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EDUCATION

- PhD Development Studies, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, United Kingdom (Pass outright) awarded August 2017
- Thesis: Governing technological change and the paradox of competitiveness: an analysis of state capacity in science technology and innovation policies in Trinidad and Tobago
- MSc. Innovation management, Newcastle University Business School, Newcastle upon Tyne, United Kingdom, (Distinction) completed October 2013
- BA Communication Studies with International Relations and French (First Class Honors) University of the West Indies (UWI), Trinidad and Tobago - completed June 2010

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Assistant Professor of Africana Studies, Department of Africana Studies, Williams College, Massachusetts, USA (incoming January 2022)

Lecturer in Economics, Department of Accounting Economics and Finance, University of the West of England, Bristol (January 2020 to September 2021)

Research Associate/ Postdoctoral Scholar, Center for International Environment and Resource Policy, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy Tufts University for project "Climate Priority Investments and Policy in Haiti" (March to November 2018)

Research Associate, UVI Research and Technology Park, US Virgin Islands (October 2016 to December 2017)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor of Africana Studies, Department of Africana Studies, MA, USA (incoming January 2022)

Courses offered:

- Colonialism, Capitalism and Climate Crisis (Freshman/ Sophomore)
- Introduction to Africana Studies (Sophomore)
- #OutofHaiti: Haiti, Black Liberation and the Global Political Economy (Junior/ Senior seminar)

Lecturer in Economics (Assistant Professor), Department of Accounting Economics and Finance, University of the West of England, Bristol (UWE Bristol) (January 2020 to September 2021)

Undergraduate teaching

- International Trade and Multilateral Business
- Economics for Events and Marketing
- Introduction to Management Decision-making
- Emerging Economies (from academic year 2020-)
- Developed new second year course called the 'Economics of Race, Inequality and Justice' – the first of its kind at the UWE Bristol and one of the first economics courses in the UK

Postgraduate teaching

- Guest Lecturer, Emerging Economics course: 'Emerging Markets: Economic Development of Latin America'
- Guest Lecturer, Contemporary Policy Analysis course: 'Financing Renewable Energy in developing economies' (2020-2021 semester 1)
- Coordinator and course leader: Dissertation course (research skills development course) – MSc Global Political Economy

Tutor, Department of Liberal Arts, University of the West Indies St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago (September 2010 to June 2011)

- Taught introductory and level 2 courses (Written Communications and Communications Analysis) and Research methods (Communications Research)
- Responsible for marking coursework and examinations, class preparation, and tutorials/ seminars

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES/APPOINTMENTS

Economic Affairs Officer (P3 Level temporary appointment)/ **Consultant**, Macroeconomic and Development Policies Branch, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), Geneva (July to October 2021)

Consultant for Open University (UK) to develop teaching material on the topic of Finance and Development for new 3rd year undergraduate course: *Economics for a Changing World*. (April to June 2021)

External Review Consultant, One Project (a research and social mission organization focused on facilitating transitions to a more equitable and ecological world) for assignment "Sustainable Development Goals: Critical Analysis" paper (October 2020)

Review Panel Member, Review Committee for the International Development Research Centre (IDRC)'s new [Research Ideas Competition](#) (December 2020 to February 2021)

Advisory Panel Member, Positive Money – London-based non-profit research and campaigning organization aimed at reforming the banking and monetary system to address social, economic and environmental challenges (July 2020 to August 2021)

Founding Editor, Upend Podcast series on international, political, economic developments affecting the Caribbean region (December 2018 to December 2019)

Advisory Panel Member, United Nations Development Program Latin America and Caribbean Bureau, New York, United States – 2016 Latin America and Caribbean Human Development Report (April 2015-September 2016)

Programme Coordinator, Council for Competitiveness and Innovation (CCI), Ministry of Planning and Sustainable Development, Trinidad and Tobago (January to August 2012)

Individual contractor (short-term), United Nations Information Centre for the Caribbean, Port of Spain (May to June 2011)

