (invited, August); African Politics Conference Group Online Colloquium (discussant, August); American Political Science Association Conference (Los Angeles, September).

**2022:** University of Gothenburg Governance & Local Development Research Workshop (March); Midwest Political Science Association Conference (Chicago, April); Governance and Local Development Annual Conference (Gothenburg, May); European Political Science Association Conference (Prague, June); American Political Science Association Conference (Montreal, September); KDIS-World Bank DIME conference (Seoul, November); Sungkyunkwan University (Seoul, November); Yonsei University (Seoul, November).

**2021:** University of Gothenburg GLD Fall Seminar Series (October); EPSA conference (online); University of Essex (invited, online).

**2020:** Trinity College Dublin (invited); Temple University (invited\*); University of Gothenburg Governance and Local Development Conference (accepted\*); Midwest Political Science Association Conference (Chicago\*); European Political Science Association (accepted\*); useR2020 (St. Louis\*). \* = cancelled due to COVID-19.

**2019:** EuroWEPS (Copenhagen); American Political Science Association (DC); Pre-APSA Conference “Securing Elections” (invited); National Democratic Institute (DC); Durham University (invited); Oxford University (invited); University of Bergen (invited); London School of Economics and Political Science (invited); WGAPE@NYUAD.

**2018:** WGAPE National Meeting (UCLA); Cardiff University (invited); University College London (invited); International Political Science Association (Brisbane); Pre-APSA Conference on Electoral Integrity (invited); American Political Science Association (Boston); CSAE meeting (Oxford); WGAPE@NYUAD.

**2017:** European Political Science Association (Milan); American University – Sharjah (invited); Data-Driven Development in Africa Workshop (Penn State). American Political Science Association; WGAPE@NYUAD.

**2016:** WGAPE@NYUAD.

**2015:** European Political Science Association (Vienna); Centre for the Study of African Economies (Oxford).

**2014:** African Studies Association; National Democratic Institute (invited); European Political Science Association (Edinburgh); African Studies Centre (Oxford, invited); London School of Economics/Oxford – African Politics Working Group.

## Teaching and Course Development at NYUAD

Data Analysis (Fall 2014-2018, Spring 2015)  
Comparative Politics of Africa (Fall 2014)  
Randomness (Fall 2015)  
Senior Capstone Seminar/Project (AY 2015-22)  
Climate/Change (Summer 2022)  
Making and Breaking Elections (Course Prepped, 2021)

## Advising

### NYUAD UNDERGRADUATE CAPSTONES

**2021/22:** Sung Hwa Cho, Fanisi Mbozi\*, Melia Summers, Lee Guantai  
**2020/21:** Alanoud Alshamsi, Sona Sargsyan, Nasser Anwahi, Samantha Jasen\*  
**2019/20:** Diana Zhu\*, Alexis Mountcastle, Saif Khazaal, Luis Gonzales  
**2018/19:** Jocilyn Estes, Ifran Madataly, Hannah Melville-Rea<sup>†</sup>  
**2017/18:** Kelly Murphy, Laura Patik, Tyler Headley<sup>†</sup>  
**2016/17:** Vladislav Maksimov, Khadidja Dehbi  
**2015/16:** Cole Tanigawa-Lau\*, Aisha Alhajeri  
**2014/15:** Keeryung Kim, Gabriel Burgazzi

(\* denotes “Best Capstone” Prize winner for the political science programme; † indicates article based on capstone published in peer-reviewed journal.)

### WORKING GROUP IN AFRICAN POLITICAL ECONOMY

- Peer Mentor for Aimable Nsabimana (Lecturer, Economics Department, University of Rwanda) on the project “Malaria and Human Capital Development”, 2019/20.
- Faculty Mentor for Victor Agboga (PhD Student, Warwick) on the project “Where do your loyalties lie? Party Switching and Voters’ Response in Nigeria,” 2022/23. Project published in *Democratization*.

### OTHER

- Souradeep Banerjee, Temple University, PhD, informal advisor.

## Institutional Service

### Participation on Search Committees

- 2020: Social Science and Data Librarian.
- 2020: Assistant Professor Faculty (IR).
- 2021: Political Science Instructor.

August 2014 – May 2022: The political science program had 57 job candidate visits, including job talks, dinners, one-on-one meetings, and hiring discussions in faculty meetings.

Political Science Seminar Series Coordinator (2016 – 17, with Adam Ramey).

Curriculum Development: Joint NYUNY/NYUAD Master's Degree Program in Public Health (2016 – 17, with Jennifer Pomeranz, NYUNY).

Curriculum Development: Political Science Study Abroad Pathway curriculum, NYU Accra (2016 – 17, with Peter van der Windt).

Curriculum Development: African Studies concentration (2014 – 15, with Erin Pettigrew and Peter van der Windt).

Campus Advisory Committee, Faculty Representative, 2017 – 19.

### **Professional Service**

African Politics Conference Group (APCG) – African Affairs 2022 Best Graduate Student Paper Award Committee.

APSA 2022 Conference Division Co-Chair for African Politics (with Ken Opalo, Georgetown University, and Lise Rakner, University of Bergen).

Working Group in African Political Economy (WGAPE) Small Grants Competition Faculty Mentor (2022-23).

APCG Finishing Up Grant Organizing Committee (2020).

WGAPE: Rapid Research Grant Mentor (2020).

WGAPE: Executive Committee (2018-present).

Co-organizer: APCG Online Colloquium (2018-2020).

Co-organizer: WGAPE @ NYUAD, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 with Melina Platas and Peter van der Windt.

Co-organizer: Conference on Women's Political Participation and Leadership in the Developing World, 2016, with Rahma Abdulkadir (NYUAD) and Marwa Shalaby (Rice).

Reviewer: *American Political Science Review*; *American Journal of Political Science*; *The Journal of Politics*; *British Journal of Political Science*; *Comparative Political Studies*; *Political Analysis*; *African Affairs*; *American Politics Research*; *Journal of Eastern African Studies*; *Statistics and Public Policy*; *Political Science Research & Methods*; *World Development*; *Environmental Science & Policy*; *University of Gothenburg Governance and Local Development Working Paper Series*; *PLOSOne*; *Studies in Comparative International Development*; *Public Opinion Quarterly*.