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curriculum vitae

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1. PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

a. Earned degrees and qualifications

- 1986 Ph.D. in Religious Studies, University of Aberdeen, Scotland.
1978 M.Phil. in Religious Studies, University of London (King's College).
1974 Postgraduate Certificate in Education (credit), St. Luke's College/
University of Exeter (Major: French; minor: Religious Education.)
1973 B.A. Honours in French and Religious Studies, University of Leeds.

b. Positions held

- 2003-04 Rockefeller Visiting Fellow, Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies,
University of Notre Dame
2003-08 Distinguished Professor in the Humanities, the University of Tennessee
2000-01 Liberal Arts Fellow in Law and Religion, Harvard Law School
2000-01 Senior Fellow, Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard University
1998-00 Lindsay Young Distinguished Professor in the Humanities, Univ. of Tennessee
1996- Professor in Religious Studies, University of Tennessee, Knoxville.
1990 Associate Professor (with tenure) in Religious Studies, University of Tennessee,
Knoxville.
1986 Assistant Professor in Religious Studies, the University of Tennessee, Knoxville.
1986 Lecturer, Georgetown University School of Summer and Continuing Education.
1985-86 Assistant Professorial Lecturer, Department of Religion, George Washington
University.
1984-86 Visiting Researcher, Georgetown University (African Studies Program).
1979-84 Research Fellow in Religious Studies, University of Aberdeen.
1979-83 Lecturer (Asst. Prof.) in Religious Studies, University of Calabar, Nigeria.

c. Field experience

Nine years (total) teaching and researching in Africa: Nigeria (1975-83, August 1987, March-June 1991, June 1994, June 1997, July/August 2001, January 2004) with research trips to Dahomey (Republic of Benin) (1975, 1978, September 2002), and Cameroon (1982 and 1983). Fieldwork conducted in Liberia (June 1987) and Ghana (August 1987, February 1991, June 1994, June 1997, December 1999, May 2000, August 2001, February 2004), Kenya (September 1985 and 1987, July 1999), Zimbabwe (September 1992), South Africa (January 1997, December 1999, June and August 2000, January 2005), Senegal (May 1997), Uganda (April 2004). Fieldwork on African churches in London (1978) and the U.S. (1988-). Field work in Asia (Singapore, Malaysia, Philippines, Hong Kong, South Korea) (June-July 1995).

d. Areas of specialization and interest

African Religions; New Religious Movements; Religion and Media, Religion and Cultural Identity; Human Rights and Religion; Religion, Violence, Conflict and Peace; Religion and International Affairs, Gender and Religion; Art and Religion; African Art; Religious Education; Anthropology and Sociology of Religion; History of Religions and Methodology in the Study of Religion.

2. PUBLICATIONS

a. Books: authored

In progress:

Nigeria: Religion in the Balance. Commissioned by U.S. Institute of Peace (in progress, near completion, planned submission May 07)

Religious Media in Africa (long-term project)

Anthropology (planned volume, for new series Critical Edges in Religious Studies, Routledge)

1996 *Art and Religion in Africa.* Religion and the Arts, 2 (London/New York: Cassell) [pbk 1998]

1989 *Religion in Calabar: the Religious Life and History of a Nigerian Town.* Religion and Society series, 27 (Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter).

b. Books: edited

In progress:

Proselytization Revisited: Rights Talk, Free Markets, and Culture Wars (in progress, submission early 07). London: Equinox Publishers (contract signed).

Religion in African Conflicts and Peacebuilding Initiatives: Problems and Prospects for a Globalizing Africa. University of Notre Dame Press (in press, co-edited with Sakah Mahmud and James Smith, submitted March 2006, final revisions, publication 2007)

History of Religions: Origins and Visions. Proceedings of the 18th IAHR World Congress, Durban August 5-12, 2000, co-edited with Pratap Kumar (in progress, submission summer 07)

Media and Religion in Africa: Innovation, Imagination, Transformation (co-edited with Ben Soares, in planning stages. Pre-publication conference being planned in Nigeria for early 08)

2000 *Religious Persecution as a US Policy Issue* (co-edited with Mark Silk and Dennis Hoover) (Hartford, CT: Center for the Study of Religion in Public Life).

1987 *New Religious Movements in Nigeria* (editor) (Lewiston, NY: The Edwin Mellen Press).

c. Articles: authored, scholarly

In progress:

Report on the Academic Programme. *Proceedings of the 18th IAHR World Congress,*

Durban August 5-12, 2000, edited by Rosalind I. J. Hackett and Pratap Kumar (submitted).

“Mermaids and End-time Jezebels: New Tales from Old Calabar.” Invited chapter for UCLA Fowler Museum Catalogue and Exhibition on “Sacred Waters: Art for Mami Wata” (curator and editor, Henry Drewal) (in press).

“Is Satan Local or Global? Reflections on a Nigerian Deliverance Movement.” Invited chapter for edited volume, *Pentecostalism and Globalization* (Bayreuth University), eds. Ulrich Berner and Afe Adogame (submitted).

“Competing Universalisms: New Discourses of Emancipation in the African Context.” To appear in *The Encounter of Rationalities* (Proceedings of CIPSH Conference, Porto-Novo, Benin Republic, September 19-22, 2002), ed. Paulin Houtondji (submitted 05, in press).