Consultant, United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-WOMEN); United Nations Joint Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), Trinidad and Tobago; United Nations Development Programme, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) (at various times from 2010-2016)

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Political economy, Plantation Economy, Black Radical Tradition, Afro-Caribbean economic thought, race and climate change, colonialities of development finance, climate policy, climate finance and

justice, climate reparations, Caribbean economic history

PUBLICATIONS AND RESEARCH PAPERS

Book

1. Reconstructing Eco-Politics: Radical Humanism and the case for climate reparations in the 21st Century (manuscript under preparation for *Pluto Press*)
2. Imperial Energies: Climate Destabilization, and the Struggle for Environmental Justice and Reparations in Haiti (book proposal in preparation)

Peer-reviewed Articles (in press or accepted)

3. The dynamics of industrial development in a resource-rich society: A political economy analysis, *Journal of Developing Societies*, 34 (3):1–30. DOI: 10.1177/0049085718786136.
4. Institutions, Innovation and Development: a critical review and a critical review and grounded heterodox economic analysis of late-industrialising contexts, *Cambridge Journal of Economics*, 44 (2), 391-415. Doi: 10.1093/cje/bez049.
5. For politics, people or the planet? The political economy of fossil fuel reform, energy dependence and climate policy in Haiti, *Energy Research and Social Sciences* 63. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.erss.2019.101397>.
6. Structuralism and Human Development: A Seamless Marriage? An Assessment of Poverty, Production and Environmental Challenges in CARICOM Countries, *International Journal of Political Economy* 49 (3), 222-242. <https://doi.org/10.1080/08911916.2020.1824735>.
7. The Triple Crisis of debt, demand and decarbonisation: the impact of COVID-19 on commodity dependent developing countries, *International Journal of Development Issues*, <https://doi.org/10.1108/IJDI-07-2020-0166>.
8. 'Financing a Global Green New Deal: tensions between "greening" capitalism, techno-optimism and taming financialization under a new "civilizing" multilateralism', accepted and forthcoming online at *Development and Change* (invited contribution to Forum 2021 Issue), <http://doi.org/10.1111/dech.12666>.
9. '(Un)Just transitions and Black dispossession: the expendability of Caribbean 'climate refugees' and the political economy of climate justice', invited contribution for Special Issue on Race and Climate Change, *Politics*, <https://doi.org/10.1177/02633957211041441>.
10. The New 'Bond-age', climate crisis and the case for reparations: unpicking old/new colonialities of finance for development in the Sustainable Development Goals', *Geoforum*, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.geoforum.2021.09.003>.

Book Chapters (in press)

11. 'Governing science–industry relations in the South: from networks of power to developmental coalitions', in Arvanitis, Rigas, and David O'Brien (eds.), *The Transformation of Research in the South. Policies and outcomes*, Editions des archives contemporaines, France, ISBN: 9782813003034, pp. 93-96. Available at: <http://eac.ac/books/9782813003034>.
12. 'Finance, Modernity and Development: Colonial Origins and Contemporary Manifestations', textbook chapter (3rd year undergraduate course: *Economics for a Changing World*)

Manuscripts (revise and resubmit)

13. 'Power to the People!': the catalytic role of social movements in industrial change and development in Trinidad and Tobago', co-authored by Zophia Edwards (revise and resubmit at *Social Science History*)

14. Maroon firms, *marronage* and Caribbean economic development (revise and resubmit at *Review of Black Political Economy*)
15. 'Continuity, change and contradictions in late steel-based industrialization: lessons of industrial upgrading in Trinidad and Tobago's postcolonial economy' revise and resubmit at *Review of International Political Economy*.
16. Paying for "man-made" human and ecological crises? Reparative ecologies and geopolitical genealogies of reparations in the Caribbean', revise and resubmit at *Antipode*.

