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EDUCATION

- 2002–07 PhD, University of California—Berkeley, Department of Economics
- 2000–02 Master of Public Administration in International Development, Harvard Kennedy School
- 1993–98 Honours Bachelor of Arts in Economics, University of Waterloo (Canada)

EMPLOYMENT

Academic employment

- 2008– Assistant Professor, Yale University, Department of Political Science

Other appointments

- 2008– Faculty Affiliate, Yale University Department of Economics
- 2011 Visiting Scholar, Columbia University Department of Economics
- 2010–11 Visiting Scholar, NYU Wilf Family Department of Politics
- 2010–11 Visiting Scholar, NYU Wagner School of Public Service & Financial Access Initiative

Fellowships and affiliations

- 2009– Non-Resident Fellow, Center for Global Development
- 2009– Member, International Growth Centre (IGC)
- 2009– Board Member, Journal of Globalization and Development (JGD)
- 2008– Research Affiliate, Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA)
- 2008– Member, Experiments in Governance and Politics (EGAP)
- 2007– Senior Affiliate, Households in Conflict Network (HiCN)

Other professional experience

- 2007–08 Post-doctoral Fellow, Center for Global Development
- 1998–00 Deloitte Consulting, Senior consultant
- 1996–98 Deloitte & Touche, Auditor

Policy & advisory roles

- 2010–11 Governance Advisor, International Rescue Committee
- 2007–11 Government of Uganda, Office of the Prime Minister, Evaluation consultant
- 2008–09 U.N. Peacebuilding Fund in Liberia, Advisor to Joint Steering Committee
- 2007–09 World Bank, Human Development Group, Evaluation consultant
- 2007–09 World Bank, Children & Youth Group, Evaluation technical adviser
- 2005–07 Survey of War Affected Youth (SWAY) in northern Uganda, Principal Investigator
- 2006–07 World Bank, Europe & Central Asia Region, Evaluation consultant
- 2004 World Bank, Africa Private Sector Unit, Consultant

RESEARCH

Works in progress

- Annan, Jeannie and Christopher Blattman. “Can swords be turned into ploughshares? The impact of ex-combatant reintegration on incomes, aggression and insurrection.”
- Annan, Jeannie, Christopher Blattman, Eric Green, and Julian Jamison. “Fostering female entrepreneurship and empowerment: Experimental evidence from Uganda.”
- Blair, Robert and Christopher Blattman. “Micro-level conflict forecasting: Evidence from post-war Liberia”
- Blattman, Christopher. “Impact Evaluation 2.0: A handbook for field experiments in developing countries”
- Blattman, Christopher and Stefan Dercon. “More sweatshops for Africa? A randomized evaluation of the impact of industrial jobs on unskilled workers”
- Blattman, Christopher and Mathilde Emeriau. “Gender differences in political responses to violent trauma: Evidence from Uganda”
- Blattman, Christopher and Alexandra Hartman. “Can civic education and conflict resolution programs promote peace? Evidence from a village-level experiment in Liberia.”
- Blattman, Christopher, Alexandra Hartman, and Benjamin Morse. “Post-traumatic political activation? Evidence from Liberia”
- Blattman, Christopher, Eric Green, Julian Jamison, and Christian Lehmann “The spillover effects of humanitarian aid: How does development assistance to the ultra-poor affect village economies?”

Working papers and papers under review

- Bazzi, Samuel and Christopher Blattman. “Economic shocks and conflict: The (absence of) evidence from commodity prices.”
- Beber, Bernd and Christopher Blattman. 2010. “The logic of child soldiering and coercion,” under review at *International Organization*.
- Blattman, Christopher, Nathan Fiala and Sebastian Martinez. “Can employment programs reduce poverty and social instability? Experimental evidence from a Ugandan aid program.”
- Gerber, Alan, Donald Green, Holger Kern, and Christopher Blattman, “Addressing missing outcome data in randomized experiments: A design-based approach.”