“Beyond Belief: Regulating Religious Freedom in the African Context.” *Harvard Human Rights Journal* (being updated, will be submitted to another journal, eg *Religion and Human Rights*).

“The Religious Dimension of War and Peace: Opening Remarks.” *Religion and Society: an Agenda for the Twenty-first Century*. Leiden: Brill (in press).

2007 “Devil Bustin’ Satellites: How Media Liberalization in Africa Generates Religious Intolerance and Conflict.” In: *Religion in African Conflicts and Peacebuilding Initiatives: Problems and Prospects for a Globalizing Africa*. University of Notre Dame Press (in press, co-edited with Sakah Mahmud and James Smith).

“Revisiting Proselytization in the Twenty-first Century.” In: *Proselytization Revisited: Rights Talk, Free Markets, and Culture Wars* (in progress, submission early 07). London: Equinox Publishers (contract signed).

“Managing Religious Diversity in Africa Today: Governments Send Mixed Messages to Minority Religions.” *Insights on Law and Society*. Spring.

2006 A New Axial Moment for the Study of Religion? *Temenos* 42, 2:111-129.

“Negotiating Religious Pluralism in an Undecidedly Secular World.” *Human Rights* (American Bar Association) (Fall): 21-25 <http://www.abanet.org/irr/hr.html>

“[Mediated Religion in South Africa: Balancing Air-time and Rights Claims](#).” In: *Media, Religion, and the Public Sphere* (eds, Birgit Meyer and Annelies Moors, Bloomington, IN: Indiana University Press), 166-187.

“Religion and the Internet.” *Diogenes* 211, 67-74 [English version of 2005].

2005 “Theorizing Radical Islam in Northern Nigeria.” In: *War in Heaven / Heaven on Earth: Theories of the Apocalyptic*. Edited by Stephen O’Leary and Glen McGhee (London: Equinox), 138-156.

“African Memories. E. Geoffrey Parrinder: In Memoriam.” *British Association for the Study of Religions Bulletin* 106 (November): 10-12.

“Human Rights and Religion: Contributing to the Debate.” In Tim Jensen, ed. *Human Rights, Democracy and Religion—In the Perspective of Cultural Studies, Philosophy and the Study of Religions* (Odense: University of Southern Denmark): 7-22.

“Anthropology of Religion.” In: *Companion to the Study of Religion*, edited by John Hinnells (London: Routledge), 144-163.

“Rethinking the Role of Religion in Changing Public Spheres: Some Comparative Perspectives.” *Brigham Young Law Review*, vol. 2005, no. 3: 659-682.

“Religion et Internet.” *Diogenes* 211, 86-99.

“Law, Religion and Human Rights.” Entry for *Encyclopedia of Religion*, Second Edition, edited by Lindsay Jones. vol.8: 5362-5366.

(co-authored with Winnifred Fallers Sullivan) “Introduction: A ‘Curvature of Social Space’” *Culture and Religion* 6, 1 (March 2005): 1-15.

[“Rethinking the Role of Religion in the Public Sphere: Local and Global Perspectives.”](#)

In: *Comparative Perspectives on Shari`ah in Nigeria*. Edited by Philip Ostien, Jamila M. Nasir, and Franz Kogelmann (Ibadan: Spectrum Books), 74-100.

2004 “Human Rights: An Important and Challenging New Field for the Study of Religion.” In Armin Geertz, Peter Antes, and Randi Warne, eds. *New Approaches to the Study of Religion*, vol. 2 (Berlin: Verlag de Gruyter), 165-191.

“Religion is for Healing: Nigeria and Tennessee Compared.” In: *What is Religion For? Refereed Proceedings of the NZASR / IAHR 2002 Conference*. Edited by Joseph Bulbulia & Paul Morris. Wellington, NZ Department of Religious Studies, Victoria University of Wellington, 249-258.

“Who Goes to Gulu? The Lord’s Resistance Army and the Forgotten War in Northern Uganda.” *Peace Colloquy* (Kroc Institute, Notre Dame). Issue 6 (Summer): 13-16. <http://www.nd.edu/~krocinst/colloquy/issue6/gulu.html>

[“The Response of Scholars of Religion to Global Religious Violence.”](#) Annual Lecture (2003) of the British Association for the Study of Religion, occasional paper, no. 26, 1-28.

“Prophets, ‘False Prophets,’ and the African State: Current Issues of Religious Freedom and Conflict.” In: Philip C. Lucas and Thomas Robbins (eds.) *New Religious Movements in the 21st Century* (New York: Routledge) (revised/updated version of 2001 piece), 151-178.

