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EDUCATION

LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS (LSE)

PhD Economic History

Dissertation: Essays in African Demographic and Health History (supervisors: **Prof. Leigh Gardner**, **Prof. Eric Schneider**)

London, UK

Sep 2021 - ongoing

MSc Economic History (1st class)

Sep 2019 - Sep 2020

Coursework: African Economic History, Quantitative Topics in Economic History, Economic Growth in Historical Perspective

Dissertation: Racial and Occupational Health Disparities in 19th Century American Maritime Economies (supervisor: **Prof. Leigh Gardner**)

UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN (UCT)

M.Com. in Applied Economics (1st class)

Cape Town, South Africa

Feb 2017 - Feb 2019

Coursework: Econometrics, Microeconomics, Labour Economics, Development Microeconomics (awarded class prize)

Dissertation: Impact of South African Land Reform on Gendered Intrahousehold Bargaining (supervisor: **Dr. Malcolm Keswell**)

B.Com. (Hons.) in Economics (2:1)

Feb 2013 - Dec 2016

Electives: Complex Survey Analysis, Development Economics, Labour Economics, Constitutional Law, Property Law

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

WHAT WORKS FOR CHILDREN'S SOCIAL CARE

Research Associate

London, UK

September 2020 - August 2021

- Worked on numerous impact evaluations of systems of practice via randomised controlled trials and quasi experimental designs
- Designed and conducted numerous sector and study surveys, conducted survey validation via principal components analysis

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC HISTORY, UNIVERSITY OF LUND

Research Assistant

London, UK

Feb 2020 - Feb 2021

- Working with **Dr. Jutta Bolt** on a demography project entitled **Africa's Population Boom in Historical Perspective**
- I source and digitise the medical and sanitary reports of colonial African states for the estimation of mortality and birth rates

SOUTHERN AFRICA LABOUR AND DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH UNIT (SALDRU)

Research Assistant

Cape Town, South Africa

July 2017 - Sept 2019

- Worked with **Dr. Malcolm Keswell** on LRES, a 3ie-funded impact evaluation of **South Africa's Land Restitution Programme**

Programme

- Extracted data (onsite) from six provincial registries to construct a national sampling frame of several thousand beneficiaries
- Conducted multiple field tests of survey instruments and assisted in fieldworker training

QHUBEKA

Research Intern

Cape Town, South Africa

Jan 2017 - Jun 2017

- Worked within the evaluation division of **Qhubeka**, an NPO distributing bicycles to students in rural Southern Africa
- Designed and conducted a survey of over four hundred high school students, assessing student mobility and transport access

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC HISTORY, LSE

Graduate Teaching Assistant (GTA)

London, UK

Sep 2022 - Ongoing

- **EH238: The Origins of Growth** (Full unit, two years) Course exploring the origins of modern economic growth, focusing on the British Industrial Revolution
- **EH222: The Economic History of MENA** (Full unit, one year) Course exploring the economic history of the Middle East and North Africa, from the pre-Islamic era to the modern day.
- **EC103: Inequality: Economic, Historical and Sociological Perspectives** (Summer school course, one year) A survey of the key evidence on inequality, both contemporary and historical, and the sources and methods used to measure it.
- **The Department Writing Advisor**. One-on-one writing tutor. Developed departmental **writing** and **referencing** guides

SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS, UCT

Tutor (GTA equivalent)

Cape Town, South Africa

Jul 2018 - Feb 2019

- Analysis of Household Survey Data (honour's course)
- **Understanding Complex Social Survey Data** (a Stata-intensive course for graduate students and statistical agency officials)

SERVICE, AWARDS & EXPERIENCE

FUNDING & AWARDS

- The 2023 Class Teacher Award, Department of Economic History 2023
- The 2023 Summer School Class Teacher Award, LSE Summer School 2023
- PhD Studentship (covering full fees and living stipend), LSE 2021-2025
- Research Fund for Graduate Students (£1,000), Economic History Society 2023

SERVICE & ADMINISTRATIVE ROLES

- Advisory board member, **Historical Economic Demography Group** Dec 2023 - ongoing
- Editorial assistant, **The Economic History Review** Dec 2021 - ongoing
- Manager of the department's **Twitter Profile** , LSE Dec 2022 - ongoing

EVENT & SERIES ORGANISATION

- Organiser of PhD Reading Group: Great books in economic history Sep 2021 - ongoing
- Copy editor, **Volckhart, Oliver** *Silver Empires* (in press) Sep 2022
- Speaker organiser for **Youth Pre-Conference of the 17th World Conference on Tobacco or Health** Mar 2018
- Organiser and discussion chair for **Fee Reform**, a series on expanding access to higher education Nov 2016
- Organiser and videographer for **TEDxCape Town** Mar 2016

EXTRACURRICULAR

- Master of Boats and crew-member of men's first eight **Rowing Club** , LSE May 2023 - ongoing
- Volunteer librarian **Cricklewood Community Library** , London Dec 2021 - ongoing
- Quizmaster for a weekly **pub quiz** at **The Taproom**, Cape Town Jun 2018 - Sept 2019
- Exhibition of my portrait photography, entitled **UCT Pictorial**, in Molly Blackburn Hall, UCT May 2015

CONFERENCES & WORKING PAPERS

POSTERS

- Racial inequality in infectious disease mortality in South African cities, 1910-48 **Economic History Society Conference 2023**, Warwick UK 2023
- Death, Disease and Healthcare in South Africa, 1910-1994 ,**2023 Meeting of the Economic History Association**, Pittsburgh USA 2023

PRESENTATIONS

- Racial inequality in infectious disease mortality in South African cities, 1910-48 **5th Conference Of The European Society Of Historical Demography 2023**, Nijmegen NL 2023
- Racial inequality in infectious disease mortality in South African cities, 1910-48 **Werner Troesken Memorial Conference**,Pittsburgh US 2023
- Racial health inequalities during apartheid: The role of antibiotics, 1940-1970 **BSPS Annual Conference**,Bath UK 2024
- Antibiotics and Tuberculosis in apartheid South Africa, 1940-1970 **IUSSP Workshop**,Alghero Italy 2024

WORKING PAPERS

- Fitzhenry, Nicholas, and Malcolm Keswell. 'Pareto Efficient Intrahousehold Allocations and Land Rights: Evidence from South Africa.' SALDRU Working Paper, 2021. <http://localhost:8080/handle/11090/1017> 2021

OTHER

- Fitzhenry, Nick et al. Ethnic Minority Social Workers in the UK: Workforce Representation, Welfare, Retention and Progression. Rapid Review. [United Kingdom]. What Works for Children's Social Care, 2022. Print. , 2021. [link](#) 2022

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- **Royal Historical Society** Aug 2022 - Ongoing
- **Economic History Society** July 2023 - Ongoing

SKILLS

- **Software:** Microsoft Access, Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Stata, R, LaTeX, SurveyCTO, ArcGIS
- **Accredited Researcher:** Office for National Statistics, Secure Research Service
- **Languages:** English, Afrikaans, French (Beginner)