Published papers

- Jeannie Annan, Christopher Blattman, Dyan Mazurana and Khristopher Carlson. 2011. “Civil War, Gender and Reintegration in Uganda,” *Journal of Conflict Resolution*.
- Blattman, Christopher and Jeannie Annan. 2010. “The Consequences of Child Soldiering,” *Review of Economics and Statistics* 42(4).
- Blattman, Christopher and Edward Miguel. 2010. “Civil War,” *Journal of Economic Literature* 48:1, 3–57.
- Blattman, Christopher. 2009. “From Violence to Voting: War and Political Participation in Uganda,” *American Political Science Review*.
- Blattman, Christopher, Jason Hwang and Jeffrey G. Williamson. 2007. “Winners and Losers in the Commodity Lottery: The Impact of Terms of Trade Growth and Volatility in the Periphery 1870–1939,” *Journal of Development Economics*, 82 (1):156-79.

Book chapters or sections

- Blattman, Christopher. 2011. "Post-conflict Economic Recovery in Africa: The Micro View," in *Oxford Companion to the Economics of Africa*, edited by Ernest Aryeetey, Shanta Devarajan, Ravi Kanbur, Louis Kasende.
- Blattman, Christopher and Jeannie Annan. 2008. "On the nature and causes of LRA abduction: What the abductees say," in *The Lord's Resistance Army: Myth and Reality*, edited by T. Allen and K. Vlassenroot. London: Zed Books.
- Annan, Jeannie and Christopher Blattman. 2008. "Child combatants in northern Uganda: Reintegration myths and realities," in *Security and Post-Conflict Reconstruction: Dealing With Fighters in the Aftermath of War*, edited by R. Muggah. New York: Routledge Press.

Ongoing field research projects and field experiments

- 2010-12. More sweatshops for Africa? A randomized evaluation of the impact of industrial jobs on unskilled workers (Ethiopia), with Stefan Dercon
- 2010-12. Randomized evaluation of government transfer programs on political partisanship and voting behavior (Uganda), with Nathan Fiala and Sebastian Martinez
- 2010-12. Assessment of behavioral and economic poverty traps, a panel study and program evaluation with street youth in Monrovia (Liberia), with Julian Jamison and Margaret Sheridan
- 2011-12. Assessment of a female economic empowerment program (Phase 2): Paternalism versus empowerment: Should NGOs hold beneficiaries accountable for how they spend economic assistance? (Uganda), with Jeannie Annan, Eric Green and Julian Jamison

Policy papers and reports

- 2011. "Can we teach peace and conflict resolution? Results from a randomized evaluation of the Community Empowerment Program (CEP) in Liberia," with A. Hartman and R. Blair, Innovations for Poverty Action, delivered to the Government of Liberia and UNHCR.
- 2011. "Patterns of Conflict and Cooperation in Liberia: Results from a longitudinal study," with A. Hartman and R. Blair, Innovations for Poverty Action, delivered to the Government of Liberia and Humanity United.
- 2011. "Reintegrating and employment high-risk youth: Lessons from a randomized evaluation of a Landmine Action agricultural training program for ex-combatants," with J. Annan, Innovations for Poverty Action, delivered to the Government of Liberia and Landmine Action.
- 2008. "Impact Evaluation 2.0," speech delivered to the UK Department for International Development.
- 2007. "The State of Female Youth in Northern Uganda," with J. Annan D. Mazurana, and K. Carlson, prepared for UNICEF Uganda.
- 2006. "The State of Youth and Youth Protection in Northern Uganda," with J. Annan and R. Horton, prepared for UNICEF Uganda.
- 2005. "Enhancing the Competitiveness of Kenya's Manufacturing Sector: The Role of the Investment Climate," prepared for The World Bank, with Vijaya Ramachandran et. al.
- 2003. "Assessing the Need and Potential of Community Networking for Development in Rural India," with Raul Roman and Robert T. Jensen.

Grants awarded

- 2010-12 Templeton Foundation, “More sweatshops for Africa”, Ethiopia
2011 Yale University Institution for Social and Policy Studies, Field Experiments Initiative, “Spillover effects of an aid program in Uganda”, Uganda
2009-11 World Bank Gender and Conflict Trust Fund, Urban Youth evaluation, Liberia
2009-11 World Bank Gender and Conflict Trust Fund, WINGS evaluation, Uganda
2010-11 Private Foundation, “More sweatshops for Africa”, Ethiopia
2010 Yale University Institution for Social and Policy Studies, Field Experiments Initiative
2009 Yale University Macmillan Center, Faculty Research Award
2009-11 Private Foundation, WINGS program and evaluation
2009-11 World Bank CHYAO Trust Fund, Livelihoods for urban street youth, Liberia
2009-11 World Bank CHYAO Trust Fund, Impact evaluation technical assistance, Liberia
2009 Yale University Macmillan Center, Faculty Research Award
2008-10 World Bank Spanish Impact Evaluation Fund, LMA evaluation, Liberia
2007 World Bank Spanish Impact Evaluation Fund, NUSAF evaluation, Uganda
2006–07 UNICEF Uganda, SWAY II study, Uganda
2005–06 UNICEF Uganda, SWAY I study, Uganda
2005 Macarthur Foundation, Human Rights Research Grant