“Exploring Theories of Religious Violence: Nigeria’s Maitatsine ‘Phenomenon.’” Invited

- chapter for *Religion as a Human Capacity: Festschrift in Honor of E. Thomas Lawson* (eds. Timothy Light and Brian Wilson, E. J. Brill), 193-206.
- 2003 “Connecting Worlds: Art and Religion in Africa” Invited chapter for exhibition catalogue, *Africa at Home: At Home in Africa* (editor/curator Bill Dewey). Knoxville: University of Tennessee, 16-20.
- “Oppositional Aesthetics: Art and Religion in the Service of Human Rights.” In: *Art and Humanist Ideals: Contemporary Perspectives*, ed. William Kelly (South Yarra, Australia: Macmillan), 213-218 [reprint of 1999].
- [“Discourses of Demonisation in Africa and Beyond.”](#) *Diogenes* 50,3: 61-75 [English version of 2002 French version].
- “Managing or Manipulating Religious Conflict in the Nigerian Media.” In: Jolyon Mitchell and Sophia Marriage, eds. *Mediating Religion: Conversations in Media, Religion and Culture* (Edinburgh: T & T Clark), 47-64.
- 2002 “Theorizing Religious Violence and the Religious Other.” Special issue of *Imaginario* (Sao Paulo, Brazil) vol. 8: 461-478 (in Portuguese and English) [appeared 2003].
- “Discours de diabolisation en Afrique et ailleurs” [“Discourses of Demonization in Africa and Beyond”] *Diogenè* (UNESCO) 199 (juillet-septembre): 71-91.
- “Teaching and Tolerance: Report on the United Nations International Consultative Conference on School Education in Relation to Freedom of Religion or Belief, Tolerance and Non-discrimination, Madrid, November 23-25, 2001.” *CSSR Bulletin* (April).
- 2001 “Ninian Smart: On Buttonholes and Missing Dimensions.” *Religion* 31,4 (October): 329-330.
- “International Religious Freedom: The Talk of the Town.” *Religious Studies News* (Feb).
- “Prophets, ‘False Prophets,’ and the African State: Current Issues of Religious Freedom and Conflict.” *Nova Religio* 4,2: (April 2001).
- “Field Envy: The Parallels and Perils of Doing Fieldwork.” *Method and Theory in the Study of Religion* 13/1:98-109.
- 2000 “Is Religion Good News or Bad News for Women? Martha Nussbaum’s Creative Solution to Conflicting Rights.” *Soundings* Fall/Winter: 612-622 [appeared 2002].
- “Religious Freedom and Conflict in Africa.” In: *Religion on the International News Agenda*. Ed. Mark Silk. Hartford, CT: Center for the Study of Religion in Public Life. <http://www.trincoll.edu/depts/csrpl/religint.pdf>
- “Report on the Parliament of the World’s Religions, Cape Town, December 1-8, 1999.”

Bulletin of the Council of the Societies for the Study of Religion 29/2.

“Introduction” (with Mark Silk). In: *Religious Persecution as a U.S. Policy Issue* (Hartford, CT: Center for the Study of Religion in Public Life), 1-4.

“Power and Periphery: Studies of Gender and Religion in Africa.” *Method and Theory in the Study of Religion* 12, 1 and 2.

1999 "Re-envisioning the Sites and Sights of the Late Twentieth Century Study of Religion." In *Approaching Religion*, Part II. ed. Tore Ahlbäck. Abo, Finland: Donner Institute for Research in Religious and Cultural History, 85-106.

“Oppositional Aesthetics: Art and Religion in the Service of Human Rights.” Invited chapter for *Universal Declaration of Human Rights International Print Portfolio*, Durban: Durban Art Gallery, 44-46.

"Radical Christian Revivalism in Nigeria and Ghana: Recent Patterns of Conflict and Intolerance." In *Proselytization and Communal Self-Determination in Africa*, ed. Abdullahi A. An-Na'im. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 246-267.

“Conflict in the Classroom: Educational Institutions as Sites of Religious Tolerance/Intolerance in Nigeria.” *Brigham Young University Law Review* vol. 1999, no. 2, 537-560

"Teaching African Religions through Art and Literature." Invited chapter for *Great Ideas for Teaching About Africa*, eds. Misty Bastian and Jane Parpart (Boulder, CO: Lynn Rienner Publishers), 23-31. [*Choice* Outstanding Title for 1999 in Education]

“Field Report: The Oslo Conference on Freedom of Religion or Belief, Oslo, Norway, 12-15 August 1998.” *Nova Religio* 2,2 (April): 299-302.

1998 “Charismatic/Pentecostal Appropriations of Media Technologies in Nigeria and Ghana.” *Journal of Religion in Africa* 28,3:258-277.

“In But Not of the World: The Charismatic Appropriation of Media Technologies in Ghana and Nigeria.” In *Religion y Etnicidad en America Latina*, Tomo II, German Ferro Medina (comp.). Memorias del VI Congreso Latinoamericano de Religion y Etnicidad ALER y II Encuentro de la diversidad del hecho religioso en Colombia ICER. Santafe de Bogota, 417-24.

1997 "Interviewing Africa's Independent Church Leaders Past and Present." Invited chapter. *Living Faith/Lebendige religiöse Wirklichkeit: Festschrift für Hans-Jürgen Greschat*, eds., Reiner Malke, Renate Pizer-Reyl und Joachim Suss. Frankfurt: Peter Lang, 67-75.

1996 "African Art as Interface of Religious and Social Change." In *Religions in Contact*, eds. Iva Dolezalova, Bretislav Horyna and Dalibor Papousek. Brno: Czech Society for the Study of Religion, 97-110.