Works in progress / Working papers

17. 'Towards egalitarian energy futures? Existential demand crisis and Green New Deals in oil and gas-based economies' (working paper targeted at *Environment and Planning A: Economy and Space*).
18. '(Un)friendly capital and commodity dependence in Latin America and the Caribbean: 'new' industrial policy and financialization in Chile and Trinidad and Tobago' (working paper targeted at the *Geopolitics*).
19. 'Transforming rentier states? Uneven financialization and the implications for accumulation and redistribution within national oil companies: YPF (Bolivia) and Petrotrin (Trinidad and Tobago)' (working paper targeted at *Geoforum*).
20. 'Can resource rents promote development? An integrated political economy analysis of state-owned telecoms in Trinidad and Tobago', targeted at *Canadian Journal of Development Studies* (25% complete)
21. 'Patterns of technological capability accumulation in a small developing country' targeted at *Science and Public Policy* (working paper)

POLICY-RELATED REPORTS

- 2021 "The scale and scope of the climate adaptation challenge" – contributory paper to 2021 Trade and Development Report of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
- 2020 "Realizing Climate Reparations: towards a global climate stabilization fund and resilience fund program for loss and damage in marginalized and former colonized societies", commissioned by the United Nations Association of the United Kingdom
https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3561121.
- 2018 Identification and Analysis of Climate-related Investments in Haiti – 'Climate Investments in Haiti' Project (unpublished)
Analysis of International Funding for Haiti's Climate Change Priorities (joint report with Kelly Sims Gallagher, Mieke Wansem, Laura Kuhl and Laurent Frapaise) Climate Policy Lab, Center for International Environment and Resource Policy, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3333173.

HONORS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2020 United Nations Association of the United Kingdom – UN Together First campaign – Proposal to identify multilateral solutions to existential risk for the UN General Assembly 75th Anniversary political declaration (£3000.00)
Conference Funding, Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance, UWE Bristol for Sir Arthur Lewis Institute of Social and Economic Studies (SALISES) 21st Annual Conference, Mt. Irvine Tobago (£1700.00)
- 2019 American Political Science Association (APSA) Travel Grant to 2019 Annual Conference in Washington D.C. (US\$400.00)
- 2018 Brown International Advanced Research Institute "Governance and Development in the Age of Globalization" – Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs (all expenses paid)
- 2016 International Development Research Center, Ottawa, Canada "Transformation of Research in the Global South: Policies and Outcomes" (US\$800.00)
Institute of New Economic Thinking for Summer School at Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (US\$750.00)
Research and Development Management, Conference Funding (£500.00)

- Oxford Development Studies, Conference Funding for 2016 Development Studies Association Conference (£100.00)
- 2014 Santander Mobility Award for fieldwork, University of London (£1,000) 2013 Master's – Distinction and Best dissertation award
Winner, International Telecommunications Union (ITU) Young Innovators' competition Full PhD Scholarship, Government of Trinidad & Tobago

SERVICE ACTIVITIES

Editorial Board Member, Review of Radical Political Economics (September 2021 to present)

Guest co-editor (with Leon Sealey-Huggins, University of Warwick) Special issue - 'Racial Capitalism and Climate (In)Justice in the 21st Century: unsettling colonial entanglements and Green New Deals' proposed to Geoforum

Convenor, Development Studies Association (DSA) Annual Conference: Racial Capitalism and Climate (In)Justice in the 21st Century: unsettling colonial entanglements and Green New Deals (June 2021) and 'Technological change and governance in the global south: politics, paradigms and pathways for sustainable development' (2016)

Discussant, "On the Possibility and Impossibility of Reparations for Slavery and Colonialism" Workshop, Heyman Center for the Humanities/Department of Anthropology, Columbia University New York City

External Reviewer, Inter-governmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem services (IPBES) Draft scoping report on assessing the interlinkages among biodiversity, water, food and health in the context of climate change (July 2020)

Editorial Board Member, International Journal of Technological Learning, Innovation and Development (July 2020 to present)

Departmental Service (UWE Bristol) - Programme Team, MSc Global Political Economy and Review Committee, Module Leader, Dissertation course for graduate students, Placement Tutor (undergraduate students on job placement program), Design and Launch of Race, Justice and Inequality course, Academic Tutor for undergraduate students (Freshman and Sophomore), Moderator for External University Partner (Taylor College), Dissertation supervisor (undergraduate), Redesign of Emerging Economies course