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Invited academic seminars

- 2011 *Northwestern University*, Buffett Center for International & Comparative Studies: Seminar
New York University, Department of Politics: Departmental seminar
University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy Studies: Political economy workshop
John Hopkins SAIS & Center for Global Development: Development seminar
World Bank Research Group: Financial Economics seminar
Georgetown University, Government Department: Comparative Government Seminar
University of Liberia, Kofi Annan Institute for Peacebuilding Studies: Lecture
George Mason University, Department of Economics: Departmental seminar
George Mason University, Department of Economics: Political economy seminar
Toulouse School of Economics: Development economics seminar
New York University, Department of Economics: Development economics seminar
Yale University, Department of Political Science: Comparative politics seminar
Rutgers University Newark, Department of Economics: Development economics seminar
Yale University, Department of Political Science: Order, conflict and violence seminar
2010 *Princeton University*, Departments of Politics and Public Affairs: International Security seminar
Columbia University, Department of Political Science: International politics seminar
New York University, Wagner School of Public Service: Conflict, security and development seminar
World Bank, Africa Group: Management Retreat, Keynote lecture
Paris School of Economics: Development economics seminar

- Toulouse School of Economics*: Development economics seminar
GWU, Elliott School of International Affairs: Institute for Global and International Studies seminar
Johns Hopkins University, SAIS: Development Seminar
- 2009 *Columbia University*, Department of Political Science: Comparative politics seminar
MIT, Department of Political Science: Departmental panel on African politics
Cornell University, Institute for the Social Sciences: Persistent Poverty and Upward Mobility seminar
NYU, Department of Economics: Development seminar
University of British Columbia, Liu Center for International Affairs: Research seminar
Simon Fraser University, School for International Studies: International studies seminar
Yale University, Department of Political Science, Order Conflict & Violence Seminar
- 2008 *Stockholm University*, IIES: Departmental seminar
Bocconi University, IGIER: Departmental seminar
European Centre for Advanced Research in Economics and Statistics: Departmental seminar
London School of Economics, Development Studies Institute: DESTIN Seminar
University of Sussex, Institute for Development Studies: Departmental seminar
Yale University, Department of Economics: Development economics seminar
- 2007 *World Bank*, Development Economics Research Group: Applied microeconomics seminar
The Brookings Institution: Colloquium on armed conflict panelist
Center for Global Development: Research seminar
United States Institute for Peace: Colloquium on Child Soldiering panelist
- 2006 *Stanford University*, Center for International Security and Cooperation: Seminar
Yale University, Department of Political Science: Order, Conflict and Violence seminar
Columbia University, Mailman School of Public Health: Forced migration seminar

Conference Presentations

- 2011 New York University, Development Research Institute, 2011 Annual DRI conference presentation
Columbia University, Workshop on Field Experimentation in Political Economy
- 2010 American Economic Association, 2010 Annual Meeting, Atlanta GA
 Experiments in Governance and Politics (EGAP) conference, *Columbia University*
- 2009 Conference on Institutions and Economic Development, *Yale University* and *Fudan University*, Shanghai, China
 Experiments in Governance and Politics (EGAP) conference, *Yale University*
 Economics of National Security Conference, National Bureau of Economic research (NBER), Cambridge MA
- 2008 Households in Conflict Network, Annual Workshop, *Yale University*
 American Political Science Association, 2008 Annual Meeting, Chicago IL
 Conference on Development Effectiveness, Australia National University
- 2007 African Studies Association, 2007 Annual Meeting, New York NY

War, Population and Health conference, UC Berkeley

International Studies Association, 2007 Annual Meeting, Chicago IL

2006

American Political Science Association, 2006 Annual Meeting, Philadelphia PA

Working Group in African Political Economy, UCLA

Pacific Development Conference, University of Santa Clara

Conference on Northern Uganda, Columbia University

North-Eastern Universities Development Conference (NEUDC), Cornell University