- "New Directions and Connections for African and Asian Charismatics." *Pneuma* 18,1 (Spring):69-77.
- 1995 "Women and New Religious Movements in Africa." In: *Gender and Religion*, ed. U.King. Oxford: Blackwell, 257-290.
- "The Gospel of Prosperity in West Africa." In: *Religion and the Transformations of Capitalism*, ed. by R. H. Roberts. London: Routledge, 199-214.
- "Spotlight on the International Association for the History of Religions." *Bulletin of the Council of Societies for the Study of Religion* 24,3/4 (Sep/Nov):51.
- 1994 "African Art and Religion: Some Observations and Reflections." *Journal of Religion in Africa* 24,4 (November):294-308.
- 1993 "From Exclusion to Inclusion: Women and Bible Use in Southern Nigeria." In: *The Sociology of Sacred Texts*, eds. I. Wollaston and J. Davies. Sheffield: Sheffield Academic Press.
- "The Study of Religions in Africa." *Method and Theory in the Study of Religion* 5,1.
- "Myths for Myths: The Challenge of Africa to the Religious Studies Curriculum." *Spotlight on Teaching* 1,2.
- "The Symbolics of Power Discourse among Contemporary Religious Groups in West Africa." In: L. Martin, ed. *Religious Transformations and Socio-Political Change*. Berlin: Mouton de Gruyter, 381-409.
- "Women in African Religions." In: *Religion and Women*, ed. by Arvind Sharma, Albany, NY: SUNY Press.
- 1992 "New Age Trends in Nigeria: Ancestral or Alien Religion?" In: *Perspectives on the New Age*, ed. by James Lewis and Gordon Melton (SUNY Press).
- 1991 "Revitalization in African Traditional Religion." In: *African Traditional Religions in Contemporary Society*, ed. J. K. Olupona (New York: Paragon House), pp. 135-148.
- Entries on African New Religious Movements and Traditional Religions for *Who's Who in Religion* (edited by John Hinnells, London: Macmillan Press).
- "New Religious Movements and Religious Self-Determination." In: *Religion and Society in Nigeria*, eds. T. Falola and J. K. Olupona (Ibadan: Spectrum Books).
- (with J. K. Olupona), "Civil Religion in Nigeria," in *Religion and Society in Nigeria*, eds. Falola and Olupona.

- 1990 "African Religions: Images and I-Glasses." *Religion* 20,4 (1990):1-13.
- "African New Religious Movements." In: *Turning Points in Religious Studies*, ed. by U. King (Edinburgh: T. and T. Clark).
- "Enigma Variations: the New Religious Movement in Nigeria Today." In: *Faith and Form: Exploring New Religious Movements*. Essays in honor of Harold Turner, eds. A.F. Walls and W.R. Shenk (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans).
- 1989 "An Africanist Critique of Sharpe's Comparative Religion: a History (2nd ed)." *Method and Theory in the Study of Religion* 1,1:54-57.
- 1988 "The Academic Study of Religion in Nigeria." *Religion* 18 (1988):37-46.
- 1987 "Beyond Afternoon Tea: Images and Roles of Missionary Women in South-Eastern Nigeria." In: *Women Missionaries and Cultural Change*, ed. by P. Kulp. Issues in Third World Studies, 40 (Williamsburg, VA: Department of Anthropology, William and Mary College).
- "The Nouveau Witch-Doctor and the Born-Again Evangelist: Models of Spiritual Healing in Contemporary Nigeria." In: *African Medicine in the Modern World*. Edited by Christopher Fyfe and Una Maclean. (Edinburgh: Edinburgh University).
- "Thirty years of growth and change in a West African independent church - a sociological perspective." In: *New Religious Movements in Nigeria*, ed. by R. I. J. Hackett, (Lewiston, NY: Edwin Mellen Press). (Reprint of *JRA* 11,3 (1980))
- "Women and the Spiritual Churches." In: *New Religious Movements in Nigeria*, ed. by R. I. J. Hackett.
- 1986 "African New Religious Movements." Review Essay, *African Studies Review* 29,3 (September):141-46.
- "The Spiritual Sciences in Africa." *Religion Today* 3,2 (May-September):8-9.
- "Religious Encounters of the Third Kind: Spiritual Technology in Modern Nigeria." In: *Identity Issues and World Religions*, ed. V.C. Hayes (Bedford Park, S.A.: Australian Association for the Study of Religions).
- 1985 "Sacred Paradoxes: Women and Religious Plurality in Nigeria." In: *Women, Religion and Social Change*, eds. Yvonne Y. Haddad and Ellison B. Findly (Albany: SUNY Press, 1985), pp. 247-271.
- 1984 "The Making of an African King: an Account of the Recent Coronation of the Obong of Calabar." *Bulletin of the Aberdeen University African Studies Group* no. 20 (September):6-7.