Reviewer, Antipode: A Radical Journal of Geography, Current Anthropology, Cambridge Journal of Economics, Emerald Publishing, Environment Systems and Decisions, Energy Policy, Geoforum, International Journal of Emerging Markets, Review of Radical Political Economics, Anthem Press, Journal of Haitian Studies, Austrian Journal of Development Studies (Journal für Entwicklungspolitik), Utilities Policy

Member, Organising committee, Development Studies Seminar Series (2016)

PEDAGOGICAL TRAINING

- 2020 Associate Fellow, Higher Education Academy (AFHEA) in teaching and learning support in higher education (awarded March 2021)
- 2015 Professional Development in Higher Education Programme, University of London (Units 1 and 3: Classroom management and dynamics, Basic teaching techniques, Learning styles, Assessment of teaching, Assessment of written work and giving feedback to students, Structuring teaching sessions)

CONFERENCES/ WORKSHOPS/ INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2021 'International Cooperation: Who Governs and Who Funds the Climate Transition' Institute for New Economic Thinking Climate Debates, September 22, <https://www.ineteconomics.org/conference-session/international-cooperation-who-governs-and-who-funds-the-climate-transition>
- '(Un)Just transitions and Black dispossession: the disposability of Caribbean 'climate refugees' and the political economy of climate justice', invited presentation at the Royal Geographical Society – Institute of British Geographers (RGS-IBG) Annual Conference, September 2
- 'Agriculture and Climate Change with special reference to the Caribbean', University of the West Indies-Shridath Ramphal Center Virtual Study Tour, The University of the West Indies facilitated by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), June 18
- 'Climate Justice and the Caribbean' GirlsCARE (Climate Action for Resilience and Empowerment) Virtual zoom seminar, July 14
- 'Climate Justice and Climate Reparations', *Globalizing and Localizing Environmental Justice*, International Institute of Social Studies (The Hague), March 12
- 'Envisioning Environmental Equity: Climate Justice is Racial Justice', Race and Health, University College London, March 12
- 'The New *Bond-age*, climate crisis and the case for climate reparations", Political Studies Association (British and Comparative Political Economy) Political Economy Seminar Series, February 24
- 'Climate reparations and reparatory justice' (invited panelist) Bristol Conversations in Education – Decolonising Education for Sustainable Futures (UNESCO Chair Seminar Series) zoom, February 24
- 'Climate Crisis and the Colonial Global Economy', *What is the Colonial Global Economy?* Connected Sociologies Curriculum Project (University of Sussex), January 2021, available at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mHe-6DHv6Zk>.
- 'Climate reparations: how did we get here?' (Invited talk) Social Theory Centre, Department of Sociology, University of Warwick, February 3, 2021, available at: <https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/sociology/research/centres/socialtheorycentre/climatereparations/>
- 2020 'Climate reparations: how did we get here?' (Invited talk) 360 Lecture Series in Economics, Department of Economics, University of Warwick, October 22
- 'Missing out on climate action: environmental justice and political economy of decarbonisation in low-income countries' (invited talk) Open Economics Forum Seminar Series, London (webinar), September 2020
- 'Doing IPE research during Covid-19' (invited talk), British International Studies Association (BISA) International Political Economy Group session, September 2020 'Climate reparations: a macro-economic remedy for the colonial origins of the climate crisis,' European Association of Evolutionary Political Economy (EAEPE) Annual Conference, September 2-4
- 'Colonialism and the climate crisis' (invited talk), Festival for Change: Finding New Ways to Build Back better post pandemic, August 13
- 'The Question of Race in Economics after George Floyd and COVID-19 pandemic' (invited talk), Session panel: Lack of diversity in the economics curriculum, Rethinking Economics Festival, July 24

