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Academic Positions

Michigan State University,
Department of Agricultural, Food and Resource Economics
Assistant Professor, August 2017 –

Pepperdine University,
Assistant Professor of Economics, August 2015 – July 2017

Education

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor: Ph.D. (2015).
Business Economics

Cornell University, Ithaca: M. Eng. (2004)
Chemical Engineering

Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria: B.Sc. (1999)
Chemical Engineering

Fields of Interest

International Trade, Economic Development

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Olabisi, M. (2020) **Trade Shocks and Youth Jobs**
forthcoming in *IZA Labour Policy*

Olabisi, M. (2020) **Input-Output Linkages and Sectoral Volatility**
Economica 87 (347): 713–746

Mora, J. and Olabisi, M. (2020) **Economic Development and the Margins of Trade:
Are the Least Developed Countries Different?**
(Forthcoming in *Economic Inquiry*)

Olabisi, M, Blanco, L., Mora, J. and Prieger, J. (2020) **Export Survival in Africa and
Latin America: Diversification, Synergies and Competition**
(Forthcoming in *Southern Economic Journal*)

Olabisi, M., Tschirley, D., Nyange, D. and Awokuse, T. (2019) **Energy Demand Substitution from Biomass to Imported Kerosene: Evidence from Tanzania**
Energy Policy 130 (7): 243–252

Olabisi, M. (2019) **Bridging the Enforcement Gap in International Trade: Participation in the New York Convention on Arbitration**
Journal of International Business Policy 2 (1): 86–109

Olabisi, M. (2017) **The Impact of Exporting and FDI on Product Innovation: Evidence from Chinese Manufacturers**
Contemporary Economic Policy 35 (4): 735–750

Olabisi, M. and Stein, H (2015) **Sovereign Bond Issues: Do African Countries Pay More to Borrow?**
Journal of African Trade 2 (1-2): 87–109

Working Papers and Papers Under Review

Olabisi, M., Richardson, R., (2020) **Why the Poor Pay Higher Energy Prices: Evidence from Tanzania**
(Submitted to journal)

Olabisi, M., Dhar, R., Awokuse, T. and Nyange, D. (2019) **Imports and the Demand for Quality: Evidence from Tanzania**
(Submitted to journal)

Olabisi, M., Tschirley, D., Nyange, D. and Awokuse, T. (2019) **Does Trade Protectionism Promote Domestic Food Security? Evidence from Tanzanian Edible Oil Imports**
(Submitted to journal)

Olabisi, M., Tschirley, D., Nyange, D. and Awokuse, T. (2018) **The Challenge of Substituting Sunflower Oil for Imported Palm Oil: Evidence from Tanzania**
(FSP Working Paper)

Olabisi, M., Tschirley, D., Nyange, D. and Awokuse, T. (2018) **Energy Demand Substitution from Biomass to Imported Kerosene: Evidence from Tanzania**
(FSP Working Paper)

Olabisi, M. (2016) **Demand Volatility and Export Entry**
(Submitted to journal)

Olabisi, M. (2019) **Export Volatility and Diversification: Evidence from Sino-African Trade**
(Submitted to journal)

Works in Progress

Why Bulk Discounts for Food Elude the Poor: Evidence from Tanzania?
(with Aleander Persaud)

Decomposing Trade Growth Shocks: Does Economic Development Matter?
(with Jesse Mora)

Service and Student Advising

Reviewer for Energy Policy Journal

2019 - Graduate Placement Committee; **2018** - Graduate Dissertation Award Committee

Doctoral Dissertation Committee for Jun-Tae Park

Doctoral Dissertation Committee for Jeognhwan Choi

Doctoral Candidate Supervision for Rahul Dhar

Doctoral Candidate Supervision for Ahmed Salim Nuhu

External Grants, Fellowships, Awards and Research Visits

2020: National Science Foundation

Principal Investigator on, Trade and Global Economic Shocks: A Network Perspective.
(**\$75,000**)

2019: Feed the Future: Legume Systems Innovation Lab

Lead Principal Investigator on research grant to study value chain linkages between markets in West Africa, (with Maredia, M.).
(**\$104,000**)

2018, 2016: Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship

Full travel grant for a research visit. Selected for an international research/teaching collaboration with peers from the University of Ibadan, Nigeria. Mentored graduate students and taught a research methods workshop during the 2016 visit.

2016, 2015: AEA-NSF Travel Grants

Received funds to travel, and participate in the National Science Foundation Summer Pipeline Conference in Albuquerque NM (July 2015), the AEA Annual meetings in San Francisco CA (January 2016) and the WEAI Conference in Portland OR (July 2016). Mentored prospective economics graduate students from under-represented backgrounds and presented research papers at the Summer Pipeline meetings.