- 1983 "Whither Nigeria's Traditional Rulers? - The Crowning of an Ntoe among the Qua of Calabar." In: *An African Miscellany for John Hargreaves*, ed. Roy Bridges (Aberdeen: Aberdeen University African Studies Group).
- "Power and Authority in Nigeria's Independent Churches" *West African Religion* 20,1/2:37-54
- 1982 "Innovation and Adaptation among Traditional Religions in Post-Independence Nigeria: Some Observations and Examples," *Africana Marburgensia*, 15,2.
- 1981 "Nigeria's Independent Churches: Gateways or Barriers to Social Development?," *Africana Marburgensia*, 14,1.
- "An Aladura Healing Revival," *The Nigerian Field* 46, 1/2 April.
- 1980 "Thirty years of growth and change in a West African independent church - a sociological perspective," *Journal of Religion in Africa* 11,3.
- 1979 "Recent developments in the healing concepts and activities of the Aladura churches," *African Notes* (Ibadan) 8,2 (October).

d. Journals: edited

- Special issue of *Religion* on "Media and Religion" (with Rachele Scott) (2008/09)
- Special issue of *Culture and Religion* on "Religion, Law and Human Rights" (with Winnifred Fallers Sullivan) (2005)
- Special issue of *Religion* (with Sylvia Marcos) on "Recent Research on Religion and Gender" (1998)
- Special issue of *CSSR Bulletin* (Council of the Societies for the Study of Religion) on the International Association of the History of Religions (24,3/4 Sep/Nov 1995)
- Special issue of *Spotlight on Teaching* 1,2 on "Teaching African Religions" (May 1993)
- Special issue of *Journal of Religion in Africa* on "Art and Religion in Africa" (1994)
- Special issue of *Religion* vol. 20,4 (Fall 1990) on "Images of African Religions"
- Special issue of *Africana Marburgensia*, vol. 12 (1988) on "Cross River Religion"

3. ACADEMIC HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2004 SARIF (UT) award to attend IAHR regional conference in Indonesia (October)
- 2003 British Association for the Study of Religion Annual Lecture (September)
- 2003-04 Rockefeller Visiting Fellow, Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame
- 2003 Carnegie Institute for Ethics and International Affairs, summer institute, Montreal (June)
- 2002 SARIF (UT) award to attend IAHR regional conference in New Zealand (December)
- 2002-08 Distinguished Professor in the Humanities, UT
- 2002 Visiting Humanities Scholar, Otterbein College (February)
- 2001-02 Grant, Aslan Foundation, to develop course (Religion, Healing and Spirituality) and organize public forum (\$20,000)
- 2001- Visiting Scholar, Central University College, Accra, Ghana

- 2001 Conference Grant, Harvard University Committee on Human Rights (\$10,000)
- 2000-01 Liberal Arts Fellowship in Law and Religion, Harvard University Law School
- 2000-01 Senior Fellow, Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard University
- 2000-01 Radcliffe Research Partnership Program
- 2001 Holstein Family Community Lecture, Univ. of California, Riverside (January)
- 2000 Research award, International Commission on Media, Religion and Culture (\$1000)
- 2000- Associate, Center for Millennial Studies, Boston University
- 1999 Invited Overseas Research Fellow, Human Sciences Research Council, South Africa (August)
- 1998-2000 Lindsay Young Distinguished Professor in the Humanities
- 1998 ITC/CUE Hewlett Innovative Teaching Fellowship, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- 1998 Invited Fellow, Seminar on Theories and Practices of Religious Toleration/Intolerance, Advanced Study Center of the International Institute, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (February 1998)
- 1997 Elected to the American Society for the Study of Religion
- 1997 Visiting Lecturer, University of Helsinki, Finland (March/April)
- 1997 Visiting Lecturer, African Studies Program and Religious Studies, University of Bayreuth, Germany (February)
- 1997 Invited Research Fellow, Centre of West African Studies, University of Birmingham, U.K. (January-August)
- 1995 National Alumni Association Outstanding Teaching Award, UTK
- 1995 Exhibit, Performance, and Publication Expense (EPPE) Fund Award, University of Tennessee, Knoxville (\$1500)
- 1995 United States Institute for Peace funding for Nigeria book (time release)
- 1994 Project for the Advanced Study of Art and Life in Africa, University of Iowa Resident fellowship (March/April).
- 1993-94 Overseas Ministries Study Center Research and Travel award (\$20,000) funded by the Pew Charitable Trusts.
- 1993 Zora Neale Hurston Fellowship, Institute for Advanced Study and Research in the African Humanities, Northwestern University (April).
- 1991 Junior Research-Creative Activity Award, College of Liberal Arts, Univ. of Tennessee
- 1991 Invited Senior Research Fellow, Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana, Legon (January-March)
- 1991 Senior Research Affiliate, Dept. of Religious Studies, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria (March-June).
- 1990-91 University of Tennessee Professional Development Award for research leave
- 1989 Research Affiliate, Center for African Studies, University of Florida, Gainesville (a one-month NEH award to use the library collection)
- 1984 Copeland Fellow, Amherst College (spring semester).
- 1982 Partial grantee of the United States Information Agency Visitor Program, arranged by African-American Institute, Washington, D.C., November 4-11.
- 1980 University of Calabar Senate Research Grant.
- 1976 University of London Central Research Fund Grant.