- 'The triple threat crisis: COVID-19 in resource exporting economies' (invited talk), SOAS University of London, Economics of COVID019 seminar series, June 2020
- 2019 'Power to the People!': the catalytic role of social movements in industrial change and development in Trinidad and Tobago', First Biennial Caribbean Workers' Forum, August
- 'The political economy of financing renewable energy in Latin American developing countries', University of Leeds, June 25
- 'State-owned enterprises and industrial performance in resource-based developing economies: a multi-level political economy approach', University Greenwich, June 24
- 'The political economy of resource-based industrialization in Latin America and the Caribbean', University of Massachusetts Amherst, January 28
- 2018 'Addressing Climate Change in Haiti: Are current actions matching national priorities?' Center for International Environment and Resource Policy, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, November 5
- "Chinese Mining Investments in Argentina and South Africa: a comparative analysis of state capacity and implications for extractive governance," Brown International Advanced Research Institute Governance and Development in the Age of Globalization – Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, Brown University, June 2 to 16
- 'Dynamics of industrial development in Trinidad and Tobago', Festival of Research Seminars at the 70th Anniversary of the Sir Arthur Lewis Institute of Social and Economic Studies (SALISES), UWI St. Augustine, February 7

PUBLIC/COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT WORK

'Political Economy and the Environment with specific reference to the Caribbean' invited lecture for module in development for Connected Sociologies Curriculum Project (directed by Prof. Gurminder Bhambra) <https://www.connectedsociologies.org/curriculum/colonial-global-economy/political-economy-and-environment-specific-reference-caribbean/>

'Race, Racism and Inequality in the Caribbean' (invited zoom talk) – Radical Caribbean Imaginations Series organized by the Caribbean Political Economy Group, October 2020

Focus on macro-economic issues 'Post-Budget Forum: Review of the 2021 Budget Statement' organized by the Elma Francois Institute of Research and Debate, Cipriani College of Labour and Cooperative Studies, October 2020

'Global Green New Deal Roundtable' organized by The LEAP and War on Want comprising over 40 participants coming together to define and enact a global compact

'The Politics of Climate Justice and Small Island States', Island Academy International, Antigua and Barbuda (via Skype), November 2019

'Country Program for Haiti: Development of the Country Program with the Green Climate Fund (GCF)', Grand Anse/Les Cayes/Nippes, Haiti, September 2018

'Coordination mechanism and the Operationalization of the National Designated Authority for the Green Climate Fund in Haiti', Port-au-Prince, Haiti, June 2018 'Green Climate Fund: The outline of the country program in Haiti', Workshop for Departmental Directors, Ministry of the Environment, Port-au-Prince, Haiti, May 2018

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Economic Association (AEA)
International Society for Ecological Economics (ISEE)
American Association of Geographers
Regional Studies Association (RSA - UK)
National Economics Association (USA)
Union of Radical Political Economics (URPE)

LANGUAGES

English (native)
French (fluent)

MEDIA INTERVIEWS/ ANALYSIS

Interviews

- 2021** In-depth Q&A: what is climate justice, <https://www.carbonbrief.org/in-depth-qa-what-is-climate-justice> (October 2021)
Climate change is intensifying the US border crisis. It will only get worse (interview with CNN) <https://edition.cnn.com/2021/09/26/us/climate-change-migration-border-haiti/index.html>
Compounding Disasters in Haiti, *VoxMedia*, (August)
Climate justice, Lessons from disaster recovery in the Caribbean, Caribbean Comeback Podcast, <https://shows.acast.com/caribbean-comeback/episodes/climate-justice> (January 2021)
What is climate justice? Interview for media report by Deutsche Welle (German Public Broadcaster – April 2021), <https://www.dw.com/en/what-is-climate-justice/av-57527768>
Climate Justice with Dr Keston Perry, Manchester Green New Deal Podcast (June 2021), https://lnns.co/6H_9d8nz7EL
- 2020** 'Climate Reparations for the Global South', *Surviving Society* podcast (October 2020) <https://open.spotify.com/episode/0S7kVQQIBZkt4TivASONag>
- Climate justice, reparations and the global south with *Rising with the Tide* Podcast (July 2020) <https://spoti.fi/3bjVXc8>
- Invited comment for article 'Bonfire of casual contracts 'a huge setback' for racial equality' in Times Higher Education <https://www.timeshighereducation.com/news/bonfire-casual-contracts-huge-setback-racial-equality> (July 2020)
- Climate Justice interview on *The Climate Conscious Podcast* <https://bit.ly/2WyrPDQ> (June 2020)
- Invited comment for story 'BAME academics call for real change' <https://www.researchprofessionalnews.com/rr-news-uk-universities-2020-6-bame-academics-call-for-real-change/> (June 2020)

