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Education

- 2009 Ph.D., Sociology, Brown University (expected)
Dissertation: "Determinants of Migration in Coastal Ghana: A Mixed Methods Approach"
Chair: Michael White
- 2006 M.A., Sociology, Brown University
Thesis: "Migration in the Post-War Period: A Two-Part Analysis Using the 1994 Ethiopian Population and Housing Census"
Chair: David Lindstrom
- 2004 B.A., History and International Studies, Washington University in St. Louis (*cum laude*)
Thesis: "The Limits of Racial Middle Ground: The Political Education of African Americans in New Orleans, 1865-1900"
Chair: Iver Bernstein

Areas of Specialization

Migration, Quantitative and Qualitative Methods, Development, Spatial Statistics and Analysis, Ethnicity

Awards

- 2007 Brown University Graduate School Conference Travel Grant
2006 Brown University Graduate School Conference Travel Grant
2006 Brown University Department of Sociology Conference Travel Grant
2005 Brown University Graduate School Conference Travel Grant
2004-2005 Brown University First-Year Fellowship

Research Experience

Population Studies and Training Center, Brown University

7/04-8/04, 6/05-8/05, 1/06-8/06

Worked as a research assistant for Dr. Michael White, professor of Sociology, on his project in Cape Coast, Ghana. Read and assisted with literature review for papers to be submitted to academic journals, cleaned and managed data coming back from the field in Ghana, helped with powerpoint presentations given at conferences. Ran statistical analysis packages to reach conclusions about the data collected. Papers forthcoming from this work.

Fieldwork and Data Collection Experience

Department of Geography, University of Cape Coast, Ghana 6/06-8/06
Interdisciplinary project examines the social and demographic processes that are closely linked to health, migration, and environmental health risks. Engaged in cleaning data collected in 2004, headed efforts to return to the field to collect water samples from community drinking water sources, and instructed our Ghanaian colleagues on how to use NVivo software, code individual interviews and focus groups, and develop nodal structures so the interviews could be coded.

Department of History, Washington University in St. Louis 7/03-8/03, 1/04
Archival work for primary resource collection to be used for undergraduate senior thesis. Collected and read historical manuscripts, newspapers, letters, and pamphlets in the National Archives, Washington, DC, Amistad Research Center, Tulane University, New Orleans, and the New Orleans Public Library.

Manuscripts under Review or in Progress

Justin Buszin. 2007. "Contamination in Drinking Water: A GIS Application for Coastal Ghana." Submitted to *Population Research and Policy Review*.

Steven T. McGarvey, **Justin Buszin**, David C. Smith, Holly Reed, Kofi Awusabo-Asare, and Michael J. White. 2007. "Determinants of Household Water Quality in Coastal Ghana." Submitted to *Journal of Water and Health*.

Conference Presentations

Justin Buszin. 2007 "The Timing of Migration After Education Completion: A Ghanaian Case Study." Paper to be presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association, August 11-14, New York City.

Justin Buszin. 2007. "The Spatial Relationship between Water Source and Point-of-Use: Using GIS to Explore Unsafe Drinking Water Sources and their Proximity to the Community." Poster presented at the Applied Demography Conference, January 7-9, San Antonio.

Justin Buszin. 2006. "Where Migrants Go in Post-Civil War Ethiopia." Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association, August 11-14, Montreal.

Justin Buszin. 2006. "Constructing Boundaries." Presider and commentator at the Interdisciplinary Conference on Space, April 7-8, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island.

Justin Buszin. 2006. "Characteristics of Migrants and the Places They Go in Ethiopia." Poster presented at the Annual Meetings of the Population Association of America, March 30-April 1, Los Angeles.

Justin Buszin. 2006. "Migration Transitions from a War Paradigm to a Development Paradigm." Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Eastern Sociological Association, February 23-26, Boston.

Justin Buszin. 2005. "Migration and Conflict: Muslims and Catholics in the Ivory Coast." Paper presented at a roundtable discussion at the Annual Meetings of the American Sociological Association, August 13-16, Philadelphia.

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant for Gregory Elliott, *Introductory Statistics for Social Research*, Department of Sociology, Brown University, Fall 2005, Spring 2007.

Teaching Assistant for Nancy Luke, *Introductory Statistics for Social Research*, Department of Sociology, Brown University, Fall 2006.

Teaching Certificate I from Sheridan Center, Brown University, 2006

Service to the Department

Spatial Structures in the Social Sciences Fellow, 2007-Present
Department of Sociology Graduate Representative, 2005-2007
Qualitative Methods Working Group, 2006-2007

Service to the Profession

Member of the Eastern Sociological Association 2005-2008
Member of the American Sociological Association 2004-Present
Section on Peace, War, and Conflict
Member of the Population Association of America 2004-Present

Skills:

Languages:

French (conversational)

Computer Programming:

Stata, Excel, Powerpoint, Nvivo 2, Microsoft Office Products (advanced)
SPSS, Geographically Weighted Regression (intermediate)
Geographic Information Systems (GIS), GeoDa (intermediate)
SAS, Nvivo 7 (basic)