4. OFFICES HELD

a. International organizations

President, International Association for the History of Religions (IAHR) (2005-2010)

Vice-President, (IAHR) (2000-2005)
 Deputy Secretary-General, International Association for the History of Religions (IAHR) (1995-2000)

Member, International Committee, 2nd South and Southeast Asian Association for the Study of Culture and Religion (SSEASR) Conference, Thailand (May 2007)

Member, Congress Academic Program Committee, IAHR World Congress, Tokyo (2005)

Member, Nominating Committee, International Council for Philosophy and Humanistic Studies (CIPSH) [UNESCO] (2000-)

Member, International Committee, South and Southeast Asian Association for the Study of Religion (2004-)

Program Chair, XVIIIth IAHR World Congress, Durban, South Africa, August 2000

Ex-officio member, African Association for the Study of Religions (1998-)

Treasurer and founding member, African Association for the Study of Religions (1993-98)

Joint coordinator of Gender panels and African Religions panels for IAHR Congress, Mexico City, 1995

External examiner (University of Ghana, University of Cape Town, University of KwaZulu Natal, South Africa)

b. National organizations

Member, Executive Council, American Society for the Study of Religion (1999-2002)

Member, Committee on International Connections, American Academy of Religion (2001-2004)

Member, Planning Committee, *Journal of the American Academy of Religion* conference (2002-3)

Member, Steering Committee, Religion, Media and Culture Group (2001-06)

Member, Steering Committee, Religion, Law and Culture Group (2001-07)

Member, Committee on the Public Understanding of Religion, American Academy of Religion (1996-2000)

Member, PUR Sub-committee on AAR website (1997)

President, North American Association for the Study of Religion (1993-94).

Co-convenor of Group on Religion in Africa for American Academy of Religion (1989-94).

Member of Steering Committee of the History of the Study of Religion group, American Academy of Religion (1986-88).

Member of Working Group on Religion, Nationalism, and Intolerance, Institute of Peace, Washington, D.C. (1991-8).

Member of Academic Advisory Board, AWARE (Association of World Academics for Religious Education) (1993-96).

c. Editorial work

i) Journals

- Culture and Religion* (member of editorial board, 1999-)
Numen (member of editorial board, 1995-)
Journal of Religion in Africa (member of editorial board, 1988-2007)
Religion (member of editorial board, 1989-)
Bandue: Boletín de la Sociedad Española de Ciencias de las Religiones
 (2006-)
Method and Theory in the Study of Religion (member of editorial board, 1990-)
Journal of Contemporary Religion (London) (member of editorial board 1995-)
British Journal of Religious Education (January 2004-)
Journal for the Study of Religion (South Africa) (member of International Advisory Board 1993-)
New Religious Movements [UVA website/encyclopedia](associate editorial board, 2002-)
Dictionary of Religion, Society and Culture (Mouton de Gruyter/NAASR) (member of editorial board, 1990-95)
Annual Review of Women in World Religions (member of editorial board, 1987-)
Religious Studies Review (Africa network editor, 1989-92)

ii) Books

- Consultant, Ashgate Religious Studies series, U.K.
 Consultant to the Center for Millennial Studies, Boston University, new book series on Millennialism and Gender

d. University of Tennessee, Knoxville

- Member, Graduate Council (2004-2007)
 Member, Curriculum Advisory Committee, Graduate Council (2004-07)
 Member, Search Committee for Asst. Professor in Cultural Anthropology (2005-06)
 Member, Search Committee for Director, African and African-American Studies (2003)
 Chair, Media Committee, Department of Religious Studies (2005-)
 Member, Steering Committee, Africa Semester (2002-03)
 Member, Arts and Sciences Convocation Awards Committee (2002)
 Member, Arts and Sciences Advisory Council (2001-03)
 Member, Committee on Reforming the Introductory Course in Religious Studies (2001-)
 Faculty Mentor, Graduate Mentoring Program (1999-2000)
 Member, Campus Advisory Group on Intellectual and Cultural Issues (1998-99)
 Chair, Graduate Studies Committee, Department of Religious Studies (Jan 1998- Aug 2000, Aug 2001-03, Aug 2005-)
 Member, Campus Cultural Life Committee (1995-97)
 Member, UTK Faculty Senate/Chancellor's Office Joint Committee to Investigate Issues Related to Religion and the Campus Context (1995-96, 98-99)
 Member, Committee on Multiculturalism, Undergraduate Council (1993-94)
 Member, search committee for Art History position (1990)
 Member, search committee for Director, Research Institute of Race, Culture and Society (1988-89)
 Member, search committee for African History position (1988)
 Coordinator, department linkage between UT and Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria (1988-)

Member, Screening Committee, U.S. Students Abroad Scholarship Fund (1987, 1989)
Member, Fulbright Committee for Study Abroad (1990-91)
Member of Faculty Senate Committee on International Education (1989-90)
Member, Council on International Education (1990-2000)
Editor, Religious Studies Newsletter, Department of Religious Studies, University of Tennessee, Knoxville (1987-93)
Faculty advisor to African Student Association (1987-)
Faculty advisor to Religious Studies Association (1986-2001)
Faculty advisor to Amnesty International student chapter (1992-)
Minority Student Affairs Mentor (1989-91)

e. Conference Organization

Joint Coordinator, international conference on “New Media and Religious Transformations in Africa,” Abuja, Nigeria (2008)

Joint Coordinator, Workshop on “Reporting Religion and Conflict: Challenges to the Nigerian Media.” International Press Center, Lagos, Nigeria (in progress)

Member, International Program Committee for the 19th Quinquennial World Congress of the International Association for the History of Religions, Tokyo, March 24-31, 2005

Member, organizing committee for Univ. of Notre Dame Program on Religion, Conflict and Peacebuilding Program conference on “Religion in African Conflicts and Peacebuilding Initiatives: Problems and Prospects for a Globalizing Africa.” Jinja, Uganda, April 1-3, 2004.