Written contribution or analysis

Finance, Old and New and Climate Crisis in the Global South, <https://positivemoney.org/2021/10/finance-old-and-new-and-the-climate-crisis-in-the-global-south/>, Exploring Banking, Race and Colonialism (Positive Money blog series), October 2021

'How to build a fair and green economic system after COVID-19' *New Scientist Magazine* (contribution to the special issue) <https://www.newscientist.com/article/mg24833063-600-how-to-build-a-fair-and-green-economic-system-after-covid-19/> (forthcoming, September 2020)

'How not to Save the Planet', *Africa is a Country* (special issue on Climate Politics) <https://africasacountry.com/2020/09/climate-imperialism-and-the-us-elections> (September 2020)

'Between the Devil, Debt and the Deep Blue Sea: Why the Global South deserves reparations for the climate crisis' (invited blog post), *The FingReg Blog*, Global Financial Markets Center, Duke University <https://bit.ly/3ab36L6> (August 2020)

'Climate reparations: an internationalist approach for the 21st century', *Political and Legal Anthropology* <https://wp.me/p68wh0-2Uz> (July 2020) - appears on anthropology and environmental policy syllabi at the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Switzerland and at Georgia Institute of Technology, USA respectively

'Rethinking Economics for the marginalized', *Nature* <https://go.nature.com/2B7IDKb>

'The 'green' new deal should not be the new imperial masterplan', *Al-Jazeera English* <https://bit.ly/2CeIQ3P> (June 2020)

'COVID-19: how to transform industrial policy for the future', *Developing Economics* <https://bit.ly/3jICE63> (May 2020)

'Coronavirus Could Mean Economic Disaster for the Global South', *Tribune Magazine* <https://bit.ly/2CLXcDA> (April 2020)

2019 'Why we need an IMF for the climate crisis', *The Guardian UK* <https://bit.ly/2OCdl18> (October 2019)

'What is really behind the crisis in Haiti?' *Al-jazeera English* (republished *Nigerian Opinion*, cited on *Democracy Now*) <https://bit.ly/2WrMqJF> (September 2019)

'Jamaica is using Bob Marley's Legacy to Market Austerity', *The Nation* <https://bit.ly/3jhebyo>

'In Haiti, climate aid come with strings attached', *The Conversation US* (republished *Truthout*, *Latin Dispatch*, *Idaho Express*, *Phys.org*) Original: <https://bit.ly/2Ww6Jpx> (January 2019)

Media appearances

2020 'Universities criticised for 'tokenistic' support for Black Lives Matter', *Guardian UK* <https://www.theguardian.com/education/2020/jul/06/universities-criticised-for-tokenistic-support-for-black-lives-matter>

'Oxford refuses to take down Rhodes statue', *Research Professional News* <https://www.researchprofessionalnews.com/rr-he-agencies-other-2020-6-oxford-refuses-to-take-down-rhodes-statue/> (June 2020)

'Universities' support for Black Lives Matter 'tokenistic', *Times Higher Education* <https://www.timeshighereducation.com/letters/we-are-crucial-moment-address-racial-justice-higher-education> (July 2020)

2019 Protests in Haiti: An Overlooked Crisis, *Real News Network* <https://bit.ly/398t0yY> (October 2019)

REFERENCES

Available upon request