2013: Advanced Graduate Workshop on Globalization and Development

Full travel, board and conference tuition grant. Selected from a global pool of applicants

for a two-week workshop in Bangalore, India, organized by Columbia University's Initiative for Policy Dialogue. Presented preliminary work on export failure –the extensive margin of trade.

2010: National Science Foundation, East Asia and Pacific Summer Institutes (OISE-1014618)

Selected in US-wide competition for East Asia research visitor program. Attached to the National University of Singapore from June to August 2010. Worked on product innovation impacts of FDI and export participation. (See Publications section).

(Expenses + \$5,000)

Internal Grants and Awards

2018: TPP Research Grant

Two-year grant awarded for pilot research projects to study linkages in food value chains, by the Tanzania Partnership Program (TPP) at Michigan State University.

(\$30,000)

2016: Rothschild Applied Research Fellowship

One-year fellowship and cash grant awarded to an outstanding researcher at Pepperdine University's Graziadio School of Business and Management.

(\$5,000)

2016: Cross-School Collaborative Research Award

Received funds to support research projects that cross boundaries within Pepperdine University. Joint research project with James Prieger and Luisa Blanco of the School of Public Policy, selected from university-wide search. (See Works in Progress section.)

(\$16,000)

Conferences and Other Presentations

2020: Centre for the Study of African Economies (CSAE) China's Economic Engagement with the African Continent Conference, Oxford UK. Accepted paper on Sino-African Trade.

2020: Invited Talk at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis MN. Talk scheduled for Fall 2020.

2020: Invited Talk at the University of Richmond, Richmond VA. Talk scheduled for Spring 2020.

2019: Invited Talk at Pepperdine University, Malibu CA. Fall 2019 PEP Talk Series.

2019: Midwest Macro Meetings Fall 2019, East Lansing MI. Accepted paper on linkages and sectoral volatility.

2019: Western Economic Association International Conference, San Francisco

CA. Presented paper on linkages and sectoral volatility.

2019: **American Economics Association Conference, Atlanta GA.** Presented joint work with Jared Ashworth.

2018: **Agricultural and Applied Economics Association Conference, Washington DC.** Presented paper on international trade margins

2017: **Southern Economic Association Conference, Tampa FL.** Presented multiple papers

2017: **Western Economic Association Conference, San Diego CA.** Presented multiple papers

2016: **Southern Economic Association Conference, Washington DC.** Presented Paper: Determinants of Export Survival and Failure: Evidence from Firm-Level Export Transactions.

2016: **European Trade Study Group Conference, Helsinki, Finland.** Presented Paper: Demand Volatility and Export Entry.

2016: **American Econ. Association Summer Mentoring Pipeline Conference, East Lansing MI.** Presented Paper: Sectoral Volatility and Input-Output Linkages.

2016: **Western Economic Association International (WEAI) Conference, Portland OR.** Presented Paper: The Impact of Exporting and FDI on Product Innovation: Evidence from Chinese Manufacturers.

2015: **American Economic Association Summer Mentoring Pipeline Conference, Albuquerque NM.** Presented Paper: Demand Volatility and Export Entry.

2015: **Trans-Atlantic Doctoral Conference at the London School of Economics, London UK.** Presented Paper: Demand Volatility and Export Entry.

2012: **American Public Policy and Management Fall Research Conference, Washington DC.** Presented: Trade and the Convention on Foreign Arbitral Awards.

2011: **European University Institute Global Governance Program Conference, Florence, Italy.** Presented Preliminary Paper: Participation in the New York Convention on Arbitration.

2010: **National Science Foundation/NRF East Asia Pacific Summer Institute Research Presentation, Singapore.** Presented Preliminary Paper: FDI Flows, Exporting and Product Innovation.

Teaching

Michigan State University, Undergraduate Research Seminar (UGS 200H)

Michigan State University, Public Policy for the Agrifood System (ABM 400)

Michigan State University, Agribusiness Strategic Management (FIM 439)

Pepperdine University, Macroeconomics (ECNM 592)

Pepperdine University, Economic Concepts (ECNM 592)

Pepperdine University, Managerial Economics (ECNM 602)

Other Experience and Service

2015–2017 **Associate Board Member, Non-Profit**, Shelter Partnership (Los Angeles)

2008–2009 **Board Member, Non-Profit**, North Minneapolis Meals on Wheels

2005–2008 **Advisory Services Senior Associate**, KPMG

2001–2003 **Advisory Services Senior Associate**, PricewaterhouseCoopers

Languages

Chinese: Beginner

French: Intermediate

Yoruba: Native

Citizenship

U.S. Citizen

Nigerian Citizen

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