Local coordinator, annual meeting of American Society for the Study of Religion, Mt Pisgah Inn, Asheville, NC (April 25-27, 2003)

Coordinator, Symposium on “Healing, Religion and Spirituality,” The University of Knoxville (October 28, 2002)

Consultant, “Human Rights and Freedom of Religion or Belief.” First Alumni Conference of the *Harvard Human Rights Journal* (Feb 15-17, 2002)

Coordinator, workshop/symposium on “Challenges of the New Media Order to Freedom of Expression, Freedom of Religion and Belief, and Group Rights” Harvard University (October 19-20, 2001)

Program Chair, 18th Quinquennial World Congress of the International Association of the History of Religions, Durban, South Africa (August 5-12, 2000)

Consultation Program Director, Media and Religion in Africa, Accra, Ghana (May 20-27, 2000) under the auspices of the International Study Commission on Media, Religion and Culture.

Co-organizer, with Mark Silk, Consultation on Religious Persecution as U.S. Policy Issue, Trinity College (September 26-27, 1999)

5. COURSES TAUGHT at UT since September 1986 (most recent courses listed last):

RS 2110 Founders of Religion
 RS 2611 Introduction to Ancient Near Eastern Religion
 RS 3490/373 African Religions
 RS 3440/302 Religion of Primitive Societies/now Anthropology of Religion
 RS 4850* Pro-Seminar: New Religious Movements
 RS 4850* Pro-Seminar: African Religions in the New World
 RS 3490* African Religions and Development (University Learning Community)
 US 2110* Case Studies on International Development (ULC)
 RS 101 + World Religions in History
 RS 102*+ Comparison of World Religions
 RS 232*+ Varieties of Religious Community
 RS 300 Ways of Understanding Religion
 RS 300* Violence, Conflict and Peace
 RS 305/Univ Studies 320* The End of the World?
 RS 305* Religion, Media, and Culture
 RS 440* Seminar in Comparative Religion: African Art: Meaning and Context
 RS 499* Proseminar: Magic, Occult, and the New Age
 RS 499* Proseminar: Religion and Human Rights
 RS 440 African Art and Religion
 University Honors/Univ Studies 337/310* Key Issues in Human Rights
 Univ Studies 410 Human Rights, Rhetoric and the Internet (co-taught with Janet Atwill)
 RS 503/504* Theory and Method in the Study of Religion (core grad. course)
 RS 507* Human Rights and Cultural Self-Determination
 RS 499/530* Millennialism: Cross-Cultural and Multi-Disciplinary Perspectives
 510* Introduction to Pedagogy of Religious Studies
 RS 513* Religion, Media and Culture
 RS 515* Violence and Conflict
 RS 531* Religion and Art
 RS 514* Religion, Healing and Spirituality
 RS 507* Religion, Law and Human Rights
 RS 550* Critical Explorations in Religious Studies
 RS 499/507* Pro-Seminar: Religious Resurgence and Global Politics

Note: * newly developed courses + large enrollment courses

6. PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

African Studies Association of the U.S.A.
 Arts Council of the African Studies Association
 American Academy of Religion
 American Anthropological Association
 American Society for the Study of Religion
 Association for the Sociology of Religion

Association for the Study of Religion in Southern Africa
 British Association for the Study of Religions
 North American Association for the Study of Religion
 Society for African Philosophy in North America
 Society for the Scientific Study of Religion

7. INVITED LECTURES and CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

International (invited lectures and conferences)

Thailand, Botswana, the Netherlands, Canada (2007); Egypt, France, Brazil, Greece, Sweden, Germany, Romania (2006); Spain, Sweden, Finland, Japan (2005); Norway, Spain, Uganda, China, Indonesia, Nigeria, Ghana, UK (2004), India, Norway, UK (2003); Norway, New Zealand, Benin Republic, Brazil, Denmark (2002); Spain, The Netherlands, Germany, Nigeria (2001); Argentina (2000); UK, South Africa, Kenya (1999); Norway (1998); South Africa, Germany, Finland, U.K., Denmark, Senegal, Nigeria (1997); Canada (1996); Singapore, Korea (1995); Nigeria, Czech Republic (1994); France (1993); Scotland (1993); Zimbabwe (1992); Ghana (1991); Italy (1990); Yugoslavia (1988); Nigeria (1991, 1987); Kenya (1987); Scotland (1986); Australia (1985); West Germany (1983); England (1983); Denmark (1981); Canada (1980)

National (invited lectures)

Chicago Center for Global Ministries, Columbia University (2007); University of Notre Dame (2006); University of Connecticut (2005); Western Knight School of Journalism, University of Southern California, Brigham Young University Law School, DePaul University, Calvin College (2004); Emory Law School, Chicago Divinity School, University of South Florida (2003); Emory University, Washington and Lee University, Otterbein College (2002); University of California, Los Angeles, University of California, Riverside, Boston University, Harvard University (2001); Trinity College, Washington and Lee University (2000); University of Richmond (1999), Washington, DC (1999); Washington, DC (1998); Washington and Lee University (1998); Princeton Theological Seminary (1998); Brigham Young University (1998); Emory University (1998); University of Iowa (1997, 1996); Stetson University (1995); Tulane University, University of Florida (1994); Northwestern University (1993); University of Chicago (1993); Purdue University (1993); Tennessee Geography Alliance, UT Chattanooga (1993); University of California, Santa Cruz (1992); Harvard University (1992); Boston University (1992); University of Vermont (1991); Georgetown University (1984-); University of Florida (1990, 1989); Northwestern University (1989); University of Tennessee, Chattanooga, Maryville College (1988); Amherst College (1985); Stonehill College (1984); Smith College (1984); Mount Holyoke College (1984); Hartford Seminary (1983); Harvard University (1982); University of Virginia (1982); Boston University (1982);

8. OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

Consultancy

Evaluator, UNESCO Oral and Intangible Heritage (2005); Expert, Oslo Coalition on School Education and Religious Tolerance and Intolerance (2002-); Advisor, Centre for Law and Social Action (Lagos, Nigeria) [2004-]; Senior Advisor, First Voice International (Washington, DC) (2003-); Advisor, Research Assessment Exercise 2001, 2008 (UK); Harvard Law School Ghana Project (2000-1); US State Department (Office of International Religious Freedom) (October 2003); Member, Research Advisory Committee, Centre for Religion and Public Issues, Ibadan,

Nigeria (2001-); U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom (2000-); U.S. Institute of Peace (1991-98); Foreign Service Institute, State Department (bi-annual 1986-1995); Stetson University (1995); Center for Development and Population Activities, Washington, D.C. (1986); Smithsonian Institution (1985); WETA, Washington, D.C. (1985); AWARE (1993); Religion Crisis Task Force; Amnesty International;

Public Lectures

<http://www.artsci.utk.edu/outreach/speakersbureau.asp>

“The Lost Children of Northern Uganda.” Unitarian Universalist Church, Kingston Pike, Knoxville, October 15, 2006

“Religion, Violence and Terrorism.” Homeland Security Program, College of Nursing, UT, January 25, 2006

“Child Soldiers and Sex Slaves in Northern Uganda.” Conversations in Global Affairs, UT International House, October 2005.

“The Spread of Discourses of Demonization and Their Impact on Human Rights.” Rationalists of East Tennessee, March 2, 2003

Media Interviews

Regular consultant for the media on new religious movements and Africa.

“Live at Five” WBIR, Knoxville on Knoxville Jazz for Justice, March 20, 2007

UT Tennessee Today “Students and Faculty Use Music and Lobbying to Aid Northern Ugandan Children” <http://www.utk.edu/news/article.php?id=4037> March 7, 2007.

WDVX, on Knoxville Jazz for Justice, August 30, 2006

Knoxville News-Sentinel (on Da Vinci code), May 19, 2006

http://www.knoxnews.com/kns/religion/article/0,1406,KNS_315_4712525,00.html

LA Times, Civil Courts reporter on law suit involving a Nigerian church (May 3, 2006).

BBC World Service, “Africa Have Your Say” (live program on Pentecostalism), February 18, 2006.

Relioscope (Switzerland), April 26, 2002 (on Shari`a debate in Nigeria) www.relioscope.com

Co-host, “Religion and the Human Prospect.” Weekly radio program on WNOX Newstalk Radio 99, Knoxville, TN. (1997-98)

Publications

Short (untitled) piece on the garden at the Center for the Study of World Religions, Harvard University, in *Community and Colloquy: The Center for the Study of World Religion, 1958-2003*. Cambridge, MA: CSWR, 2006, 98.

“Northern Uganda's War-Sick Children Move into the Media Spotlight” *Sightings* March 30, 2006

http://marty-center.uchicago.edu/sightings/archive_2006/0330.shtml

“Who goes to Gulu? The Lord's Resistance Army and the 'forgotten war' in Northern Uganda”

Peace Colloquy Issue 6, Summer 2004 <http://kroc.nd.edu/colloquy/issue6/gulu.shtml>

Activism

Founder and coordinator, *Good Karma Gardening Circle* (gardening support group for the Highlander Research and Education Center) (2004-)

Founder and coordinator, UT chapter of Uganda-CAN (Uganda Conflict Action Network) (2006-)

Diaspora Resource Person, Northern Uganda Girls Education Network (NUGEN) (2006-)

Founder and director, *Knoxville Jazz for Justice* (Sep. 2006) www.knoxjazzforjustice.org

Executive producer, *Knoxville Jazz for Justice: A Benefit Compilation for Northern Uganda* CD
(various artists), December 2006.

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